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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				10 mos.
		Dec. 7	Nov. 30	Nov. 23	Nov. 16	1963
<u>UNITED STATES</u>		+ 8	r-24	+ 1	+ 5	+ 4
<u>Boston District</u>		+13	-30	- 1	+ 1	+ 4
Metropolitan Areas						
Boston	Mass.	+11	-31	- 1	- 1	+ 4
Downtown Boston	"	+ 7	-35	- 2	- 2	+ 1
Suburban Boston	"	+16	-27	0	- 1	+ 7
Cambridge	"	+16	-13	+ 1	- 3	+ 4
Quincy	"	+10	-37	+ 1	-15	+ 2
Lowell	"	+16	-37	- 8	+ 4	- 6
<u>New York District</u>		+11	-33	+ 2	+ 3	+ 4
Metropolitan Areas						
Buffalo	N.Y.	+16	-28	- 1	+ 4	+ 9
New York-N.E. New Jersey	N.Y. N.J.	+11	-34	+ 3	+ 3	+ 5
Newark	N.J.	+10	-34	- 1	0	+ 3
New York	N.Y.	+ 7	-39	+ 5	0	- 1
Rochester	"	+ 9	r-28	- 6	+ 4	+ 7
Syracuse	"	+11	-34	-11	- 4	+ 2
<u>Philadelphia District</u>		+ 8	r-26	- 5	- 2	- 1
Metropolitan Areas						
Wilmington	Del.	+19	r-18	- 1	+ 7	+ 3
Trenton	N.J.	+15	-29	0	- 1	+ 4
Lancaster	Pa.	+20	-21	- 7	+ 7	+ 2
Philadelphia	"	+ 4	r-28	- 8	- 4	- 2
Reading	"	+22	-18	+ 3	- 2	+ 3
Scranton	"	+11	-20	-10	+ 5	+ 2
Wilkes-Barre-Hazleton	"	+13	-19	- 6	+ 6	+ 6
<u>Cleveland District</u>		r+22	-29	+ 4	+ 6	+ 2
Metropolitan Areas						
Lexington	Ky.	+12	-16	+ 5	+10	+ 5
Akron	Ohio	+20	-28	+ 1	+ 4	+ 4
Canton	"	+40	-22	+ 5	+ 5	+ 2
Cincinnati	"	+ 4	-26	r 0	+10	+ 2
Cleveland	"	+44	-29	+12	+ 6	+ 3
Downtown Cleveland	"	+21	-42	+ 3	- 8	- 4
Columbus	"	+19	-32	0	+ 4	+ 5
Springfield	"	+18	-20	+ 5	+10	+ 6
Toledo	"	+21	-22	r-12	+ 7	+ 2
Youngstown	"	+22	-26	r+13	+16	- 1
Erie	Pa.	+12	-29	r- 8	0	+ 1
Pittsburgh	"	+18	-34	+ 4	+ 5	+ 2
Downtown Pittsburgh	"	+11	-40	+ 5	0	- 2
Wheeling	W.Va.	+19	-32	-16	+ 2	+ 2

