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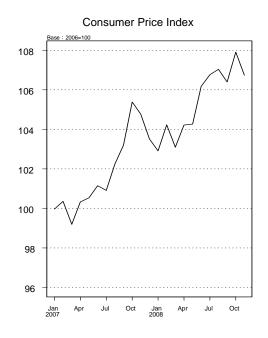
The Price Indices for November 2008

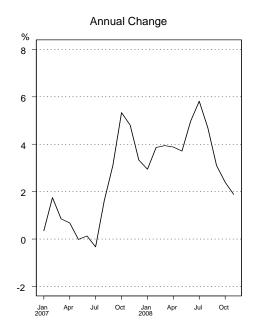
Consumer Price Indices (CPI)

The CPI in November 2008 was 106.74 (2006=100), falling 1.08% from previous month. Due to the substantially decrease of international prices of Crude Oil and Cereal, the price of Fuels & Lubricants went down 17.03%, Vegetables price declined 7.67% and Water, Electricity & Gas Supply fee decreased 1.86%. The General Index excluding Fruits, Vegetables, Fish, Shellfish and Energy, i.e. core CPI, moved down 0.22%.

The annual change rate for CPI in November 2008, compared with the same month of previous year, was 1.88%. Prices of Food moved up 6.94%, where Fish & Shellfish went up 13.3%, Meat up 10.25%, Vegetables up 15.12%, and Fruits moved up 3.95%. Housing prices rose 1.59%, due mainly to prices of Water, Electricity & Gas Supply went up 6.46%. Transportation & Communication prices fell 5.53%, due primarily to prices of Fuels & Lubricants declined greatly 24.21%. The core CPI advanced 2.40%.

For the first eleven months of 2008, the CPI increased by 3.73% over the same period of previous year, as prices of Commodity and Service moved up 5.37% and 2.31% individually. The core CPI up 3.16%.



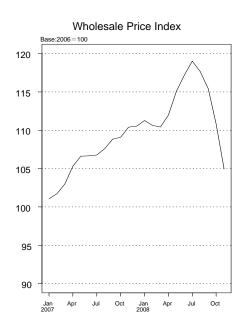


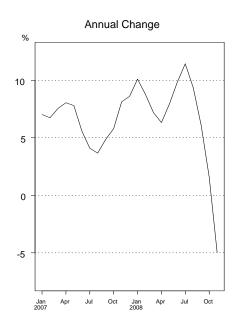
Wholesale Price Indices (WPI)

The WPI in November 2008 was 104.94 (2006=100), decreasing 5.31% from previous month, due primarily to prices of Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas moved down 25.35%, Petroleum & Coal Products declined 19.33%, Chemical Material and Basic Metal went down 15.62% and 11.08% individually. Domestic Sales Excluding Imports, Imports and Exports prices declined 6.99%, 5.52% and 3.48% separately.

The annual change rate for WPI in November 2008 decreasing 4.95%, due mainly to prices of Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas went down 37.26%, Chemical Material, Petroleum & Coal Products and Basic Metal moved down 19.75%, 16.16% and 10.99% respectively. Domestic Sales Excluding Imports prices fell 2.81% and Imports and Exports prices went down 6.52% and 5.37% individually.

For the first eleven months of 2008, the WPI advanced 6.63% compared with the same period of previous year, of which the Import Price Index rose 10.82%, while Export Price Index fell 1.41%.





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Table 1 The Changes of Consumer Price Indices $_{\rm Nov.~2008}$

