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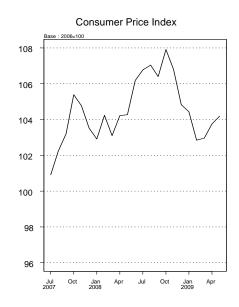
The Price Indices for May 2009

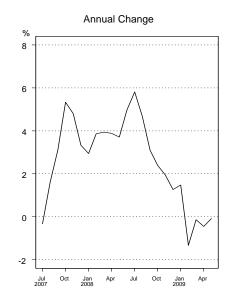
Consumer Price Indices (CPI)

The CPI in May 2009 was 104.19 (2006=100), rising 0.42% from previous month. Due mainly to prices of Fruits and Vegetables increasing 13.17% and 6.92% respectively, and Fuels & Lubricants went up 2.67%. The General Index excluding Fruits, Vegetables, Fish, Shellfish and Energy, i.e. core CPI, declined 0.13%.

The annual change for CPI in May 2009, compared with the same month of previous year, moved down 0.08%. Prices of Transportation & Communication prices went down 5.36%, due primarily to prices of Fuels & Lubricants decreased 17.33%. Education & Entertainment went down 1.20%, due mainly to tour fees for traveling overseas were much lower which impacted by economic recession and H1N1 flu. While Food Prices increased 3.02%, of which prices of Fruits, Vegetables and Fish & Shellfish went up 7.90%, 6.85% and 4.65% individually. The core CPI rose 0.12%.

For the first five months of 2009, the CPI decreased by 0.11% over the same period of previous year, as price of Commodity moved down 1.08% and Service went up 0.65%. The core CPI advanced 0.84%.



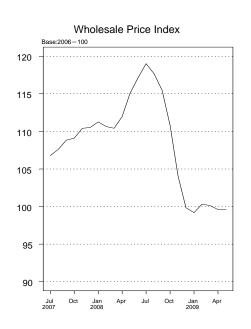


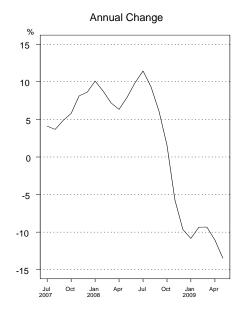
Wholesale Price Indices (WPI)

The WPI in May 2009 was 99.59 (2006=100), falling 0.01% from previous month, due mainly to prices of Electronic Parts and Components, and Computer, Electronic and Optical Products moved down 1.07% and 1.95% respectively. Domestic Sales Excluding Imports and Imports prices increased 1.11% and 0.81% separately, while Exports prices decreased 1.83%.

The annual change of WPI in May 2009, comparing with the same month of 2008, fell 13.45%, due mainly to prices of Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas went down 47.94%, Basic Metal and Chemical Material moved down 40.45% and 25.67% individually. Domestic Sales Excluding Imports prices fell 13.43% and Imports and Exports prices went down 16.72% and 9.94% respectively.

For the first five months of 2009, the WPI decreased 10.82% compared with the same period of previous year, of which the Import and Export Price Index declined 13.24% and 7.22% separately.





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Table 1 The Changes of Consumer Price Indices $_{ m May}$ 2009

