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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)				
		Week ending				Jan.-Oct. 1961
		Dec. 9	Dec. 2	Nov. 25	Nov. 18	
<u>UNITED STATES</u>		+1	+3	+7	+6	+1
<u>Boston District</u>		+4	+11	+13	+13	+4
Metropolitan Areas						
Boston	Mass.	+4	+11	+12	+14	+5
Downtown Boston	"	+1	+6	+6	+10	0
Suburban Boston	"	+8	+18	+20	+18	+13
Cambridge	"	-1	+6	+15	+19	+1
Quincy	"	+2	+6	+16	0	0
Lowell	"	+3	+9	-4	+7	0
City						
Springfield	"	+1	+4	+11	+15	+3
<u>New York District</u>		+2	+7	+7	+5	+2
Metropolitan Areas						
Buffalo	N.Y.	0	+9	+6	-2	0
New York-N.E.	N.Y.-N.J.	+2	+8	+7	+6	+2
Newark	N.J.	-1	r+6	+6	0	-5
New York	N.Y.	+2	+7	+5	+5	0
Rochester	"	-3	-4	+3	0	+1
Syracuse	"	-2	0	+4	+7	0
<u>Philadelphia District</u>		+1	+5	+10	+8	0
Metropolitan Areas						
Wilmington	Del.	+2	+6	r+15	+12	0
Trenton	N.J.	-5	-3	+3	+6	-1
Lancaster	Pa.	+3	r+3	+14	+13	+1
Philadelphia	"	+1	+6	+10	+8	+1
Reading	"	-1	+11	+11	+6	-3
Scranton	"	-4	+2	+4	+6	-1
Wilkes-Barre--Hazleton	"	-1	+2	+4	0	-3
<u>Cleveland District</u>		-2	+2	+6	+3	0
Metropolitan Areas						
Lexington	Ky.	-7	-2	+4	-2	-2
Akron	Ohio	-3	+3	0	-4	+2
Canton	"	+1	+4	+5	+6	-3
Cincinnati	"	-3	+5	r+9	+3	+8
Cleveland	"	-3	+3	+7	+6	-2
Downtown Cleveland	"	-11	-3	+2	-4	-7
Columbus	"	0	+1	r+14	+2	+2
Springfield	"	+10	-9	+7	+1	+1
Toledo	"	-6	-6	-2	-1	+2
Youngstown	"	-2	0	r-1	-2	-7
Erie	Pa.	-6	-4	r-4	0	-4
Pittsburgh	"	-3	+4	r-6	+3	0
Downtown Pittsburgh	"	-7	-1	r 0	-2	-5
Wheeling	W.Va.	+1	0	+3	+3	-4

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

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<u>Kansas City District</u>	- 3	- 1	+ 5	+ 4	+ 3	
Metropolitan Areas						
Denver	Col.	+ 1	+ 1	+ 9	- 4	+ 6
Topeka	Kans.	+ 2	r+15	+ 4	+ 1	+ 2
Wichita	"	- 3	- 6	- 3	+ 8	- 2
Kansas City	Mo.-Kans.	-10	- 1	+ 5	+ 3	+ 1
Downtown Kansas City	Mo.	-15	- 6	0	- 7	- 3
St. Joseph	"	-17	- 8	- 8	- 5	+ 3
Lincoln	Nebr.	- 8	r- 6	+ 6	+ 3	+13
Omaha	"	-12	r- 1	+ 4	- 1	+14
Albuquerque	N.Mex.	+28	+17	+22	+21	+18
Oklahoma City	Okla.	0	-10	- 3	+ 6	-10
Tulsa	"	+ 3	- 2	+ 7	+22	- 2
City						
Joplin	Mo.	+13	+ 5	- 8	+19	- 3
<u>Dallas District</u>		+ 7	+ 1	+ 5	+ 7	+ 1
Metropolitan Areas						
Dallas	Tex.	+11	- 1	+ 9	+11	0
El Paso	"	- 3	- 1	- 1	- 5	- 5
Fort Worth	"	+14	+ 4	+ 7	+ 8	+ 2
Houston	"	+11	+15	+12	+11	+ 4
San Antonio	"	+ 6	+ 6	+11	+10	+ 3
<u>San Francisco District</u>		r+ 5	r+ 1	+ 8	+ 8	+ 2
Metropolitan Areas						
Los Angeles-Long Beach	Calif.	+ 3	0	+ 6	+12	+ 1
Downtown Los Angeles	"	- 2	- 6	- 7	+24	- 6
Westside Los Angeles	"	+ 4	+ 1	+ 8	+ 9	0
Sacramento	"	+21	+10	r+21	+13	+10
San Diego	"	+30	+27	+37	+26	+12
San Francisco-Oakland	"	+ 5	- 1	+ 6	+ 2	+ 3
San Francisco	"	+ 4	- 2	+ 5	+ 2	0
Oakland	"	+ 7	+ 1	+ 7	+ 1	+ 4
San Jose	"	0	- 8	+ 3	- 6	+ 5
Portland	Ore.	- 3	- 3	- 2	+ 6	0
Salt Lake City	Utah	0	+ 1	+ 6	+ 5	0
Seattle	Wash.	+ 3	- 1	+ 5	+ 9	+ 1
Spokane	"	+ 5	- 6	+ 3	- 3	+ 4
Tacoma	"	+ 6	+ 2	+10	+ 8	+ 1

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*Not available