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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)				
	11 mos. 1958	Week ending			
		Dec. 13	Dec. 20	Dec. 27*	Jan. 3
<u>UNITED STATES</u>	- 1	+ 3	+ 3	+30	+ 3
<u>Boston District</u>	- 1	+ 6	+ 3	+34	- 6
Metropolitan Areas					
Boston Mass.	+ 2	+ 7	+ 4	+36	- 8
Downtown Boston	- 4	- 2	- 3	+29	-12
Suburban Boston	+14	+22	+16	+47	+ 1
Cambridge	+ 9	+17	+ 4	+22	-12
Quincy	+14	+27	+23	+57	+ 6
Lowell	- 6	- 2	- 8	+24	-18
City					
Springfield	- 1	+ 7	+ 4	+31	+ 4
<u>New York District</u>	+ 1	+ 5	- 3	+28	+ 1
Metropolitan Areas					
Buffalo N. Y.	- 5	+ 1	- 4	+25	+ 8
New York-N.E. New Jersey N.Y.-N.J.	+ 3	+ 6	- 4	r+28	- 1
Newark N. J.	- 5	- 1	- 3	+28	- 3
New York N. Y.	- 1	+10	- 6	r+23	- 3
Rochester	- 4	+ 5	r+ 4	+38	+16
Syracuse	- 3	+ 1	r+ 4	+24	0
<u>Philadelphia District</u>	0	+ 3	+ 2	+31	+ 6
Metropolitan Areas					
Wilmington Del.	+ 1	r 0	- 3	r+37	+22
Trenton N. J.	0	+ 2	- 5	r+24	- 3
Lancaster Pa.	+10	+11	+16	r+33	+15
Philadelphia	0	+ 3	+ 2	+34	+ 6
Reading	- 1	+ 4	+ 7	r+19	+ 3
Scranton	+ 2	+ 4	+ 3	r+26	+ 2
Wilkes-Barre--Hazleton	- 4	- 1	+ 1	+17	- 7
<u>Cleveland District</u>	- 3	+ 1	+ 3	+25	+10
Metropolitan Areas					
Lexington Ky.	- 1	+ 6	+ 6	+23	+11
Canton Ohio	- 8	- 3	+ 6	+21	+ 9
Cincinnati	- 2	+ 6	+ 5	+24	+12
Cleveland	- 4	- 1	- 1	+27	+17
Downtown Cleveland	**	- 4	- 4	+23	+21
Columbus	0	+ 1	+ 7	+33	+11
Springfield	- 8	- 8	- 1	+27	- 6
Youngstown	-12	- 1	- 2	+24	+ 1
Erie Pa.	- 7	0	r+ 3	+33	+23
Pittsburgh	0	+ 1	r+ 5	+20	+ 7
Downtown Pittsburgh	**	+ 1	r+ 6	+19	+ 6
Wheeling-Steubenville W. Va.&Ohio	- 4	+ 1	+ 8	+26	+ 5