May 2009							
	Weight	Index of	Compared	Compared	The First Five		
	(‰)	May 2009	with	with the	Months of 2009		
		(2006=100)	Previous	Same	Compared with		
Groups			Month	Month of	the Same Period		
			(%)	Previous	of Previous Year		
				Year (%)	(%)		
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General Index	1,000.00	104.19	0.42	-0.08	-0.11		
Basic Group							
1. Food	260.82	110.80	1.58	3.02	2.59		
Meat	23.08	116.63	-0.22	-0.92	3.55		
Fish & Shellfish	16.71	121.73	-0.04	4.65	7.49		
Vegetables	24.81	87.03	6.92	6.85	0.67		
Fruits	27.59	108.05	13.17	7.90	-8.93		
2. Clothing	41.72	109.76	0.07	-0.81	-1.21		
Garments	26.97	110.51	-0.18	-1.58	-2.16		
3. Housing	279.47	101.58	0.06	0.11	0.40		
Residential Rent	185.40	100.58	-0.04	-0.20	-0.03		
Household Keeping Services	14.53	98.16	2.39	2.10	0.24		
Water, Electricity & Gas Supply	36.87	103.66	-0.05	1.09	1.70		
4. Transportation & Communication	140.42	99.28	0.70	-5.36	-6.28		
Fuels & Lubricants	32.55	98.05	2.67	-17.33	-21.78		
Transportation & Communication Services	80.30	101.52	0.19	0.13	0.32		
and Vehicle Parts	00.00	101.02	0.17	0.10	0.02		
5. Medicines & Medical Care	47.41	106.39	-0.12	0.30	0.62		
Medical Care Services	33.02	101.98	0.00	0.49	0.54		
Medicines & Health Food	10.62	122.21	-0.48	0.14	1.10		
6. Education & Entertainment	171.48	99.93	-0.47	-1.20	-0.56		
Education & Emertaliment Educational Expense	111.25	99.63	-0.42	-0.64	-0.38		
Entertainment Expense	60.22	100.45	-0.54	-2.20	-0.89		
7. Miscellaneous	58.68	104.50	-0.53	0.95	1.47		
Tobacco & Betelnut	14.65	109.90	1.23	1.70	1.46		
Personal Care Services	14.78	96.07	-3.04	-0.67	-0.38		
Commodity and Service Groups	14.70	20.07	3.04	0.07	0.50		
1. Commodity	437.11	105.70	1.16	-0.33	-1.08		
(Excluding Food)	264.95	102.35	0.19	-3.23	-3.43		
Non-durable Consumer Goods	299.12	108.09	1.74	0.68	-0.46		
(Excluding Food)	126.96	104.59	0.60	-3.81	-4.36		
Semi-durable Consumer Goods	62.85	104.57	-0.07	-0.47	-0.36		
Durable Consumer Goods	75.14	94.04	-0.37	-0.47 -4.70	-4.38		
2. Service	562.89	102.78	-0.37	0.12	0.65		
Food	88.66	110.96	-0.13	1.05	2.84		
	209.54	100.43	0.12	-0.13	-0.09		
Housing	76.99	100.43	0.12	-0.13	0.13		
Transportation & Communication							
Medical Care	33.02	101.98 103.66	0.00 -0.41	0.49 -0.11	0.54 0.71		
Education & Entertainment	129.64						
Miscellaneous	23.83	97.54	-1.63	-0.30	-0.29		
Special Groups	0.47.60	104.51	0.05	0.45	0.14		
General Index Excluding Fruits & Vegetables	947.60	104.51	-0.05	-0.45	0.14		
General Index Excluding Food	739.18	101.76	-0.01	-1.22	-1.11		
General Index Excluding Fruits, Vegetables,	866.64	104.46	-0.13	0.12	0.84		
Fish, Shellfish & Energy							

