

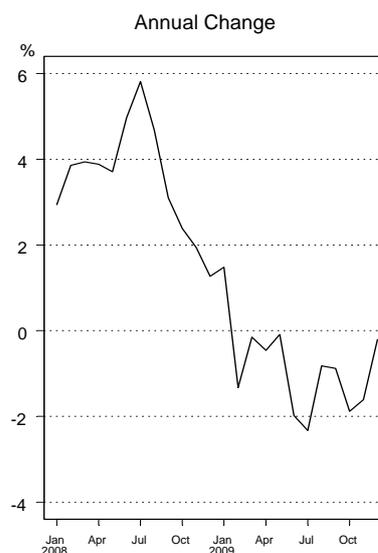
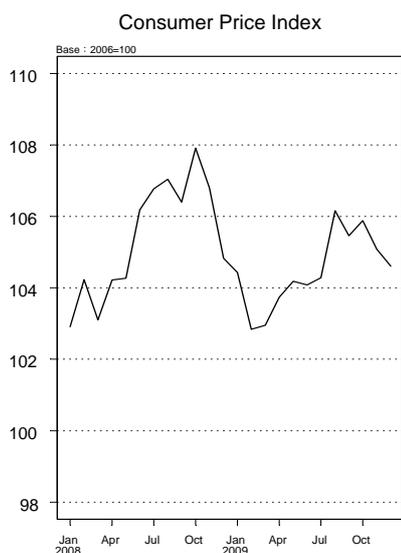
The Price Indices for December 2009

Consumer Price Indices (CPI)

The CPI in December 2009 was 104.61 (2006=100), fell 0.45% from previous month. Due mainly to prices of Vegetables, Fruits and Garments decreased 8.93%, 4.44% and 4.00% respectively; price of Fuels & Lubricants declined 0.99%. The General Index excluding Fruits, Vegetables, Fish, Shellfish and Energy, i.e. core CPI, went down 0.09%.

The annual change for CPI in December 2009, compared with the same month of 2008, moved down 0.21%. Prices of Food decreased 3.40%, of which Vegetables and Fruits prices went down 25.22% and 1.62% individually. Education & Entertainment Fees decreased 2.59% due mainly to tour fee for traveling overseas was cheaper. Transportation & Communication prices went up 6.50%, due primarily to Fuels & Lubricants advanced 42.67%. Among CPI 424 items, prices of 173 items went up (weights 26.9%), while 235 items went down (weights 69.7%). The core CPI declined 0.73%.

For the whole year of 2009, the CPI decreased by 0.87% over 2008, as price of Commodity moved down 1.62% and Service went down 0.26%.



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 Communication and Personal Care Services (239 items and 42.7% weights of CPI).

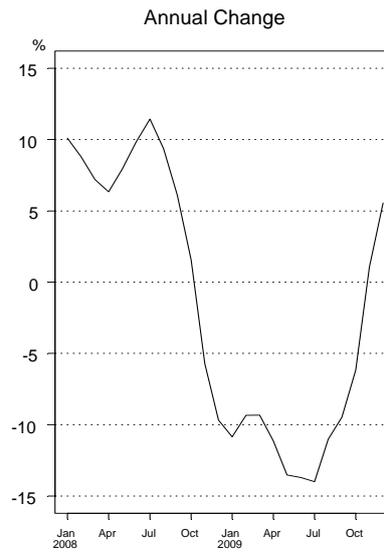
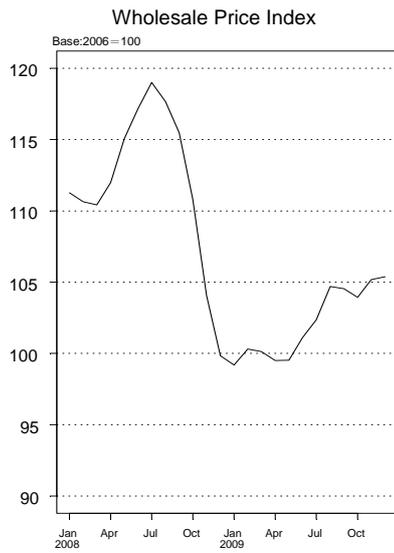
The CPI-Living Necessaries in December 2009, compared with the previous month: Index of Category A was 109.99 (2006=100), decreased 0.95%, Category B was 106.40, declined 0.71% and Category C was 108.25, moved down 0.98%.

