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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 Feb. 11	Jan. 1 to Feb. 11 1/
	Feb. 11	Feb. 4	Jan. 28	Jan. 21		
Boston	+ 7	-15	+ 9	-19	- 5	- 3
New York	-11	-16	r- 9	-15	-13	- 9
Philadelphia	-14	-18	-16	-27	-19	-13
Cleveland	- 2	-12	-14	0	- 7	- 6
Richmond	- 3	-12	-16	-17	-12	- 9
Atlanta	+ 5	r+ 6	- 7	+ 4	+ 2	0
Chicago	+ 3	- 6	- 6	+ 1	- 2	- 3
St. Louis	- 9	- 8	- 8	- 5	- 8	- 7
Minneapolis	+ 1	r- 3	- 5	- 8	- 2	- 4
Kansas City	- 4	+12	- 1	+11	+ 4	+ 4
Dallas	- 2	+ 6	-13	0	- 2	- 3
San Francisco	- 8	r+ 9	- 5	+ 2	- 1	- 2
U. S. Total	- 3	- 5	- 7	- 5	- 5	- 4

U. S. weekly index, without seasonal adjustment, 1947-49=100 2/

1961		1960		1959	
Jan. 14	129	Jan. 16	121	Jan. 17	116
Jan. 21	107	Jan. 23	113	Jan. 24	105
Jan. 28	103	Jan. 30	111	Jan. 31	106
Feb. 4	106	Feb. 6	111	Feb. 7	108
Feb. 11	111	Feb. 13	115	Feb. 14	111

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1/ Comparison period begins with January 2-7 week in 1961 and with January 4-9 week in 1960.

2/ 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.