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 May 2009

Groups	Weight	Index of May	Compared	Compared	The First Five
1	(‰)	2009	with	with the	Months of 2009
	l i	(2006=100)	Previous	Same	Compared with
		·	Month	Month of	the Same Period
			(%)	Previous	of Previous Year
			, ,	Year (%)	(%)
General Index	1,000.00	99.59	-0.01	-13.45	-10.82
Domestic Sales Excluding Imports	307.86	102.19	1.11	-13.43	-11.96
Imports	327.09	103.47	0.81	-16.72	-13.24
Exports	365.05	92.39	-1.83	-9.94	-7.22
Basic Group					
1. Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Animal	27.15	130.87	4.25	-5.10	-5.50
Husbandry Products					
(1)Farm Products	12.87	127.12	11.36	-5.25	-14.57
(2)Poultry & Livestock Products	6.60		-1.38	-7.18	0.16
(3)Forest Products	0.41	91.48	-2.36		-9.22
(4)Fishery Products	7.27	138.55	-1.30		7.35
2. Quarrying and Minerals Products	57.59		5.26	-38.82	-34.15
(1)Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas	45.78		8.81	-47.94	-46.94
(2)Sand, Stone and Clay Quarrying	2.56		-1.49	-9.90	-8.07
(3)Other Minerals Products	9.25 890.99	178.81	-1.37	-2.70 -11.90	18.18
3. Manufacturing Products	18.50		-0.54 1.01		-9.61
(1)Foods	5.34		0.31	-3.55 1.53	-3.11
(2)Beverages	2.49		-0.36		1.90
(3)Tobaccos (4)Textile Products	2.49	105.12	-0.83	1.03	1.17 1.42
(5)Wearing Apparel and Clothing Accessories	4.65	99.54	-0.83	4.85	5.68
(6)Leather, Fur and Related Products	4.97	102.09	-1.04	-1.07	1.03
(7)Wood and Bamboo Products	2.15	103.81	-0.58	-2.68	0.77
(8)Pulp, Paper, Paper Products & Printed Matter	15.11	103.31	-0.38	-13.11	-8.04
(9)Petroleum & Coal Products	54.63	93.13	2.59	-35.65	-33.86
(10)Chemical Material	91.92		0.11	-25.67	-26.84
(11)Chemical Products and Medical Goods	28.00		-1.32	4.16	6.77
(12)Rubber & Plastic Products	22.42	110.44	-0.67	3.08	5.41
(13)Non-metallic Mineral Products	13.93	113.18	-1.00	1.56	4.90
(14)Basic Metal	84.77	89.42	0.71	-40.45	-33.09
(15)Fabricated Metal Products	42.26	102.73	-1.46	-14.11	-7.07
(16)Electronic Parts and Components	261.17	83.34	-1.07	-2.13	-3.23
(17)Computer, Electronic and Optical Products	64.22	87.56	-1.95	1.89	1.97
(18)Electrical Equipment	34.70	99.72	-0.59	-7.87	-6.64
(19)Machinery and Equipment	67.61	110.29	-1.19	7.39	10.17
(20)Transport Equipment and Parts	34.78	107.46	-0.35	5.31	6.91
(21) Furniture and Fixtures	5.20	108.60	-2.08	6.26	9.70
(22)Miscellaneous Products	10.51	107.51	-0.93	6.85	9.02
4. Water Supply, Electricity & Gas	24.28	120.14	-0.12	16.56	17.34
By Stage of Processing					
1.Raw Materials	138.48	107.68	2.90	-32.23	-29.58
2.Intermediate Materials	356.29	101.30	0.35	-13.16	-10.52
3.Finished Goods	140.17	107.84	0.63	3.38	3.49
(1)Capital Goods	53.38	107.66	-0.65	7.42	9.45
(2)Consumer Goods	86.79	107.48	1.42	1.05	0.00
Special Groups					
Domestic Sales	634.95	102.63	0.95	-15.15	-12.63
Domestic Products	672.91	97.60	-0.43	-11.66	-9.53
Non-Heavy Chemical Industrial Products	166.01	107.06	-0.68	-0.04	1.96
Heavy Chemical Industrial Products	724.98	94.74	-0.50	-14.60	-12.28

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Table 3 The Changes of Import Price Indices

