

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	Year 1956	Percentage change from corresponding period a year ago (Based on retail dollar amounts)			
		Week ending			
		Jan. 5	Jan. 12	Jan. 19	Jan. 26
<u>UNITED STATES</u>		+ 4	- 1	+ 3	+ 2
<u>BOSTON DISTRICT</u>		+ 2	- 1	- 3	- 4
Metropolitan Areas					
Boston	Mass.	+ 2	+ 2	- 2	- 5
Downtown Boston	"	0	- 4	+ 1	- 7
Suburban Boston	"	+ 5	+17	-10	0
Cambridge	"	+ 5	+46	-13	+ 9
Lynn	"	+ 1	+ 6	- 3	- 3
Quincy	"	+ 3	+ 3	+ 5	+ 5
Lowell	"	0	-10	- 3	-10
Cities					
Springfield	"	+ 6	- 6	- 8	- 4
Providence	R. I.	- 2	-14	- 8	+ 2
<u>New York District</u>		+ 6	- 1	+ 9	r- 1
Metropolitan Areas					
Buffalo	N. Y.	+ 4	- 8	- 1	-17
New York-N.E. New Jersey	N.Y.-N.J.	+ 7	+ 2	+11	r+ 2
Newark	N. J.	+ 6	- 1	+ 5	r- 5
New York	N. Y.	*	- 5	+ 6	r- 2
Rochester	"	+ 4	-17	+ 3	-13
Syracuse	"	+ 2	-10	0	- 6
<u>Philadelphia District</u>		+ 4	+ 1	+ 4	r+ 4
Metropolitan Areas					
Wilmington	Del.	+ 9	+ 6	+ 7	r+20
Trenton	N. J.	+ 2	+15	-28	+30
Lancaster	Pa.	+ 2	- 5	r+14	-25
Philadelphia	"	+ 3	- 1	+ 7	+ 3
Reading	"	+ 8	+ 6	+16	+14
Scranton	"	+ 5	+ 1	- 2	-10
Wilkes-Barre-Hazleton	"	0	+11	- 1	- 5
<u>Cleveland District</u>		+ 4	- 4	+ 1	- 3
Metropolitan Areas					
Lexington	Ky.	0	- 5	+13	+14
Akron	Ohio	+ 3	- 5	0	- 4
Cincinnati	"	+ 2	+ 5	r- 3	+ 7
Cleveland	"	+ 3	- 7	- 5	-14
Columbus	"	+ 5	+ 6	- 1	-21
Springfield	"	- 1	- 8	r- 3	0
Toledo	"	- 1	- 8	- 9	- 7
Erie	Pa.	+ 5	- 8	r+ 1	-15
Pittsburgh	"	+ 5	-12	r+ 2	+ 8
Wheeling-Steubenville	W. Va.-Ohio	+ 8	-12	+35	+18

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<u>Richmond District</u>		+ 5	+ 3	+13	+ 1
Metropolitan Areas					- 6
Washington	D. C.	+ 6	+ 5	+13	r+ 3
Downtown Washington	"	- 3	- 1	+ 9	r- 4
Baltimore	Md.	+ 4	+ 4	+17	r+ 9
Downtown Baltimore	"	*	-17	+ 1	- 5
Richmond	Va.	+ 2	- 6	+ 4	r-20
<u>Atlanta District</u>		+ 6	+ 2	+ 5	r+ 3
Metropolitan Areas					+ 9
Birmingham	Ala.	+ 5	+ 2	+ 1	r+ 3
Jacksonville	Fla.	+ 5	- 5	+27	- 1
Atlanta	Ga.	+ 2	+ 4	+ 2	- 5
Augusta	"	- 1	+11	-11	-13
New Orleans	La.	+ 5	-14	-10	r-11
Knoxville	Tenn.	+ 2	- 8	+10	r- 4
Nashville	"	+ 9	+ 7	+24	+13
City					*
Tampa	Fla.	+ 2	+ 4	+ 6	+10
<u>Chicago District</u>		+ 5	- 5	- 3	+ 3
Metropolitan Areas					+ 3
Chicago	Ill.	+ 5	- 5	- 3	+ 1
Indianapolis	Ind.	+ 4	- 4	+ 4	+ 4
Detroit	Mich.	+ 4	- 5	- 2	+16
Milwaukee	Wis.	+ 7	- 3	+ 1	+ 9
					0
<u>St. Louis District</u>		+ 5	- 8	- 2	+11
Metropolitan Areas					+ 1
Little Rock	Ark.	+ 5	- 9	+ 7	+ 8
Louisville	Ky.	+ 4	- 9	+ 2	+10
St. Louis	Mo.	+ 4	-12	r- 6	+12
Memphis	Tenn.	+ 5	0	+ 2	- 9
					+36
<u>Minneapolis District</u>		+ 6	- 1	+ 1	+ 7
Metropolitan Areas					+ 1
Mpls.-St. Paul	Minn.	+ 5	0	0	+ 7
Mpls. and Suburbs	"	+ 5	+ 3	+ 1	+11
St. Paul	"	+ 5	- 8	- 2	+ 3
Cities					- 3
Duluth-Superior	Minn.&Wis.	+ 8	- 7	+ 4	+ 3
					+ 1

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<u>Kansas City District</u>		+ 2	+ 3	- 4	+ 5
Metropolitan Areas					- 3
Denver	Col.	+ 4	+ 6	r 0	+ 3
Topeka	Kans.	+ 7	+ 3	- 7	+ 9
Wichita	"	+ 3	+ 5	+ 3	+ 21
St. Joseph	Mo.	0	- 4	- 12	r 8
Albuquerque	N. Mex.	+ 2	- 7	- 11	- 2
Oklahoma City	Okla.	+ 4	+ 2	- 6	+ 1
Tulsa	"	+ 4	+ 8	+ 3	+ 7
Cities					- 1
Joplin	Mo.	0	+ 12	- 1	r 3
Kansas City	"	- 2	- 1	- 11	+ 2
<u>Dallas District</u>		+ 3	+ 3	0	+ 7
Metropolitan Areas					- 7
Dallas	Tex.	0	+ 11	0	+ 22
El Paso	"	+ 4	+ 11	0	+ 4
Fort Worth	"	+ 6	+ 10	+ 3	+ 20
Houston	"	+ 4	+ 7	- 5	- 4
San Antonio	"	- 1	- 28	+ 8	- 2
<u>San Francisco District</u>		+ 5	0	+ 2	r+ 9
Metropolitan Areas					
Los Angeles-Long Beach Calif.		0	0	+ 4	+ 6
Downtown Los Angeles	"	- 4	+ 3	0	+ 13
Westside Los Angeles	"	+ 1	- 3	- 1	- 1
Sacramento	"	+ 7	0	+ 2	+ 7
San Diego	"	+ 5	- 4	r+ 6	+ 5
San Francisco-Oakland	"	+ 3	+ 5	+ 6	+ 4
San Francisco City	"	+ 3	+ 6	+ 5	+ 4
Oakland City	"	0	+ 2	r+ 6	+ 4
Portland	Ore.	0	- 4	- 9	- 16
Salt Lake City	Utah	+ 3	+ 4	+ 4	+ 10
Seattle	Wash.	+ 3	+ 3	+ 2	+ 2
Spokane	"	+ 3	- 6	- 6	+ 4
Tacoma	"	+ 4	+ 1	- 11	- 3

r--Revised.

c--Corrected.

*--Data not available.