

FOR CURRENT AND HISTORICAL INFORMATION: (202)691-7000

FOR TECHNICAL INFORMATION: Sharon Gibson, (202)691-6968

DEPARTMENT STORE INVENTORY PRICE INDEXES— Nov. 2010

National basis, January 1941=100, unless otherwise noted

	Indexes			Percent change to Nov. 2010 from—	
	Nov. 2009	May 2010	Nov. 2010	Nov. 2009	May 2010
1. Piece Goods	501.3	467.2	455.5	-9.1	-2.5
2. Domestics and Draperies	404.7	384.9	380.7	-5.9	-1.1
3. Women's and Children's Shoes	714.8	697.1	701.1	-1.9	0.6
4. Men's Shoes	934.9	930.0	933.0	-0.2	0.3
5. Infants' Wear	572.2	567.2	571.4	-0.1	0.7
6. Women's Underwear	629.2	639.3	678.4	7.8	6.1
7. Women's Hosiery	379.9	389.8	399.8	5.2	2.6
8. Women's and Girls' Accessories	649.2	615.6	618.8	-4.7	0.5
9. Women's Outerwear and Girls' Wear	368.3	352.8	355.1	-3.6	0.7
10. Men's Clothing	509.2	532.1	519.7	2.1	-2.3
11. Men's Furnishings	569.3	579.3	574.4	0.9	-0.8
12. Boys' Clothing and Furnishings	418.0	392.2	405.3	-3.0	3.3
13. Jewelry	991.9	1010.1	1016.0	2.4	0.6
14. Notions	865.1	870.1	859.5	-0.6	-1.2
15. Toilet Articles and Drugs	1049.7	1039.2	1052.5	0.3	1.3
16. Furniture and Bedding	569.8	557.5	540.6	-5.1	-3.0
17. Floor Coverings	622.7	605.7	606.8	-2.6	0.2
18. Housewares	670.2	663.8	654.0	-2.4	-1.5
19. Major Appliances	205.6	205.6	200.4	-2.5	-2.5
20. Radio and Television	25.2	24.0	22.9	-9.1	-4.6
21. Recreation and Education ¹	75.2	73.5	73.3	-2.5	-0.3
22. Home Improvements ¹	154.9	155.0	155.6	0.5	0.4
23. Automotive Accessories ¹	136.3	138.1	139.1	2.1	0.7
1-15. Soft Goods	571.9	565.6	568.9	-0.5	0.6
16-20. Durable Goods	352.3	347.7	340.3	-3.4	-2.1
21-23. Miscellaneous Goods ¹	97.8	97.1	97.3	-0.5	0.2
Store Total ²	498.7	493.2	493.5	-1.0	0.1

¹ Indexes on a January 1986=100 base.

² The Store Total index covers all departments, with the following exceptions: candy, food, liquor, tobacco, as well as contract departments.

NOTE: Indexes for previous periods and a brief description of the methods used in calculating the indexes may be obtained by contacting the Bureau of Labor Statistics at (202) 691-6968. The application of these indexes in the preparation of tax returns is solely within the jurisdiction of the Internal Revenue Service. Treasury Decision No. 5605 accords the use of the elective inventory method by taxpayers employing the retail inventory method.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics produces the Department Store Inventory Price Indexes with funding provided by the National Retail Federation (NRF).