BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

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WEEKLY DEPARTMENT STORE SALES

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Federal Reserve	Percentage change from corresponding period a year ago (Based on retail dollar amounts)							
District	l	ek ending	Four weeks ending Nov. 7	Jan. 1 to Nov. 7				
Boston New York Philadelphia Cleveland	+ 3 + 7 + 2 + 6 -11 0 + 6 + 9	+ 4 + 7 + 8 + 6 + 7 - 2 +10 +13	+ 5 + 6 - 2 +10	+ 3 + 3 + 4 + 7				
Richmond Atlanta Chicago St. Louis	- 5 r+10 + 7 r+13 + 7 + 7 +16 + 1	+13 + 9 +10 + 8 +12 +17 + 2 +11	+ 7 +10 +11 + 8	+ 4 + 7 + 9 + 6				
Minneapolis Kansas City Dallas San Francisco	-1 +8 +3 -1 +11 +1 +12 r+6	- 5 +22 + 4 + 7 + 1 + 5 + 2 + 6	+ 4 + 3 + 4 + 6	+ 6 + 7 + 7 +10				
U. S. Total	+ 5 + 7	+ 7 +10	+ 7	+ 7				

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

1959		1958		1957	
Oct. 10	151	Oct. 11	147	Oct. 12	142
Oct. 17	160	Oct. 18	146	Oct. 19	138
Oct. 24	150	Oct. 25	140	Oct. 26	136
Oct. 31	145	Nov. 1	136	Nov. 2	130
Nov. 7	155	Nov. 8	148	Nov. 9	145

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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.