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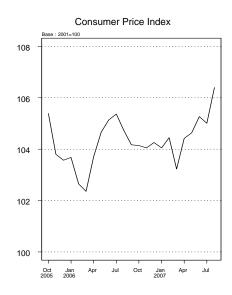
The Price Indices for August 2007

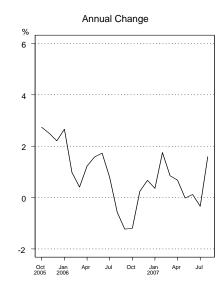
Consumer Price Indices (CPI)

The CPI in August 2007 was 106.40 (2001=100), rising 1.32% from last month, due primarily to prices of Vegetables and Fruits going up 29.83% and 9.01% respectively after Typhoon Sepat, and Agricultural products prices advancing for Lunar July Festivals, whereas Clothing price decreasing 3.50% for summer discount.

The CPI in August 2007 turned up 1.59% compared with the same month of last year. Even typhoon caused Vegetables and Fruits prices going up, the prices have been staying low since the beginning of this year. Therefore, comparing with last year, Vegetables prices rose 1.95%, whereas Fruits fell 5.54%. Furthermore, Prices of Chinese Herbal Medicine, Eggs, Edible Oil, Gas, Dairy Products and Fish & Shellfish jumped 62.60%, 20.13%, 11.65%, 10.11%, 9.71% and 7.09% individually, while electronics products, such as Video Recorder, Camcorder, Television and Personal Computer prices declined 17.42%, 10.92%, 8.14% and 4.67% separately.

For the first eight months of 2007, the CPI moved up 0.62% compared with the same period of last year, as prices of Commodity and Service increased 0.60% and 0.63% respectively. The General Index Excluding Fruits, Vegetables, Fish, Shellfish and Energy, i.e. core CPI, up 0.87%.



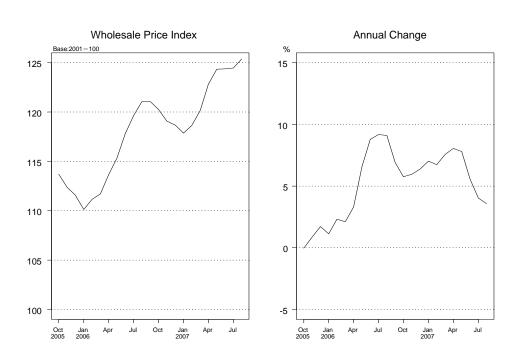


Wholesale Price Indices (WPI)

The WPI in August 2007 was 125.38 (2001=100), advancing 0.73% from last month, due primarily to Taiwan dollar depreciating 0.48% depreciation against US dollar, moreover, prices of Farm products, Electronic Components & Accessories and Chemicals rising 13.08%, 1.76% and 1.03% separately, while Primary Metal Products price declining 1.49%.

The WPI in August 2007 rose 3.57% compared with the same month of last year, due mainly to prices of Primary Metal Products, Petroleum & Coal Products and Chemicals increased 14.61%, 7.20% and 2.76% individually.

For the first eight months of 2007, the WPI went up 6.25% compared with the same period of last year, of which the Import Price Index and Export Price Index up 7.92% and 4.35% respectively.



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Table 1 The Changes of Consumer Price Indices Aug. 2007

