

BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
November 26, 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.- Sept.	Week ending			
		Oct. 27	Nov. 3	Nov. 10	Nov. 17
United States	+ 5	+ 2	- 3	- 3	+ 7
Boston District	+ 3	- 4	- 5	- 5	+ 2
Metropolitan Areas					
Boston	Mass.	+ 2	- 5	- 6	- 7
Downtown Boston	"	+ 1	- 8	- 6	- 11
Suburban Boston	"	+ 5	+ 1	+ 5	+ 10
Cambridge	"	+ 6	+ 3	- 6	0
Lynn	"	+ 1	- 11	- 4	+ 2
Quincy	"	+ 3	+ 1	- 22	+ 5
Lowell	"	- 1	- 8	+ 4	- 3
Cities					
Springfield	"	+ 7	+ 1	0	- 5
Providence	R. I.	- 2	- 5	- 5	- 5
New York District		+ 6	- 2	- 6	r- 8
Metropolitan Areas					+10
Buffalo	N. Y.	+ 5	- 3	- 9	- 5
New York-N.E. New Jersey	N.Y.-N.J.	+ 8	- 2	- 5	- 8
Newark	N. J.	+ 6	- 5	- 9	+ 8
New York	N. Y.	*	- 3	- 6	+ 9
Rochester	"	+ 5	+ 1	- 2	r- 2
Syracuse	"	+ 4	- 1	- 12	- 8
Philadelphia District		+ 5	- 4	- 10	r- 7
Metropolitan Areas					+ 7
Wilmington	Del.	+12	+15	- 8	- 5
Trenton	N. J.	+ 2	- 4	- 7	- 3
Lancaster	Pa.	+ 4	- 3	-20	r- 3
Philadelphia	"	+ 5	- 7	-10	r-10
Reading	"	+ 6	+35	+ 4	+30
Scranton	"	+ 8	-12	- 8	r+ 1
Wilkes-Barre—Hazleton	"	0	- 3	-13	r- 4
Cleveland District		+ 6	+ 1	- 8	r- 8
Metropolitan Areas					+ 5
Lexington	Ky.	- 1	- 7	- 6	+12
Akron	Ohio	+ 5	- 2	- 5	- 6
Cincinnati	"	+ 5	-10	-11	- 8
Cleveland	"	+ 6	- 1	- 7	-14
Columbus	"	+ 6	+ 5	+ 3	- 9
Springfield	"	0	- 9	-17	+ 1
Toledo	"	- 1	- 1	- 9	- 6
Erie	Pa.	+ 8	+ 4	r- 7	+ 3
Pittsburgh	"	+ 7	+ 6	r-11	- 8
Wheeling—Steubenville	W.Va-Ohio	+ 7	+ 3	r- 7	+ 4

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		Oct. 27	Nov. 3	Nov. 10		
<u>Richmond District</u>	+ 6	+ 5	- 6	r- 5		
Metropolitan Areas				+10		
Washington	D. C.	+ 6	+ 1	-11	-10	+17
Downtown Washington	"	- 1	- 9	-18	-14	+10
Baltimore	Md.	+ 2	+ 7	- 1	+ 5	+10
Downtown Baltimore	"	*	*	* -11	- 3	
Richmond	Va.	+ 5	+ 4	- 3	-12	- 6
<u>Atlanta District</u>	+ 7	+ 6	- 4	r+ 5		
Metropolitan Areas				+ 4		
Birmingham	Ala.	+ 7	+ 7	- 9	+10	+ 3
Jacksonville	Fla.	+ 7	+10	- 9	+16	+ 4
Atlanta	Ga.	+ 3	+ 9	- 5	+ 2	0
Augusta	"	0	- 8	-22	- 2	+ 4
New Orleans	La.	+ 7	- 1	+ 1	+ 2	+ 4
Knoxville	Tenn.	+ 3	+ 9	- 9	+ 1	*
Nashville	"	+ 8	+16	+ 4	+11	+13
City						
Tampa	Fla.	+ 5	+ 1	- 1	- 2	*
<u>Chicago District</u>	+ 5	0	- 5	r+ 2		
Metropolitan Areas				+10		
Chicago	Ill.	+ 5	+ 6	- 8	- 1	+10
Indianapolis	Ind.	+ 6	- 7	- 1	+ 5	- 1
Detroit	Mich.	+ 4	- 1	- 9	- 1	+10
Milwaukee	Wis.	+ 7	+ 4	- 2	+ 9	+21
<u>St. Louis District</u>	+ 6	0	- 2	- 2		
Metropolitan Areas				+ 5		
Little Rock	Ark.	+ 7	+ 8	+32	-16	+ 1
Louisville	Ky.	+ 5	0	- 3	- 2	- 2
St. Louis	Mo.	+ 6	- 1	- 7	- 4	+ 5
Memphis	Tenn.	+ 6	- 1	+ 5	+13	+ 8
<u>Minneapolis District</u>	+ 6	+12	0	- 4		
Metropolitan Area				r+ 6		
Mpls.-St. Paul	Minn.	*	+11	*	- 5	+ 5
Mpls. and Suburbs	"	*	+14	*	- 5	+ 5
Mpls. City	"	+ 7	*	*	*	*
St. Paul	"	+ 7	+ 6	- 9	- 2	+ 5
Cities						
Duluth-Superior Minn.&Wis.		+10	+17	- 3	+ 2	+14

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

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*-Data not available.