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WEEKLY DEPARTMENT STORE SALES

Federal Reserve	Percentage change from corresponding period a year ago (Based on retail dollar amounts)									
District		ne week	ending		Four weeks ending	Jan. 1 to July 18				
Boston	+ 3	+ 2	+ 3	0	+ 2	+ 5				
New York	+ 7	r+ 1	- 1	+ 1	+ 2	+ 4				
Philadelphia	+ 3	+ 6	+15	+ 7	+ 8	+ 7				
Cleveland	+ 6	+ 9	+11	+ 7	+ 8	+ 8				
Richmond	+ 2	+ 1	+17	+ 5	+ 6	+ 7				
Atlanta	+ 3	r+15	+ 7	+ 6	+ 8	+ 7				
Chicago	+ 8	+11	+ 4	+10	+ 8	+10				
St. Louis	+ 5	+13	+14	+ 8	+10	+ 9				
Minneapolis	+ 8	r+ 3	- 1	+ 4	+ 4	+ 6				
Kansas City	+ 5	+10	- 2	+ 8	+ 5	+ 9				
Dallas	+ 6	+14	+ 3	+ 3	+ 7	+ 9				
San Francisco	+15	+11	+10	+12	+12	+11				
U. S. Total	+7	+ 9	+ 7	+ 7	+ 8	+ 8				

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

1959			1958			1957	
June	20	143	J	une 21	117	June 22	128
June	27	118	J ₁	une 28	110	June 29	115
July	4	109	J:	uly 5	102	July 6	101
July		126	J	uly 12	116	July 13	111
July :	18	_ 118	J	uly 19	110	July 20	108

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^{1/} For description and weekly indexes for the period January 1937 to March 1958 See Federal Reserve <u>Bulletin</u> for April 1958, pp. 412-421.

Weekly indexes at the district and city levels are published by several of

the Federal Reserve Banks.