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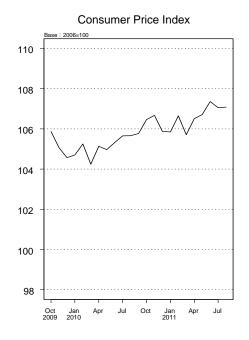
# The Price Indices for August 2011

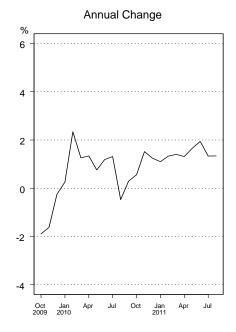
#### **Consumer Price Indices (CPI)**

The CPI in August 2011 (2006=100) rose 0.03% from previous month, mainly because prices of Vegetables and Fruits increased 8.01% and 1.92% respectively during Chinese Ghost Festival. Besides, Gas prices went up 0.55% which brought Water, Electricity & Gas Supply to move up 0.16%, while Garments prices decreased 5.86% for promotion, and tour expense for traveling went down to lower price level. The headline CPI excluding Fruits, Vegetables, Fish, Shellfish and Energy, i.e. core CPI, decreased 0.22%.

The annual change of CPI in August 2011, comparing with the same month of 2010, was 1.34%. Clothing prices rose 3.21%, mainly because Garments prices increased 2.21%. Food prices rose 1.60%, of which prices of Eggs, Edible Oil, Fish & Shellfish, Cereals & Cereal Products and Meat moved up 9.46%, 6.68%, 5.37%, 5.00% and 3.91% separately, whereas Vegetables prices declined 6.73%. Transportation & Communication prices moved up 1.36%, mainly because Fuels & Lubricants advanced 7.45%, but Communication Fee went down 6.35%. Housing prices rose 1.14% for prices of Gas, Household Appliances, Maintenance & Repairs and Residential Rent moved up 7.73%, 3.53%, 2.72% and 0.46% respectively. The General Index excluding Fruits and Vegetables increased 1.63%, the core CPI rose 1.26%.

For the first eight months of 2011, the CPI increased 1.43% over the same period of previous year, Commodity prices went up 2.39% and Service prices moved up 0.66%. The core CPI increased 1.04%.





#### **CPI for Households in Different Disposable Income Groups**

In August 2011, the CPI for Lowest 20% Disposable Income Group went up 1.37% comparing with the same month of 2010, CPI for Middle 60% Disposable Income Group and CPI for Highest 20% Disposable Income Group advanced 1.43% and 1.42% individually.

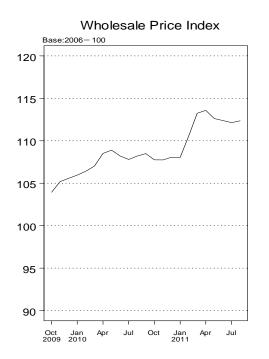
### Wholesale Price Indices (WPI)

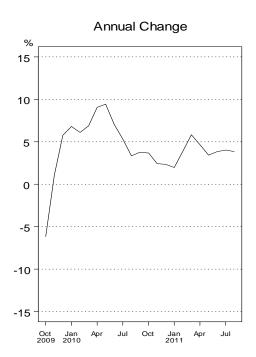
The WPI in August 2011 increased 0.20% from previous month, mainly because prices of Machinery & Equipment, Chemical Material and Rubber & Plastic Products moved up 1.50%, 1.23% and 1.07% separately. Whereas prices of Crude Petroleum & Natural Gas and Petroleum & Coal Products moved down 4.19% and 0.23% individually. The WPI for Domestic Sales Excluding Imports went up 0.23%. Import price index declined 0.15%, while Export price index moved up 0.57%.

The annual change of WPI in August 2011, comparing with the same month of 2010, was 3.85%. Mainly because prices of Crude Petroleum & Natural Gas, Petroleum & Coal Products, Chemical Material and Basic Metal went up 29.00%, 21.54%, 18.56% and 4.33% respectively, while prices of

Electronic Parts & Components decreased 9.28%. The WPI for Domestic Sales Excluding Imports rose 5.74%. Import price index moved up 6.41%, while Export price index moved down 0.71%.

