

## BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

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DEPARTMENT STORE SALES, BY CITIES  
Percentage Change from Corresponding Period a Year Ago

Federal Reserve district and city	Jan.- Oct.	Month of Nov.	Week ending				
			Dec. 14	Dec. 21	Dec. 28 <sup>7</sup>	Jan. 4*	Jan. 11
UNITED STATES	+29	+24	+20	+26	+77	r+38	+24
<u>Boston District</u>	+27	+28	+13	+27	+80	+36	+18
New Haven Conn.	+26	+35	+22	+26	+87	+54	+15
Boston Mass.	+26	+26	+17	+32	+82	+39	+24
Springfield "	+20	+23	+10	+21	+85	+34	+12
Providence R. I.	+24	+25	+7	+26	+70	+30	+6
<u>New York District</u>	+31	+28	+22	+31	+77	+42	+30
Newark N. J.	+31	+29	+24	+27	+74	+46	+19
Buffalo N. Y.	+30	+25	+23	r+53	r+71	r+30	+20
New York "	+30	+26	+21	+28	r+78	+42	+34
Rochester "	+30	+33	+18	r+35	+84	r+51	+20
Syracuse "	+39	+35	+33	+41	+86	+48	+31
<u>Philadelphia District</u>	+29	+25	+19	+26	r+60	+35	+26
Philadelphia Pa.	+26	+20	+16	+22	r+50	+31	+22
<u>Cleveland District</u>	+28	+26	+25	+27	+92	+39	+22
Akron Ohio	+20	+16	+17	+21	+89	r+44	+8
Cincinnati "	+33	+24	+20	+24	+82	r+35	+24
Cleveland "	+26	+26	+21	+27	+154	+35	+19
Columbus "	+29	+30	+24	+22	+74	+41	+9
Toledo "	+23	+23	+22	+12	+83	+26	+18
Pittsburgh Pa.	+30	+27	+33	+35	+75	+44	+32
<u>Richmond District</u>	+23	+16	+14	+16	+56	r+23	+16
Washington D. C.	+19	+17	+7	+11	+60	+13	+7
Baltimore Md.	+24	+16	+18	+23	+45	+37	+27
<u>Atlanta District</u>	+27	+20	+24	+22	+75	r+26	+18
Birmingham Ala.	+26	+11	+11	+21	+84	+36	+18
Miami Fla.	+32	+25	+32	+26	+64	+22	+20
Atlanta Ga.	+32	+18	+17	+22	+81	r+38	+12
New Orleans La.	+27	+24	+14	+20	+85	+11	+33
Nashville Tenn.	+39	+27	+18	+35	+55	r+39	+24
<u>Chicago District</u>	+30	+27	+19	+28	+81	r+37	+23
Chicago Ill.	+31	+24	+17	+25	+76	+39	+21
Indianapolis Ind.	+25	+21	+20	+27	+88	+39	+16
Detroit Mich.	+28	+25	+20	+31	+79	+20	+28
Milwaukee Wis.	+35	+27	+20	+23	+74	+57	+31

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			Dec.14	Dec.21	Dec.28#	Jan. 4*	Jan.11	
<u>St. Louis District</u>		+30	+24	+21	+26	+96	+31	+26
Little Rock Ark.		+23	+19	0	+7	+62	+34	+23
Louisville Ky.		+30	+30	+24	+26	+88	+25	+20
St. Louis Mo.		+31	+25	+21	+25	+106	+33	+27
Memphis Tenn.		+31	+22	+14	+26	+88	+30	+26
<u>Minneapolis District</u>		+35	+25					
Minneapolis Minn.		+35	+23					
St. Paul "		+36	+34	(Not available for publication)				
Duluth-Superior " & Wis.		+28	+21					
<u>Kansas City District</u>		+26	+21	+14	+18	+69	+35	+25
Denver Colo.		+35	+30	+25	+31	+127	+65	+41
Wichita Kans.		+19	+11	+14	+8	+47	+4	+18
Kansas City " & Mo.		+26	+19	+24	+31	+68	+30	+16
St. Joseph Mo.		+32	+26	+19	+14	+148	+33	+27
Oklahoma City Okla.		+19	+19	+13	+20	+49	+15	+15
Tulsa "		+23	+25	+9	+17	+59	+29	+18
<u>Dallas District</u>		+30	+24	+15	+25	+63	r+43	+24
Dallas Tex.		+33	+21	+19	+29	+59	+32	+23
Fort Worth "		+35	+20	+10	+17	+55	+32	+25
Houston "		+36	+30	+16	+26	+69	+46	+29
San Antonio "		+29	+23	+13	+26	+73	+91	+20
<u>San Francisco District</u>		+27	+20	+18	+27	+74	+53	r+25
Los Angeles Area Calif.		+21	+22	+15	+25	+72	+57	+29
Oakland "		+23	+23	**	**	**	**	**
San Francisco "		+20	+18	+15	+23	+70	+51	+13
Portland Ore.		+26	+20	+17	+29	+72	+62	+23
Salt Lake City Utah		+32	+17	**	+23	+79	+75	+27
Seattle Wash.		+20	+12	+14	+26	+87	+26	+25

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\* In using year ago comparisons for this week allowance should be made for the fact that this year had 5 trading days as compared with 4 in the corresponding week last year when stores in many cities were closed on Monday, December 31, as well as on Tuesday, January 1.

# Data not available.

# The large increases shown for this week reflect in part the fact that this year Christmas fell on Wednesday and the week therefore included two days of heavy pre-Christmas shopping as compared with one day last year when Christmas fell on Tuesday. In the cities of Cleveland, St. Louis and Denver stores were closed on Monday, December 24, 1945 in addition to Christmas Day.

## Comparison of sales in Buffalo and Rochester in this week affected by storms in the week ending December 22 last year.