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The Price Indices for September 2019

Consumer Price Indices (CPI)

The CPI in September 2019 (2016=100) increased 0.17% from the preceding month. Prices of vegetables and fruits rose 7.04% and 6.42%, respectively, due to the deferred effects of heavy rains in August. Prices of services for nursery and nursing care rose 3.16% as well, mainly owing to Mid-Autumn Festival bonuses. However, prices of transportation fees fell 4.34%, mainly owing to the decrease in air fares after the summer vacation tourism peak. Prices of communication fees and entertainment expenses also declined 1.53% and 1.51%, respectively. The general CPI excluding fruits, vegetables and energy (core CPI) decreased 0.11%.

The CPI in September 2019, compared with the same month of 2018, increased 0.43%. Prices of fruits and vegetables rose 7.34% and 2.37%, respectively. Prices of personal effects rose 5.45% as well, owing to the increase in the prices of precious metals ornaments and jewellery. However, prices of eggs, fuels and lubricants, as well as communication fees declined 12.42%, 8.08%, and 5.56%, respectively, all of which offset part of the increase. The core CPI increased 0.52%.

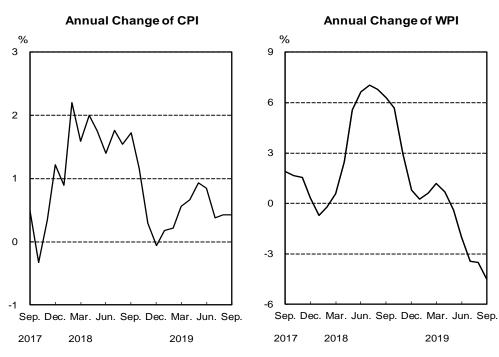
For the first three quarters of 2019, the CPI increased 0.51% over the same period of the previous year. Prices of commodity and service moved up 0.35% and 0.67%. The core CPI increased 0.46%.

Wholesale Price Indices (WPI)

The WPI in September 2019 decreased 0.63% from the preceding month. Prices of electronic parts and components, as well as machinery and equipment fell 1.03% and 0.97%, respectively. However, prices of crude petroleum and natural gas rose 1.83%.

The WPI in September 2019, compared with the same month of 2018, decreased 4.53%. Prices of crude petroleum and natural gas, as well as petroleum and coal products fell 15.56% and 15.49%, respectively. Prices of chemical material, other chemical products and pharmaceuticals also fell 14.01%. However, prices of farm products, as well as machinery and equipment rose 4.97% and 1.76%, respectively. The WPI for products domestically produced for domestic purchase decreased 4.53%, import price index and export price index also fell 4.54% and 4.50%, respectively.

For the first three quarters of 2019, the WPI decreased 1.27% over the same period of the previous year.



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