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The Price Indices for November 2009

Consumer Price Indices (CPI)

The CPI in November 2009 was 105.10 (2006=100), fell 0.75% from previous month. Due mainly to prices of Vegetables and Fruits decreased 22.65% and 4.91% respectively, while prices of Fuels & Lubricants increased 5.28%. The General Index excluding Fruits, Vegetables, Fish, Shellfish and Energy, i.e. core CPI, went down 0.13%.

The annual change for CPI in November 2009, compared with the same month of previous year, declined 1.59%. Prices of Food decreased 6.46%, of which Vegetables and Fruits prices moved down 41.04% and 4.89% individually. Education & Entertainment Fees decreased 2.74% due mainly to tour fees for traveling overseas were lower, and Computer, TV set, Digital Camera became cheaper. Prices of Housing fell 0.80%. Transportation & Communication prices went up 4.67%, due primarily to Fuels & Lubricants advanced 32.25%. Among CPI 424 items, prices of 159 items went up (weights 25.9%), while 250 items went down (weights 71.0%). The core CPI declined 0.84%.

For the first eleven months of 2009, the CPI decreased by 0.92% over the same period of previous year, as price of Commodity moved down 1.81% and Service went down 0.21%.



CPI-Living Necessaries

The CPI-Living Necessaries was compiled basing on 424 CPI items. There are three kinds of CPI-Living Necessaries: Category A includes prices of Food, Water, Electricity & Gas Supply of Housing and Fuels & Lubricants of Transportation (190 items and 33.0% weights of CPI). Category B covers Category A and Education & Entertainment prices (244 items and 50.2% weights of CPI). Category C is the daily necessities, such as Food, Clothing, Water, Electricity & Gas, Fuels & Lubricants, Medical Care Services, and some items fall under segments of CPI).

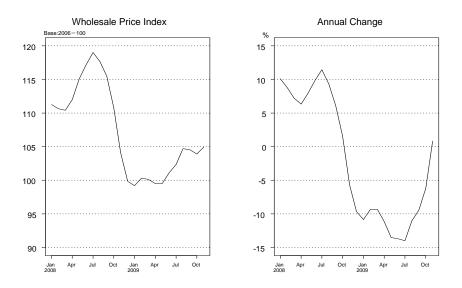
The CPI-Living Necessaries in November 2009, compared with the previous month: Index of Category A was 111.07 (2006=100), decreased 1.96%, Category B was 107.19, declined 1.43% and Category C was 109.34, moved down 1.58%.

Wholesale Price Indices (WPI)

The WPI in November 2009 was 104.95 (2006=100), rising 1.01% from previous month, due mainly to prices of Petroleum & Coal Products, Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas and Chemical Material moved up 5.96%, 5.90% and 3.40% separately. Domestic Sales Excluding Imports, Imports and Exports prices increased 0.59%, 1.79% and 0.61% individually.

The annual change of WPI in November 2009, comparing with the same month of 2008, increased 0.84%; due mainly to prices of Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas, Chemical Material and Petroleum & Coal Products moved up 39.96%, 15.02% and 13.47% respectively, while prices of Other Minerals Products went down 34.83%. Domestic Sales Excluding Imports and Imports prices rose 0.57%, 4.02% respectively, while Exports prices moved down 2.03%

For the first eleven months of 2009, the WPI decreased 9.92% compared with the same period of previous year, of which the Import and Export Price Index declined 11.09% and 7.31% separately.



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Table 1 The Changes of Consumer Price Indices Nov. 2009

