

The Price Indices for January 2018

The CPI and WPI have been rebased from 2011 to 2016 along with the publishment of preliminary figures for January 2018.

In order to go in line with the current expenditure structure of households, the CPI will be rebased annually according to Household Final Consumption Expenditure. Likewise, the WPI will be rebased every 2-3 years instead of every 5 years to reflect the production situations more finely and representatively.

Consumer Price Indices (CPI)

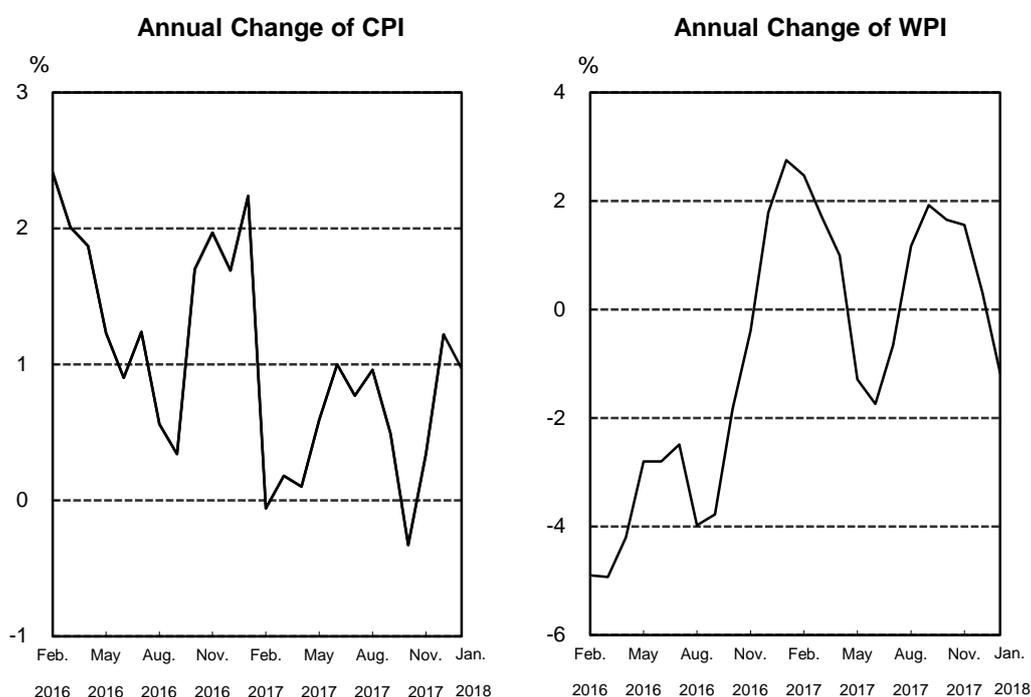
The CPI in January 2018 (2016=100) decreased 0.35% from the preceding month. Prices of vegetables, fruits, and garments fell 10.10%, 9.67%, and 4.71%, respectively. On the other hand, the prices of eggs, tobacco and betel nuts, as well as fuels and lubricants rose 13.22%, 3.99%, and 2.85%, respectively. The general CPI excluding fruits, vegetables and energy (core CPI) decreased 0.08%.

The annual change of CPI in January 2018, compared with the same month of 2017, increased 0.88%. Prices of tobacco and betel nuts, vegetables, and fuels and lubricants rose 31.99%, 25.04%, and 7.30%, respectively. Nonetheless, prices of fruits and entertainment expenses fell 27.43% and 3.70%. The core CPI increased 0.82%.

Wholesale Price Indices (WPI)

The WPI in January 2018 decreased 0.32% from the preceding month. Prices of farm products, computer, electronic and optical products, as well as electronic parts and components decreased 7.59%, 1.69%, and 1.42%, respectively. Nonetheless, the prices of quarrying and mining products as well as petroleum and coal products rose 4.31% and 2.63%.

The annual change of WPI in January 2018, compared with the same month of 2017, decreased 0.74%. Prices of farm products, computer, electronic and optical products, as well as electronic parts and components fell 12.14%, 5.56%, and 4.54%, respectively. However, the prices of quarrying and mining products as well as petroleum and coal products increased 13.10% and 9.07%. The WPI for products domestically produced for domestic purchase increased 2.19%, but imports and export price indices fell 0.28% and 3.44%.



Statistical Tables

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