

FEDERAL RESERVE

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WEEKLY DEPARTMENT STORE SALES 1/

Federal Reserve	Percentage change from corresponding periods a year ago (Based on retail dollar amounts)					
District	Cne week ending	our weeks Jan. 1 ending to aug. 25 Aug. 25				
Boston New York Philadelphia Cleveland	-5 r+1 +12 -1 -1 +1 +1 +3 -2 +3 -1 -3 r 0 +1 +1	+ 1 + 4 + 3 + 4 + 2 + 5 - 1 + 2				
Richmond Atlanta Chicago St. Louis	-1 +2 +4 +3 +4 +4 +8 +4 -1 +6 +5 +5 -5 +4 +4 0	+ 2 + 5 + 4 + 1 + 6 + 6 + 6 + 5				
Hinneapolis Kansas City Dallas San Francisco	0 +6 +2 +4 -1 -1 +2 +1 -4 +2 +9 +9 +3 +6 +8 +10	+ 3 + 1 + 2 + 6 + 6 + 6				
U. 3. Total	-2 +3 +6 +4	+ 3 + 5				

U.S. weekly sales index, without seasonal adjustment, $1957-59 = 100 \frac{1}{2}$

1962			1961		1960	
July 2	28	95	July 2	9 90	July	30 88
Aug.	4	99	 Aug.	5 95	Aug.	6 92
Aug. I			Aug. 1	2 94	Aug.	13 95
Aug.	18	106	Aug. I	9 103	Aug.	20 100
Aug. 2	25	108	Aug. 20	5 110	Aug.	27 104

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1/ honthly and weekly indexes of department store sales have been revised. For description of revision of monthly indexes see Federal Reserve <u>Bulletin</u> for July 1962. A description of revision of weekly indexes will appear in the <u>Fulletin</u> for August 1962.

Meekly indexes at the district and city levels are published by several of the

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