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WELKLY DEPARTMENT STORE SALES

Federal Reserve District	Percentage change from corresponding period a year ago (Based on retail dollar amounts)						
		One wee	Four weeks ending	Jan. 1 to			
	June 23	June 16	June 9	June 2	June 23	June 23	
Boston New York Philadelphia Cleveland	+12 + 9 +10 + 3	+ 9 +13 r+16 +14	+15 +11 +11 + 4	+ 1 + 6 + 6 + 8	+10 +10 +11 + 7	+ 2 + 4 + 5 + 5	
Richmond Atlanta Chicago St. Louis	+ 5 + 2 + 6 + 6	+17 + 5 +13 +12	+11 + 9 + 6 +13	+ 1 + 1 + 9 + 9	+ 9 + 4 + 9 +10	+ 3 + 5 + 4 + 6	
Minneapolis Kansas City Dallas San Francisco	+12 + 9 + 6 + 4	r+18 +10 + 5 + 3	+11 - + 9 + 6 + 3	+31 + 8 + 9 + 5	+17 + 9 + 7 + 4	+ 5 + 2 + 3 + 1	
U.S. Total	+ 6	+12	+ 9	+ 7	+ 8	+ 4	

U. S. weekly index, without seasonal adjustment, 1947-49=100 1/

1956	-	1955		1954
May 26	117	iday 28	114	Hay 29 104
June 2	109	June 14	102	June 5 97
June 9	124	June 11	114	June 12 111
June 16	131	June 18	117	June 19 115
June 23	109	June 25	103	June 26 97

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Weekly indexes at the district and city levels are published by several of the Federal Reserve Banks.

^{1/} For description and weekly indexes for the period January 1937 to March 1952 see Federal Reserve Bulletin for April 1952, pp. 359-362. Indexes for the period April 1952 to date may be obtained upon request from the Division of Research and Statistics.