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DEPARTMENT STORE INVENTORY PRICE INDEXES— Oct. 2012

National basis, January 1941=100, unless otherwise noted

	Indexes			Percent change to Oct. 2012 from—	
	Oct. 2011	Apr. 2012	Oct. 2012	Oct. 2011	Apr. 2012
1. Piece Goods	494.0	509.1	477.3	-3.4	-6.2
2. Domestic and Draperies	373.2	364.5	354.9	-4.9	-2.6
3. Women's and Children's Shoes	707.5	701.7	732.7	3.6	4.4
4. Men's Shoes	944.0	967.9	1001.8	6.1	3.5
5. Infants' Wear	581.4	585.2	603.4	3.8	3.1
6. Women's Underwear	714.2	806.7	839.3	17.5	4.0
7. Women's Hosiery	403.4	445.7	467.5	15.9	4.9
8. Women's and Girls' Accessories	624.0	624.2	650.2	4.2	4.2
9. Women's Outerwear and Girls' Wear	373.1	375.0	385.0	3.2	2.7
10. Men's Clothing	538.5	572.1	564.2	4.8	-1.4
11. Men's Furnishings	619.8	613.9	630.0	1.6	2.6
12. Boys' Clothing and Furnishings	441.2	457.4	458.4	3.9	0.2
13. Jewelry	1105.0	1067.9	1083.5	-1.9	1.5
14. Notions	914.8	874.7	879.5	-3.9	0.5
15. Toilet Articles and Drugs	1057.4	1079.6	1065.9	0.8	-1.3
16. Furniture and Bedding	543.6	552.3	549.5	1.1	-0.5
17. Floor Coverings	612.2	598.6	596.3	-2.6	-0.4
18. Housewares	652.0	653.3	640.5	-1.8	-2.0
19. Major Appliances	203.8	211.4	208.3	2.2	-1.5
20. Radio and Television	21.6	20.7	19.8	-8.3	-4.3
21. Recreation and Education ¹	71.7	72.1	71.8	0.1	-0.4
22. Home Improvements ¹	161.3	162.5	163.7	1.5	0.7
23. Automotive Accessories ¹	144.8	146.2	147.8	2.1	1.1
1-15. Soft Goods	592.7	600.1	610.7	3.0	1.8
16-20. Durable Goods	340.1	342.9	337.3	-0.8	-1.6
21-23. Miscellaneous Goods ¹	98.0	98.8	99.0	1.0	0.2
Store Total ²	508.6	514.3	519.6	2.2	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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