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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) | | | | Year 1962 |
|--|------------|---|--------|---------|---------|--------------|
| | | Week ending | | | | |
| | | Mar. 9 | Mar. 2 | Feb. 23 | Feb. 16 | |
| <u>UNITED STATES</u> | | + 7 | - 4 | + 3 | + 1 | + 4 |
| <u>Boston District</u> | | + 4 | - 6 | +24 | +10 | + 2 |
| <u>Metropolitan District</u> | | | | | | |
| Boston | Mass. | + 5 | - 6 | +26 | + 7 | + 2 |
| Downtown Boston | " | 0 | - 7 | +20 | + 6 | - 1 |
| Suburban Boston | " | +11 | - 5 | +35 | + 8 | + 6 |
| Cambridge | " | + 9 | + 1 | +14 | + 2 | + 5 |
| Quincy | " | +11 | - 1 | +28 | + 5 | - 2 |
| Lowell | " | - 8 | -23 | + 1 | -11 | 0 |
| <u>New York District</u> | | + 3 | - 4 | + 9 | + 3 | + 4 |
| <u>Metropolitan Areas</u> | | | | | | |
| Buffalo | N.Y. | + 4 | - 1 | +13 | + 8 | + 3 |
| New York-N.E. | New Jersey | + 2 | - 5 | + 7 | + 2 | + 5 |
| Newark | N.J. | + 9 | - 9 | + 9 | + 2 | + 2 |
| New York | N.Y. | - 5 | - 8 | 0 | - 7 | + 1 |
| Rochester | " | + 7 | - 2 | * | * | + 3 |
| Syracuse | " | - 1 | r- 4 | +17 | + 3 | + 3 |
| <u>Philadelphia District</u> | | +21 | -13 | 0 | + 4 | + 3 |
| <u>Metropolitan Areas</u> | | | | | | |
| Wilmington | Del. | +22 | - 2 | r+ 8 | + 1 | + 3 |
| Trenton | N.J. | +27 | - 2 | + 3 | + 3 | - 1 |
| Lancaster | Pa. | +12 | r-16 | - 4 | + 4 | + 2 |
| Philadelphia | " | +25 | -13 | - 2 | + 5 | + 4 |
| Reading | " | - 4 | -14 | - 5 | - 2 | + 4 |
| Scranton | " | + 6 | r-19 | + 4 | - 4 | + 1 |
| Wilkes-Barre-Hazleton | " | + 9 | -17 | +21 | - 3 | + 4 |
| <u>Cleveland District</u> | | r+ 5 | -15 | - 2 | - 8 | + 2 |
| <u>Metropolitan Areas</u> | | | | | | |
| Lexington | Ky. | +16 | -11 | + 2 | -14 | + 5 |
| Akron | Chio | + 6 | -14 | +10 | + 1 | + 8 |
| Canton | " | + 9 | -28 | -13 | - 2 | - 7 |
| Cincinnati | " | + 3 | - 9 | - 2 | - 8 | + 5 |
| Cleveland | " | + 1 | -14 | - 9 | -13 | - 1 |
| Downtown Cleveland | " | - 9 | -18 | -21 | -19 | -10 |
| Columbus | " | +15 | -10 | r+ 4 | - 4 | + 6 |
| Springfield | " | + 3 | -11 | +20 | +33 | + 4 |
| Toledo | " | - 6 | -14 | +22 | + 4 | + 8 |
| Youngstown | " | - 5 | -19 | r- 2 | - 4 | - 4 |
| Erie | Pa. | - 1 | -19 | r+ 3 | - 4 | + 2 |
| Pittsburgh | " | +10 | -20 | r- 8 | -11 | 0 |
| Downtown Pittsburgh | " | + 7 | -20 | -11 | -11 | - 3 |
| Wheeling | W.Va. | + 2 | -15 | - 1 | -18 | + 3 |

