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DEPARTMENT STORE INVENTORY PRICE INDEXES— Nov. 2009

National basis, January 1941=100, unless otherwise noted

	Indexes			Percent change to Nov. 2009 from—	
	Nov. 2008	May 2009	Nov. 2009	Nov. 2008	May 2009
1. Piece Goods	474.9	464.0	501.3	5.6	8.0
2. Domestic and Draperies	422.4	417.1	404.7	-4.2	-3.0
3. Women's and Children's Shoes	670.6	673.6	714.8	6.6	6.1
4. Men's Shoes	918.3	920.3	934.9	1.8	1.6
5. Infants' Wear	573.9	565.6	572.2	-0.3	1.2
6. Women's Underwear	570.9	597.8	629.2	10.2	5.3
7. Women's Hosiery	377.4	378.7	379.9	0.7	0.3
8. Women's and Girls' Accessories	556.7	576.3	649.2	16.6	12.6
9. Women's Outerwear and Girls' Wear	363.9	350.7	368.3	1.2	5.0
10. Men's Clothing	530.1	543.2	509.2	-3.9	-6.3
11. Men's Furnishings	576.9	586.4	569.3	-1.3	-2.9
12. Boys' Clothing and Furnishings	422.2	416.9	418.0	-1.0	0.3
13. Jewelry	975.8	982.6	991.9	1.6	0.9
14. Notions	844.0	865.4	865.1	2.5	0.0
15. Toilet Articles and Drugs	1028.9	1041.5	1049.7	2.0	0.8
16. Furniture and Bedding	592.2	595.3	569.8	-3.8	-4.3
17. Floor Coverings	635.4	615.8	622.7	-2.0	1.1
18. Housewares	680.2	685.5	670.2	-1.5	-2.2
19. Major Appliances	212.7	214.5	205.6	-3.3	-4.1
20. Radio and Television	28.7	27.3	25.2	-12.2	-7.7
21. Recreation and Education ¹	77.0	76.8	75.2	-2.3	-2.1
22. Home Improvements ¹	151.3	158.9	154.9	2.4	-2.5
23. Automotive Accessories ¹	135.4	135.5	136.3	0.7	0.6
1-15. Soft Goods	563.4	563.6	571.9	1.5	1.5
16-20. Durable Goods	364.0	364.4	352.3	-3.2	-3.3
21-23. Miscellaneous Goods ¹	98.5	99.2	97.8	-0.7	-1.4
Store Total ²	496.8	497.4	498.7	0.4	0.3

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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