For the first eight months of 2011, the WPI increased 3.93% compared with the same period of previous year, of which the Import price index went up 7.03%, whereas Export price index moved down 1.19%.





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# Table 1 The Changes of Consumer Price Indices $_{\rm Aug.~2011}$

Aug. 2011							
	Weight	Index of	Compared	Compared	The First Eight		
	(‰)	Aug. 2011	with	with the	Months of 2011		
		(2006=100)	Previous	Same	Compared with		
Groups			Month	Month of	the Same Period		
			(%)	Previous	of Previous Year		
				Year (%)	(%)		
General Index	1,000.00	107.08	0.03	1.34	1.43		
Basic Group	2.50.02		0.50	4.60	2.22		
1. Food	260.82	114.45	0.78	1.60	2.22		
Cereals & Cereal Products	19.72	120.38	-1.20	5.00	3.38		
Meat	23.08	125.42	-0.05	3.91	4.28		
Eggs	2.00	125.27	3.50	9.46	3.79		
Fish & Shellfish	16.71	142.16	0.17	5.37	7.09		
Vegetables	24.81	103.67	8.01	-6.73	-5.56		
Fruits	27.59	97.27	1.92	-0.69	6.73		
Edible Oil	1.70	146.62	-0.35	6.68	4.40		
2. Clothing	41.72	105.49	-3.32	3.21	2.61		
Garments	26.97	99.89	-5.86	2.21	2.80		
3. Housing	279.47	104.16	0.09	1.14	0.75		
Residential Rent	185.40	101.02	0.00	0.46	0.35		
Maintenance & Repairs	14.78	110.55	0.04	2.72	2.22		
Household Appliances	27.89	107.70	0.62	3.53	2.08		
Water, Electricity & Gas Supply	36.87	118.18	0.16	2.12	1.00		
Gas	9.70	128.78	0.55	7.73	2.39		
4. Transportation & Communication	140.42	103.55	-0.12	1.36	1.80		
Fuels & Lubricants	32.55	119.50	-0.67	7.45	8.51		
Communication Fee	31.77	87.12	-0.18	-6.35	-5.24		
5. Medicines & Medical Care	47.41	109.80	0.11	2.36	1.90		
Medicines & Health Food	10.62	132.02	0.33	7.08	6.84		
6. Education & Entertainment	171.48	101.46	-0.35	0.70	0.68		
Educational Expense	111.25	98.20	-0.11	0.15	-0.14		
Entertainment Expense	60.22	107.36	-0.77	1.61	2.11		
7. Miscellaneous	58.68	110.74	-0.14	0.77	0.85		
Tobacco & Betelnut	14.65	132.52	-0.26	3.90	2.47		
Personal Care Services	14.78	99.53	0.05	-0.09	0.23		
Commodity and Service Groups	107.11	440.55	0.44	2.11	2.20		
1. Commodity	437.11	110.57	0.11	2.11	2.39		
(Excluding Food)	264.95	107.44	-0.60	2.53	2.15		
Non-durable Consumer Goods	299.12	116.31	0.62	2.47	3.08		
(Excluding Food)	126.96	117.82	-0.03	3.75	3.54		
Semi-durable Consumer Goods	62.85	102.78	-2.80	2.27	1.99		
Durable Consumer Goods	75.14	92.61	0.30	0.18	-0.62		
2. Service	562.89	104.14	-0.04	0.73	0.66		
Food	88.66	112.93	0.12	1.75	1.22		
Housing	209.54	100.72	0.00	0.47	0.41		
Transportation & Communication	76.99	98.29	0.01	-1.28	-0.99		
Medical Care	33.02	103.78	0.05	0.63	0.21		
Education & Entertainment	129.64	108.51	-0.28	1.63	1.77		
Miscellaneous	23.83	99.60	0.03	-0.02	0.16		
Special Groups							
General Index Excluding Fruits & Vegetables	947.60	107.44	-0.20	1.63	1.44		
General Index Excluding Food	739.18	104.38	-0.26	1.25	1.12		
General Index Excluding Fruits, Vegetables, Fish, Shellfish & Energy	866.64	105.84	-0.22	1.26	1.04		

Note: 1.includes nannies, housecleaning expenses and services paid for keeping household running efficiently.

