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## BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

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August 27, 1959.WEEKLY DEPARTMENT STORE SALES

Federal Reserve District	Percentage change from corresponding period a year ago (Based on retail dollar amounts)					
	One week ending				Four weeks ending	Jan. 1 to
	Aug. 22	Aug. 15	Aug. 8	Aug. 1	Aug. 22	Aug. 22
Boston	-14	0	+9	+4	-1	+4
New York	-12	r 0	+9	+3	-1	+3
Philadelphia	-12	+3	+8	+6	+1	+7
Cleveland	-2	r+4	+10	+7	+4	+7
Richmond	-8	+1	+4	+1	0	+6
Atlanta	+5	+9	+7	+4	+6	+7
Chicago	-4	+6	+11	+7	+5	+9
St. Louis	-2	+4	+4	+4	+2	+8
Minneapolis	-2	+11	+15	+6	+7	+6
Kansas City	-1	+8	+9	+4	+5	+8
Dallas	+5	+7	+10	+8	+7	+8
San Francisco	+9	r+11	+8	+9	+9	+11
U. S. Total	-1	+6	+9	+6	+5	+8

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

<u>1959</u>		<u>1958</u>		<u>1957</u>	
July 25	117	July 26	111	July 27	108
Aug. 1	121	Aug. 2	114	Aug. 3	111
Aug. 8	131	Aug. 9	120	Aug. 10	118
Aug. 15	132	Aug. 16	124	Aug. 17	122
Aug. 22	132	Aug. 23	134	Aug. 24	130

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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.