

## BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
July 6, 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 9	June 16	June 23	June 30
<u>United States</u>		+ 5	+ 9	+12	+ 6
Boston District		0	+15	+ 9	+12
Metropolitan Areas					
Boston	Mass.	- 1	+14	+ 8	+15
Downtown Boston	"	- 2	+11	+ 4	+ 8
Suburban Boston	"	+ 1	+21	+16	+28
Cambridge	"	0	- 3	+16	+30
Lynn	"	- 1	+13	+15	+ 4
Quincy	"	- 2	+20	+17	+33
Lowell	"	- 4	+13	+15	+ 7
Cities					
Springfield	Mass.	+ 7	+17	+19	+ 3
Providence	R. I.	- 3	+12	+ 2	0
New York District		+ 4	+11	+13	+ 9
Metropolitan Areas					
Buffalo	N. Y.	+ 3	+ 2	+11	r+10
New York-N.E. New Jersey	N.Y.-N.J.	+ 6	+14	+13	+ 9
Newark	N. J.	+ 5	+18	+18	r- 1
New York	N. Y.	+ 1	+12	+10	+10
Rochester	"	+ 6	+ 5	+18	+ 6
Syracuse	"	+ 4	+ 4	+14	+ 2
Philadelphia District		+ 6	+11	+16	+10
Metropolitan Areas					
Wilmington	Del.	+14	+18	+17	r+15
Trenton	N. J.	- 1	+ 7	+15	+11
Lancaster	Pa.	+ 5	+12	+13	- 3
Philadelphia	"	+ 6	+12	+17	r+11
Reading	"	+ 5	+11	+14	0
Scranton	"	+ 8	+ 6	+26	r+ 5
Wilkes-Barre-Hazleton	"	- 1	+ 2	+ 4	- 1
Cleveland District		+ 6	+ 4	+14	+ 3
Metropolitan Areas					
Lexington	Ky.	- 2	1	-16	+13
Akron	Ohio	+ 6	+ 2	+ 9	+ 4
Cincinnati	"	+ 4	+ 4	+15	+ 6
Cleveland	"	+ 6	+ 4	+13	+ 5
Columbus	"	+ 6	+ 7	+13	+ 5
Springfield	"	+ 3	+10	+13	+ 1
Toledo	"	+ 1	0	+14	- 1
Erie	Pa.	+ 7	+ 7	+25	+ 6
Pittsburgh	"	+10	+ 4	+18	+ 1
wheeling-Steubenville	W.Va.-Ohio	+ 6	+ 5	+17	+14
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<u>Richmond District</u>					
Metropolitan Areas		+ 6	+11	+17	r+ 4
Washington	D. C.	+ 7	+ 9	+19	r+10
Downtown Washington	"	0	+ 6	+ 7	r+ 2
Baltimore	Md.	+ 2	+14	+17	- 2
Richmond	Va.	+ 5	+11	+17	+ 4
<u>Atlanta District</u>		+ 6	+ 9	+ 5	r+ 1
Metropolitan Areas					r+ 6
Birmingham	Ala.	+ 5	+ 5	+ 1	- 3
Jacksonville	Fla.	+ 7	+ 8	+ 8	+12
Atlanta	Ga.	+ 1	+ 6	0	+ 4
Augusta	"	- 2	+ 5	- 4	r- 5
New Orleans	La.	+ 8	+10	+ 2	- 4
Knoxville	Tenn.	+ 4	+ 9	+37	+ 3
Nashville	"	+ 3	+15	+ 8	+12
City					
Tampa	Fla.	+ 6	+ 6	+ 8	*
<u>Chicago District</u>		+ 4	+ 8	+13	r+ 5
Metropolitan Areas					+ 5
Chicago	Ill.	+ 5	+10	+10	+ 4
Indianapolis	Ind.	+ 5	+11	+14	+15
Detroit	Mich.	+ 4	+ 2	+12	+ 1
Milwaukee	Wis.	+ 8	+10	+19	+13
<u>St. Louis District</u>		+ 6	+13	+12	r+ 7
Metropolitan Areas					+ 8
Little Rock	Ark.	+ 7	+ 2	+ 5	0
Louisville	Ky.	+ 5	+ 6	+ 4	+13
St. Louis	Mo.	+ 8	+17	+15	+ 8
Memphis	Tenn.	+ 4	+13	+10	+ 6
<u>Minneapolis District</u>		+ 5	+11	+18	+12
Cities					r+ 8
Minneapolis	Minn.	+ 4	+ 6	+11	+ 7
St. Paul	"	+ 6	+25	+38	+22
Duluth-Superior	Minn. & Wis.	+ 9	+ 7	+10	+17

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

r--Revised.

\*--Data not available.

1/ Three months 1956.