Nov. 2008							
	Weight	Index of	Compared	_	The First Eleven		
	(‰)	Nov. 2008	with	with the	Months of 2008		
		(2006=100)	Previous	Same	Compared with		
Groups			Month	Month of	the Same Period		
			(%)	Previous	of Previous Year		
				Year (%)	(%)		
General Index	1,000.00	106.74	-1.08	1.88	3.73		
Basic Group							
1. Food	260.82	118.98	-1.17	6.94	8.73		
Meat	23.08	119.24	-0.58	10.25	15.57		
Fish & Shellfish	16.71	121.27	-2.00	13.30	12.54		
Vegetables	24.81	165.96	-7.67	15.12	-1.55		
Fruits	27.59	114.51	2.64	3.95	14.48		
2. Clothing	41.72	111.60	0.51	0.31	2.18		
Garments	26.97	114.51	1.03	0.37	1.21		
3. Housing	279.47	102.40	-0.51	1.59	1.46		
Residential Rent	185.40	100.63	-0.34	0.28	0.61		
Household Keeping Services	14.53	96.34	0.09	0.40	-0.65		
Water, Electricity & Gas Supply	36.87	108.62	-1.86	6.46	4.30		
4. Transportation & Communication	140.42	98.06	-4.05	-5.53	3.24		
Fuels & Lubricants	32.55	86.80	-17.03	-24.21	10.71		
Transportation & Communication Services	80.30	102.68	0.00	1.45	1.53		
and Vehicle Parts							
5. Medicines & Medical Care	47.41	106.63	0.14	1.18	2.24		
Medical Care Services	33.02	101.82	-0.02	0.92	1.19		
Medicines & Health Food	10.62	123.51	0.60	2.06	5.54		
6. Education & Entertainment	171.48	101.84	-0.60	1.25	1.36		
Educational Expense	111.25	100.55	-0.20	-0.21	0.16		
Entertainment Expense	60.22	104.15	-1.29	4.10	3.16		
7. Miscellaneous	58.68	103.46	0.09	1.81	1.52		
Tobacco & Betelnut	14.65	103.46	0.02	0.50	1.08		
Personal Care Services	14.78	100.24	1.59	0.55	-0.41		
Commodity and Service Groups				• • •			
1. Commodity	437.11	110.57	-2.12	2.01	5.37		
(Excluding Food)	264.95	102.63	-2.43	-2.05	2.71		
Non-durable Consumer Goods	299.12	114.00	-2.95	3.26	7.54		
(Excluding Food)	126.96	102.48	-4.80	-3.46	5.16		
Semi-durable Consumer Goods	62.85	108.58	0.59	1.02	1.74		
Durable Consumer Goods	75.14	97.05	-0.73	-2.23	-1.28		
2. Service	562.89	103.54	-0.20	1.98	2.31		
Food	88.66	111.97	0.09	5.70	7.65		
Housing	209.54	100.43	-0.31	0.32	0.58		
Transportation & Communication	76.99	102.25	-0.02	1.25	1.28		
Medical Care	33.02	101.82	-0.02	0.92	1.19		
Education & Entertainment	129.64	105.17	-0.56	3.01	3.00		
Miscellaneous	23.83	99.90	0.84	0.26	-0.33		
Special Groups	~	10405	0.00	1.55	2 -2		
General Index Excluding Fruits & Vegetables	947.60	104.95	-0.90	1.75	3.63		
General Index Excluding Food	739.18	102.33	-1.03	0.05	1.88		
General Index Excluding Fruits, Vegetables, Fish, Shellfish & Energy	866.64	105.16	-0.22	2.40	3.16		

Note: Due to late reports and corrections by respondents all data are subject to revision 3 months after original publication.

