

Section 472.—Last-in, First-out Inventories

26 CFR 1.472-1: Last-in, first-out inventories.

LIFO; price indexes; department stores. The October 2000 Bureau of Labor Statistics price indexes are accepted for use by department stores employing the retail inventory and last-in, first-out inventory methods for valuing inventories for tax years ended on, or with reference to, October 31, 2000.

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The following Department Store Inventory Price Indexes for October 2000 were issued by the Bureau of Labor Statistics. The indexes are accepted by the Internal Revenue Service, under § 1.472-1(k) of the Income Tax Regulations and Rev. Proc. 86-46, 1986-2 C.B. 739, for appropriate application to inventories of department stores employing the retail inventory and last-in, first-out in-

ventory methods for tax years ended on, or with reference to, October 31, 2000.

The Department Store Inventory Price Indexes are prepared on a national basis and include (a) 23 major groups of departments, (b) three special combinations of the major groups - soft goods, durable goods, and miscellaneous goods, and (c) a store total, which covers all departments, including some not listed separately, except for the following: candy, food, liquor, tobacco, and contract departments.

BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS, DEPARTMENT STORE INVENTORY PRICE INDEXES BY DEPARTMENT GROUPS

(January 1941 = 100, unless otherwise noted)

Groups	Oct. 1999	Oct. 2000	Percent Change from Oct. 1999 to Oct. 2000 ¹
1. Piece Goods	545.8	502.4	-8.0
2. Domestic and Draperies	625.6	608.5	-2.7
3. Women's and Children's Shoes	653.3	661.5	1.3
4. Men's Shoes	881.2	915.5	3.9
5. Infants' Wear	645.2	649.0	0.6
6. Women's Underwear	571.7	579.6	1.4
7. Women's Hosiery	328.9	346.2	5.3
8. Women's and Girls' Accessories	536.7	555.6	3.5
9. Women's Outerwear and Girls' Wear	416.9	414.1	-0.7
10. Men's Clothing	627.5	601.0	-4.2
11. Men's Furnishings	631.1	632.7	0.3
12. Boys' Clothing and Furnishings	508.8	494.4	-2.8
13. Jewelry	969.2	937.1	-3.3
14. Notions	771.7	792.8	2.7
15. Toilet Articles and Drugs	985.6	971.1	-1.5
16. Furniture and Bedding	692.3	704.3	1.7
17. Floor Coverings	603.3	627.7	4.0
18. Housewares	792.9	778.0	-1.9
19. Major Appliances	234.8	228.6	-2.6
20. Radio and Television	64.2	57.9	-9.8
21. Recreation and Education ²	96.5	92.6	-4.0
22. Home Improvements ²	128.8	128.9	0.1
23. Auto Accessories ²	106.8	106.7	-0.1
Groups 1 - 15: Soft Goods	612.3	607.3	-0.8
Groups 16 - 20: Durable Goods`	448.6	437.8	-2.4
Groups 21 - 23: Misc. Goods ²	102.7	100.1	-2.5
Store Total ³	550.9	543.6	-1.3

¹ Absence of a minus sign before the percentage change in this column signifies a price increase.

² Indexes on a January 1986=100 base.

³ The store total index covers all departments, including some not listed separately, except for the following: candy, food, liquor, tobacco, and contract departments.

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