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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 Dec. 9	Jan. 1 to Dec. 9	
	Dec. 9	Dec. 2	Nov. 25	Nov. 18			
Boston	+ 4	+11	+13	+13	+ 9	+ 5	
New York	+ 2	+ 7	+ 7	+ 5	+ 5	+ 2	
Philadelphia	+ 1	+ 5	+10	+ 8	+ 5	+ 1	
Cleveland	- 2	+ 2	+ 6	+ 3	+ 1	0	
Richmond	- 1	0	+ 9	+ 3	+ 2	+ 1	
Atlanta	+ 1	r 0	+ 6	+ 3	+ 2	0	
Chicago	- 2	0	+ 5	+ 5	+ 1	+ 1	
St. Louis	- 7	- 3	r+ 3	+ 9	- 1	0	
Minneapolis	- 3	r- 1	+ 6	+ 1	0	+ 1	
Kansas City	- 3	- 1	+ 5	+ 4	0	+ 3	
Dallas	+ 7	+ 1	+ 5	+ 7	+ 5	+ 1	
San Francisco	+ 4	r+ 1	r+ 8	+ 8	+ 5	+ 2	
✓ U. S. Total	✓ + 1	+ 3	+ 7	+ 6	+ 4	+ 2	

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

1961	1960	1959
Nov. 11 169	Nov. 12 163	Nov. 14 167
Nov. 18 180	Nov. 19 170	Nov. 21 182
Nov. 25 185	Nov. 26 173	Nov. 28 176
Dec. 2 r238	Dec. 3 231	Dec. 5 249
Dec. 9 298	Dec. 10 296	Dec. 12 298

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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.