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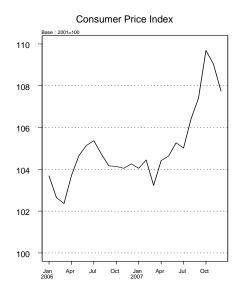
The Price Indices for December 2007

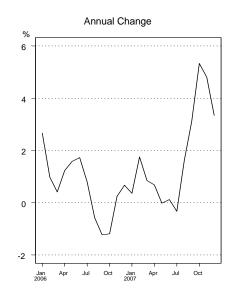
Consumer Price Indices (CPI)

The CPI in December 2007 was 107.74 (2001=100), down 1.19% from last month, due mainly to Vegetables prices declining 29.77%, and Clothing prices down 1.46%, whereas Entertainment Expense and Residential Rent moved up 0.55% and 0.12% respectively. The General Index Excluding Fruits, Vegetables, Fish, Shellfish and Energy, i.e. core CPI, went up 0.11%.

The annual change rate for CPI in December 2007 hit 3.34%. Prices of Food increased 7.57%, of which Fruits advanced 20.73%, Eggs up 31.89%, Dairy Products up 13.10%, Meat up 10.05%, Cereals & Cereal Products up 7.09%, Food away from home up 6.74% and Fish & Shellfish up 4.19%. Transportation & Communication prices advanced 3.31%, due mainly to prices of Oils jumped 11.49% and Taxi fees raised 12.13%. Medicines & Medical Care prices went up 4.70%. Some electronic products prices went down continuously. The core CPI in December 2007 compared with the same month of the previous year increased 2.57%.

For the whole year of 2007, the CPI rose 1.80%, where Commodity and Service prices increased 2.71% and 0.70% separately. The core CPI went up 1.35%.



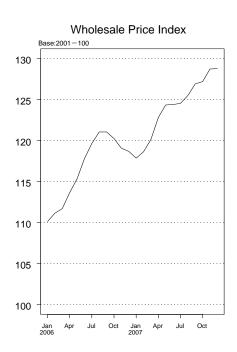


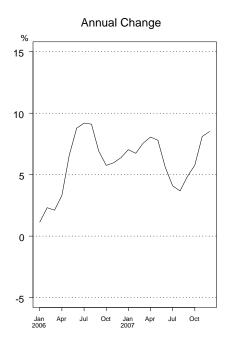
Wholesale Price Indices (WPI)

The WPI in December 2007 was 128.79 (2001=100), advanced 0.05% from last month, due primarily to Petroleum & Coal Products and Chemicals prices increased 1.77%, 1.04% respectively.

The WPI in December 2007 rose 8.51% compared with the same month of previous year, due mainly to prices of Energy Minerals, Petroleum & Coal Products, Chemicals and Primary Metal Products moved up 47.22%, 26.69%, 13.02% and 10.85% individually.

For the whole year of 2007, the WPI increased 6.45% compared with the same period of previous year, of which the Import Price Index and Export Price Index up 8.92% and 3.56% separately.





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Table 1 The Changes of Consumer Price Indices Dec. 2007

Dec. 2007							
	Weight	Index of	Compared	Compared	The Annual		
	(‰)	Dec. 2007	with Last	with the	Average Index		
		(2001=100)	Month	Same	of 2007		
Groups			(%)	Month of	Compared with		
				Previous	2006's		
				Year (%)	(%)		
General Index	1,000.00	107.74	-1.19	3.34	1.80		
Basic Group	1,000.00	10,.,,	1117	0.0	1.00		
1. Food	250.54	118.84	-4.06	7.57	2.86		
Meat	25.17	125.18	1.48	10.05	3.26		
Fish & Shellfish	16.73	121.25	1.46	4.19	6.19		
Vegetables	27.89	127.65	-29.77	1.18	9.52		
Fruits	27.94	130.10	2.42	20.73	-3.54		
2. Clothing	47.46	112.41	-1.46	4.57	3.00		
Garments	32.52	112.35	-2.48	4.47	3.17		
3. Housing	307.94	99.78	0.07	0.79	0.94		
Residential Rent	210.96	98.04	0.12	0.34	0.20		
Water, Electricity & Gas Supply	37.37	109.15	0.02	1.59	3.46		
4. Transportation & Communication	126.25	107.46	0.08	3.31	1.72		
Oils	22.63	155.85	-0.01	11.49	6.10		
Communication Services	77.27	99.02	0.18	1.35	0.68		
5. Medicines & Medical Care	37.37	120.59	-0.18	4.70	3.91		
Medicines & Health Food	9.19	127.02	-0.75	18.03	15.91		
6. Education & Entertainment	161.11	99.55	0.12	0.85	0.61		
Educational Expense	118.75	101.03	-0.03	0.89	0.33		
Entertainment Expense	42.36	95.73	0.55	0.73	1.42		
7. Miscellaneous	69.33	111.09	0.01	1.72	1.97		
Tobacco & Betelnut	19.55	146.84	0.12	2.34	3.83		
Commodity and Service Groups							
1. Commodity	528.52	113.04	-2.23	5.29	2.71		
(Excluding Food)	277.97	107.81	-0.31	3.12	2.58		
Non-durable Consumer Goods	384.36	118.87	-2.70	6.63	3.31		
(Excluding Food)	133.81	119.09	-0.06	4.91	4.15		
Semi-durable Consumer Goods	62.59	107.26	-1.16	3.05	2.15		
Durable Consumer Goods	81.57	88.62	-0.09	-0.68	-0.38		
2. Service	471.47	101.79	0.14	0.99	0.70		
Housing	237.04	97.93	0.10	0.40	0.25		
Transportation & Communication	74.10	98.72	0.20	1.16	0.58		
Medical Care	24.69	122.74	0.02	0.82	0.54		
Education & Entertainment	104.85	107.66	0.23	2.20	1.83		
Miscellaneous	30.81	101.17	0.00	1.05	0.68		
Special Groups							
General Index Excluding Fruits & Vegetables	944.17	106.56	0.13	2.88	1.70		
General Index Excluding Food	749.46	104.02	-0.04	1.79	1.41		
General Index Excluding Fruits, Vegetables,	873.10	104.86	0.11	2.57	1.35		
Fish, Shellfish & Energy							