<sup>2.</sup>All data are subject to revision 3 months after original publication due to late reports and corrections

# Table 2 The Changes of Wholesale Price Indices

Aug. 2011

Groups	Weight	Index of Aug.	Compared	Compared	The First Eight
	(‰)	2011	with	with the	Months of 2011
		(2006=100)	Previous	Same	Compared with
			Month	Month of	the Same Period
			(%)	Previous	of Previous Year
				Year (%)	(%)
General Index	1,000.00		0.20	3.85	3.93
Domestic Sales Excluding Imports	307.86		0.23	5.74	5.89
Imports	327.09	123.05	-0.15	6.41	7.03
Exports	365.05	96.46	0.57	-0.71	-1.19
Basic Group					
1. Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Animal	27.15	139.71	-0.18	8.57	9.96
Husbandry Products					
(1)Farm Products	12.87		0.06 -0.36	4.97 4.97	10.50
(2)Poultry & Livestock Products (3)Forest Products	6.60 0.41	142.42 103.59	-0.36 -10.41	-5.16	5.41 2.36
(4)Fishery Products	7.27		0.02	17.95	13.30
2. Quarrying & Mineral Products	57.59		-2.96	21.42	24.65
(1)Crude Petroleum & Natural Gas	45.78		-4.19	29.00	26.65
(2)Sand, Stone & Clay Quarrying	2.56		-0.07	-1.52	
(3)Other Mineral Products	9.25		0.87	4.51	22.70
3. Manufacturing Products	890.99		0.56	2.22	
(1)Foods	18.50		0.04	6.08	6.62
(2)Beverages	5.34		-0.14	1.46	-0.65
(3)Tobaccos	2.49	123.27	0.00	3.47	2.95
(4)Textile Products	21.67	128.95	0.09	11.04	17.04
(5) Wearing Apparel & Clothing Accessories	4.65	101.72	0.41	3.31	1.44
(6)Leather, Fur & Related Products	4.97	112.84	0.85	0.16	0.04
(7)Wood & Bamboo Products	2.15		0.32	-1.55	-0.33
(8)Pulp, Paper, Paper Products & Printed Matter	15.11		-0.51	-0.76	0.75
(9)Petroleum & Coal Products	54.63		-0.23	21.54	18.45
(10)Chemical Material	91.92		1.23	18.56	15.43
(11)Chemical Products & Medical Goods	28.00		0.78	2.03	1.72
(12)Rubber & Plastic Products	22.42		1.07	3.07	2.20
(13)Non-metallic Mineral Products	13.93	106.48	1.01	-1.54	-1.26
(14)Basic Metal	84.77		-0.10	4.33	7.05
(15)Fabricated Metal Products	42.26		0.16	-0.36	1.44
(16)Electronic Parts & Components	261.17		0.46	-9.28	-9.47 8.57
(17)Computer, Electronic & Optical Products	64.22 34.70		1.13 0.89	-7.22 3.57	-8.57 2.71
(18)Electrical Equipment (19)Machinery & Equipment	67.61		1.50	-0.12	-0.45
(20)Transport Equipment & Parts	34.78		0.50	0.59	0.87
(21)Furniture & Fixtures	5.20		-0.04	-0.69	-1.13
(22)Miscellaneous Products	10.51		0.24	0.45	1.31
4. Water Supply, Electricity & Gas	24.28		0.20	1.97	0.82
By Stage of Processing				,	
1.Raw Materials	138.48	156.86	-0.98	19.86	19.68
2.Intermediate Materials	356.29		0.35	2.00	2.64
3.Finished Goods	140.17		0.57	1.08	1.26
(1)Capital Goods	53.38		1.55	-0.75	-0.68
(2)Consumer Goods	86.79		-0.01	2.21	2.45
Special Groups					
Domestic Sales	634.95	120.26	0.03	6.10	6.48
Domestic Products	672.91	107.05	0.39	2.47	2.30
Non-Heavy Chemical Industrial Products	166.01	115.99	0.38	2.64	3.65
Heavy Chemical Industrial Products	724.98		0.60	2.10	1.66

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Table 3 The Changes of Import Price Indices