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	Weight	Index of	Compared	-	The First Eleven
	(‰)	Nov. 2009	with	with the	Months of 2009
Crowne		(2006=100)	Previous	Same	Compared with
Groups			Month	Month of	the Same Period
			(%)	Previous	of Previous Year
				Year (%)	(%)
General Index	1,000.00	105.10	-0.75	-1.59	-0.92
Basic Group					
1. Food	260.82	111.28	-3.20	-6.46	-0.15
Meat	23.08	118.10	-0.50	-0.96	-0.35
Fish & Shellfish	16.71	124.13	-1.74	2.43	4.59
Vegetables	24.81	97.83	-22.65	-41.04	-9.32
Fruits	27.59	108.91	-4.91	-4.89	-6.12
2. Clothing	41.72	113.78	0.23	1.94	-0.33
Garments	26.97	115.85	0.29	1.19	-1.18
3. Housing	279.47	101.77	-0.07	-0.80	-0.34
Residential Rent	185.40	100.50	0.00	-0.42	-0.22
Household Keeping Services	14.53	95.91	-3.45	-0.45	-0.25
Water, Electricity & Gas Supply	36.87	107.19	0.98	-1.32	-0.89
4. Transportation & Communication	140.42	102.65	1.30	4.67	-4.88
Fuels & Lubricants	32.55	114.79	5.28	32.25	-13.70
Transportation & Communication Services	80.30	100.64	-0.14	-2.00	-0.90
and Vehicle Parts					
5. Medicines & Medical Care	47.41	106.83	-0.01	0.16	0.63
Medical Care Services	33.02	103.20	-0.01	1.32	1.04
Medicines & Health Food	10.62	120.73	-0.13	-2.27	0.03
6. Education & Entertainment	171.48	99.05	-0.26	-2.74	-1.70
Educational Expense	111.25	98.73	-0.04	-1.81	-0.93
Entertainment Expense	60.22	99.61	-0.66	-4.36	-3.06
7. Miscellaneous	58.68	108.22	0.55	4.61	2.68
Tobacco & Betelnut	14.65	125.72	0.58	21.56	9.49
Personal Care Services	14.78	99.78	3.20	-0.46	-0.55
Commodity and Service Groups					
1. Commodity	437.11	108.11	-1.49	-2.22	-1.81
(Excluding Food)	264.95	105.62	0.81	2.90	-2.61
Non-durable Consumer Goods	299.12	111.51	-2.11	-2.18	-1.46
(Excluding Food)	126.96	111.15	1.52	8.47	-2.55
Semi-durable Consumer Goods	62.85	108.72	0.18	0.12	-0.32
Durable Consumer Goods	75.14	92.61	0.01	-4.57	-4.74
2. Service	562.89	102.52	-0.15	-1.09	-0.21
Food	88.66	110.25	-0.25	-1.54	0.89
Housing	209.54	100.18	-0.24	-0.50	-0.31
Transportation & Communication	76.99	100.17	-0.14	-2.05	-1.03
Medical Care	33.02	103.20	-0.01	1.32	1.04
Education & Entertainment	129.64	103.24	-0.34	-1.84	-0.65
Miscellaneous	23.83	99.64	2.00	-0.26	-0.39
Special Groups					
General Index Excluding Fruits & Vegetables	947.60	105.16	0.08	0.14	-0.54
General Index Excluding Food	739.18	102.81	0.21	0.40	-1.22
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Fish, Shellfish & Energy	866.64	104.34	-0.13	-0.84	-0.08

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. 2009

Groups	Weight	Index of Nov.	Compared	Compared	The First Eleven
	(‰)	2009	with	with the	Months of 2009
		(2006=100)	Previous	Same	Compared with
			Month	Month of	the Same Period
			(%)	Previous	of Previous Year
				Year (%)	(%)
General Index	1,000.00		1.01	0.84	
Domestic Sales Excluding Imports	307.86		0.59		-11.35
Imports	327.09	111.92	1.79	4.02	-11.09
Exports	365.05	95.56	0.61	-2.03	-7.31
Basic Group					
1. Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Animal	27.15	121.73	-2.93	-8.40	-7.24
Husbandry Products					
(1)Farm Products	12.87	115.09	-5.09	-17.70	
(2)Poultry & Livestock Products	6.60		-0.87	0.90	
(3)Forest Products	0.41	102.82	1.79		-12.05
(4)Fishery Products	7.27	128.52	-1.28	2.57	3.18
2. Quarrying and Minerals Products	57.59		4.87		-28.79
(1)Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas	45.78		5.90		
(2)Sand, Stone and Clay Quarrying	2.56 9.25		-2.54		
(3)Other Minerals Products	9.23 890.99	144.97 101.84	2.34 0.87	-34.83 0.34	
3. Manufacturing Products (1)Foods	18.50		0.87		-8.78
(1)Foods (2)Beverages	5.34		0.80	-0.07	-3.14
(3)Tobaccos	2.49		0.03	-0.07	8.36
(4)Textile Products	2.49	108.49	1.22	0.24	
(5)Wearing Apparel and Clothing Accessories	4.65	99.07	0.21	-1.42	3.82
(6)Leather, Fur and Related Products	4.97	105.60	0.21		-0.64
(7)Wood and Bamboo Products	2.15	106.68	0.43	-7.99	
(8)Pulp, Paper, Paper Products & Printed Matter	15.11	109.96	1.00		-9.02
(9)Petroleum & Coal Products	54.63	116.70	5.96		
(10)Chemical Material	91.92		3.40		
(11)Chemical Products and Medical Goods	28.00		0.24		
(12)Rubber & Plastic Products	22.42		0.31	-1.27	2.22
(13)Non-metallic Mineral Products	13.93	110.33	-0.07	-8.07	0.06
(14)Basic Metal	84.77	105.33	1.43	-3.52	-29.46
(15)Fabricated Metal Products	42.26	108.05	-0.68	-8.14	-10.91
(16)Electronic Parts and Components	261.17	82.87	-0.67	-1.51	-1.47
(17)Computer, Electronic and Optical Products	64.22	84.78	0.06	-4.96	0.23
(18)Electrical Equipment	34.70	106.61	0.92	3.07	-4.38
(19)Machinery and Equipment	67.61	111.68	0.49	-0.86	7.01
(20)Transport Equipment and Parts	34.78	108.38	-0.29	0.19	4.90
(21) Furniture and Fixtures	5.20	106.88	-0.03	-6.25	2.81
(22)Miscellaneous Products	10.51	106.35	0.62	-3.48	4.05
4. Water Supply, Electricity & Gas	24.28	123.71	0.88	0.33	9.43
By Stage of Processing					
1.Raw Materials	138.48	123.30	4.04	12.53	-24.72
2.Intermediate Materials	356.29	107.10	0.61	-0.58	-9.71
3.Finished Goods	140.17	108.37	-0.16		2.17
(1)Capital Goods	53.38	109.62		1.27	
(2)Consumer Goods	86.79	107.12	-0.58	-0.85	-0.98
Special Groups					
Domestic Sales	634.95	109.20	1.21	2.34	
Domestic Products	672.91	101.47	0.60		
Non-Heavy Chemical Industrial Products	166.01	108.97	0.55	-1.89	
Heavy Chemical Industrial Products	724.98	100.25 re subject to revi	0.95	0.94	-10.82