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<u>Richmond District</u>		- 1	0	+ 2	r+29	+ 4
Metropolitan Areas						
Washington	D. C.	+ 3	+ 4	+ 4	r+31	+ 2
Downtown Washington	"	0	- 3	- 2	r+22	- 1
Baltimore	Md.	- 3	+ 1	- 1	r+27	+ 6
Downtown Baltimore	"	- 5	- 8	- 9	r+12	- 1
Richmond	Va.	- 4	-10	+ 2	r+24	- 1
<u>Atlanta District</u>		0	+ 2	+ 3	r+27	r+ 8
Metropolitan Areas						
Birmingham	Ala.	- 2	- 2	+ 4	r+30	+ 1
Mobile	"	+ 1	+ 2	+ 5	+31	+ 9
Jacksonville	Fla.	- 1	+ 4	+ 3	+31	**
Miami	"	+ 1	- 2	+ 1	+25	+13
Downtown Miami	"	- 3	- 3	- 1	+22	+15
Atlanta	Ga.	+ 2	+ 2	r+ 2	+28	+14
Augusta	"	- 5	- 5	+ 2	r+22	- 5
Columbus	"	+ 6	0	0	+30	+ 3
New Orleans	La.	- 4	- 2	0	+27	+ 3
Knoxville	Tenn.	- 3	+10	+ 4	r+19	+13
<u>Chicago District</u>		- 4	0	+ 8	+31	+ 1
Metropolitan Areas						
Chicago	Ill.	- 2	- 3	+ 8	+33	- 4
Indianapolis	Ind.	- 7	+ 5	+13	+27	+14
Detroit	Mich.	- 9	+ 2	+ 5	+29	+ 5
Grand Rapids	"	- 5	+ 2	- 5	+28	+ 7
Milwaukee	Wis.	- 3	- 1	+ 3	+25	- 3
<u>St. Louis District</u>		- 2	+ 2	+ 6	r+23	+ 3
Metropolitan Areas						
Little Rock	Ark.	+ 2	-12	+ 9	+34	+ 2
Louisville	Ky.	- 2	+ 4	0	+26	+ 2
St. Louis	Mo.	- 2	+ 4	+ 5	+18	+ 2
Memphis	Tenn.	- 1	r 0	+11	+34	+ 5
<u>Minneapolis District</u>		- 1	+ 2	+ 3	r+26	- 2
Metropolitan Areas						
Mpls.-St. Paul	Minn.	- 1	+ 2	+ 3	+27	- 1
Mpls. and Suburbs	"	- 1	+ 2	+ 3	+24	- 3
St. Paul	"	- 1	+ 3	+ 5	+36	+ 2
Cities						
Duluth-Superior	Minn.&Wis.	- 3	- 3	- 1	+20	- 6

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Metropolitan Areas						
Denver	Col.	+ 4	+ 5	+ 7	+29	-12
Topeka	Kans.	+ 1	+ 6	+10	+23	-12
Wichita	"	- 4	- 5	- 2	+25	-20
Kansas City	Mo.	0	+ 7	+11	+29	- 7
St. Joseph	"	- 4	- 1	+ 1	+18	- 1
Lincoln	Nebr.	**	+ 9	+ 6	r+15	+14
Albuquerque	N. Mex.	+ 8	+ 5	+11	+52	- 8
Oklahoma City	Okla.	0	- 7	+ 4	r+24	-17
Tulsa	"	+12	+ 6	+17	+38	- 3
City						
Joplin	Mo.	- 6	-17	+ 8	r+21	-14
<u>Dallas District</u>		<u>- 1</u>	<u>+ 2</u>	<u>+ 1</u>	<u>+26</u>	<u>0</u>
Metropolitan Areas						
Dallas	Tex.	+ 1	+ 2	+ 1	+20	- 4
El Paso	"	+ 4	+ 4	+ 4	+23	+ 8
Fort Worth	"	+ 2	+ 4	+ 3	+35	+ 5
Houston	"	- 7	- 4	- 5	+26	+ 1
San Antonio	"	+ 2	+10	+ 1	+27	+ 7
<u>San Francisco District</u>		<u>0</u>	<u>+ 3</u>	<u>+ 1</u>	<u>r+33</u>	<u>+ 8</u>
Metropolitan Areas						
Los Angeles-Long Beach	Calif.	- 1	+ 5	r- 2	+34	+ 2
Downtown Los Angeles	"	- 8	+ 2	r- 6	+25	- 1
Westside Los Angeles	"	- 2	+ 3	- 6	+27	+ 5
Sacramento	"	+ 7	+ 7	+ 8	+41	+31
San Diego	"	- 2	+ 8	+ 3	+39	+20
San Francisco-Oakland	"	0	- 3	- 1	+31	+ 8
San Francisco City	"	- 1	- 5	- 1	+28	+ 6
Oakland	"	-13	-11	-11	+20	+ 3
San Jose	"	+ 4	+ 5	+ 6	+37	+25
Portland	Ore.	0	+ 5	+ 6	+26	+15
Salt Lake City	Utah	- 1	+ 7	+ 7	+29	- 4
Seattle	Wash.	0	+ 3	+ 3	+27	+13
Spokane	"	+ 1	- 2	0	+26	+ 6
Tacoma	"	0	+ 2	r+ 2	+24	+ 9

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**Data not available.

* This year there were three shopping days before Christmas compared with two last year.