

The Price Indices for February 2019

Consumer Price Indices (CPI)

The CPI in February 2019 (2016=100) increased 0.99% from the preceding month, mainly because of the Chinese New Year effects. The prices of services for nursery and nursing care increased 32.65% by convention of Chinese New Year. Moreover, prices of vegetables, as well as entertainment expenses rose 9.55% and 4.00%, respectively, as the demand during Chinese New Year holidays went up. On the other hand, the prices of garments fell 4.17% for season sales. The general CPI excluding fruits, vegetables and energy (core CPI) increased 0.89%.

The annual change of CPI in February 2019, compared with the same month of 2018, increased 0.23%. Prices of eggs, dairy products, as well as medical care services rose 18.88%, 1.84%, and 1.59%, respectively. However, prices of vegetables, as well as communication fees fell 8.62% and 4.95%, respectively, both of which offset the increase. The core CPI increased 0.30%.

For the first two months of 2019, the CPI increased 0.20% over the same period of previous year. Prices of commodity declined 0.27%. However, prices of service moved up 0.65%. The core CPI increased 0.41%.

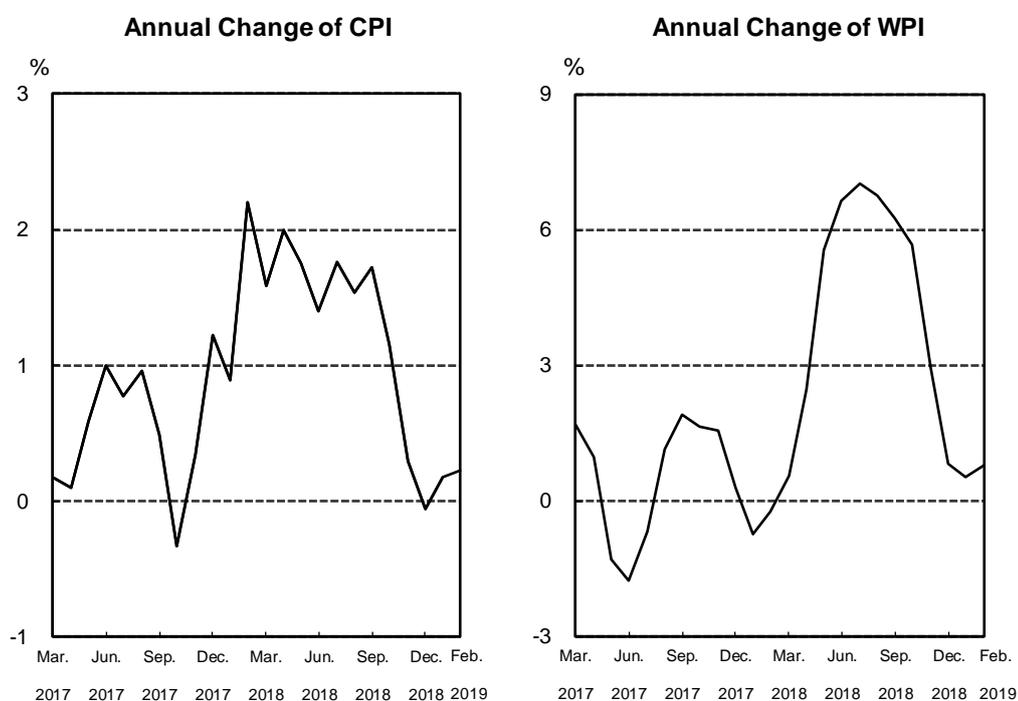
Wholesale Price Indices (WPI)

The WPI in February 2019 increased 0.20% from the preceding month. Prices of petroleum and coal products, as well as crude petroleum and natural gas rose 3.65% and 1.46%, respectively. Nonetheless, prices of poultry and livestock products fell 3.15%.

The annual change of WPI in February 2019, compared with the same

month of 2018, increased 0.80%. Prices of quarrying and mining products rose 12.11%. However, prices of chemical material, other chemical products and pharmaceuticals, as well as farm products fell 5.51% and 4.71%, respectively. The WPI for products domestically produced for domestic purchase decreased 0.70%, but import price index and export price index rose 2.66% and 0.38%, respectively.

For the first two months of 2019, the WPI increased 0.68% over the same period of previous year.



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