

The Price Indices for July 2018

Consumer Price Indices (CPI)

The CPI in July 2018 (2016=100) increased 0.34% from the preceding month, mainly because prices of vegetables, transportation fees and entertainment expenses rose 17.62%, 5.86%, and 2.22%, respectively. However, prices of fruits and garments fell 3.20% and 2.73%. The general CPI excluding fruits, vegetables and energy (core CPI) rose 0.21%.

The annual change of CPI in July 2018, compared with the same month of 2017, increased 1.75%. Prices of tobacco and betel nuts rose 37.95% due to the increase of cigarette tax. Prices of fuels and lubricants also increased 22.89% as the international oil prices hovered within the high interval. Moreover, prices of eggs, transportation fees, as well as water, electricity and gas supply rose 21.96%, 6.13%, and 3.93%, respectively. Nonetheless, prices of vegetables, fruits, as well as communication fees fell 8.69%, 4.31%, and 3.76%, respectively. The core CPI increased 1.50%.

For the first seven months of 2018, the CPI increased 1.65% over the same period of previous year. Prices of commodity and services moved up 2.64% and 1.03%. The core CPI increased 1.44%.

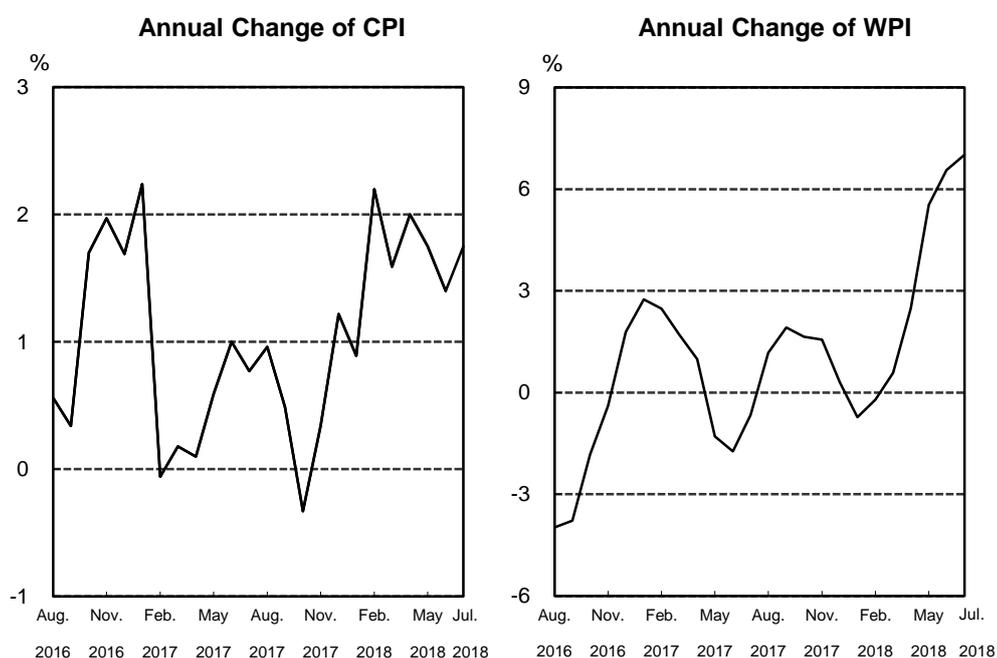
Wholesale Price Indices (WPI)

The WPI in July 2018 increased 0.91% from the preceding month. Prices of quarrying and mining products, as well as computer, electronic and optical products rose 2.63% and 1.30%.

The annual change of WPI in July 2018, compared with the same month of 2017, increased 7.02%. Prices of petroleum and coal products, quarrying and mining products, as well as chemical material, other chemical products and pharmaceuticals increased 39.25%, 38.87%, and 14.31%,

respectively. However, prices of farm products, as well as computer, electronic and optical products decreased 5.70% and 2.82%. The WPI for products domestically produced for domestic purchase increased 6.94%, import price index and export price index also rose 10.37% and 4.28%.

For the first seven months of 2018, the WPI increased 2.99% over the same period of previous year.



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