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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
June 29, 1956WEEKLY DEPARTMENT STORE SALES - SELECTED CITIES AND AREAS

Federal Reserve District, Area, and City	Percentage change from corresponding period a year ago (Based on retail dollar amounts)					
	Jan.- May	Week ending				
		June 2	June 9	June 16	June 23	
<u>United States</u>	<u>+ 5</u>	<u>+ 7</u>	<u>+ 9</u>	<u>+12</u>	<u>+ 6</u>	
<u>Boston District</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>+ 1</u>	<u>+15</u>	<u>+ 9</u>	<u>+12</u>	
<u>Metropolitan Areas</u>						
Boston	Mass.	- 1	+ 3	+14	+ 8	+15
Downtown Boston	"	- 2	+ 2	+11	+ 4	+ 8
Suburban Boston	"	+ 1	+ 4	+21	+16	+28
Cambridge	"	0	+16	- 3	+16	+30
Lynn	"	- 1	+22	+13	+15	+ 4
Quincy	"	- 2	- 6	+20	+17	+33
Lowell	"	- 4	-16	+43	+15	+ 7
<u>Cities</u>						
Springfield	Mass.	+ 7	- 4	+17	+19	+ 3
Providence	R. I.	- 3	- 1	+12	+ 2	0
<u>New York District</u>	<u>+ 4</u>	<u>+ 6</u>	<u>+11</u>	<u>+13</u>	<u>+ 9</u>	
<u>Metropolitan Areas</u>						
Buffalo	N. Y.	+ 3	+ 1	+ 2	+11	+ 8
New York-N.E. New Jersey	N. Y.-N. J.	+ 6	+ 7	+14	r+13	+ 9
Newark	N. J.	+ 5	+11	+18	+18	+ 1
New York	N. Y.	+ 4	+ 7	+12	+10	+10
Rochester	"	+ 6	- 3	+ 5	r+18	+ 6
Syracuse	"	+ 4	+13	+ 4	+14	+ 2
<u>Philadelphia District</u>	<u>+ 6</u>	<u>+ 6</u>	<u>+11</u>	<u>r+16</u>	<u>+10</u>	
<u>Metropolitan Areas</u>						
Wilmington	Del.	+14	+ 7	+18	+17	+13
Trenton	N. J.	- 1	+ 3	+ 7	+15	+11
Lancaster	Pa.	+ 5	- 3	+12	r+13	- 3
Philadelphia	"	+ 6	+ 8	+12	r+17	+12
Heading	"	+ 5	- 4	+11	+14	0
Scranton	"	+ 8	- 3	+ 6	r+26	+ 4
Wilkes-Barre--Hazleton	"	- 1	- 4	+ 2	+ 4	- 1
<u>Cleveland District</u>	<u>+ 6</u>	<u>+ 8</u>	<u>+ 4</u>	<u>+14</u>	<u>+ 3</u>	
<u>Metropolitan Areas</u>						
Lexington	Ky.	- 2	-15	- 1	-16	+13
Akron	Ohio	+ 6	+ 6	+ 2	+ 9	+ 4
Cincinnati	"	+ 4	+ 6	+ 4	+15	+ 6
Cleveland	"	+ 6	+11	+ 4	+13	+ 5
Columbus	"	+ 6	+ 9	+ 7	+13	+ 5
Springfield	"	+ 3	+ 8	+10	+13	+ 1
Toledo	"	+ 1	0	0	+14	- 1
Erie	Pa.	+ 7	+11	r+ 7	+25	+ 6
Pittsburgh	"	+10	+ 8	+ 4	+18	+ 1
Wheeling-Steubenville	W. Va.-Ohio	+ 6	+20	+ 5	+17	+ 7