Wholesale Price Indices (WPI)

The WPI in December 2009 was 105.38 (2006=100), rising 0.19% from previous month, due mainly to prices Chemical Material moved up 3.23%, while Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas went down 3.10%. Domestic Sales Excluding Imports and Exports prices increased 0.67% and 0.18% individually, whereas Imports prices decreased 0.24%.

The annual change of WPI in December 2009, comparing with the same month of 2008, increased 5.55%; due mainly to prices of Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas, Petroleum & Coal Products and Chemical Material moved up 71.33%, 46.11% and 31.03% respectively, while prices of Other Minerals Products went down 31.06%. Domestic Sales Excluding Imports, Imports and Exports prices rose 6.51%, 8.99% and 1.36% respectively.

For the whole year of 2009, the WPI decreased 8.74% compared with 2008's, of which the Import and Export Price Index declined 9.62% and 6.61% separately.



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Table 1 The Changes of Consumer Price Indices

Dec. 2009

Groups	Weight (%)	Index of Dec. 2009 (2006=100)	Compared with Previous Month (%)	Compared with the Same Month of Previous Year (%)	The Annual Average Index of 2009 Compared with 2008's (%)
General Index	1,000.00	104.61	-0.45	-0.21	-0.87
Basic Group					
1. Food	260.82	110.05	-1.09	-3.40	-0.43
Meat	23.08	118.05	-0.04	-0.80	-0.39
Fish & Shellfish	16.71	123.66	-0.38	1.86	4.36
Vegetables	24.81	89.09	-8.93	-25.22	-10.76
Fruits	27.59	104.07	-4.44	-1.62	-5.75
2. Clothing	41.72	110.67	-2.61	2.95	-0.06
Garments	26.97	111.04	-4.00	3.03	-0.84
3. Housing	279.47	101.71	-0.06	-0.24	-0.33
Residential Rent	185.40	100.48	-0.02	-0.38	-0.23
Household Keeping Services	14.53	95.85	0.00	-0.51	-0.28
Water, Electricity & Gas Supply	36.87	107.20	0.01	2.44	-0.62
4. Transportation & Communication	140.42	102.44	-0.20	6.50	-4.00
Fuels & Lubricants	32.55	113.65	-0.99	42.67	-10.40
Transportation & Communication Services and Vehicle Parts	80.30	100.76	0.12	-1.60	-0.96
5. Medicines & Medical Care	47.41	106.96	0.13	0.29	0.60
Medical Care Services	33.02	103.33	0.13	1.47	1.07
Medicines & Health Food	10.62	120.82	0.11	-2.16	-0.15
6. Education & Entertainment	171.48	98.85	-0.17	-2.59	-1.78
Educational Expense	111.25	98.59	-0.10	-1.82	-1.01
Entertainment Expense	60.22	99.30	-0.30	-3.94	-3.13
7. Miscellaneous	58.68	108.88	0.61	4.80	2.85
Tobacco & Betelnut	14.65	126.43	0.56	21.24	10.46
Personal Care Services	14.78	99.71	-0.07	0.41	-0.47
Commodity and Service Groups					
1. Commodity	437.11	106.92	-1.06	0.62	-1.62
(Excluding Food)	264.95	104.96	-0.59	4.41	-2.06
Non-durable Consumer Goods (Excluding Food)	299.12	110.35	-1.01	1.71	-1.20
Semi-durable Consumer Goods	126.96	111.11	-0.04	11.24	-1.50
Durable Consumer Goods	62.85	106.43	-2.03	0.78	-0.24
75.14	92.23	-0.36	-4.46	-4.73	
2. Service	562.89	102.58	0.06	-0.87	-0.26
Food	88.66	110.49	0.22	-1.34	0.70
Housing	209.54	100.17	0.00	-0.44	-0.32
Transportation & Communication	76.99	100.28	0.11	-1.65	-1.09
Medical Care	33.02	103.33	0.13	1.47	1.07
Education & Entertainment	129.64	103.25	0.01	-1.56	-0.73
Miscellaneous	23.83	99.60	-0.04	0.45	-0.32
Special Groups					
General Index Excluding Fruits & Vegetables	947.60	105.01	-0.12	0.57	-0.45
General Index Excluding Food	739.18	102.59	-0.20	1.05	-1.04
General Index Excluding Fruits, Vegetables, Fish, Shellfish & Energy	866.64	104.23	-0.09	-0.73	-0.14