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<u>Richmond District</u>	<u>+11</u>	<u>-29</u>	<u>-4</u>	<u>+5</u>	<u>+5</u>
Metropolitan Areas					
Washington D.C.	+10	-33	-2	+5	+10
Downtown Washington	+6	-39	-3	+1	+1
Baltimore Md.	+17	r-36	0	+10	+6
Downtown Baltimore	+16	-35	+8	+6	+1
Richmond Va.	+5	-29	-10	-1	+1
<u>Atlanta District</u>	<u>+9</u>	<u>-5</u>	<u>-7</u>	<u>+12</u>	<u>+7</u>
Metropolitan Areas					
Birmingham Ala.	-9	r-17	-3	-17	-6
Mobile	+1	-30	-11	+20	+3
Jacksonville Fla.	+18	-7	+8	+27	+12
Miami	+6	-12	-2	+9	+11
Tampa-St. Petersburg	+6	-7	-7	+10	+9
Atlanta Ga.	+12	+7	-22	+13	+7
Augusta	+3	-23	-7	+1	+5
New Orleans La.	+7	-4	-8	+9	+8
Cities					
Miami Downtown Fla.	0	-18	-3	-1	-3
Central Atlanta Ga.	+5	-1	-25	+6	+2
<u>Chicago District</u>	<u>+9</u>	<u>-23</u>	<u>+6</u>	<u>+9</u>	<u>+4</u>
Metropolitan Areas					
Chicago Ill.	+8	-25	+7	+16	+6
Indianapolis Ind.	+4	-29	-5	-1	+4
Leicrit Mich.	+16	-23	+9	+7	+5
Grand Rapids	*	*	+6	+8	+2
Milwaukee Wis.	+3	-17	-4	-4	+2
<u>St. Louis District</u>	<u>+4</u>	<u>-17</u>	<u>-7</u>	<u>+7</u>	<u>+3</u>
Metropolitan Areas					
Little Rock Ark.	0	-17	-12	+7	+6
Louisville Ky.	+1	r-16	-5	r+4	+4
St. Louis Mo.	+5	-19	-10	+11	+1
Memphis Tenn.	+12	-12	0	-3	+3
<u>Minneapolis District</u>	<u>+4</u>	<u>-20</u>	<u>+3</u>	<u>+10</u>	<u>+4</u>
Metropolitan Areas					
Mpls.-St. Paul Minn.	+4	-20	+3	+10	+4
Mpls. and Suburban	+2	-22	+1	+9	+5
Minneapolis	-1	-27	0	+6	*
St. Paul & Suburban	+8	-15	+10	+13	+4
Cities					
Duluth Superior Minn. & Wis.	+9	-20	-4	+3	-2

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<u>Kansas City District</u>		+ 1	-18	0	+ 3	+ 3	
Metropolitan Areas							
Denver	Col.	+ 2	-17	0	+ 4	+ 6	
Topeka	Kans.	+ 8	-23	- 2	+11	- 3	
Wichita	"	0	-13	- 9	+ 3	+ 1	
Kansas City	Mo.-Kans.	+ 1	-23	0	+ 1	+ 5	
Downtown Kansas City	Mo.	- 6	-30	- 8	- 2	- 4	
St. Joseph	"	- 7	-24	- 4	+ 2	- 3	
Lincoln	Nebr.	+ 1	r-18	+ 9	- 7	+ 3	
Omaha	"	+ 2	r-16	+ 6	+ 4	+ 3	
Albuquerque	N.Mex.	+ 2	-14	0	+11	+ 8	
Oklahoma City	Okla.	- 6	-19	+ 6	+ 3	+ 3	
Tulsa	"	+ 2	-19	+ 4	+ 3	+ 2	
City							
Joplin	Mo.	-14	-11	-14	+ 6	+ 2	
<u>Dallas District</u>		+ 6	-22	+ 1	+ 6	+ 3	
Metropolitan Areas							
Dallas	Tex.	+ 2	-29	- 1	+ 7	+ 3	
El Paso	"	+ 7	- 6	-10	+10	+ 1	
Houston	"	+12	-15	+ 6	+ 6	+ 5	
San Antonio	"	- 7	-33	- 2	+ 5	+ 4	
<u>San Francisco District</u>		r+ 4	-26	+13	+ 2	+ 5	
Metropolitan Areas							
Los Angeles - Long Beach	Calif.	+ 2	-29	r+13	+ 4	+ 7	
Downtown Los Angeles	"	- 8	-38	r+ 1	- 7	- 2	
Westside Los Angeles	"	- 1	-29	r+12	+ 2	+ 2	
Sacramento	"	+13	-15	+23	+12	+ 6	
San Diego	"	- 7	-28	r+14	+ 6	+ 4	
San Francisco-Oakland	"	+ 7	-25	+14	- 3	+ 6	
San Francisco	"	+ 6	-29	+ 9	- 2	- 1	
Oakland	"	- 3	-33	+11	-12	- 2	
San Jose	"	+11	-23	r+17	0	+ 5	
Portland	Ore.	+ 4	-33	+ 8	+ 1	+ 3	
Salt Lake City	Utah	+ 6	-24	- 5	- 8	+ 3	
Seattle	Wash.	- 5	-30	+ 4	- 6	- 8	
Spokane	"	- 4	-24	- 3	- 8	+ 1	
Tacoma	"	- 3	-28	+12	- 6	- 1	

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*Not available

1/ Because of the shift in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday, this week had one more shopping day than the corresponding week in 1962.

2/ Most stores were closed on Monday, November 25, in addition to the regular Thanksgiving holiday, giving this week two less trading days than the corresponding week in 1962.