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<u>Richmond District</u>	+ 6	+ 1	+11	+17	+ 5
Metropolitan Areas					
Washington D. C.	+ 7	- 2	+ 9	+19	+11
" " "	0	-12	+ 6	r+ 7	+ 4
Downtown Washington	+ 2	+ 1	+14	r+17	- 2
Baltimore Md.	+ 5	+10	+11	+17	+ 4
Richmond Va.					
	+ 6	+ 1	+ 9	+ 5	+ 2
<u>Atlanta District</u>					
Metropolitan Areas					
Birmingham Ala.	+ 5	- 2	+ 5	r+ 1	- 3
Jacksonville Fla.	+ 7	+ 9	+ 8	+ 8	*
Atlanta Ga.	+ 1	- 2	+ 6	0	+ 4
" " "	- 2	- 3	+ 5	r- 4	- 4
Augusta "	+ 8	+ 4	+10	+ 2	- 4
New Orleans La.	+ 4	+10	+ 9	+37	*
Knoxville Tenn.	+ 3	+ 1	+15	+ 8	+12
Nashville "					
City Fla.	+ 6	+ 3	+ 6	+ 8	*
Tempa					
	+ 4	+ 9	+ 8	+13	+ 6
<u>Chicago District</u>					
Metropolitan Areas					
Chicago Ill.	+ 5	+10	+10	+10	+ 4
Indianapolis Ind.	+ 5	0	+11	+14	+15
Detroit Mich.	+ 4	+12	+ 2	+12	+ 1
Milwaukee Wis.	+ 8	+12	+10	+19	+13
	+ 6	+ 9	+13	+12	+ 6
<u>St. Louis District</u>					
Metropolitan Areas					
Little Rock Ark.	+ 7	+ 6	+ 2	+ 5	0
Louisville Ky.	+ 5	+ 8	+ 6	+ 4	+ 4
St. Louis Mo.	+ 8	+11	+17	+15	+ 8
Memphis Tenn.	+ 4	+ 5	+13	+10	+ 6
	+ 5	+31	+11	+18	+12
<u>Minneapolis District</u>					
Cities					
Minneapolis Minn.	+ 4	+32	+ 6	+11	+ 7
St. Paul "	+ 6	+33	+25	+38	+22
Duluth-Superior Minn. & Wis.	+ 9	+15	+ 7	+10	+17

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<u>Kansas City District</u>	<u>+ 3</u>	<u>+ 8</u>	<u>+ 9</u>	<u>+10</u>	<u>+ 9</u>
Metropolitan Areas					
Denver Colo.	+ 9	+14	+11	r+13	+ 2
Topeka Kans.	+ 9	+ 5	+12	+10	*
Wichita "	+ 1	+ 4	+ 5	r+ 2	+11
St. Joseph Mo.	+ 3	+ 3	+ 8	+13	+ 3
Albuquerque N. Mex.	+ 6	+10	+ 7	+26	+37
Oklahoma City Okla.	+ 7	+ 8	+ 1	+14	+ 7
Tulsa "	+ 5	+12	+18	+11	+13
Cities					
Joplin Mo.	0	+ 6	r+12	+ 7	+29
Kansas City "	- 2	+10	+ 9	+ 7	+ 8
<u>Dallas District</u>	<u>+ 5</u>	<u>+ 9</u>	<u>+ 6</u>	<u>+ 5</u>	<u>+ 6</u>
Metropolitan Areas					
Dallas Tex.	+ 2	+ 5	+ 1	+ 4	+ 2
El Paso "	+ 4	+ 4	+ 2	+ 6	+ 4
Fort worth "	+ 6	+12	r+11	+11	+14
Houston "	+ 7	+18	+ 6	+ 6	+ 7
San Antonio "	- 1	+ 1	+ 6	+ 4	+ 7
<u>San Francisco District</u>	<u>+ 6</u>	<u>+ 5</u>	<u>+ 3</u>	<u>+ 3</u>	<u>+ 4</u>
Metropolitan Areas					
Los Angeles-Long Beach Calif.	0	+ 2	+ 1	+ 1	+ 4
Downtown Los Angeles "	- 5	- 4	- 9	- 7	+18
Westside Los Angeles "	+ 1	r+ 2	+ 1	+ 4	- 1
Sacramento "	+ 7	+15	r- 2	+14	+ 6
San Diego "	+ 8	+11	+ 2	+ 7	+ 8
San Francisco-Oakland "	+ 3	+ 9	+ 4	+ 5	+ 5
San Francisco City "	+ 4	+ 9	+ 7	+ 4	+ 6
Oakland City "	+ 2	+ 9	r- 1	+ 4	+ 2
San Jose "	+ 4	- 5	r- 1	+14	+ 9
Portland Ore.	+ 2	+ 8	+ 4	- 2	- 2
Salt Lake City Utah	+ 3	+ 5	+ 3	+ 7	- 3
Seattle Wash.	+ 5	+ 5	+ 7	0	+ 5
Spokane "	+ 4	- 4	0	- 1	+ 2
Tacoma "	+ 4	+ 9	r- 3	0	+ 1

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*--Data not available.

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