May 2009

Groups	Weight (‰)	Index of May 2009 (2006=100)	Compared with Previous Month (%)	Compared with the Same Month of Previous Year (%)	The First Five Months of 2009 Compared with the Same Period of Previous Year (%)
Basic Group (on N.T.D. Basis) General Index	1,000.00	103.47	0.81	-16.72	-13.24
Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared	34.64	123.62	1.77	-14.62	-13.74
Foods 2.Mineral Products & Nonmetallic Mineral	208.51	106.37	4.44	-37.92	-33.46
Products 3.Textiles & Textile Articles	13.85	108.05	-1.35	4.05	4.33
4.Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	17.93	100.83		-10.78	-6.67
5.Chemicals, Plastics, Rubber & Articles	147.68	101.89		-11.50	-10.05
Thereof	117.00	101.07	0.50	11.50	10.03
6.Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	118.38	88.19	2.01	-40.58	-34.12
7. Machinery, Optical & Precision Instruments	166.28	110.36	-0.86	8.83	11.04
8.Electronic Machinery	258.41	91.26	-0.43	6.02	3.53
9. Transportation Equipment & Parts	21.11	116.20	0.30	11.61	13.34
10. Miscellaneous Products	13.21	112.16	-1.29	2.41	1.69
Basic Group (on U.S.D. Basis)					
General Index	1,000.00	102.37	3.29	-22.54	-19.95
 Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared Foods 	34.64	122.32	4.27	-20.58	-20.39
2.Mineral Products & Nonmetallic Mineral Products	208.51	105.19	7.00	-42.25	-38.65
3.Textiles & Textile Articles	13.85	106.89	1.07	-3.21	-3.69
4. Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	17.93	99.77	1.49	-17.00	-13.86
5.Chemicals,Plastics,Rubber & Articles Thereof	147.68	100.82	1.87	-17.68	-16.99
6.Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	118.38	87.31	4.51	-44.74	-39.27
7. Machinery, Optical & Precision Instruments	166.28	109.16	1.57	1.22	2.48
8.Electronic Machinery	258.41	90.28	2.02	-1.39	-4.40
9. Transportation Equipment & Parts	21.11	114.94	2.77	3.82	4.60
10. Miscellaneous Products	13.21	110.95	1.14	-4.73	-6.14

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Table 4 The Changes of Export Price Indices

May 2009

Groups	Weight (‰)	Index of May 2009 (2006=100)	Compared with Previous Month (%)	Compared with the Same Month of Previous Year (%)	The First Five Months of 2009 Compared with the Same Period of Previous Year (%)
Basic Group (on N.T.D. Basis)					
General Index	1,000.00	92.39	-1.83	-9.94	-7.22
 Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared Foods 	9.95	114.53	-1.16	-1.65	4.97
2.Textiles & Textile Articles	53.37	106.54	-1.04	3.56	3.35
3. Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	7.52	99.91	-2.09	-16.44	-10.77
4. Chemicals, Plastics, Rubber & Articles Thereof	123.31	97.60	-1.83	-14.52	-13.50
5.Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	111.70	91.12	-3.41	-25.43	-17.15
6.Machinery, Optical & Precision Instruments	154.88	91.24	-1.92	-2.88	-1.83
7.Electronic Machinery	424.79	84.60	-1.89	-1.54	-1.90
8. Transportation Equipment & Parts	32.07	107.93	-1.11	6.04	8.31
9. Miscellaneous Products	82.43	89.72	-0.18	-32.99	-25.05
Basic Group (on U.S.D. Basis)					
General Index	1,000.00	91.41	0.59	-16.25	-14.38
 Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared Foods 	9.95	113.28	1.28	-8.54	-3.19
2.Textiles & Textile Articles	53.37	105.39	1.40	-3.70	-4.63
3. Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	7.52	98.84	0.32	-22.30	-17.74
4. Chemicals, Plastics, Rubber & Articles Thereof	123.31	96.57	0.58	-20.51	-20.18
5.Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	111.70	90.18	-1.03	-30.66	-23.61
6.Machinery,Optical & Precision Instruments	154.88	90.25	0.50	-9.69	-9.41
7.Electronic Machinery	424.79	83.68	0.53	-8.43	-9.44
8. Transportation Equipment & Parts	32.07	106.77	1.33	-1.39	-0.05
9. Miscellaneous Products	82.43	88.75	2.28	-37.69	-30.90

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