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

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<u>Richmond District</u>	- 1	+ 2	+29	r+ 2	+ 6
<u>Metropolitan Areas</u>					
Washington	D. C. + 3	+ 4	+31	r- 2	- 1
Downtown Washington	" 0	- 2	+22	r- 6	+ 6
Baltimore	Md. - 3	- 1	+27	r+ 7	+16
Downtown Baltimore	" - 5	- 9	+12	r- 2	+12
Richmond	Va. - 4	+ 2	+24	- 1	+ 6
<u>Atlanta District</u>	0	+ 3	+27	r+ 7	+ 6
<u>Metropolitan Areas</u>					
Birmingham	Ala. - 2	+ 4	+30	+ 1	+10
Mobile	" + 1	+ 5	+31	+ 9	+ 7
Jacksonville	Fla. - 1	+ 3	r+29	+10	- 2
Miami	" + 1	+ 1	+25	r+11	- 5
Downtown Miami	" - 3	- 1	r+21	+15	- 8
Atlanta	Ga. + 2	+ 2	+28	+14	+ 6
Augusta	" - 5	+ 2	+22	r- 4	- 5
Columbus	" + 6	0	+30	r+ 2	+ 6
New Orleans	La. - 4	0	+27	r+ 4	+11
Knoxville	Tenn. - 3	+ 4	+19	r+ 9	**
<u>Chicago District</u>	- 4	r+ 7	r+30	r 0	+ 3
<u>Metropolitan Areas</u>					
Chicago	Ill. - 2	+ 8	+33	- 4	0
Indianapolis	Ind. - 7	+13	+27	+14	- 3
Detroit	Mich. - 9	+ 5	+29	+ 5	+ 5
Grand Rapids	" - 5	- 5	+28	+ 7	+ 2
Milwaukee	Wis. - 3	+ 3	+25	- 3	**
<u>St. Louis District</u>	- 2	+ 6	+23	r+ 2	+ 5
<u>Metropolitan Areas</u>					
Little Rock	Ark. + 2	+ 9	+34	+ 2	+ 4
Louisville	Ky. - 2	0	+26	+ 2	- 5
St. Louis	Mo. - 2	+ 5	+18	+ 2	+ 4
Memphis	Tenn. - 1	+11	+34	+ 5	+15
<u>Minneapolis District</u>	- 1	+ 3	+26	- 2	r+ 2
<u>Metropolitan Areas</u>					
Mpls.-St. Paul	Minn. - 1	+ 3	+27	- 1	+ 2
Mpls. and Suburbs	" - 1	+ 3	+24	- 3	0
St. Paul	" - 1	+ 5	r+35	+ 2	+ 7
<u>Cities</u>					
Duluth-Superior	Minn.&Wis- 3	- 1	r+19	- 6	+ 4

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<u>Kansas City District</u>	+ 2	+ 8	+29	r- 9	+ 9
Metropolitan Areas					
Denver Col.	+ 4	+ 7	+29	-12	+ 8
Topeka Kans.	+ 1	+10	+23	-12	+11
Wichita "	- 4	- 2	+25	-20	+ 9
Kansas City Mo.	0	+11	+29	- 7	+ 4
St. Joseph "	- 4	+ 1	+18	- 1	-14
Lincoln Nebr.	**	+ 6	+15	r+ 9	+18
Albuquerque N. Mex.	+ 8	+11	+52	- 8	+20
Oklahoma City Okla.	0	+ 4	+24	-17	+ 8
Tulsa "	+12	+17	+38	- 3	+15
City					
Joplin Mo.	- 6	+ 8	+21	-14	+ 1
<u>Dallas District</u>	- 1	+ 1	+26	0	+ 8
Metropolitan Areas					
Dallas Tex.	+ 1	+ 1	+20	- 4	+ 7
El Paso "	+ 4	+ 4	+23	+ 8	+ 9
Fort Worth "	+ 2	+ 3	+35	+ 5	+ 8
Houston "	- 7	- 5	+26	+ 1	+ 8
San Antonio "	+ 2	+ 1	+27	+ 7	+ 3
<u>San Francisco District</u>	0	+ 1	+33	+ 8	r+13
Metropolitan Areas					
Los Angeles-Long Beach Calif.	- 1	- 2	r+35	+ 2	+17
Downtown Los Angeles "	- 8	- 6	+25	- 1	+ 7
Westside Los Angeles "	- 2	- 6	r+28	+ 5	+17
Sacramento "	+ 7	+ 8	+41	+31	+27
San Diego "	- 2	+ 3	+39	+20	+12
San Francisco-Oakland "	0	- 1	+31	+ 8	+ 7
San Francisco City "	- 1	- 1	+28	+ 6	+ 6
Oakland "	-13	-11	+20	+ 3	- 2
San Jose "	+ 4	+ 6	r+50	+25	+17
Portland Ore.	0	+ 6	+26	+15	+ 3
Salt Lake City Utah	- 1	+ 7	+29	- 4	+19
Seattle Wash.	0	+ 3	+27	+13	+10
Spokane "	+ 1	0	+26	+ 6	- 6
Tacoma "	0	+ 2	+24	+ 9	+ 3

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\*\*Data not available.

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