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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.- Sept.	Week ending				
		Oct. 20	Oct. 27	Nov. 3	Nov. 10	
<u>United States</u>	+ 5	- 3	+ 2	- 3	- 3	
<u>Boston District</u>	+ 3	- 9	- 4	- 5	- 5	
<u>Metropolitan Areas</u>						
Boston	Mas.	+ 2	- 9	- 5	- 6	- 7
Downtown Boston	"	+ 1	-13	- 8	- 6	-11
Suburban Boston	"	+ 5	- 3	+ 1	- 5	+ 1
Cambridge	"	+ 6	+ 4	+ 3	- 6	+ 5
Lynn	"	+ 1	- 2	-11	- 4	- 4
Quincy	"	+ 3	- 7	+ 1	-22	+11
Lowell	"	- 1	- 5	- 8	+ 4	- 3
<u>Cities</u>						
Springfield	"	+ 7	- 2	+ 1	0	- 5
Providence	R. I.	- 2	-12	- 5	- 5	+ 5
<u>New York District</u>	+ 6	- 6	- 2	r- 6	- 7	
<u>Metropolitan Areas</u>						
Buffalo	N. Y.	+ 5	- 6	- 3	r- 9	- 5
New York-N.E. New Jersey	N.Y.-N.J.	+ 8	- 5	- 2	- 5	- 8
Newark	N. J.	+ 6	0	- 5	- 9	- 8
New York	N. Y.	*	- 7	- 3	- 6	- 8
Rochester	"	+ 5	-10	+ 1	- 2	- 1
Syracuse	"	+ 4	-15	- 1	-12	- 8
<u>Philadelphia District</u>	+ 5	- 7	- 4	r-10	- 8	
<u>Metropolitan Areas</u>						
Wilmington	Del.	+12	- 4	+15	r- 8	- 5
Trenton	N. J.	+ 2	-15	- 4	r- 7	- 3
Lancaster	Pa.	+ 4	0	- 3	r-20	- 5
Philadelphia	"	+ 5	- 8	- 7	r-10	-11
Reading	"	+ 6	- 6	+35	r+ 4	+30
Scranton	"	+ 8	+12	-12	r- 8	+ 2
Wilkes-Barre--Hazleton	"	0	- 7	- 3	-13	- 5
<u>Cleveland District</u>	+ 6	- 8	+ 1	r- 8	- 7	
<u>Metropolitan Areas</u>						
Lexington	Ky.	- 1	- 8	- 7	- 6	+12
Akron	Ohio	+ 5	-12	- 2	- 5	- 6
Cincinnati	"	+ 5	- 8	-10	-11	- 8
Cleveland	"	+ 6	- 7	- 1	- 7	-14
Columbus	"	+ 6	- 3	r+ 5	+ 3	- 9
Springfield	"	0	- 4	- 9	-17	+ 1
Toledo	"	- 1	-12	r- 1	- 9	- 6
Erie	Pa.	+ 8	- 4	+ 4	- 6	+ 3
Pittsburgh	"	+ 7	-10	+ 6	- 9	- 8
Wheeling-Steubenville	W. Va.-Ohio	+ 7	- 7	+ 3	- 4	+ 4