Aug. 2011

Groups	Weight (‰)	Index of Aug. 2011 (2006=100)	Compared with Previous Month (%)	Compared with the Same Month of Previous Year (%)	The First Eight Months of 2011 Compared with the Same Period of Previous Year (%)
Basic Group (on N.T.D. Basis) General Index	1,000.00	123.05	-0.15	6.41	7.03
Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared	34.64	152.71	0.00	13.90	
Foods 2.Mineral Products & Nonmetallic Mineral Products 3.Textiles & Textile Articles	208.51	165.09 142.69	-2.31 1.46	22.52 19.11	24.13 30.16
4.Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	17.93	116.73	-1.68	-3.82	-0.59
5.Chemicals, Plastics, Rubber & Articles Thereof	147.68	125.11	0.94	9.63	7.18
6.Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	118.38	124.20	-0.67	4.55	7.10
7.Machinery,Optical & Precision Instruments	166.28	113.00	2.12	-2.11	-1.64
8.Electronic Machinery	258.41	79.16	0.65	-7.76	-7.80
9.Transportation Equipment & Parts	21.11	125.15	1.34	0.92	1.72
10. Miscellaneous Products	13.21	118.56	0.54	-2.38	0.35
Basic Group (on U.S.D. Basis)					
General Index	1,000.00	138.24	-0.63	17.23	17.71
<ol> <li>Animal, Vegetable Products &amp; Prepared Foods</li> </ol>	34.64	171.57	-0.49	25.48	23.49
2.Mineral Products & Nonmetallic Mineral Products	208.51	185.38	-2.78	34.97	36.55
3.Textiles & Textile Articles	13.85	160.28	0.97	31.22	43.11
4. Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	17.93	131.14	-2.15	5.96	9.34
5.Chemicals, Plastics, Rubber & Articles Thereof	147.68	140.57	0.46	20.79	
6.Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	118.38	139.63	-1.15	15.18	
7.Machinery,Optical & Precision Instruments	166.28	126.92	1.63	7.85	
8.Electronic Machinery	258.41	88.92	0.16	1.61	1.41
9.Transportation Equipment & Parts	21.11	140.56	0.85	11.18	
10. Miscellaneous Products	13.21	133.16	0.05	7.54	10.37

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Table 4 The Changes of Export Price Indices

Aug. 2011

	Weight	Index of	Compared	Compared	The First Eight
	(‰)	Aug. 2011	with	with the	Months of 2011
		(2006=100)	Previous	Same Month	Compared with
Groups			Month	of Previous	the Same
			(%)	Year (%)	Period of
					Previous Year
					(%)
Basic Group (on N.T.D. Basis)					
General Index	1,000.00	96.46	0.57	-0.71	-1.19
<ol> <li>Animal, Vegetable Products &amp; Prepared Foods</li> </ol>	9.95	162.27	3.10	21.91	17.15
2.Textiles & Textile Articles	53.37	124.15	0.35	6.73	7.67
3. Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	7.52	118.65	-0.16	-3.82	-2.40
4. Chemicals, Plastics, Rubber & Articles Thereof	123.31	123.06	1.30	9.50	8.76
5.Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	111.70	109.52	0.12	-0.82	1.80
6.Machinery,Optical & Precision Instruments	154.88	85.65	0.81	-5.19	-6.34
7.Electronic Machinery	424.79	73.31	0.58	-9.76	-10.85
8.Transportation Equipment & Parts	32.07	107.57	0.62	0.02	0.26
9. Miscellaneous Products	82.43	123.73	-0.49	16.74	15.72
Basic Group (on U.S.D. Basis)					
General Index	1,000.00	108.41	0.07	9.42	8.72
<ol> <li>Animal, Vegetable Products &amp; Prepared Foods</li> </ol>	9.95	182.32	2.60	34.35	28.96
2.Textiles & Textile Articles	53.37	139.51	-0.14	17.62	18.46
3. Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	7.52	133.34	-0.64	5.99	7.36
4.Chemicals,Plastics,Rubber & Articles Thereof	123.31	138.31	0.80	20.67	19.66
5.Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	111.70	123.13	-0.36	9.29	11.99
6.Machinery,Optical & Precision Instruments	154.88	96.23	0.32	4.47	3.05
7.Electronic Machinery	424.79	82.36	0.09	-0.56	-1.92
8. Transportation Equipment & Parts	32.07	120.88	0.13	10.22	10.31
9. Miscellaneous Products	82.43	139.03	-0.98	28.65	27.33

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