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BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM  
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
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## WEEKLY DEPARTMENT STORE SALES

| Federal Reserve<br>District | Percentage change from corresponding period a year ago<br>(Based on retail dollar amounts) |         |         |        |                                 |                         |
|-----------------------------|--|---------|---------|--------|---------------------------------|-------------------------|
|                             | One week ending  |         |         |        | Four weeks<br>ending<br>June 24 | Jan. 1<br>to<br>June 24 |
|                             | June 24  | June 17 | June 10 | June 3 |                                 |                         |
| Boston                      | + 5  | + 9     | + 8     | + 5    | + 7                             | + 4                     |
| New York                    | + 3  | + 8     | + 8     | + 1    | + 5                             | + 2                     |
| Philadelphia                | + 4  | +11     | + 2     | - 2    | + 4                             | - 1                     |
| Cleveland                   | + 1  | + 8     | + 1     | - 2    | + 2                             | - 2                     |
| Richmond                    | + 5  | +11     | + 7     | + 3    | + 6                             | + 1                     |
| Atlanta                     | - 2  | + 5     | + 5     | 0      | + 2                             | 0                       |
| Chicago                     | + 2  | + 9     | + 1     | 0      | + 3                             | - 1                     |
| St. Louis                   | - 8  | + 4     | + 6     | + 3    | + 1                             | - 1                     |
| Kansas City                 | + 4  | + 5     | + 6     | + 5    | + 5                             | + 1                     |
| Dallas                      | + 2  | + 8     | + 6     | + 2    | + 5                             | + 5                     |
| San Francisco               | - 1  | - 4     | - 3     | - 5    | - 3                             | - 1                     |
| ✓ U. S. Total               | + 4  | + 7     | + 7     | 0      | + 5                             | + 1                     |
| ✓ U. S. Total               | + 2  | + 8     | + 5     | + 1    | + 4                             | + 1                     |

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

| 1961    |     | 1960    |     | 1959    |     |
|---------|-----|---------|-----|---------|-----|
| May 27  | 137 | May 28  | 139 | May 30  | 122 |
| June 3  | 132 | June 4  | 131 | June 6  | 150 |
| June 10 | 151 | June 11 | 144 | June 13 | 141 |
| June 17 | 159 | June 18 | 147 | June 20 | 143 |
| June 24 | 127 | June 25 | 124 | June 27 | 118 |

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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.

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