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

Federal Reserve district and city	Year 1947	Month of Jan.	Week ending 1/				
			Feb.14	Feb.21*	Feb.28*	Mar..6	Mar.13
UNITED STATES	+ 8	+ 8	- 3	+15	+ 4	r+ 5	+ 4
<u>Boston District</u>	+ 6	+ 2	- 9	+40	-16	- 8	- 3
New Haven Conn.	0	+ 2	+33	+31	+24	- 9	- 1
Boston Mass.	+ 7	+ 4	- 9	+40	-16	- 8	- 3
Springfield "	+ 4	+11	-11	+80	-20	- 4	- 6
Providence R. I.	+ 3	- 1	-14	+34	- 7	- 8	+ 4
<u>New York District</u>	+ 9	+ 5	+ 1	+30	-10	r+ 1	+ 1
Newark N. J.	+ 5	+ 5	- 8	+44	-14	+ 1	+ 1
Buffalo N. Y.	+ 9	+12	+ 1	+10	+22	r+27	+ 3
New York "	+ 9	+ 5	+ 3	+34	-19	- 3	+ 1
Rochester "	+ 8	+12	+ 6	+ 8	+21	r+21	+ 3
Syracuse "	+ 5	+ 5	- 1	+19	+62	+17	-14
<u>Philadelphia District</u>	+11	+ 8	- 1	+25	+14	+ 4	+23
Philadelphia Pa.	+11	+ 9	0	+20	+13	+ 3	+26
<u>Cleveland District</u>	+10	+11	- 3	+10	+20	+11	+ 5
Akron Ohio	+ 7	+ 8	- 5	+18	+20	+13	- 1
Cincinnati "	+ 8	+ 9	- 6	+ 9	+23	+11	+12
Cleveland "	+ 8	+14	- 1	+ 3	+15	+ 4	- 2
Columbus "	+ 5	+12	- 4	+ 7	+41	+ 4	+ 6
Toledo "	+ 9	+16	- 7	+ 3	+ 9	+12	- 1
Pittsburgh Pa.	+10	+ 4	- 3	+14	+15	+18	+ 5
<u>Richmond District</u>	+ 4	0	- 5	+37	c+ 7	+ 1	- 4
Washington D. C.	+ 4	+ 6	- 2	+35	+ 7	+ 1	- 1
Baltimore Md.	+ 3	- 1	- 6	+45	+21	- 2	+7
<u>Atlanta District</u>	+ 5	+ 4	- 5	+16	+13	+ 7	+14
Birmingham Ala.	+ 7	+ 7	+ 6	+14	+20	+17	+31
Miami Fla.	+ 8	+11	- 1	- 1	- 1	+ 3	+ 6
Atlanta Ga.	+ 4	+ 3	- 9	+14	+16	r+ 4	+18
New Orleans La.	+ 9	+ 9	-15	+37	+12	0	+21
Nashville Tenn.	+ 2	-12	-14	+11	+16	+11	+ 8
<u>Chicago District</u>	+10	+12	- 4	+ 6	+ 9	+ 1	+ 4
Chicago Ill.	+ 9	+ 8	- 5	+ 4	+ 6	- 2	+ 2
Indianapolis Ind.	+ 5	+ 2	- 9	+ 1	+16	+ 7	+ 3
Detroit Mich.	+13	+17	- 3	+10	+ 9	+ 1	+ 5
Milwaukee Wis.	+ 6	+20	+ 3	+ 6	+11	+11	+ 5

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			Feb.14	Feb.21*	Feb.28*	Mar. 6	Mar.13	
<u>St. Louis District</u>								
Little Rock Ark.	+ 8	+ 6	- 8	+ 7	+26	r+19	+ 7	
Louisville Ky.	+ 2	- 3	- 8	+ 5	+ 4	+12	+ 6	
St. Louis Mo.	+11	r+ 8	- 1	+14	+27	+25	+17	
Memphis Tenn.	+ 8	+10	-10	+ 5	+33	+18	+ 3	
	+ 3	- 6	-10	+ 4	+ 3	+10	+ 4	
<u>Minneapolis District</u>								
Minneapolis Minn.	+11	+ 9						
St. Paul "	+ 7	+12						
Duluth-Superior " & Wis.	+11	+ 6	(Not available for publication)					
	+13	+10						
<u>Kansas City District</u>								
Dover Colo.	+ 8	+10	- 8	+11	+18	+ 3	+ 4	
Wichita Kans.	+12	+1	- 6	+8	+16	- 2	+ 3	
Kansas City Mo.	0	+ 9	- 1	+31	+16	+13	+ 4	
St. Joseph "	+ 9	+11	-11	+11	+28	+ 7	+ 7	
Oklahoma City Okla.	+ 9	+ 4	-13	+10	**	-13	-13	
Tulsa "	+ 5	+15	-22	+19	+13	+ 9	- 5	
	+ 7	r+16	+ 2	+14	+25	+12	- 3	
<u>Dallas District</u>								
Dallas Tex.	+ 6	+ 7	- 6	+12	+14	+23	+ 8	
Fort Worth "	+1	- 3	+16	+17	+13	+20	+ 3	
Houston "	+ 7	+10	-11	+ 2	+ 5	+15	- 1	
San Antonio "	+12	+20	+11	+20	+24	+40	+16	
	+ 5	+16	+ 3	+ 5	+14	+20	+ 9	
<u>San Francisco District</u>								
Los Angeles Area Calif.	+ 8	+11	- 1	+ 7	- 8	+ 3	r+ 1	
Oakland "	+ 5	+ 2	- 4	- 5	- 3	+ 1	- 4	
San Francisco "	+ 8	+13	**	**	**	**	**	
Portland Ore.	+ 3	+ 3	+ 7	+29	-16	+ 3	0	
Salt Lake City Utah	+11	+18	- 3	+ 2	+ 1	+ 9	+12	
Seattle Wash.	+ 8	+ 6	- 3	+26	-13	+ 3	+ 4	
	+ 4	+ 7	- 5	+14	-21	+ 1	+ 2	

r--Revised.

c--Corrected.

- 1/ During March changes from a year ago reflect in part the fact that last year Easter was on April 6, while this year it will be on March 28. For this reason it is estimated that in comparison with last year allowance should be made for an increase in sales of about 1 per cent for the month of March as a whole.
- * In using year ago comparisons for the weeks ending February 28 and February 21 allowance should be made for the fact that during 1946, observing the Washington's Birthday holiday, store closings this year were observed on the week ending February 28 whereas last year they occurred in the previous week.

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