Weight Index of Compared Compared The First E						
	(%)	Aug. 2007	with Last	with the	Months of	
	(700)	(2001=100)	Month	Same	2007	
Groups		(2001–100)	(%)	Month of	Compared with	
Groups			(%)	Last Year	the Same	
					Period of Last	
				(%)	Year (%)	
C 11.1	1 000 00	106.40	1 22	1.50	1	
General Index	1,000.00	106.40	1.32	1.59	0.62	
Basic Group	250.54	115.70	5.64	2.22	1.00	
1. Food	250.54	115.79	5.64	2.22	-1.08	
Meat	25.17	117.52	3.09	4.10	0.28	
Fish & Shellfish	16.73	119.60	1.28	7.09	6.35	
Vegetables	27.89	155.54	29.83	1.95	-6.27	
Fruits	27.94	104.81	9.01	-5.54	-10.19	
2. Clothing	47.46	100.10	-3.50	3.21	2.22	
Garments	32.52	96.89	-4.68	4.21	2.40	
3. Housing	307.94	100.29	0.07	0.92	1.01	
Residential Rent	210.96	97.78	0.01	0.17	0.18	
Water, Electricity & Gas Supply	37.37	115.55	0.01	2.85	4.36	
4. Transportation & Communication	126.25	105.97	-0.04	0.79	1.20	
Oils	22.63	149.13	-0.09	2.81	4.09	
Communication Services	77.27	98.38	0.01	0.53	0.51	
5. Medicines & Medical Care	37.37	120.69	0.23	5.32	3.33	
Medicines & Health Food	9.19	128.86	0.37	22.40	13.78	
6. Education & Entertainment	161.11	99.77	-0.16	0.66	0.53	
Educational Expense	118.75	100.75	0.08	0.71	0.07	
Entertainment Expense	42.36 69.33	97.36 111.21	-0.85 0.20	0.51	1.85	
7. Miscellaneous				2.33	1.98	
Tobacco & Betelnut	19.55	146.66	-0.35	4.72	4.36	
Commodity and Service Groups	528.52	110.68	2.48	2.36	0.60	
1. Commodity	277.97	10.08	-0.49	2.49	2.27	
(Excluding Food)	384.36	100.03	-0.49 3.65	2.49	0.61	
Non-durable Consumer Goods	133.81		0.21	3.99		
(Excluding Food)	62.59	119.75 98.18	-2.65	3.99 2.48	3.77	
Semi-durable Consumer Goods	81.57	98.18 88.55	-2.63 -0.15	-0.76	1.66 -0.37	
Durable Consumer Goods	471.48	88.33 101.61	-0.13 -0.03	-0.76 0.68	0.63	
2. Service	237.03	97.70	0.02	0.08	0.03	
Housing Transportation & Communication	74.10	98.20	-0.03	0.20	0.21	
•			0.18			
Medical Care	24.69 104.85	122.16 107.97	-0.20	0.44 1.91	0.45	
Education & Entertainment	30.81	107.97	-0.20 0.16	0.44	1.71 0.53	
Miscellaneous	30.81	100.91	0.10	0.44	0.33	
Special Groups General Index Excluding Fruits & Vegetables	944.17	105.08	0.16	1.81	1.24	
General Index Excluding Fruits & Vegetables General Index Excluding Food	749.46	103.08	-0.20	1.36	1.24	
General Index Excluding Food General Index Excluding Fruits, Vegetables,	873.10	103.27	0.15	1.59	0.87	
Fish, Shellfish & Energy	6/3.10	103.10	0.13	1.37	0.07	
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Table 2 The Changes of Wholesale Price Indices

Aug. 2007

Groups	(‰)	Index of Aug. 2007 (2001=100)	Compared with Last Month (%)	Compared with the Same Month of Last Year (%)	The First Eight Months of 2007 Compared with the Same Period of Last Year (%)
General Index	1,000.00	125.38	0.73		6.25
General Index Excluding Import & Export	360.47		0.97	3.85	6.17
Import	310.71	140.11	0.16		7.92
Export	328.82	102.95	1.08	1.71	4.35
Basic Group					
1. Agriculture, Forestry, Livestock & Fishery	39.30		8.54		2.64
(1)Farm Products	19.89		13.08	13.05	4.16
(2)Forest Products	0.51		-0.10		20.44
(3)Livestock & Poultry	9.66		7.42		0.73
(4)Aquatic Products	9.24		1.31	-1.94	0.27
2. Minerals Products	37.73		-0.61	3.59	3.98
(1)Energy Minerals	30.16		-0.70		1.62
(2)Sand, Gravel & Crushed Stone	3.71	241.28	-0.85		19.21
3. Manufacturing Products	889.18		0.53	3.35	6.62
(1)Food & Beverages	38.61		0.58		5.60
(2)Tobaccos	4.66		-0.11	1.25	3.83
(3)Textile Products	37.11		0.69	3.66	4.74
(4)Ready-made Apparel & Accessories	12.22		0.06		1.25
(5) Hides, Skins, Leather & Related Products	8.47		0.37	3.73	6.48
(6)Lumber & Wood Products	3.56		0.95	5.79	6.92
(7)Furniture & Fixture	8.76		0.63	1.88	2.30
(8) Pulp, Paper, Paper Products & Printed	21.45		0.48	5.98	5.94
(9)Chemicals	63.87		1.03	2.76	11.24
(10)Chemical Products	30.02		0.77	2.28	2.54
(11)Petroleum & Coal Products	41.01	202.88	-0.12		7.94 3.27
(12) Rubber & Plastic Products	31.42		0.75		
(13)Nonmetallic Mineral Products	14.80 57.25		1.46	5.88 14.61	5.47 27.81
(14)Primary Metal Products	30.52		-1.49 0.42		11.14
(15)Metal Products	60.94		1.50		1.14
(16)Machinery			-100		
(17)Computer, Communication Eq., Audio &	129.17	60.67	0.28	-4.03	-4.77
Video Equipment	176.39	73.37	1.76	-3.88	-1.65
(18)Electronic Components & Accessories	41.65		1.70	-3.66 1.61	6.45
(19)Electrical Equipments & Apparatus	45.15		0.95	0.99	1.28
(20)Transportation Equipment & Parts	19.24		0.71	1.05	2.36
(21)Precision Instruments (22)Miscellaneous Products	12.91		0.71		3.18
4. Water Supply, Electricity & Gas	33.79		-0.01	1.68	6.44
By Stage of Processing	33.17	117.54	-0.01	1.00	0.77
1.Raw Materials	61.00	221.47	0.54	7.31	6.41
2.Intermediate Materials	413.28		0.12		9.52
3.Finished Goods	196.90		2.00		0.73
(1)Capital Goods	68.55		1.08	0.13	0.34
(2)Consumer Goods	128.35		2.42	2.01	0.91
Special Groups	120.33	100.72	2. 72	2.01	0.71
General Index Excluding Exports	671.18	136.24	0.59	4.27	6.99
General Index Excluding Imports	689.29		1.02	2.96	5.40
Non Heavy Chemical Industrial Products	211.51	111.00	0.62		4.19
Heavy Chemical Industrial Products	677.67		0.50		7.36

