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## BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
June 1, 1961.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
	May 27	May 20	May 13	May 6	May 27	May 27
Boston	+ 5	+ 9	+20	-12	+ 5	+ 4
New York	0	+ 2	+21	- 9	+ 3	+ 1
Philadelphia	- 3	+ 7	+18	-16	+ 1	- 2
Cleveland	- 3	+ 6	+14	-14	0	- 3
Richmond	+ 1	+11	+24	-12	+ 5	0
Atlanta	- 5	+ 4	+21	-10	+ 2	0
Chicago	- 4	r+ 9	+10	-11	+ 1	- 2
St. Louis	- 3	- 3	+ 9	-12	- 3	- 2
Minneapolis	+ 1	+ 5	+17	- 3	+ 5	0
Kansas City	- 2	+ 6	+20	-11	+ 3	+ 5
Dallas	- 4	+ 6	+19	-11	+ 2	0
San Francisco	- 4	r+ 1	r+15	-10	0	0
U. S. Total	- 1	+ 6	+17	-10	+ 2	0

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

1961		1960		1959	
Apr. 29	146	Apr. 30	151	May 2	141
May 6	140	May 7	156	May 9	158
May 13	157	May 14	134	May 16	137
May 20	146	May 21	138	May 23	139
May 27	137	May 28	139	May 30	122

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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.