BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

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WEEKLY 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.- Aug.	Week ending			
			Sept. 1	Sept. 8	Sept.15	Sept.22
United States		+ 6	+ 2	+ 4	+ 4	+ 8
Boston District		+ 3	- 1	+ 3	- 2	+10
Metropolitan Areas						
Boston	Mass.	+ 2	- 1	+ 5	- 3	+ 9
Downtown Boston	"	+ 1	- 4	+ 1	- 4	+ 8
Suburban Boston	"	+ 5	+ 6	+15	0	+13
Cambridge	"	+ 5	+ 2	+19	+ 6	+ 9
Lynn	"	+ 1	- 2	+16	- 3	+ 7
Quincy	"	+ 3	-10	+ 5	-19	+33
Lowell	"	- 1	- 1	+16	- 2	+22
Cities						
Springfield	Mass.	+ 7	- 5	- 7	0	+11
Providence	R. I.	- 2	+ 5	- 4	- 1	+ 2
New York District		+ 6	0	- 3	r+ 5	+15
Metropolitan Areas						
Buffalo	N. Y.	+ 5	- 1	- 5	r+ 7	+13
New York-N.E.New Jersey	N.Y.-N.J.	+ 8	0	- 3	r+ 5	+17
Newark	N. J.	+ 6	- 1	+ 1	r+ 8	+12
New York	N. Y.	*	- 1	- 6	+ 3	+17
Rochester	"	+ 6	- 1	- 3	r+ 4	+ 1
Syracuse	"	+ 5	- 5	- 4	0	+ 9
Philadelphia District		+ 6	- 9	- 6	r+ 3	+12
Metropolitan Areas						
Wilmington	Del.	+12	- 2	+ 2	r+14	+14
Trenton	N. J.	+ 2	- 7	0	+ 3	+ 3
Lancaster	Pa.	+ 4	+ 5	0	+ 7	+19
Philadelphia	"	+ 5	-11	- 5	r+ 3	+ 9
Reading	"	+ 5	- 4	- 4	+ 4	+46
Scranton	"	+11	-10	-35	- 4	+20
Wilkes-Barre--Hazleton	"	0	- 5	- 3	r- 1	+30
Cleveland District		+ 6	0	+ 6	+ 5	+11
Metropolitan Areas						
Lexington	Ky.	- 2	+ 8	+17	+ 2	+22
Akron	Ohio	+ 5	+ 1	+22	+ 3	+11
Cincinnati	"	+ 5	+ 3	+ 7	+ 7	+13
Cleveland	"	+ 6	- 1	0	+ 6	+16
Columbus	"	+ 6	+ 3	+11	+10	+ 2
Springfield	"	0	0	+ 3	- 6	+ 9
Toledo	"	0	- 8	- 1	- 1	-17
Erie	Pa.	+ 8	0	+ 8	+11	+14
Pittsburgh	"	+ 8	+ 2	0	+ 4	+14
Wheeling-Steubenville	W.Va-Ohio	+ 6	+ 2	+12	+17	+16

