

## **The Price Indices for June 2019**

### **Consumer Price Indices (CPI)**

The CPI in June 2019 (2016=100) increased 0.34% from the preceding month. Prices of water, electricity and gas supply rose 11.66% due to Summer Electricity Rates. Prices of fruits rose 7.84% due to heavy rains. Moreover, prices of services for nursery and nursing care rose 2.60% due to the Dragon Boat Festival bonuses. However, prices of eggs, fuels and lubricants, as well as tobacco and betel nuts fell 5.79%, 4.37%, and 3.06%, respectively. Besides, prices of garments declined 2.73% due to the promotions, all of which offset the increase. The general CPI excluding fruits, vegetables and energy (core CPI) increased 0.07%.

The annual change of CPI in June 2019, compared with the same month of 2018, increased 0.86%. Prices of vegetables and fruits rose 20.03% and 14.73% due to heavy rains. Prices of medical care services rose 2.00% due to the increase of registration fee at hospital and clinic. Moreover, prices of entertainment expenses rose 1.58% owing to the increase of Package Tours fee. Nonetheless, prices of tobacco and betel nuts, eggs, as well as fuels and lubricants declined 6.22%, 5.05%, and 4.22%, respectively, all of which offset the increase. The core CPI increased 0.48%.

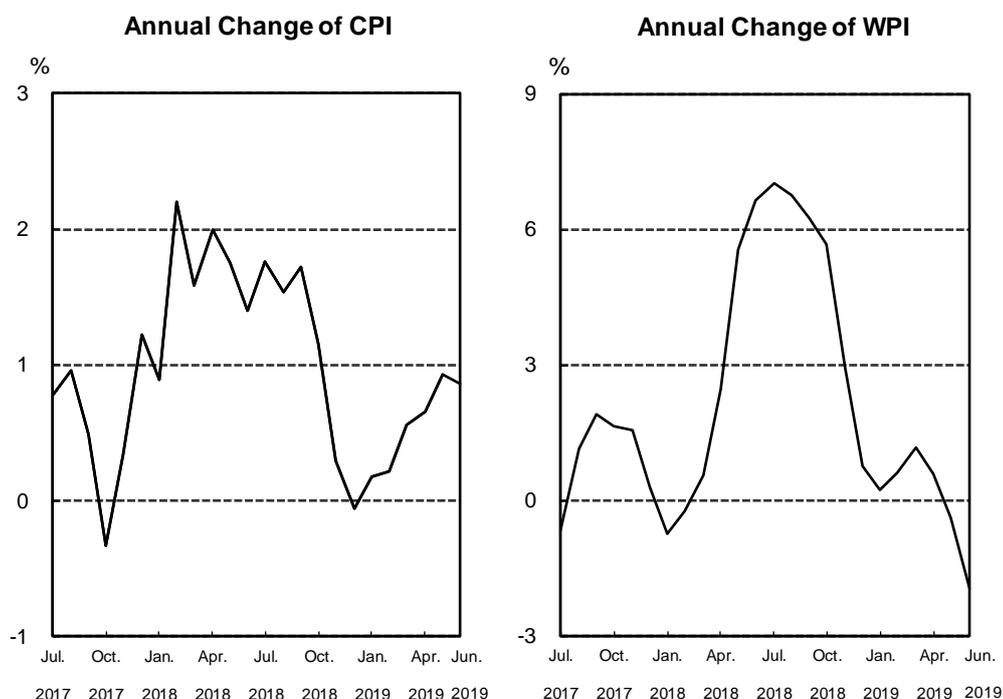
For the first half year of 2019, the CPI increased 0.56% over the same period of the previous year. Prices of commodity and services moved up 0.38% and 0.74%. The core CPI increased 0.49%.

### **Wholesale Price Indices (WPI)**

The WPI in June 2019 decreased 0.73% from the preceding month. Prices of petroleum and coal products, as well as crude petroleum and natural gas fell 8.75% and 7.21%, respectively. However, prices of water, electricity and gas supply rose 5.87%.

The annual change of WPI in June 2019, compared with the same month of 2018, decreased 1.93%. Prices of petroleum and coal products, as well as chemical material, other chemical products and pharmaceuticals fell 10.81% and 10.24%, respectively. However, prices of quarrying products and other mining products, as well as machinery and equipment rose 10.77% and 3.64%, respectively. The WPI for products domestically produced for domestic purchase decreased 2.32%, import price index and export price index also fell 1.00% and 2.43%, respectively.

For the first half year of 2019, the WPI increased 0.05% over the same period of the previous year.



### Statistical Tables

Table1 The Changes of Consumer Price Indices

Table2 The Changes of Wholesale Price Indices

Table3 The Changes of Import Price Indices

Table4 The Changes of Export Price Indices

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