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Table 2 The Changes of Wholesale Price Indices

Dec. 2009

Groups	Weight (%)	Index of Dec. 2009 (2006=100)	Compared with Previous Month (%)	Compared with the Same Month of Previous Year (%)	The Annual Average Index of 2009 Compared with 2008's (%)
General Index	1,000.00	105.38	0.19	5.55	-8.74
Domestic Sales Excluding Imports	307.86	107.76	0.67	6.51	-10.02
Imports	327.09	111.89	-0.24	8.99	-9.62
Exports	365.05	95.95	0.18	1.36	-6.61
Basic Group					
1. Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Animal Husbandry Products	27.15	122.94	1.04	-0.27	-6.70
(1) Farm Products	12.87	116.68	1.48	-2.60	-13.65
(2) Poultry & Livestock Products	6.60	126.46	0.14	-0.05	-2.73
(3) Forest Products	0.41	111.00	7.99	3.76	-10.79
(4) Fishery Products	7.27	129.67	0.82	3.41	3.20
2. Quarrying and Minerals Products	57.59	123.74	-2.64	29.84	-25.64
(1) Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas	45.78	121.44	-3.10	71.33	-30.06
(2) Sand, Stone and Clay Quarrying	2.56	107.75	-1.29	-12.74	-10.14
(3) Other Minerals Products	9.25	143.48	-0.99	-31.06	-12.13
3. Manufacturing Products	890.99	102.47	0.39	4.28	-7.77
(1) Foods	18.50	122.73	1.40	3.93	-2.55
(2) Beverages	5.34	102.73	-0.06	-0.11	0.78
(3) Tobaccos	2.49	117.05	-0.02	13.38	8.77
(4) Textile Products	21.67	109.65	0.74	2.52	0.64
(5) Wearing Apparel and Clothing Accessories	4.65	98.67	-0.32	-2.07	3.30
(6) Leather, Fur and Related Products	4.97	106.20	0.32	0.63	-0.51
(7) Wood and Bamboo Products	2.15	106.24	0.15	-4.99	-2.87
(8) Pulp, Paper, Paper Products & Printed Matter	15.11	110.60	0.52	2.19	-8.14
(9) Petroleum & Coal Products	54.63	117.87	0.76	46.11	-25.10
(10) Chemical Material	91.92	106.46	3.23	31.03	-18.54
(11) Chemical Products and Medical Goods	28.00	108.90	-0.11	-3.26	2.38
(12) Rubber & Plastic Products	22.42	111.41	-0.13	-1.16	1.92
(13) Non-metallic Mineral Products	13.93	109.97	-0.38	-8.87	-0.73
(14) Basic Metal	84.77	106.89	0.92	7.28	-27.17
(15) Fabricated Metal Products	42.26	107.97	-0.08	-4.19	-10.38
(16) Electronic Parts and Components	261.17	82.75	-0.36	-2.06	-1.49
(17) Computer, Electronic and Optical Products	64.22	84.37	-0.27	-5.66	-0.31
(18) Electrical Equipment	34.70	106.99	0.15	6.19	-3.53
(19) Machinery and Equipment	67.61	111.26	-0.43	-3.46	6.06
(20) Transport Equipment and Parts	34.78	108.15	-0.27	-1.90	4.30
(21) Furniture and Fixtures	5.20	106.67	-0.10	-6.29	1.99
(22) Miscellaneous Products	10.51	106.49	0.37	-3.51	3.36
4. Water Supply, Electricity & Gas	24.28	123.75	0.03	3.25	8.89
By Stage of Processing					
1. Raw Materials	138.48	123.97	0.02	27.01	-21.74
2. Intermediate Materials	356.29	107.64	0.34	3.87	-8.66
3. Finished Goods	140.17	108.36	-0.01	0.91	2.05
(1) Capital Goods	53.38	109.25	-0.42	-1.87	6.74
(2) Consumer Goods	86.79	107.34	0.24	2.73	-0.69
Special Groups					
Domestic Sales	634.95	109.64	0.19	7.80	-9.82
Domestic Products	672.91	102.11	0.41	3.80	-8.29
Non-Heavy Chemical Industrial Products	166.01	109.30	0.28	-0.55	-0.17
Heavy Chemical Industrial Products	724.98	100.95	0.43	5.60	-9.58

