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DEPARTMENT STORE INVENTORY PRICE INDEXES— Sep. 2009

National basis, January 1941=100, unless otherwise noted

	Indexes			Percent change to Sep. 2009 from—	
	Sep. 2008	Mar. 2009	Sep. 2009	Sep. 2008	Mar. 2009
1. Piece Goods	406.4	456.9	484.4	19.2	6.0
2. Domestic and Draperies	439.5	418.4	415.0	-5.6	-0.8
3. Women's and Children's Shoes	676.9	676.4	696.2	2.9	2.9
4. Men's Shoes	902.9	912.9	920.6	2.0	0.8
5. Infants' Wear	565.3	572.9	580.1	2.6	1.3
6. Women's Underwear	564.9	602.4	621.0	9.9	3.1
7. Women's Hosiery	374.0	379.4	378.6	1.2	-0.2
8. Women's and Girls' Accessories	541.1	533.6	630.5	16.5	18.2
9. Women's Outerwear and Girls' Wear	378.9	358.4	368.8	-2.7	2.9
10. Men's Clothing	539.2	545.2	522.6	-3.1	-4.1
11. Men's Furnishings	569.4	587.1	563.0	-1.1	-4.1
12. Boys' Clothing and Furnishings	393.8	421.1	422.7	7.3	0.4
13. Jewelry	997.3	993.5	1001.3	0.4	0.8
14. Notions	856.9	833.3	870.0	1.5	4.4
15. Toilet Articles and Drugs	1017.4	1040.8	1048.2	3.0	0.7
16. Furniture and Bedding	607.6	595.7	581.7	-4.3	-2.4
17. Floor Coverings	625.5	621.1	613.7	-1.9	-1.2
18. Housewares	682.7	689.1	677.7	-0.7	-1.7
19. Major Appliances	212.1	214.5	208.7	-1.6	-2.7
20. Radio and Television	29.1	27.5	25.9	-11.0	-5.8
21. Recreation and Education ¹	76.2	77.0	75.8	-0.5	-1.6
22. Home Improvements ¹	151.4	156.6	156.0	3.0	-0.4
23. Automotive Accessories ¹	132.8	135.7	136.0	2.4	0.2
1-15. Soft Goods	566.8	566.6	571.1	0.8	0.8
16-20. Durable Goods	366.3	365.8	357.3	-2.5	-2.3
21-23. Miscellaneous Goods ¹	97.3	99.0	98.2	0.9	-0.8
Store Total ²	498.8	499.5	499.8	0.2	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.

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