Table 2 The Changes of Wholesale Price Indices Nov. 2008

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Groups	Weight	Index of Nov.	Compared	Compared	The First Eleven
	(‰)	2008	with	with the	Months of 2008
		(2006=100)	Previous	Same	Compared with
			Month	Month of	the Same Period
			(%)	Previous	of Previous Year
				Year (%)	(%)
General Index	1,000.00	104.94	-5.31	-4.95	6.63
Domestic Sales Excluding Imports	307.86	107.31	-6.99	-2.81	10.25
Imports	327.09	107.96	-5.52	-6.52	10.82
Exports	365.05	98.63	-3.48	-5.37	-1.41
Basic Group					
1. Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Animal	27.15	132.77	-3.45	8.22	23.52
Husbandry Products					
(1)Farm Products	12.87	139.60	-4.67	1.45	20.59
(2)Poultry & Livestock Products	6.60	125.27	-2.38	10.73	28.31
(3)Forest Products	0.41 7.27	121.39	1.15	6.74	-3.75
(4)Fishery Products	57.59	125.30 110.32	-2.11 -17.19	22.39 -18.27	25.50 39.61
 Quarrying and Minerals Products (1)Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas 	45.78	86.98	-17.19	-18.27	38.67
(2)Sand, Stone and Clay Quarrying	2.56	124.53	-23.33	1.48	9.75
(3)Other Minerals Products	9.25	222.25	0.72	76.01	59.45
3. Manufacturing Products	890.99	102.58	-4.51	-4.95	3.24
(1)Foods	18.50	120.56	-1.20	4.59	12.38
(2)Beverages	5.34		-0.03	2.24	1.75
(3)Tobaccos	2.49	103.22	0.19	0.03	-0.51
(4)Textile Products	21.67	109.08	-0.21	2.47	2.69
(5) Wearing Apparel and Clothing Accessories	4.65	100.63	0.84	1.89	-3.73
(6)Leather, Fur and Related Products	4.97	108.85	0.81	4.21	-0.37
(7)Wood and Bamboo Products	2.15	115.92	0.80	10.45	3.58
(8)Pulp, Paper, Paper Products & Printed Matter	15.11	113.85	-3.79	5.34	10.31
(9)Petroleum & Coal Products	54.63	105.61	-19.33	-16.16	26.72
(10)Chemical Material	91.92	92.78	-15.62	-19.75	9.29
(11)Chemical Products and Medical Goods	28.00	112.25	0.70	7.98	4.28
(12)Rubber & Plastic Products	22.42	113.16	-0.66	7.33	5.88
(13)Non-metallic Mineral Products	13.93	120.09	1.23	11.24	7.53
(14)Basic Metal	84.77	110.92	-11.08	-10.99	13.37
(15)Fabricated Metal Products	42.26	118.76	-4.80	6.52	8.55
(16)Electronic Parts and Components	261.17	84.64	0.08	-8.99	-11.46
(17)Computer, Electronic and Optical Products	64.22	89.72	1.16	-3.84	-9.31
(18)Electrical Equipment	34.70	104.92	-2.52	-3.42	2.03
(19)Machinery and Equipment	67.61	112.69	2.08	9.56	3.26
(20)Transport Equipment and Parts	34.78	108.11	1.61	6.04	2.08
(21) Furniture and Fixtures	5.20	114.10	0.30	11.36	4.52
(22)Miscellaneous Products	10.51	110.09	0.87	7.47	0.61
4. Water Supply, Electricity & Gas	24.28	123.17	-2.19	19.93	7.78
By Stage of Processing	100.40	110.55	4.5.45	45.04	24.50
1.Raw Materials	138.48	110.57	-15.17	-17.04	31.69
2.Intermediate Materials	356.29	108.63	-4.57	-2.38	6.90
3. Finished Goods	140.17	108.46	-0.68	3.82	3.86
(1)Capital Goods	53.38	108.39	2.16	7.72	1.43
(2)Consumer Goods	86.79	108.03	-2.35	1.71	5.09
Special Groups	624.05	107 41	C 05	477	10.42
Domestic Sales	634.95	107.41	-6.25 5.20	-4.75	10.42
Domestic Products	672.91 166.01	103.37 111.22	-5.20 -0.46	-4.13 4.96	4.48 4.30
Non-Heavy Chemical Industrial Products	724.98	111.22	-5.50	-7.25	2.98
Heavy Chemical Industrial Products	124.98	100.03	-3.30	-1.25	2.98

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Table 3 The Changes of Import Price Indices

