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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)				10 mos 1963	
	Week ending,					
	Dec. 14	Dec. 7	Nov. 30	Nov. 23		
<u>UNITED STATES</u>	+ 7	r+ 9	-24	+ 1	+ 4	
<u>Boston District</u>	+ 5	+13	-30	- 1	+ 4	
Metropolitan Areas						
Boston	Mass.	+ 3	+11	-31	- 1	+ 4
Downtown Boston	"	+ 2	+ 7	-35	- 2	+ 1
Suburban Boston	"	+ 6	+16	-27	0	+ 7
Cambridge	"	- 1	+16	-13	+ 1	+ 4
Quincy	"	- 4	+10	-37	+ 1	+ 2
Lowell	"	+10	r+15	-37	- 8	- 6
<u>New York District</u>		+ 6	+11	-33	+ 2	+ 4
Metropolitan Areas						
Buffalo	N.Y.	+10	r+17	-28	- 1	+ 9
New York-N.E. New Jersey	N.Y. N.J.	+ 6	+11	-34	+ 3	+ 5
Newark	N.J.	+ 2	r+ 9	-34	- 1	+ 3
New York	N.Y.	+ 2	+ 7	-39	+ 5	- 1
Rochester	"	+ 8	+ 9	-28	- 6	+ 7
Syracuse	"	+ 5	r+10	-34	-11	+ 2
<u>Philadelphia District</u>		+ 2	+ 8	-26	- 5	- 1
Metropolitan Areas						
Wilmington	Del.	+15	+19	-18	- 1	+ 3
Trenton	N.J.	+ 2	+15	-29	0	+ 4
Lancaster	Pa.	+ 9	+20	-21	- 7	+ 2
Philadelphia	"	- 1	r+ 3	-28	- 8	- 2
Reading	"	+ 8	+22	-18	+ 3	+ 3
Scranton	"	+ 6	+11	-20	-10	+ 2
Wilkes-Barre-Hazleton	"	+ 7	+13	-19	- 6	+ 6
<u>Cleveland District</u>		r+11	r+21	-29	+ 4	+ 2
Metropolitan Areas						
Lexington	Ky.	+16	+12	-16	+ 5	+ 5
Akron	Ohio	+ 4	+20	-28	+ 1	+ 4
Canton	"	+ 6	+40	-22	+ 5	+ 2
Cincinnati	"	+ 8	+ 4	r-27	0	+ 2
Cleveland	"	+21	+44	-29	+12	+ 3
Downtown Cleveland	"	+ 7	+21	-42	+ 3	- 4
Columbus	"	+ 8	+19	-32	0	+ 5
Springfield	"	+15	+18	r-18	+ 5	+ 6
Toledo	"	+ 8	+21	r-23	-12	+ 2
Youngstown	"	+ 8	+22	-26	+13	- 1
Erie	Pa.	+26	+12	-29	- 8	+ 1
Pittsburgh	"	+ 9	+18	-34	+ 4	+ 2
Downtown Pittsburgh	"	+ 6	+11	-40	+ 5	- 2
Wheeling	W.Va.	+ 4	+19	-32	-16	+ 2

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<u>Richmond District</u>	+ 6	r+10	-29	- 4	+ 5	
Metropolitan Areas						
Washington	D.C.	+ 6	r+ 9	-33	- 2	+10
Downtown Washington	"	+ 1	+ 6	-39	- 3	+ 1
Baltimore	Md.	+ 9	+17	-36	0	+ 6
Downtown Baltimore	"	+ 6	+16	-35	+ 8	+ 1
Richmond	Va.	+ 3	+ 5	-29	-10	+ 1
<u>Atlanta District</u>		+11	+ 9	- 5	- 7	+ 7
Metropolitan Areas						
Birmingham	Ala.	- 2	r- 8	-17	- 3	- 6
Mobile	"	0	+ 1	-30	-11	+ 3
Jacksonville	Fla.	*	+18	- 7	+ 8	+12
Miami	"	+ 9	+ 6	-12	- 2	+11
Tampa-St. Petersburg	"	+14	+ 6	- 7	- 7	+ 9
Atlanta	Ga.	+14	+12	+ 7	-22	+ 7
Augusta	"	- 3	+ 3	-23	- 7	+ 5
New Orleans	La.	+ 5	+ 7	- 4	- 8	+ 8
Cities						
Miami Downtown	Fla.	+ 1	0	-18	- 3	- 3
Central Atlanta	Ga.	+ 6	+ 5	- 1	-25	+ 2
<u>Chicago District</u>		+ 7	r+10	-23	+ 6	+ 4
Metropolitan Areas						
Chicago	Ill.	+ 6	+ 8	-25	+ 7	+ 6
Indianapolis	Ind.	0	+ 4	-29	- 5	+ 4
Detroit	Mich.	+ 9	+16	-23	+ 9	+ 5
Grand Rapids	"	*	*	*	+ 6	+ 2
Milwaukee	Wis.	+ 6	+ 3	-17	- 4	+ 2
<u>St. Louis District</u>		+ 7	+ 4	-17	- 7	+ 3
Metropolitan Areas						
Little Rock	Ark.	+ 7	0	-17	-12	+ 6
Louisville	Ky.	+ 9	+ 1	-16	- 5	+ 4
St. Louis	Mo.	+ 5	r+ 6	-19	-10	+ 1
Memphis	Tenn.	+11	r+ 2	-12	0	+ 3
<u>Minneapolis District</u>		r+ 9	+ 4	-20	+ 3	+ 4
Metropolitan Areas						
Mpls.-St. Paul	Minn.	+ 9	+ 4	-20	+ 3	+ 4
Mpls. and Suburban	"	+ 7	+ 2	-22	+ 1	+ 5
Minneapolis	"	+ 5	- 1	-27	0	*
St. Paul & Suburban	"	+12	+ 8	-15	+10	+ 4
Cities						
Duluth Superior	Minn. & Wis.	+ 8	+ 9	-20	- 4	- 2

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