

## BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
December 18, 1959.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.-Oct. 1959	Week ending				
		Nov. 21	Nov. 28	Dec. 5	Dec. 12	
<u>UNITED STATES</u>	+ 7	+ 8	+ 3	+ 2	+ 2	
<u>Boston District</u>	+ 3	+ 9	- 4	+ 4	+ 1	
Metropolitan Areas						
Boston	Mass.	+ 4	+10	- 2	+ 4	+ 2
Downtown Boston	"	- 1	+ 9	- 1	+ 1	+ 1
Suburban Boston	"	+11	+12	- 3	+ 8	+ 5
Cambridge	"	+ 5	+22	- 9	+15	- 5
Quincy	"	+10	+23	-10	+ 5	+ 2
Lowell	"	- 3	+ 2	-15	- 5	- 9
City						
Springfield	"	+ 5	+ 7	- 4	+ 3	- 3
<u>New York District</u>	+ 3	+ 8	+ 4	+ 4	+ 1	
Metropolitan Areas						
Buffalo	N.Y.	+ 4	+ 7	+ 8	r- 3	- 6
New York-N.E. New Jersey	N.Y.-N.J.	+ 3	+ 8	+ 4	+ 5	+ 2
Newark	N.J.	0	+ 4	- 4	+ 1	- 5
New York	N.Y.	0	+ 3	- 1	0	- 4
Rochester	"	+ 5	+10	+ 7	- 2	- 3
Syracuse	"	+ 3	+ 1	- 4	+ 1	- 1
<u>Philadelphia District</u>	+ 5	+ 4	- 4	0	- 4	
Metropolitan Areas						
Wilmington	Del.	+ 8	+ 8	0	- 1	- 1
Trenton	N.J.	+ 4	+ 6	- 3	0	- 1
Lancaster	Pa.	+14	+ 9	+ 2	r+ 3	- 7
Philadelphia	"	+ 5	+ 3	r- 4	0	- 4
Reading	"	+ 9	+ 2	- 4	- 4	- 9
Scranton	"	+ 3	+ 3	- 8	- 1	- 3
Wilkes-Barre--Hazleton	"	+ 2	+ 1	+ 1	r+ 3	- 3
<u>Cleveland District</u>	+ 7	+ 8	+13	+ 4	- 1	
Metropolitan Areas						
Lexington	Ky.	+ 9	+ 6	+ 8	- 1	- 7
Akron	Ohio	+ 1	+ 7	+ 8	+ 6	+ 1
Canton	"	+ 6	+ 2	+ 6	- 5	- 6
Cincinnati	"	+ 7	+10	r+18	+ 1	- 2
Cleveland	"	+ 9	+10	+11	+ 3	+ 2
Downtown Cleveland	"	+ 5	+ 9	+ 9	+ 3	+ 1
Columbus	"	+ 9	+12	+20	+ 8	+ 8
Springfield	"	+ 9	+12	+20	+ 8	+ 4
Youngstown	"	+ 6	+ 7	r+12	+ 5	- 4
Erie	Pa.	+ 4	+ 8	r+ 2	+ 4	0
Pittsburgh	"	+ 6	+ 8	+12	+ 8	- 7
Downtown Pittsburgh	"	+ 6	+ 7	+10	+ 8	- 9
Wheeling	W.Va.	- 2	- 4	+13	- 6	- 7

