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DEPARTMENT STORE INVENTORY PRICE INDEXES— Dec. 2011

National basis, January 1941=100, unless otherwise noted

	Indexes			Percent change to Dec. 2011 from—	
	Dec. 2010	June 2011	Dec. 2011	Dec. 2010	June 2011
1. Piece Goods	455.9	478.2	509.9	11.8	6.6
2. Domestics and Draperies	371.6	379.3	369.9	-0.5	-2.5
3. Women's and Children's Shoes	681.9	675.6	681.8	0.0	0.9
4. Men's Shoes	906.3	954.6	947.2	4.5	-0.8
5. Infants' Wear	563.0	551.0	576.2	2.3	4.6
6. Women's Underwear	689.8	715.8	817.4	18.5	14.2
7. Women's Hosiery	383.3	392.4	430.6	12.3	9.7
8. Women's and Girls' Accessories	616.0	585.1	636.0	3.2	8.7
9. Women's Outerwear and Girls' Wear	335.6	347.4	344.0	2.5	-1.0
10. Men's Clothing	498.6	535.1	524.1	5.1	-2.1
11. Men's Furnishings	555.3	578.5	598.2	7.7	3.4
12. Boys' Clothing and Furnishings	398.6	410.6	422.0	5.9	2.8
13. Jewelry	1004.9	1065.9	1057.1	5.2	-0.8
14. Notions	860.1	859.1	897.5	4.3	4.5
15. Toilet Articles and Drugs	1052.7	1042.0	1063.4	1.0	2.1
16. Furniture and Bedding	540.3	554.7	553.0	2.4	-0.3
17. Floor Coverings	600.2	613.7	610.2	1.7	-0.6
18. Housewares	650.7	663.1	644.6	-0.9	-2.8
19. Major Appliances	198.4	200.7	202.8	2.2	1.0
20. Radio and Television	22.8	22.1	21.1	-7.5	-4.5
21. Recreation and Education ¹	73.2	73.3	71.5	-2.3	-2.5
22. Home Improvements ¹	156.3	160.7	162.6	4.0	1.2
23. Automotive Accessories ¹	139.1	143.7	145.6	4.7	1.3
1-15. Soft Goods	554.4	569.7	580.5	4.7	1.9
16-20. Durable Goods	338.3	343.5	338.4	0.0	-1.5
21-23. Miscellaneous Goods ¹	97.2	98.8	98.2	1.0	-0.6
Store Total ²	484.0	495.7	500.7	3.5	1.0

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.

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