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BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
August 30, 1957.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. July	Week ending				
		Aug. 3	Aug. 10	Aug. 17	Aug. 24	
<u>UNITED STATES</u>	+ 2	0	+ 3	+ 4	+ 1	
<u>Boston District</u>	0	-10	0	0	-3	
<u>Metropolitan Areas</u>						
Boston	Mass.	+ 2	-13	-1	-3	-6
Downtown Boston	"	0	-17	-6	-7	-13
Suburban Boston	"	+ 5	-5	+ 7	+ 4	+ 8
Cambridge	"	+ 6	-11	0	+ 3	-2
Quincy	"	+ 2	-8	0	+ 1	+ 9
Lowell	"	-1	-7	+ 4	+ 7	+ 3
<u>City</u>						
Springfield	"	0	-1	+ 3	+ 6	+ 3
<u>New York District</u>	+ 4	+ 3	+ 8	+ 8	+ 2	
<u>Metropolitan Areas</u>						
Buffalo	N. Y.	+ 2	-6	-4	r-1	-10
New York-N.E. New Jersey	N.Y.-N.J.	+ 7	+ 6	+10	r+10	+ 6
Newark	N. J.	-2	-8	0	+ 2	-5
New York	N. Y.	#	-2	0	-1	-3
Rochester	"	-2	-12	+ 3	r-2	-10
Syracuse	"	+ 1	-3	+13	0	-6
<u>Philadelphia District</u>	+ 3	r-4	+ 1	+ 3	+ 1	
<u>Metropolitan Areas</u>						
Wilmington	Del.	+ 8	+ 3	+ 7	r+ 9	+ 8
Trenton	N. J.	+ 3	-10	+10	r+ 1	+11
Lancaster	Pa.	+ 1	-14	+ 7	r-6	+ 4
Philadelphia	"	+ 1	-2	0	+ 2	0
Reading	"	+13	-17	+16	+ 8	+12
Scranton	"	+ 1	-4	+ 4	+ 1	0
Wilkes-Barre--Hazleton	"	+ 1	-8	+ 1	+ 4	-2
<u>Cleveland District</u>	+ 1	-5	+ 2	r+ 1	-3	
<u>Metropolitan Areas</u>						
Lexington	Ky.	+ 9	+ 5	r+11	+16	+ 2
Akron	Ohio	-2	-3	+ 3	-2	-5
Cincinnati	"	-4	-12	-3	-3	-12
Cleveland	"	-1	-6	-3	+ 3	-1
Columbus	"	+ 1	-4	r+ 1	+ 3	0
Springfield	"	-5	-9	-4	-3	+ 7
Toledo	"	-5	-10	r+ 4	-10	-7
Erie	Pa.	-1	-2	-5	+ 8	-4
Pittsburgh	"	+ 4	-1	r+ 3	+ 4	0
Wheeling-Steubenville	W.Va.&Ohio	+ 6	+ 5	+10	-3	-2

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

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<u>Kansas City District</u>		-1	-1	-1	0	+1
Metropolitan Areas						
Denver	Col.	+1	-4	-4	+2	-2
Topeka	Kans.	-1	+1	-2	+9	-9
Wichita	"	+3	+3	+2	r+3	+6
St. Joseph	Mo.	-7	-3	-9	+24	+3
Albuquerque	N. Mex.	-4	+3	+2	+8	-2
Oklahoma City	Okla.	-3	-4	-3	-3	-4
Tulsa	"	+2	-3	0	-25	+27
Cities						
Joplin	Mo.	-3	-7	-11	r+19	-1
Kansas City	"	-2	+1	-2	-3	-3
<u>Dallas District</u>		+2	+4	+1	+2	+1
Metropolitan Areas						
Dallas	Tex.	+1	-1	+3	+5	+1
El Paso	"	+4	0	+4	+6	-8
Fort Worth	"	+5	+11	+6	+6	+2
Houston	"	+11	+12	+3	+10	+3
San Antonio	"	+1	+6	-1	+1	0
<u>San Francisco District</u>		+2	-3	+2	-2	r+2
Metropolitan Areas						
Los Angeles-Long Beach	Calif.	+3	-5	-1	-7	+2
Downtown Los Angeles	"	0	-9	-1	-9	-3
Westside Los Angeles	"	+3	-4	-6	-4	-2
Sacramento	"	+16	+39	+34	+30	+26
San Diego	"	+3	+4	-1	0	-3
San Francisco-Oakland	"	-1	-8	-1	-4	0
San Francisco City	"	-1	-10	0	-4	+1
Oakland	"	-2	-2	-1	-3	-1
Portland	Ore.	0	-9	r-4	-9	-4
Salt Lake City	Utah	+2	-5	-2	+1	+3
Seattle	Wash.	+2	-13	+13	+5	+7
Spokane	"	-1	+15	+4	+8	+3
Tacoma	"	-2	-20	r+10	-13	-11

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*-Data not available.