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Table 3 The Changes of Import Price Indices

Dec. 2009

Groups	Weight (%)	Index of Dec. 2009 (2006=100)	Compared with Previous Month (%)	Compared with the Same Month of Previous Year (%)	The Annual Average Index of 2009 Compared with 2008's (%)
Basic Group (on N.T.D. Basis)					
General Index	1,000.00	111.89	-0.24	8.99	-9.62
1. Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared Foods	34.64	133.61	2.37	8.53	-9.80
2. Mineral Products & Nonmetallic Mineral Products	208.51	126.73	-1.96	34.32	-24.54
3. Textiles & Textile Articles	13.85	110.16	0.38	1.29	2.48
4. Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	17.93	109.12	0.99	-1.11	-8.34
5. Chemicals, Plastics, Rubber & Articles Thereof	147.68	110.83	1.23	9.60	-7.80
6. Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	118.38	106.98	1.34	12.03	-26.38
7. Machinery, Optical & Precision Instruments	166.28	113.64	-0.44	-2.10	8.73
8. Electronic Machinery	258.41	88.38	-0.67	-2.06	3.18
9. Transportation Equipment & Parts	21.11	121.74	0.05	0.93	10.81
10. Miscellaneous Products	13.21	115.28	0.30	2.73	1.48
Basic Group (on U.S.D. Basis)					
General Index	1,000.00	112.78	-0.12	11.95	-13.91
1. Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared Foods	34.64	134.70	2.49	11.49	-14.05
2. Mineral Products & Nonmetallic Mineral Products	208.51	127.70	-1.84	37.99	-28.26
3. Textiles & Textile Articles	13.85	111.03	0.51	4.05	-2.23
4. Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	17.93	110.00	1.11	1.58	-12.57
5. Chemicals, Plastics, Rubber & Articles Thereof	147.68	111.73	1.35	12.57	-12.13
6. Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	118.38	107.92	1.46	15.09	-29.99
7. Machinery, Optical & Precision Instruments	166.28	114.52	-0.32	0.55	3.81
8. Electronic Machinery	258.41	89.08	-0.56	0.61	-1.55
9. Transportation Equipment & Parts	21.11	122.69	0.17	3.68	5.83
10. Miscellaneous Products	13.21	116.18	0.42	5.52	-3.21

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Table 4 The Changes of Export Price Indices

Dec. 2009

Groups	Weight (%)	Index of Dec. 2009 (2006=100)	Compared with Previous Month (%)	Compared with the Same Month of Previous Year (%)	The Annual Average Index of 2009 Compared with 2008's (%)
Basic Group (on N.T.D. Basis)					
General Index	1,000.00	95.95	0.18	1.36	-6.61
1. Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared Foods	9.95	119.72	-1.28	-5.27	-2.81
2. Textiles & Textile Articles	53.37	112.78	0.19	6.12	3.32
3. Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	7.52	112.74	-0.11	8.11	-7.98
4. Chemicals, Plastics, Rubber & Articles Thereof	123.31	104.74	2.34	10.82	-11.12
5. Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	111.70	103.36	0.16	-0.37	-16.42
6. Machinery, Optical & Precision Instruments	154.88	91.03	-0.27	-3.30	-1.58
7. Electronic Machinery	424.79	84.04	-0.18	-1.57	-1.08
8. Transportation Equipment & Parts	32.07	107.60	-0.84	-5.06	4.95
9. Miscellaneous Products	82.43	102.06	-0.11	12.03	-23.71
Basic Group (on U.S.D. Basis)					
General Index	1,000.00	96.73	0.30	4.12	-10.96
1. Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared Foods	9.95	120.66	-1.16	-2.69	-7.21
2. Textiles & Textile Articles	53.37	113.68	0.31	9.01	-1.37
3. Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	7.52	113.65	0.02	11.07	-12.27
4. Chemicals, Plastics, Rubber & Articles Thereof	123.31	105.60	2.46	13.84	-15.33
5. Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	111.70	104.24	0.30	2.36	-20.33
6. Machinery, Optical & Precision Instruments	154.88	91.74	-0.16	-0.67	-6.15
7. Electronic Machinery	424.79	84.69	-0.06	1.11	-5.66
8. Transportation Equipment & Parts	32.07	108.45	-0.72	-2.48	0.18
9. Miscellaneous Products	82.43	102.87	0.02	15.08	-27.39

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