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## WEEKLY DEPARTMENT STORE SALES - SELECTED CITIES AND AREAS *W. Kelly*

| Areas and Cities Within<br>Federal Reserve Districts | Percentage change from corresponding<br>period a year ago<br>(Based on retail dollar amounts) |        |         |         |      |      |
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|  | Mar. 13   | Mar. 6 | Feb. 27 | Feb. 20 | 1965 |      |
| <u>Boston</u>  |   |        |         |         |      |      |
| Metropolitan Areas                                   |   |        |         |         |      |      |
| Boston   | Mass.   | - 4    | - 9     | + 5     | +17  | + 1  |
| Downtown Boston                                      | "   | - 5    | - 8     | - 1     | +14  | - 1  |
| Suburban Boston                                      | "   | - 2    | -11     | +12     | +19  | + 5  |
| Cambridge  | "   | + 2    | - 8     | + 2     | +34  | + 4  |
| Quincy   | "   | -21    | -17     | + 4     | + 2  | - 2  |
| Lowell   | "   | - 9    | -12     | -10     | - 4  | - 1  |
| Providence   | R.I.  | -10    | - 7     | +15     | + 4  | - 1  |
| <u>New York District</u>                             |   |        |         |         |      |      |
| Metropolitan Areas                                   |   |        |         |         |      |      |
| New York-N.E. New Jersey                             | N.Y.N.J.  | - 1    | - 7     | + 5     | + 3  | + 4  |
| Newark   | N.J.  | + 8    | -12     | + 9     | -15  | - 4  |
| New York   | N.Y.  | - 3    | - 7     | - 8     | +10  | + 4  |
| Rochester  | "   | +12    | r+ 7    | +15     | + 2  | + 2  |
| Syracuse   | "   | +13    | r-11    | + 3     | + 2  | + 2  |
| <u>Philadelphia</u>                                  |   |        |         |         |      |      |
| Metropolitan Areas                                   |   |        |         |         |      |      |
| Wilmington   | Del.  | -12    | r+ 2    | + 5     | - 2  | +15  |
| Trenton  | N.J.  | - 3    | - 7     | +22     | +10  | - 1  |
| Lancaster  | Pa.   | - 8    | r-10    | + 5     | - 3  | +10  |
| Philadelphia   | "   | -15    | -14     | + 9     | - 4  | +11  |
| Reading  | "   | - 6    | - 8     | + 6     | + 5  | +16  |
| Scranton   | "   | - 1    | - 9     | +30     | -13  | +11  |
| Wilkes-Barre-Hazleton                                | "   | - 4    | - 7     | + 5     | +21  | +12  |
| <u>Cleveland District</u>                            |   |        |         |         |      |      |
| Metropolitan Areas                                   |   |        |         |         |      |      |
| Lexington  | Ky.   | +1     | - 9     | + 2     | +10  | + 4  |
| Akron  | Ohio  | - 6    | - 1     | + 5     | + 1  | + 4  |
| Canton   | "   | - 5    | - 7     | +12     | - 4  | + 6  |
| Cincinnati   | "   | - 2    | -10     | - 4     | + 3  | 0    |
| Cleveland  | "   | 0      | r- 5    | - 7     | + 3  | + 4  |
| Downtown Cleveland                                   | "   | + 3    | - 8     | -13     | - 3  | + 2  |
| Columbus   | "   | + 8    | r-12    | 0       | +11  | + 6  |
| Springfield  | "   | -14    | - 2     | - 7     | + 3  | + 1  |
| Toledo   | "   | + 8    | -10     | - 4     | - 8  | + 2  |
| Youngstown   | "   | + 4    | - 4     | - 5     | +16  | +13  |
| Erie   | Pa.   | -32    | r-10    | - 1     | +10  | + 7  |
| Pittsburgh   | "   | - 4    | -12     | - 8     | + 6  | + 4  |
| Downtown Pittsburgh                                  | "   | - 7    | - 1     | -10     | + 6  | + 3  |
| Wheeling   | W.Va.   | +52    | + 7     | +13     | + 3  | +11  |