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<u>Richmond District</u>	+ 6	- 5	+ 5	r- 6	- 4
Metropolitan Areas					
Washington D. C.	+ 6	- 6	+ 1	r-11	-10
Downtown Washington "	- 1	-12	- 9	r-18	-14
Baltimore Md.	+ 2	- 6	+ 7	r- 1	+ 5
Richmond Va.	+ 5	- 8	+ 4	- 3	-12
<u>Atlanta District</u>	+ 7	- 3	+ 6	- 4	+ 4
Metropolitan Areas					
Birmingham Ala.	+ 7	- 3	+ 7	r- 9	+10
Jacksonville Fla.	+ 7	0	+10	- 9	+16
Atlanta Ga.	+ 3	- 1	+ 9	- 5	+ 2
Augusta "	0	+ 7	- 8	r-22	- 2
New Orleans La.	+ 7	-10	- 1	+ 1	+ 2
Knoxville Tenn.	+ 3	-11	+ 9	- 9	*
Nashville "	+ 8	+10	+16	+ 4	+11
City					
Tampa Fla.	+ 5	- 8	+ 1	- 1	- 2
<u>Chicago District</u>	+ 5	- 3	0	- 5	+ 1
Metropolitan Areas					
Chicago Ill.	+ 5	- 7	+ 6	- 8	- 1
Indianapolis Ind.	+ 6	- 3	- 7	- 1	+ 5
Detroit Mich.	+ 4	- 4	- 1	- 9	- 1
Milwaukee Wis.	+ 7	+ 5	+ 4	- 2	+ 9
<u>St. Louis District</u>	+ 6	- 8	0	r- 2	- 2
Metropolitan Areas					
Little Rock Ark.	+ 7	+ 2	+ 8	+32	-16
Louisville Ky.	+ 5	- 8	0	- 3	- 2
St. Louis Mo.	+ 6	-11	- 1	- 7	- 4
Memphis Tenn.	+ 6	0	r- 1	+ 5	+13
<u>Minneapolis District</u>	+ 6	+ 6	+12	0	- 4
Metropolitan Area					
Mpls.-St. Paul Minn.	*	*	+11	*	- 5
Mpls. and Suburbs "	*	*	+14	*	- 5
Mpls. City "	+ 7	*	*	*	*
St. Paul "	+ 7	+ 5	+ 6	- 9	- 2
Cities					
Duluth-Superior Minn.&Wis.	+10	+ 2	+17	- 3	+ 2

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<u>Kansas City District</u>	<u>+ 2</u>	<u>+ 4</u>	<u>+ 2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Metropolitan Areas					
Denver	Col. + 7	+ 6	+ 1	- 4	- 9
Topeka	Kans. + 9	+ 2	+ 4	- 3	0
Wichita	" + 2	+25	+15	+ 1	+ 9
St. Joseph	Mo. + 1	- 1	- 3	-13	0
Albuquerque	N. Mex. + 3	+ 9	+ 9	+ 9	- 9
Oklahoma City	Okla. + 5	+ 2	0	+16	- 1
Tulsa	" + 4	+ 3	+ 5	+ 1	+11
Cities					
Joplin	Mo. 0	+12	+12	+17	*
Kansas City	" - 2	- 7	- 5	- 7	0
<u>Dallas</u>	<u>+ 4</u>	<u>+ 9</u>	<u>+ 5</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>r- 1</u>
Metropolitan Areas					
Dallas	Tex. + 2	+ 9	- 2	0	- 7
El Paso	" + 4	+11	+17	+ 6	+ 1
Fort Worth	" + 6	+15	+24	- 7	+ 3
Houston	" + 6	- 1	+ 6	+ 6	- 3
San Antonio	" 0	+39	+ 8	- 5	- 6
<u>San Francisco District</u>	<u>+ 6</u>	<u>+ 1</u>	<u>+ 3</u>	<u>+ 5</u>	<u>r- 4</u>
Metropolitan Areas					
Los Angeles-Long Beach	Calif. 0	- 1	+ 3	+ 8	- 5
Downtown Los Angeles	" - 4	0	r- 3	+ 5	- 9
Westside Los Angeles	" 0	0	+ 8	+ 7	- 6
Sacramento	" + 8	+ 3	r+ 7	+ 1	+ 2
San Diego	" + 7	- 1	+ 9	+ 5	- 4
San Francisco-Oakland	" + 3	- 1	r+ 4	+ 2	+ 1
San Francisco City	" + 4	0	+ 2	0	+ 6
Oakland City	" + 1	- 3	r+ 9	+ 4	- 6
San Jose	" + 3	-12	-11	*	*
Portland	Ore. + 1	+ 7	r- 2	0	-10
Salt Lake City	Utah + 3	+ 6	+ 4	+ 2	- 4
Seattle	Wash. + 4	+ 6	r+ 1	+ 7	- 5
Spokane	" + 3	- 3	- 2	+ 5	- 5
Tacoma	" + 4	+ 2	r+ 6	+ 2	+ 2

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*-Data not available.