BOARD OF GOVERNOKS OF THE FEDERAL RESEPVE SYSTEM FOR IMEEDATE RELEASE June 23, 1960.

WEEKLY DEPARTMENT STORE SALFS

| Federal Reserve <br> District | Percentage charge from corresponding period a year ago (Based on retail dollar emounts) |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | One week ending |  |  |  | Fcur weeks ending June 18 | $\begin{gathered} \text { Jan. } 1 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { June } 18 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
|  | June 1 | June | une | Mav 28* |  |  |
| Buston | $+8$ | $+11$ | -18 | +16 | $+3$ | $+3$ |
| New York | $+7$ | + 5 | -16 | +21 | + +3 | $+5$ |
| Philadelphia | + 3 | - 1 | -20 | + 9 | - 3 | $+2$ |
| Cleveland | $+6$ | $+3$ | -17 | $+16$ | $+1$ | + 3 |
| Richmond | $+3$ | - 5 | -19 | $+11$ | - 3 | - 2 |
| Atlanta | + 5 | r+9 | + 5 | $+9$ | $+7$ | $+2$ |
| Chicago | $+3$ | - 1 | -18 | +19 | - 1 | $+2$ |
| St. Louis | $+9$ | $+8$ | - 1 | $+11$ | $+7$ | 0 |
| Kinneapolis | + 5 | - 3 | -17 | +27 | $+1$ | $+3$ |
| Kansas City | - 3 | - 1 | -10 | +20 | $+1$ | - 2 |
| Dallas | -8 | - 3 | $+3$ | - 7 | - 4 | -2 |
| San Francisco | - 2 | r-1 | -13 | +15 | - 1 | +1 |
| U. S. Total | $+3$ | $+2$ | -13 | +14 | + 1 | $+2$ |

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| 1960 |  | 1959 |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| May 21 | 138 | May 23 | 139 | May | 24 | 128 |
| May 28 | 139 | May 30 | 122 | May | 31 | 116 |
| June 4 | 131 | June 6 | 150 | June 7 | 135 |  |
| June 11 | 144 | June 13 | 141 | June 14 | 138 |  |
| June 18 | 148 | June 20 | 143 | June 21 | 117 |  |

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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.
*--Memorial Day last year occurred in the week ending May 30, whereas this year it was one week later. Therefore, the week ending May 28, 1960 had one more trading day than the corresponding week last year.

