

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Apr. 11 /PRNewswire/-- (NYSE: [VCD](#) - [news](#)) Announced today total sales for the five weeks ended April 7, 2001, increased 13.1% to \$207.1 million from \$183.1 million for the five weeks ended April 1, 2000. The company's same store sales decreased 5.4% for the five weeks ended April 7, 2001.

Sales for the nine weeks ended April 7, 2001, increased 20.0% to \$347.0 million from \$289.3 million for the nine weeks ended April 1, 2000. The company's same store sales decreased 5.9% for the nine weeks ended April 7, 2001. Sales for periods below include Filene's Basement stores acquired March 17, 2000.

Retail sales statistics are as follows:

	Five Weeks Ended (\$ in thousands)			
	April 7, 2001		April 1, 2000	
	\$	%	\$	%
Sales				
Value City Department Stores	\$ 137,092	66.2	\$ 138,610	75.7
DSW	46,291	22.4	35,292	19.3
Filene's Basement	23,725	11.4	9,197	5.0
	<u>\$ 207,108</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>\$ 183,099</u>	<u>100.0</u>
Comparable Sales				
Value City Department Stores		(6.5)%		(0.5)%
DSW		(1.3)%		17.9%
Filene's Basement		-		-
		<u>(5.4)%</u>		<u>2.4%</u>

	Nine Weeks Ended (\$ in thousands)			
	April 7, 2001		April 1, 2000	
	\$	%	\$	%
Sales				
Value City Department Stores	\$ 230,077	66.3	\$ 224,130	77.5
DSW	75,732	21.8	55,948	19.3
Filene's Basement	41,169	11.9	9,197	3.2
	<u>\$ 346,978</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>\$ 289,275</u>	<u>100.0</u>
Comparable Sales				
Value City Department Stores		(7.1)%		1.9%
DSW		(1.0)%		16.8%
Filene's Basement		-		-
		<u>(5.9)%</u>		<u>4.2%</u>

Value City Department Stores, Inc. is a leading off-price retailer currently operating 119 full-line department stores in the Midwest, mid-Atlantic and southeastern U.S., 19 Filene's Basement Stores and 81 better-branded DSW Shoe Warehouse Stores in major metropolitan areas throughout the country.

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