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Table 3 The Changes of Import Price Indices

Nov. 2009

Groups	Weight (‰)	Index of Nov. 2009 (2006=100)	Compared with Previous Month (%)	Compared with the Same Month of Previous Year (%)	The First Eleven Months of 2009 Compared with the Same Period of Previous Year (%)
Basic Group (on N.T.D. Basis)	1 000 00	111.02	1.70	4.02	11.00
General Index	1,000.00	111.92	1.79	4.02	-11.09
 Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared Foods 	34.64	130.54	2.37	1.18	-11.25
2.Mineral Products & Nonmetallic Mineral Products	208.51	128.66	4.73	14.97	-27.85
3.Textiles & Textile Articles	13.85	109.87	1.90	1.37	2.61
4.Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	17.93	108.13	1.20	-6.78	-8.97
5.Chemicals,Plastics,Rubber & Articles Thereof	147.68	109.51	2.13	4.38	-9.18
6.Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	118.38	104.77	2.23	-0.95	-28.90
7.Machinery, Optical & Precision Instruments	166.28	114.03	0.64	2.17	9.83
8.Electronic Machinery	258.41	89.01	-0.78	-1.14	3.68
9. Transportation Equipment & Parts	21.11	121.57	0.55	4.77	11.81
10. Miscellaneous Products	13.21	114.72	0.99	2.22	1.34
Basic Group (on U.S.D. Basis)					
General Index	1,000.00	112.65	1.73	6.50	-15.83
1. Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared Foods	34.64	131.41	2.31	3.59	-15.97
2.Mineral Products & Nonmetallic Mineral Products	208.51	129.44	4.66	17.69	-31.77
3.Textiles & Textile Articles	13.85	110.57	1.84	3.78	-2.77
4.Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	17.93	108.84	1.13	-4.57	-13.73
5.Chemicals,Plastics,Rubber & Articles Thereof	147.68	110.23	2.06	6.86	
6.Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	118.38	105.52	2.17	1.39	-32.79
7.Machinery,Optical & Precision Instruments	166.28	114.74	0.59	4.59	4.10
8.Electronic Machinery	258.41	89.58	-0.84	1.21	-1.75
9. Transportation Equipment & Parts	21.11	122.32	0.48	7.25	6.02
10. Miscellaneous Products	13.21	115.44	0.92	4.65	-3.99

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Table 4 The Changes of Export Price Indices

Nov. 2009

Groups	Weight (‰)	Index of Nov. 2009 (2006=100)	Compared with Previous Month (%)	Compared with the Same Month of Previous Year (%)	The First Eleven Months of 2009 Compared with the Same Period of Previous Year (%)
Basic Group (on N.T.D. Basis)					
General Index	1,000.00	95.56	0.61	-2.03	-7.31
1. Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared Foods	9.95	120.81	3.07	-2.94	-2.60
2. Textiles & Textile Articles	53.37	112.11	1.24	3.51	3.01
3.Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	7.52	112.60	1.38	1.94	-9.32
4. Chemicals, Plastics, Rubber & Articles Thereof	123.31	101.90	1.36	2.40	-12.81
5. Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	111.70	102.73	0.30	-7.96	-17.72
6.Machinery, Optical & Precision Instruments	154.88	91.29	0.10	-2.56	-1.43
7.Electronic Machinery	424.79	84.02	-0.51	-1.77	-1.06
8. Transportation Equipment & Parts	32.07	108.38	-1.28	-1.13	5.94
9. Miscellaneous Products	82.43	102.15	5.56	-4.20	-26.03
Basic Group (on U.S.D. Basis)					
General Index	1,000.00	96.19	0.54	0.31	-12.19
1. Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared Foods	9.95	121.57	3.01	-0.62	-7.66
2.Textiles & Textile Articles	53.37	112.83	1.18	5.98	-2.33
3.Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	7.52	113.33	1.31	4.37	-14.10
4. Chemicals, Plastics, Rubber & Articles Thereof	123.31	102.58	1.31	4.84	-17.45
5. Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	111.70	103.45	0.25	-5.76	-22.06
6.Machinery,Optical & Precision Instruments	154.88	91.86	0.03	-0.24	-6.63
7.Electronic Machinery	424.79	84.54	-0.58	0.58	-6.25
8. Transportation Equipment & Parts	32.07	109.08	-1.33	1.23	0.41
9. Miscellaneous Products	82.43	102.80	5.49	-1.92	-30.00

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