

BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

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January 29, 1959.WEEKLY DEPARTMENT STORE SALES

Federal Reserve District	Percentage change from corresponding period a year ago (Based on retail dollar amounts)				Four weeks ending Jan. 24	Year 1958		
	One week ending							
	Jan. 24	Jan. 17	Jan. 10	Jan. 3				
Boston	+ 3	+ 9	+ 3	- 6	+ 2	+ 2		
New York	+ 1	+ 4	0	- 1	+ 1	+ 3		
Philadelphia	+ 6	+12	+ 8	+ 6	+ 8	+ 2		
Cleveland	- 6	r- 4	- 6	+ 8	- 2	- 2		
Richmond	+12	+ 8	+ 4	+ 2	+ 6	+ 2		
Atlanta	+10	+ 7	+ 6	+ 7	+ 7	+ 1		
Chicago	- 1	+ 3	+ 4	0	+ 2	- 2		
St. Louis	- 1	r+ 3	+ 5	+ 1	+ 2	0		
Minneapolis	+ 5	- 1	+ 2	- 2	+ 1	0		
Kansas City	+16	+11	+ 9	- 9	+ 6	+ 4		
Dallas	+13	+ 2	+ 8	0	+ 6	0		
San Francisco	+16	+11	+13	+ 8	+12	+ 2		
U. S. Total	+ 5	+ 5	+ 4	+ 2	+ 4	+ 1		

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

1958		1957		1956	
Dec. 27	205	Dec. 28	158	Dec. 29	121
<u>1959</u>		<u>1958</u>		<u>1957</u>	
Jan. 3	104	Jan. 4	102	Jan. 5	100
Jan. 10	121	Jan. 11	116	Jan. 12	114
Jan. 17	116	Jan. 18	110	Jan. 19	107
Jan. 24	105	Jan. 25	100	Jan. 26	103

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1/ For description and weekly indexes for the period January 1937 to March 1958 see Federal Reserve Bulletin for April 1958, pp. 412-421.

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