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Table 2 The Changes of Wholesale Price Indices

Dec. 2007

Groups	Weight (‰)	Index of Dec. 2007 (2001=100)	Compared with Last Month	Compared with the Same Month	The Annual Average Index of 2007
			(%)	of Previous Year (%)	Compared with 2006's (%)
General Index	1,000.00	128.79	0.05	8.51	6.45
General Index Excluding Import & Export	360.47		0.07	8.07	6.39
Import	310.71		0.17		8.92
Export	328.82	102.62	-0.13	3.15	3.56
Basic Group					
1. Agriculture, Forestry, Livestock & Fishery	39.30		-1.77	21.47	8.70
(1)Farm Products	19.89		-3.70		13.98
(2) Forest Products	0.51 9.66		0.16 1.26		16.09 5.36
(3)Livestock & Poultry (4)Aquatic Products	9.00		-0.15	-1.88	0.65
2. Minerals Products	37.73		0.40		13.11
(1)Energy Minerals	30.16		0.40		12.83
(2)Sand, Gravel & Crushed Stone	3.71	250.30		19.78	18.37
3. Manufacturing Products	889.18		0.11	5.51	5.83
(1)Food & Beverages	38.61	131.27	0.63	9.95	6.86
(2)Tobaccos	4.66		-0.28	0.81	2.94
(3)Textile Products	37.11		0.77	5.80	4.60
(4)Ready-made Apparel & Accessories	12.22	88.98	0.17	-0.98	0.40
(5) Hides, Skins, Leather & Related Products	8.47	108.21	0.31	2.46	5.13
(6)Lumber & Wood Products	3.56	115.66	0.34	2.37	5.54
(7)Furniture & Fixture	8.76	113.27	0.60	3.09	2.11
(8) Pulp, Paper, Paper Products & Printed	21.45		0.65		6.10
(9)Chemicals	63.87		1.04		10.33
(10)Chemical Products	30.02		0.21	3.79	2.66
(11)Petroleum & Coal Products	41.01	224.39		26.69	12.16
(12)Rubber & Plastic Products	31.42			4.18	3.28
(13)Nonmetallic Mineral Products	14.80		-0.04		5.63
(14)Primary Metal Products	57.25		-0.49	10.85	21.91
(15)Metal Products	30.52		0.03	5.36	8.96
(16)Machinery	60.94		-0.08	2.36	1.62
(17)Computer, Communication Eq., Audio & Video Equipment	129.17		-0.03	-5.34	-5.09
(18)Electronic Components & Accessories	176.39		-0.44		-3.63
(19)Electrical Equipments & Apparatus	41.65		-2.47		5.58
(20)Transportation Equipment & Parts	45.15		-0.09		1.28
(21)Precision Instruments	19.24		-0.07		1.52
(22)Miscellaneous Products 4.Water Supply, Electricity & Gas	12.91 33.79		0.20 0.00		2.49 4.55
By Stage of Processing	33.17	110.43	0.00	0.89	4.33
1.Raw Materials	61.00	257.52	1.04	37.12	14.00
2.Intermediate Materials	413.28		0.28		8.31
3.Finished Goods	196.90		-1.05		1.74
(1)Capital Goods	68.55		-0.19		0.23
(2)Consumer Goods	128.35		-1.42	4.74	2.44
Special Groups			· -		
General Index Excluding Exports	671.18	141.49	0.12	10.56	7.56
General Index Excluding Imports	689.29		-0.01	6.01	5.20
Non Heavy Chemical Industrial Products	211.51	112.89	0.42	4.93	4.18
Heavy Chemical Industrial Products	677.67	123.43	0.02	5.68	6.31