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Table 3 The Changes of Import Price Indices

Aug. 2007

Groups	Weight (‰)	Index of Aug. 2007 (2001=100)	Compared with Last Month (%)	Compared with the Same Month of Last Year (%)	The First Eight Months of 2007 Compared with the Same Period of Last Year (%)
Basic Group (on N.T.D. Basis)	1 000 00	140.11	0.16	4.74	7.02
General Index	1,000.00	140.11	0.16	4.74	7.92
Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared Foods	47.60	158.38	1.62	22.37	23.28
2.Mineral Products	134.52	259.34	-0.62	3.37	2.96
3.Textiles & Textile Articles	23.09	111.47	0.67	4.41	5.96
4. Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	25.78	132.58	0.56	9.12	12.88
5.Chemicals, Plastics, Rubber & Articles Thereof	133.44	149.34	0.58	2.77	8.94
6.Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	76.14	289.01	-1.75	17.04	31.47
7.Machinery,Optical & Precision Instruments	166.08	96.99	2.32	0.72	0.73
8.Electronic Machinery	355.47	75.90	0.53	-2.72	-0.22
9. Transportation Equipment & Parts	20.86	99.40	2.04	2.53	1.59
10. Miscellaneous Products	17.02	113.25	0.88	8.10	8.02
Basic Group (on U.S.D. Basis)					
General Index	1,000.00	143.59	-0.32	4.20	5.92
Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared Foods	47.60	162.42	1.13	21.74	20.99
2.Mineral Products	134.52	265.70	-1.10	2.84	1.03
3.Textiles & Textile Articles	23.09	114.24	0.18	3.87	3.98
4. Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	25.78	135.86	0.07	8.55	10.77
5.Chemicals, Plastics, Rubber & Articles Thereof	133.44	153.00	0.09	2.24	6.93
6.Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	76.14	296.16	-2.23	16.44	29.06
7.Machinery,Optical & Precision Instruments	166.08	99.40	1.82	0.21	-1.15
8.Electronic Machinery	355.47	77.78	0.06	-3.22	-2.07
9.Transportation Equipment & Parts	20.86	101.89	1.55	1.99	-0.31
10. Miscellaneous Products	17.02	116.09	0.40	7.56	6.00

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Table 4 The Changes of Export Price Indices

Aug. 2007

Groups	Weight (‰)	Index of Aug. 2007 (2001=100)	Compared with Last Month (%)	Compared with the Same Month of Last Year (%)	
Basic Group (on N.T.D. Basis)					
General Index	1,000.00	102.95	1.08	1.71	4.35
 Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared Foods 	15.98	126.02	1.97	-2.26	0.21
2.Textiles & Textile Articles	103.87	106.81	0.74	3.79	4.94
3. Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	10.44	113.32	1.43	4.45	6.08
4. Chemicals, Plastics, Rubber & Articles Thereof	99.77	139.76	1.00	3.48	9.40
5. Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	93.17	177.73	0.49	8.21	19.89
6.Machinery, Optical & Precision Instruments	97.27	96.62	1.24	1.86	0.67
7. Electronic Machinery	479.49	70.95	1.71	-3.34	-3.01
8.Transportation Equipment & Parts	32.16	97.84	1.28	3.22	5.40
9. Miscellaneous Products	67.85	143.12	0.08	4.19	4.09
Basic Group (on U.S.D. Basis)					
General Index	1,000.00	105.53	0.59	1.19	2.40
 Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared Foods 	15.98	129.10	1.47	-2.76	-1.66
2.Textiles & Textile Articles	103.87	109.49	0.24	3.25	2.99
3. Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	10.44	116.16	0.94	3.91	4.10
4. Chemicals, Plastics, Rubber & Articles Thereof	99.77	143.20	0.51	2.95	7.37
5. Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	93.17	182.17	0.01	7.65	17.67
6.Machinery, Optical & Precision Instruments	97.27	99.06	0.75	1.33	-1.23
7. Electronic Machinery	479.49	72.71	1.21	-3.84	-4.82
8. Transportation Equipment & Parts	32.16	100.28	0.79	2.69	3.43
9. Miscellaneous Products	67.85	146.77	-0.41	3.66	2.15

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