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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.-Oct. 1961
	Week ending				
	Dec. 23	Dec. 16	Dec. 9	Dec. 2	
<u>UNITED STATES</u>	+12	+9	+1	+3	+1
<u>Boston District</u>	+6	+23	+4	+11	+4
Metropolitan Areas					
Boston Mass.	+5	+25	+4	+11	+5
Downtown Boston "	-2	+14	+1	+6	0
Suburban Boston "	+13	+38	+8	+18	+13
Cambridge "	+16	+18	-1	+6	+1
Quincy "	+1	+22	+2	+6	0
Lowell "	+5	r+14	+2	+9	0
City					
Springfield "	+11	+18	+1	+4	+3
<u>New York District</u>	+8	+19	+2	+7	+2
Metropolitan Areas					
Buffalo N.Y.	+24	+8	0	+9	0
New York-N.E. New Jersey, N.Y.-N.J.	+6	+23	+3	+8	+2
Newark N.J.	+2	r+31	-1	+6	-5
New York N.Y.	+4	+15	+2	+7	0
Rochester "	+13	+5	-3	-4	+1
Syracuse "	+8	+4	-2	0	0
<u>Philadelphia District</u>	+7	r+25	+1	+5	0
Metropolitan Areas					
Wilmington Del.	+6	r+30	r+2	+7	0
Trenton N.J.	-2	+32	-5	-3	-1
Lancaster Pa.	+3	+18	+2	+3	+1
Philadelphia "	+7	r+28	+1	+6	+1
Reading "	+8	+10	-1	+11	-3
Scranton "	+4	r+6	-4	+2	-1
Wilkes-Barre--Hazleton "	+11	+10	-1	+2	-3
<u>Cleveland District</u>	+16	r+9	-2	+2	0
Metropolitan Areas					
Lexington Ky.	+8	+3	-7	-2	-2
Akron Ohio	+9	+4	-3	+3	+2
Canton "	+17	+9	+1	+4	-3
Cincinnati "	+24	+14	-3	+5	+8
Cleveland "	+13	+7	-3	+3	-2
Downtown Cleveland "	-1	-2	-11	-3	-7
Columbus "	+19	+12	0	+1	+2
Springfield "	+12	+10	+10	-9	+1
Toledo "	+11	+2	r-7	-6	+2
Youngstown "	+13	+4	-2	+1	-7
Erie Pa.	+13	+12	r-8	-5	-4
Pittsburgh "	+19	+12	-3	+2	0
Downtown Pittsburgh "	+8	+3	-7	-3	-5
Wheeling W.Va.	+18	+9	+1	0	-4

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<u>Richmond District</u>	+6	+18	-1	0	+1
Metropolitan Areas					
Washington D.C.	+4	r+19	-2	0	+3
Downtown Washington "	0	r+11	-5	-4	-2
Baltimore Md.	+5	+23	-1	0	0
Downtown Baltimore "	-1	+17	-4	-5	-2
Richmond Va.	+10	+3	0	-5	-2
<u>Atlanta District</u>	+14	+2	r+1	0	+1
Metropolitan Areas					
Birmingham Ala.	+13	0	+1	-2	0
Mobile "	*	-4	+2	+1	0
Jacksonville Fla.	*	+1	-4	-7	+6
Miami "	+10	-2	+3	-1	+6
Tampa-St. Petersburg "	+23	r+9	r+6	r+5	0
Atlanta Ga.	+22	r+9	+5	+4	-1
Augusta "	+18	r+4	-7	-1	0
Columbus "	*	*	*	-8	-3
New Orleans La.	+8	-2	-4	-4	-2
Cities					
Miami-Downtown Fla.	+8	r-3	-1	-3	-4
Central Atlanta Ga.	+20	r+6	+4	+4	-5
<u>Chicago District</u>	+11	+3	-2	0	0
Metropolitan Areas					
Chicago Ill.	+10	0	-3	-1	+1
Indianapolis Ind.	+16	+9	-3	-4	0
Detroit Mich.	+9	+5	-2	+2	-4
Milwaukee Wis.	+10	+1	-4	-1	-3
<u>St. Louis District</u>	+16	-5	-7	-3	-1
Metropolitan Areas					
Little Rock Ark.	+12	-6	-7	-5	-3
Louisville Ky.	+20	+6	-2	+2	+5
St. Louis Mo.	+19	-8	-9	r-3	-1
Memphis Tenn.	+5	-11	-11	-11	-4
<u>Minneapolis District</u>	r+9	+4	-3	-2	+1
Metropolitan Areas					
Mpls.-St. Paul Minn.	+9	+5	-3	-3	+2
Mpls. and Suburban "	+10	+5	-3	-3	+3
Minneapolis "	+7	+1	-5	-5	*
St. Paul & Suburban "	+8	+6	-2	-3	-1
Cities					
Duluth-Superior Minn.&Wis.	+6	-4	-10	+8	-2

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<u>Kansas City District</u>		+ 9	r- 6	- 3	- 1	+ 3
Metropolitan Areas						
Denver	Col.	+10	- 3	+ 1	+ 2	+ 6
Topeka	Kans.	+ 8	r- 7	+ 2	+15	+ 2
Wichita	"	+ 8	- 7	- 3	- 6	- 2
Kansas City	Mo.-Kans.	+ 5	- 5	-10	- 1	+ 1
Downtown Kansas City	Mo.	+ 1	-11	-15	- 6	- 3
St. Joseph	"	- 7	-14	-17	- 8	+ 3
Lincoln	Nebr.	+12	- 8	- 8	- 6	+13
Omaha	"	+ 3	r- 9	-10	- 1	+14
Albuquerque	N.Mex.	+30	+ 8	+28	+17	+18
Oklahoma City	Okla.	+ 8	-16	0	-10	-10
Tulsa	"	+10	- 9	+ 3	- 2	- 2
City						
Joplin	Mo.	+20	- 9	+13	+ 5	- 3
<u>Dallas District</u>		+13	+ 2	+ 7	+ 1	+ 1
Metropolitan Areas						
Dallas	Tex.	+17	+ 2	+11	- 1	0
El Paso	"	+ 4	- 2	- 1	- 1	- 5
Fort Worth	"	+18	+ 5	+14	+ 4	+ 2
Houston	"	+16	+11	+11	+15	+ 4
San Antonio	"	+20	+ 6	+ 6	+ 6	+ 3
<u>San Francisco District</u>		+16	r+ 8	+ 5	+ 1	+ 2
Metropolitan Areas						
Los Angeles-Long Beach	Calif.	+16	+ 6	+ 3	0	+ 1
Downtown Los Angeles	"	+ 9	0	- 2	- 6	- 6
Westside Los Angeles	"	+15	+ 2	+ 4	+ 2	0
Sacramento	"	+32	+20	+21	+10	+10
San Diego	"	*	+34	+30	+29	+12
San Francisco-Oakland	"	+13	+ 6	+ 5	- 1	+ 3
San Francisco	"	+10	+ 4	+ 4	- 2	0
Oakland	"	+14	+ 7	+ 7	+ 1	+ 4
San Jose	"	+ 7	+ 4	r- 1	- 8	+ 5
Portland	Ore.	+18	+ 2	- 3	- 3	0
Salt Lake City	Utah	+14	+10	0	+ 1	0
Seattle	Wash.	+15	+ 8	+ 3	- 1	+ 1
Spokane	"	+14	+13	+ 5	= 6	+ 4
Tacoma	"	+12	+ 8	+ 6	+ 2	+ 1

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