H.8b 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.-Sept.	Week ending			
			Oct. 12	Oct. 19	Oct. 26	Nov. 2
UNITED STATES		+ 2	- 1	- 1	- 1	- 2
Boston District		- 2	-10	- 5	+ 1	- 3
Metropolitan Areas						
Boston	Mass.	0	- 8	- 3	+ 2	- 2
Downtown Boston	"	- 2	-15	- 4	- 6	- 7
Suburban Boston	"	+ 5	+ 6	- 3	+18	+ 7
Cambridge	"	+ 4	+15	+ 7	+ 3	+10
Quincy	"	0	+11	+ 2	- 2	+ 3
Lowell	"	- 1	- 5	-11	-11	- 8
City						
Springfield	"	0	-11	-23	+20	-13
New York District		+ 4	- 7	0	+ 1	+ 6
Metropolitan Areas						
Buffalo	N. Y.	+ 1	-14	- 7	- 3	- 8
New York-N.E. New Jersey	N.Y.-N.J.	+ 6	- 6	+ 1	+ 1	+ 9
Newark	N. J.	- 3	-19	- 2	- 2	+ 4
New York	N. Y.	*	- 9	- 4	- 3	+ 6
Rochester	"	- 3	-20	- 2	r- 1	- 3
Syracuse	"	0	+ 4	+ 4	0	+ 7
Philadelphia District		+ 2	- 4	- 3	- 1	+ 7
Metropolitan Areas						
Wilmington	Del.	+ 8	+ 2	+ 3	r-13	+36
Trenton	N. J.	+ 2	-14	+ 2	- 4	+ 8
Lancaster	Pa.	- 1	+ 3	- 9	r-24	+ 3
Philadelphia	"	+ 1	- 4	- 4	+ 3	+ 8
Reading	"	+11	+ 9	+15	-12	-20
Scranton	"	0	- 5	- 4	r+ 5	+ 1
Wilkes-Barre--Hazleton	"	0	- 8	- 9	- 8	0
Cleveland District		+ 1	- 5	- 7	- 7	+ 3
Metropolitan Areas						
Lexington	Ky.	+ 8	+ 3	+10	+12	+12
Akron	Ohio	- 2	-10	- 4	-10	- 4
Canton	"	+ 5	-12	+19	+ 7	0
Cincinnati	"	- 3	- 4	- 2	0	-16
Cleveland	"	0	- 6	- 1	0	+ 4
Columbus	"	0	+ 2	r 0	-14	- 3
Springfield	"	- 4	- 8	r+ 6	-12	-14
Toledo	"	- 6	-11	r- 2	- 9	- 1
Erie	Pa.	0	- 4	r- 4	- 3	- 5
Pittsburgh	"	+ 4	- 6	r-22	-10	+10
Wheeling-Steubenville	W.Va.&Ohio	+ 4	0	- 7	+19	+13