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| <u>Richmond District</u> | | +27 | r- 6 | + 1 | + 2 | + 5 |
| Metropolitan Areas | | | | | | |
| Washington | D.C. | +29 | r- 1 | + 1 | + 6 | + 5 |
| Downtown Washington | " | +22 | r- 6 | - 3 | 0 | 0 |
| Baltimore | Md. | +18 | - 5 | 0 | - 1 | + 6 |
| Downtown Baltimore | " | +16 | - 5 | + 1 | - 1 | - 4 |
| Richmond | Va. | +64 | -15 | + 4 | - 1 | + 4 |
| <u>Atlanta District</u> | | r+26 | - 4 | + 1 | + 2 | + 7 |
| Metropolitan Areas | | | | | | |
| Birmingham | Ala. | - 1 | -18 | - 6 | -12 | - 2 |
| Mobile | " | +15 | - 8 | - 9 | - 1 | + 6 |
| Jacksonville | Fla. | +18 | + 1 | + 1 | + 9 | + 8 |
| Miami | " | +13 | r+ 3 | + 2 | + 5 | + 8 |
| Tampa-St. Petersburg | " | +17 | - 5 | +14 | + 9 | +18 |
| Atlanta | Ga. | +22 | + 4 | - 1 | - 4 | +10 |
| Augusta | " | +10 | - 2 | -14 | - 4 | + 4 |
| New Orleans | La. | +64 | -15 | - 5 | + 5 | + 3 |
| Cities | | | | | | |
| Miami-Downtown | Fla. | 0 | - 6 | -10 | - 4 | + 1 |
| Central Atlanta | Ga. | +20 | 0 | - 6 | -10 | + 7 |
| <u>Chicago District</u> | | + 6 | - 2 | +10 | + 4 | + 5 |
| Metropolitan Areas | | | | | | |
| Chicago | Ill. | + 6 | - 2 | + 5 | + 4 | + 5 |
| Indianapolis | Ind. | 0 | -17 | + 4 | + 2 | + 4 |
| Detroit | Mich. | + 7 | + 1 | +15 | + 4 | + 7 |
| Milwaukee | Wis. | + 3 | - 4 | +10 | + 6 | + 1 |
| <u>St. Louis District</u> | | r+ 9 | - 1 | - 1 | - 5 | r+ 3 |
| Metropolitan Areas | | | | | | |
| Little Rock | Ark. | + 7 | + 4 | + 6 | + 2 | + 2 |
| Louisville | Ky. | +10 | - 2 | +12 | +10 | +11 |
| St. Louis | Mo. | + 6 | - 2 | - 5 | - 5 | + 4 |
| Memphis | Tenn. | +13 | + 1 | + 3 | 0 | + 8 |
| <u>Minneapolis District</u> | | -10 | + 4 | + 6 | + 6 | + 1 |
| Metropolitan Areas | | | | | | |
| Mpls.-St. Paul | Minn. | * | * | * | + 6 | + 3 |
| Mpls. and Suburban | " | * | * | * | + 9 | + 4 |
| Minneapolis | " | * | * | * | 0 | * |
| St. Paul & Suburban | " | * | * | * | + 1 | + 1 |
| Cities | | | | | | |
| Duluth-Superior | Minn.& Wis. | - 9 | r+ 6 | - 3 | + 2 | - 3 |

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| <u>Kansas City District</u> | | <u>+6</u> | <u>+6</u> | <u>+3</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>+3</u> |
| Metropolitan Areas | | | | | | |
| Denver | Col. | +10 | 0 | +5 | 0 | +1 |
| Topeka | Kans. | -2 | r-9 | +12 | -11 | -3 |
| Wichita | " | -5 | -4 | -1 | -6 | +1 |
| Kansas City | Mo. -Kans. | +11 | +16 | 0 | -1 | +8 |
| Downtown Kansas City | Mo. | -6 | +1 | -6 | -9 | -1 |
| St. Joseph | " | +20 | +4 | +14 | +1 | +3 |
| Lincoln | Nebr. | +3 | +7 | +9 | +5 | +2 |
| Omaha | " | -5 | +10 | +2 | +15 | +2 |
| Albuquerque | N.Mex. | +4 | 0 | +12 | 0 | +2 |
| Oklahoma City | Okla. | +1 | 0 | -4 | -10 | +5 |
| Tulsa | " | +5 | +12 | +1 | -5 | +4 |
| City | | | | | | |
| Joplin | Mo. | +7 | -4 | -3 | +5 | +4 |
| <u>Dallas District</u> | | <u>+1</u> | <u>-6</u> | <u>-4</u> | <u>-5</u> | <u>+6</u> |
| Metropolitan Areas | | | | | | |
| Dallas | Tex. | -2 | -1 | -7 | -1 | +6 |
| El Paso | " | +4 | +3 | +17 | -5 | +9 |
| Houston | " | +4 | -11 | +1 | -3 | +8 |
| San Antonio | " | +16 | +3 | +2 | +1 | +9 |
| <u>San Francisco</u> | | <u>+5</u> | <u>+4</u> | <u>+5</u> | <u>+4</u> | <u>+7</u> |
| Metropolitan Areas | | | | | | |
| Los Angeles-Long Beach | Calif. | +3 | +1 | +8 | +3 | +8 |
| Downtown Los Angeles | " | -4 | -8 | -3 | -2 | 0 |
| Westside Los Angeles | " | -2 | -1 | +2 | +2 | +2 |
| Sacramento | " | +6 | +10 | +16 | +5 | +8 |
| San Diego | " | +11 | -6 | +11 | -2 | +11 |
| San Francisco-Oakland | " | +5 | +2 | -4 | +5 | +6 |
| San Francisco | " | 0 | 0 | -10 | +2 | +3 |
| Oakland | " | -4 | -1 | -10 | +1 | +3 |
| San Jose | " | +17 | +4 | +8 | -1 | +8 |
| Portland | Ore. | +6 | +8 | +14 | +10 | +5 |
| Salt Lake City | Utah | +18 | +11 | +8 | +9 | +10 |
| Seattle | Wash. | -6 | +17 | -11 | -2 | +12 |
| Spokane | " | +6 | +13 | -1 | +2 | +1 |
| Tacoma | " | -4 | +23 | -9 | 0 | +8 |

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