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| <u>Richmond District</u>                             |            |   |        |         |         |      |
| Metropolitan Areas                                   |            |   |        |         |         |      |
| Washington   | D.C.       | - 9   | - 8    | +35     | -14     | +11  |
| Downtown Washington                                  | "          | -12   | -10    | +23     | -16     | + 1  |
| Baltimore  | Md.        | -10   | - 9    | +20     | -11     | + 3  |
| Downtown Baltimore                                   | "          | -12   | -11    | +13     | -12     | + 2  |
| Richmond   | Va.        | -13   | r- 9   | +32     | -16     | + 4  |
| <u>Atlanta District</u>                              |            |   |        |         |         |      |
| Metropolitan Areas                                   |            |   |        |         |         |      |
| Birmingham   | Ala.       | - 4   | - 6    | -21     | + 1     | + 4  |
| Mobile   | "          | -15   | -15    | + 4     | -18     | 0    |
| Jacksonville   | Fla.       | -13   | -17    | + 1     | - 8     | *    |
| Miami  | "          | - 9   | 0      | + 7     | + 5     | + 7  |
| Tampa-St. Petersburg                                 | "          | -10   | r- 6   | + 2     | - 4     | 0    |
| Atlanta  | Ga.        | - 7   | - 3    | +11     | + 5     | + 9  |
| Augusta  | "          | - 3   | -18    | + 9     | + 5     | + 6  |
| New Orleans  | La.        | -17   | -34    | + 5     | + 7     | + 5  |
| Cities   |            |   |        |         |         |      |
| Miami  | Fla.       | - 7   | + 3    | + 7     | + 2     | + 4  |
| Central Atlanta                                      | Ga.        | -13   | r-10   | + 2     | - 4     | 0    |
| <u>Chicago District</u>                              |            |   |        |         |         |      |
| Metropolitan Areas                                   |            |   |        |         |         |      |
| Chicago  | Ill.       | - 1   | - 6    | - 5     | +12     | + 2  |
| Indianapolis   | Ind.       | + 2   | -11    | -38     | + 7     | + 2  |
| Detroit  | Mich.      | +14   | - 2    | -23     | +24     | +15  |
| Grand Rapids   | "          | + 7   | - 2    | 0       | *       | - 6  |
| Milwaukee  | Wis.       | - 7   | - 4    | - 2     | +13     | + 2  |
| <u>St. Louis District</u>                            |            |   |        |         |         |      |
| Metropolitan Areas                                   |            |   |        |         |         |      |
| Little Rock  | Ark.       | + 7   | r-12   | - 9     | - 1     | - 0  |
| Louisville   | Ky.        | +12   | - 9    | r- 5    | + 5     | + 8  |
| St. Louis  | Mo.        | + 6   | -23    | - 8     | - 6     | - 1  |
| Memphis  | Tenn.      | - 2   | -19    | -10     | 0       | - 1  |
| <u>Minneapolis District</u>                          |            |   |        |         |         |      |
| Metropolitan Areas                                   |            |   |        |         |         |      |
| Mpls.-St. Paul                                       | Minn.      | - 5   | -15    | + 7     | + 5     | + 7  |
| Mpls. and Suburban                                   | "          | - 7   | -16    | + 4     | + 3     | + 5  |
| Minneapolis  | "          | - 5   | -20    | + 1     | + 2     | *    |
| St. Paul and Suburban                                | "          | - 3   | -12    | +13     | +10     | +14  |
| Cities   |            |   |        |         |         |      |
| Duluth-Superior                                      | Minn.&Wis. | - 6   | r-17   | + 9     | - 7     | + 1  |

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| <u>Kansas City District</u>                          |   |        |         |         |      |     |
| Metropolitan Areas                                   |   |        |         |         |      |     |
| Denver   | Col.  | -12    | - 6     | + 5     | - 5  | - 1 |
| Wichita  | Kans.   | -12    | -12     | - 5     | + 6  | + 3 |
| Kansas City  | Mo.-Kans.   | - 5    | -22     | - 8     | - 2  | + 3 |
| Downtown Kansas City                                 | Mo.   | - 5    | r-26    | + 1     | - 8  | - 1 |
| St. Joseph   | "   | + 1    | -44     | + 1     | + 9  | - 5 |
| Lincoln  | Nebr.   | - 5    | r-27    | + 2     | - 4  | - 4 |
| Omaha  | "   | - 4    | -23     | +16     | + 4  | + 2 |
| Albuquerque  | N.Mex.  | +20    | r- 7    | +30     | +24  | +23 |
| Oklahoma City  | Okla.   | + 1    | r- 3    | + 6     | + 8  | -10 |
| Tulsa  | "   | - 7    | - 6     | 0       | *    | + 8 |
| City   |   |        |         |         |      |     |
| Joplin   | Mo.   | - 1    | -26     | 0       | + 1  | + 9 |
| <u>Dallas District</u>                               |   |        |         |         |      |     |
| Metropolitan Areas                                   |   |        |         |         |      |     |
| Dallas   | Tex.  | + 2    | -10     | + 1     | - 3  | +12 |
| El Paso  | "   | 0      | + 6     | + 3     | + 2  | + 1 |
| Houston  | "   | 0      | - 8     | + 9     | + 6  | +13 |
| San Antonio  | "   | -14    | -12     | +24     | - 2  | + 9 |
| <u>San Francisco District</u>                        |   |        |         |         |      |     |
| Metropolitan Areas                                   |   |        |         |         |      |     |
| Los Angeles-Long Beach                               | Calif.  | - 4    | - 4     | + 9     | - 1  | + 3 |
| Downtown Los Angeles                                 | "   | -13    | r- 7    | + 2     | - 7  | - 4 |
| Westside Los Angeles                                 | "   | + 8    | + 6     | +22     | + 8  | +17 |
| Sacramento   | "   | -11    | - 6     | + 7     | -17  | 0   |
| San Diego  | "   | + 5    | r- 4    | +18     | - 1  | + 3 |
| San Francisco-Oakland                                | "   | - 2    | - 2     | 0       | + 8  | + 7 |
| San Francisco  | "   | - 8    | - 7     | -17     | +13  | +13 |
| Oakland  | "   | - 5    | - 4     | + 7     | - 4  | + 8 |
| San Jose   | "   | + 1    | r- 9    | +15     | - 2  | + 4 |
| Portland   | Ore.  | + 5    | + 1     | +24     | + 2  | + 8 |
| Salt Lake City                                       | Utah  | + 3    | r- 6    | +11     | - 5  | +11 |
| Seattle-Everett                                      | Wash.   | + 6    | + 5     | + 1     | +34  | +10 |
| Spokane  | "   | + 8    | + 5     | +17     | + 9  | + 5 |
| Tacoma   | "   | +13    | +18     | +23     | + 5  | +15 |

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