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Richmond District		+ 6	- 5	- 5	+ 1	+ 9
Metropolitan Areas						
Washington	D. C.	+ 7	- 6	-10	- 3	+ 5
Downtown Washington	"	+ 1	-16	-14	r- 8	- 2
Baltimore	Md.	+ 3	- 6	- 9	+ 4	+10
Richmond	Va.	+ 5	- 4	+10	+ 4	+16
Atlanta District		+ 7	+ 4	+ 5	r+ 7	r+10
Metropolitan Areas						
Birmingham	Ala.	+ 6	+ 5	- 3	- 2	+49
Jacksonville	Fla.	+ 7	+ 7	+15	+10	- 5
Atlanta	Ga.	+ 2	+11	+ 6	+ 1	+ 6
Augusta	"	0	- 8	- 5	r+ 5	-10
New Orleans	La.	+ 7	+ 4	+ 5	+ 6	+ 7
Knoxville	Tenn.	+ 3	-13	0	+ 8	+ 4
Nashville	"	+ 7	+11	+27	+ 1	+22
City						
Tampa	Fla.	+ 4	- 5	0	+ 6	- 6
Chicago District		+ 5	+ 2	+ 7	+ 4	+12
Metropolitan Areas						
Chicago	Ill.	+ 6	+ 4	+ 3	+ 3	+11
Indianapolis	Ind.	+ 6	+ 4	+ 8	+ 5	+17
Detroit	Mich.	+ 4	- 6	+ 6	+ 4	+15
Milwaukee	Wis.	+ 8	+ 4	+13	+ 5	+11
St. Louis District		+ 6	r+ 5	+14	- 2	+11
Metropolitan Areas						
Little Rock	Ark.	+ 7	+11	+23	0	+ 4
Louisville	Ky.	+ 6	- 3	+ 6	- 3	+14
St. Louis	Mo.	+ 7	+ 5	+11	- 4	+ 9
Memphis	Tenn.	+ 6	+10	+27	- 3	+16
Minneapolis District		+ 6	+ 6	+ 5	+10	+ 5
Cities						
Minneapolis	Minn.	+ 5	+ 7	+ 6	+10	0
St. Paul	"	+ 8	+ 3	+ 3	+ 9	+11
Duluth-Superior	Minn. & Wis.	+ 9	+ 7	+11	+11	+22

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Kansas City District		+ 3	+ 1	+ 9	+ 1	- 3
Metropolitan Areas						
Denver	Col.	+ 8	+ 8	+14	+ 5	- 6
Topeka	Kans.	+ 9	+ 4	+21	+ 8	- 1
Wichita	"	+ 2	+ 1	+17	r+ 1	- 2
St. Joseph	Mo.	+ 2	- 5	+ 7	+ 2	- 4
Albuquerque	N. Mex.	+ 4	+ 3	+ 7	- 2	- 4
Oklahoma City	Okla.	+ 5	- 3	+ 6	- 4	- 1
Tulsa	"	+ 5	+ 6	+16	- 2	+ 1
Cities						
Joplin	Mo.	+ 1	-11	+12	-14	*
Kansas City	"	- 1	- 8	- 4	0	- 1
Dallas District		+ 5	+ 4	+15	r+ 7	- 4
Metropolitan Areas						
Dallas	Tex.	+ 2	+ 7	+ 6	0	+ 2
El Paso	"	+ 4	- 3	+ 1	+10	+ 9
ₓFort Worth	"	+ 6	+ 8	+19	+12	+ 1
Houston	"	+ 7	+ 2	+36	+17	-21
San Antonio	"	0	+ 4	+ 8	- 1	+ 3
San Francisco District		+ 6	+11	+ 2	+ 2	- 4
Metropolitan Areas						
Los Angeles-Long Beach	Calif.	0	+15	- 1	+ 2	-11
Downtown Los Angeles	"	- 4	+18	- 1	+ 3	-18
Westside Los Angeles	"	+ 1	+32	+ 2	- 4	- 9
Sacramento	"	+ 8	+10	+13	+11	+ 8
San Diego	"	+ 7	+18	+ 6	+ 4	- 6
San Francisco-Oakland	"	+ 4	+ 9	0	+ 3	- 3
San Francisco City	"	+ 4	+11	- 2	+ 3	- 4
Oakland City	"	+ 2	+ 5	+ 3	+ 3	+ 1
San Jose	"	+ 4	+ 1	- 2	- 2	+ 1
Portland	Ore.	+ 1	+ 1	+ 7	- 2	- 1
Salt Lake City	Utah	+ 4	+ 8	+13	+ 3	+ 2
Seattle	Wash.	+ 4	+10	- 2	0	+ 6
Spokane	"	+ 4	+18	+ 9	- 3	- 2
Tacoma	"	+ 4	- 2	+ 4	+ 1	+13

r--Revised.   *--Data not available.