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<u><b>Richmond District</b></u>	+ 6	+ 3	- 4	- 4	- 3
Metropolitan Areas					
Washington	D.C.	+ 8	+ 5	- 2	- 5
Downtown Washington	"	+ 1	- 1	- 6	- 7
Baltimore	Md.	+ 2	- 2	- 7	- 5
Downtown Baltimore	"	- 7	- 9	- 13	r-11
Richmond	Va.	+ 3	+ 9	- 3	- 3
<u><b>Atlanta District</b></u>	+ 8	+ 9	+ 6	r+ 5	r+ 5
Metropolitan Areas					
Birmingham	Ala.	+ 2	- 8	- 5	r- 3
Mobile	"	+ 6	- 9	- 11	- 7
Jacksonville	Fla.	+19	+28	+30	+18
Miami	"	+ 8	+ 3	+14	r+20
Tampa-St. Petersburg	"	+18	+20	+18	+24
Atlanta	Ga.	+ 6	+17	+ 8	r+ 2
Augusta	"	+15	+16	+18	+15
Columbus	"	0	+ 3	- 2	+ 5
New Orleans	La.	+ 6	+13	+ 3	- 2
Knoxville	Tenn.	+ 9	+ 9	0	r 0
Cities					
Central Atlanta	Ga.	- 1	- 1	-10	r-16
Miami-Downtown	Fla.	+ 6	+ 2	+14	r+17
<u><b>Chicago District</b></u>	+ 8	+11	+ 1	- 0	+ 3
Metropolitan Areas					
Chicago	Ill.	+ 4	+ 9	- 6	- 1
Indianapolis	Ind.	+10	+13	+16	+ 2
Detroit	Mich.	+14	+13	+ 8	+ 3
Grand Rapids	"	+ 9	+ 8	+ 7	+ 1
Milwaukee	Wis.	+10	+15	+ 5	+ 7
<u><b>St. Louis District</b></u>	+ 6	+ 7	+11	- 2	+ 1
Metropolitan Areas					
Little Rock	Ark.	+ 5	+ 1	+ 7	- 1
Louisville	Ky.	+ 6	+11	r+27	- 3
St. Louis	Mo.	+ 5	+ 6	+10	- 2
Memphis	Tenn.	+12	+16	+ 7	0
<u><b>Minneapolis District</b></u>	+ 6	- 0	- 4	- 1	+ 1
Metropolitan Areas					
Mpls.--St. Paul	Minn.	+ 6	*	- 4	0
Mpls. and Suburbs	"	+ 5	*	- 2	0
St. Paul	"	+ 8	0	- 7	- 1
Cities					
Duluth-Superior	Minn. & Wis.	+ 8	- 3	- 4	r- 3
					- 6

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<u>Kansas City District</u>	+ 7	+ 5	+ 1	- 3	+ 1
Metropolitan Areas					
Denver	Col.	+ 9	+ 8	+ 2	0
Topeka	Kans.	+ 5	- 4	- 4	-10
Wichita	"	+ 1	- 5	- 6	-14
Kansas City	Mo.-Kans.	+ 9	+10	+ 4	- 5
Downtown Kansas City	Mo.	- 1	+ 6	+ 6	- 9
St. Joseph	"	+ 4	0	+ 5	- 7
Lincoln	Nebr.	+ 4	+ 1	- 3	- 5
Albuquerque	N.Mex.	+11	- 6	- 7	+ 1
Oklahoma City	Okla.	+ ?	- 4	- 1	r- 1
Tulsa	"	+ 7	+18	+ 7	+ 4
City					
Joplin	Mo.	- 1	+ 4	+ 5	- 2
<u>Dallas District</u>	+ 8	+10	+ 2	+ 3	+ 3
Metropolitan Areas					
Dallas	Tex.	+12	+15	+ 7	+ 6
El Paso	"	+ 3	+ 1	-11	-10
Fort Worth	"	+ 6	+ 4	- 3	- 1
Houston	"	+12	+17	+ 6	+ 7
San Antonio	"	+ 4	+10	- 4	- 3
<u>San Francisco District</u>	+11	+ 2	- 1	0	r+ 4
Metropolitan Areas					
Los Angeles-Long Beach	Calif.	+13	+ 4	+ 1	+ 1
Downtown Los Angeles	"	+ 4	- 3	-12	0
Westside Los Angeles	"	+ 7	+ 1	+ 2	- 2
Sacramento	"	+17	+ 3	0	+ 1
San Diego	"	+12	0	+ 1	0
San Francisco-Oakland	"	+ 7	0	- 2	+ 1
San Francisco City	"	+ 7	+ 3	- 1	0
Oakland	"	0	-11	- 9	- 3
San Jose	"	+20	+19	+11	+ 9
Portland	Ore.	+11	+ 1	+ 2	+ 2
Salt Lake City	Utah	+10	- 2	- 1	- 2
Seattle	Wash.	+ 6	- 6	r- 9	- 3
Spokane	"	+ 5	- 6	0	- 6
Tacoma	"	+ 7	-10	r-16	- 5

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\*Data not available.