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Richmond District		+ 3	+ 1	- 7	r- 3	- 3
Metropolitan Areas						
Washington	D. C.	+ 4	0	- 8	r- 1	- 2
Downtown Washington	"	- 4	- 2	-10	r 0	- 2
Baltimore	Md.	+ 9	+ 7	- 3	- 4	- 3
Downtown Baltimore	"	- 5	+ 1	- 4	- 3	- 4
Richmond	Va.	- 2	- 7	-13	- 3	- 3
Atlanta District		+ 2	+ 5	- 1	r 0	r+ 1
Metropolitan Areas						
Birmingham	Ala.	+ 1	+14	-17	+13	0
Mobile	"	+ 6	+13	- 5	- 9	+ 2
Jacksonville	Fla.	- 1	- 1	- 5	- 9	+ 3
Miami	"	+11	+17	+12	r+ 9	+18
Miami City	"	0	+ 6	- 4	r- 6	+ 6
Atlanta	Ga.	+ 3	+ 1	- 1	r- 4	- 1
Augusta	"	- 5	-12	- 9	r- 8	- 4
New Orleans	La.	+ 7	+ 6	+10	- 3	- 9
Knoxville	Tenn.	- 1	- 7	- 1	+ 4	- 3
Nashville	"	+ 6	+12	- 1	+ 1	*
City						
Tampa	Fla.	+ 1	- 4	- 9	+ 8	+10
Chicago District		+ 2	- 2	+ 3	+ 1	- 5
Metropolitan Areas						
Chicago	Ill.	+ 4	+ 1	+ 5	+ 1	+ 3
Indianapolis	Ind.	0	+16	- 4	-17	- 3
Detroit	Mich.	+ 2	- 4	+ 3	+ 2	-16
Milwaukee	Wis.	+ 1	-16	+ 5	+ 6	- 5
St. Louis District		0	- 1	+ 1	- 3	- 8
Metropolitan Areas						
Little Rock	Ark.	- 2	+ 5	- 1	- 4	-23
Louisville	Ky.	- 1	+ 1	- 3	- 6	-11
St. Louis	Mo.	+ 2	+ 1	+ 4	0	0
Memphis	Tenn.	- 2	- 5	- 1	- 9	-19
Minneapolis District		+ 3	+ 2	+ 2	0	- 4
Metropolitan Areas						
Mpls-St. Paul	Minn.	+ 2	+ 2	+ 2	0	*
Mpls. and Suburbs	"	+ 3	0	+ 1	- 1	*
St. Paul	"	0	+ 7	+ 3	+ 1	- 4
Cities						
Duluth-Superior	Minn.&Wis.	+ 2	- 7	+ 1	0	-10

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Kansas City District		0	+ 2	+ 2	- 3	- 8
Metropolitan Areas						
Denver	Col.	+ 1	+ 3	+ 8	- 2	0
Topeka	Kans.	- 1	+ 2	+ 4	+ 2	- 9
Wichita	"	+ 4	+12	- 2	-13	-13
St. Joseph	Mo.	- 6	+ 4	- 1	- 1	-10
Albuquerque	N. Mex.	- 2	- 1	- 3	- 7	*
Oklahoma City	Okla.	- 2	+ 1	- 3	r- 1	- 6
Tulsa	"	+ 2	- 4	- 2	- 8	-12
Cities						
Joplin	Mo.	- 4	-18	-20	- 2	- 3
Kansas City	"	- 1	0	+ 4	r 0	-11
Dallas District		+ 3	+ 5	- 3	0	- 6
Metropolitan Areas						
Dallas	Tex.	+ 2	+14	+ 8	+ 2	+ 3
El Paso	"	+ 3	+ 2	-18	+45	-18
Fort Worth	"	+ 5	+ 2	- 5	- 5	-10
Houston	"	+10	+ 4	- 7	- 7	- 5
San Antonio	"	+ 1	- 1	0	- 5	- 3
San Francisco District		+ 1	+ 2	0	r- 4	- 8
Metropolitan Areas						
Los Angeles-Long Beach	Calif.	+ 2	+ 5	+ 6	0	- 7
Downtown Los Angeles	"	- 1	- 2	r 0	- 1	-12
Westside Los Angeles	"	+ 3	+ 2	r+ 3	- 5	- 9
Sacramento	"	+18	+11	+ 7	- 5	+ 3
San Diego	"	+ 2	- 4	- 3	- 8	- 9
San Francisco-Oakland	"	0	- 3	- 2	- 4	- 6
San Francisco City	"	- 1	- 5	- 5	- 4	- 7
Oakland	"	- 3	- 9	- 2	-13	-11
Portland	Ore.	- 1	- 3	-12	- 9	- 4
Salt Lake City	Utah	+ 2	+ 3	0	-13	+ 4
Seattle	Wash.	+ 2	+ 1	r- 2	- 4	- 6
Spokane	"	0	+15	- 1	0	*
Tacoma	"	- 4	- 2	r-14	- 4	- 4

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