Nov. 2008

	Weight	Index of	Compared	Compared	The First
	(‰)	Nov. 2008	with	with the	Eleven
		(2006=100)	Previous	Same Month of	Months of 2008
Groups			Month (%)	Previous	Compared
Groups			(70)	Year (%)	with the
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					Year (%)
Basic Group (on N.T.D. Basis)	4 000 00	10706	~ ~~	- #O	10.00
General Index	1,000.00	107.96		-6.52	10.82
 Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared Foods 	34.64	129.48	-3.66	-4.12	15.68
2.Mineral Products & Nonmetallic Mineral Products	208.51	111.80	-16.27	-17.11	40.43
3.Textiles & Textile Articles	13.85	108.43	0.44	2.04	0.27
4. Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	17.93	116.36	-2.57	4.52	3.91
5.Chemicals,Plastics,Rubber & Articles Thereof	147.68	106.21	-7.27	-5.07	7.29
6.Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	118.38	106.28	-7.24	-16.42	8.28
7.Machinery,Optical & Precision Instruments	166.28	111.41	2.71	8.41	2.25
8.Electronic Machinery	258.41	90.53	0.79	-4.10	-10.17
9. Transportation Equipment & Parts	21.11	116.40	2.75	12.97	5.41
10. Miscellaneous Products	13.21	112.53	0.09	1.88	4.05
Basic Group (on U.S.D. Basis)					
General Index	1,000.00	106.13	-6.75	-8.68	16.35
 Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared Foods 	34.64	127.31	-4.91	-6.35	21.40
2.Mineral Products & Nonmetallic Mineral Products	208.51	109.87	-17.35	-19.03	47.73
3.Textiles & Textile Articles	13.85	106.58	-0.87	-0.33	5.11
4. Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	17.93	114.40	-3.84	2.09	8.93
5.Chemicals,Plastics,Rubber & Articles Thereof	147.68	104.43	-8.48	-7.26	12.58
6.Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	118.38	104.56	-8.45	-18.36	13.89
7.Machinery,Optical & Precision Instruments	166.28	109.50	1.38	5.89	7.14
8.Electronic Machinery	258.41	88.99	-0.53	-6.33	-5.84
9.Transportation Equipment & Parts	21.11	114.41	1.43	10.35	10.45
10. Miscellaneous Products	13.21	110.61	-1.21	-0.49	9.10

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Table 4 The Changes of Export Price Indices

Nov. 2008

Groups	Weight (‰)	Index of Nov. 2008 (2006=100)		Compared with the Same Month of Previous Year (%)	The First Eleven Months of 2008 Compared with the Same Period of Previous Year (%)
Basic Group (on N.T.D. Basis)					
General Index	1,000.00	98.63	-3.48	-5.37	-1.41
 Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared Foods 	9.95	124.22	-4.23	18.97	17.08
2.Textiles & Textile Articles	53.37	109.31	-1.07	3.18	1.30
3.Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	7.52	110.46	-6.07	3.40	10.10
4.Chemicals,Plastics,Rubber & Articles Thereof	123.31	102.64	-7.66	-8.09	5.84
5.Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	111.70	112.58	-8.18	-1.50	4.30
6.Machinery,Optical & Precision Instruments	154.88	94.01	0.71	-6.80	-6.72
7.Electronic Machinery	424.79	86.33	0.14	-7.78	-10.64
8. Transportation Equipment & Parts	32.07	109.59	3.14	5.65	-0.30
9. Miscellaneous Products	82.43	108.38	-13.30	-7.15	19.55
Basic Group (on U.S.D. Basis)					
General Index	1,000.00	96.97	-4.74	-7.57	3.45
 Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared Foods 	9.95	122.09	-5.48	16.21	22.75
2.Textiles & Textile Articles	53.37	107.44	-2.35	0.77	6.18
3. Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	7.52	108.58	-7.30	0.99	15.55
4.Chemicals,Plastics,Rubber & Articles Thereof	123.31	100.91	-8.87	-10.24	11.10
5.Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	111.70	110.71	-9.39	-3.80	9.45
6.Machinery, Optical & Precision Instruments	154.88	92.39	-0.61	-8.98	-2.17
7.Electronic Machinery	424.79	84.84	-1.18	-9.93	-6.28
8. Transportation Equipment & Parts	32.07	107.72	1.81	3.19	4.52
9. Miscellaneous Products	82.43	106.53	-14.43	-9.31	25.60

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