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Table 3 The Changes of Import Price Indices

Dec. 2007

Groups	Weight (‰)	Index of Dec. 2007 (2001=100)	Compared with Last Month (%)	Compared with the Same Month of Previous Year (%)	The Annual Average Index of 2007 Compared with 2006's (%)
Basic Group (on N.T.D. Basis)					
General Index	1,000.00	147.67	0.17	13.40	8.92
1. Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared	47.60	176.57	2.22	23.31	23.23
Foods 2.Mineral Products	134.52	310.76	1.46	43.87	12.63
3.Textiles & Textile Articles	23.09	112.06	0.00	3.97	5.46
4. Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	25.78	133.64	1.01	7.01	10.95
5.Chemicals, Plastics, Rubber & Articles Thereof	133.44	157.07	1.36	10.26	8.06
6.Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	76.14	282.10	-3.07	8.71	24.60
7.Machinery,Optical & Precision Instruments	166.08	97.39	-0.32	2.18	0.97
8.Electronic Machinery	355.47	73.01	-0.52	-6.40	-2.46
9. Transportation Equipment & Parts	20.86	99.59	0.05	3.56	1.97
10. Miscellaneous Products	17.02	116.62	0.66	8.41	8.10
Basic Group (on U.S.D. Basis)					
General Index	1,000.00	153.86	-0.11	13.75	7.93
Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared Foods	47.60	184.08	1.94	23.68	22.14
2.Mineral Products	134.52	323.68	1.18	44.31	11.61
3.Textiles & Textile Articles	23.09	116.74	-0.28	4.29	4.47
4. Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	25.78	139.23	0.73	7.34	9.93
5. Chemicals, Plastics, Rubber & Articles Thereof	133.44	163.60	1.08	10.60	7.08
6.Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	76.14	293.88	-3.34	9.05	23.52
7.Machinery,Optical & Precision Instruments	166.08	101.47	-0.59	2.48	0.01
8.Electronic Machinery	355.47	76.06	-0.78	-6.12	-3.40
9.Transportation Equipment & Parts	20.86	103.78	-0.23	3.86	1.00
10. Miscellaneous Products	17.02	121.52	0.38	8.73	7.09

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Table 4 The Changes of Export Price Indices

Dec. 2007

	Weight	Index of	Compared	Compared	The Annual
	(‰)	Dec. 2007	with Last	with the	Average
Groups		(2001=100)	Month	Same	Index of 2007
Groups			(%)	Month of Previous	Compared with 2006's
				Year (%)	(%)
Basic Group (on N.T.D. Basis)					
General Index	1,000.00	102.62	-0.13	3.15	3.56
1. Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared	15.98	129.71	0.63	7.33	1.65
Foods					
2.Textiles & Textile Articles	103.87	108.72	0.70	5.19	4.63
3. Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	10.44	114.79	1.53	6.94	5.57
4. Chemicals, Plastics, Rubber & Articles Thereof	99.77	143.48	0.48	8.37	8.39
5.Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	93.17	174.29	-0.79	4.59	14.27
6.Machinery, Optical & Precision Instruments	97.27	95.95	0.19	1.93	0.70
7.Electronic Machinery	479.49	68.27	-0.35	-4.36	-3.60
8. Transportation Equipment & Parts	32.16	97.35	0.02	2.61	4.27
9. Miscellaneous Products	67.85	153.52	-0.65	18.68	7.68
Basic Group (on U.S.D. Basis)					
General Index	1,000.00	106.96	-0.39	3.47	2.59
 Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared Foods 	15.98	135.10	0.36	7.68	0.69
2.Textiles & Textile Articles	103.87	113.32	0.43	5.51	3.65
3.Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	10.44	119.64	1.26	7.28	4.58
4. Chemicals, Plastics, Rubber & Articles Thereof	99.77	149.45	0.18	8.69	7.41
5.Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	93.17	181.62	-1.07	4.90	13.25
6.Machinery,Optical & Precision Instruments	97.27	100.01	-0.09	2.25	-0.27
7. Electronic Machinery	479.49	71.12	-0.63	-4.06	-4.54
8. Transportation Equipment & Parts	32.16	101.43	-0.26	2.92	3.28
9. Miscellaneous Products	67.85	160.06	-0.92	19.05	6.71

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