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The Price Indices for October 2012

Consumer Price Indices (CPI)

The CPI in October 2012 (2006=100) decreased 0.05% from the preceding month, mainly because prices of vegetables and fruits came down to a more stable level and decreased 10.75% and 3.93% respectively. Besides, prices of electricity moved down 12.48% mainly because the end of application for summer electricity rate, while prices of clothing increased 17.18% for new autumn/winter products being available on the market. The general CPI excluding fruits, vegetables, fish, shellfish and energy, i.e. core CPI, rose 0.95%.

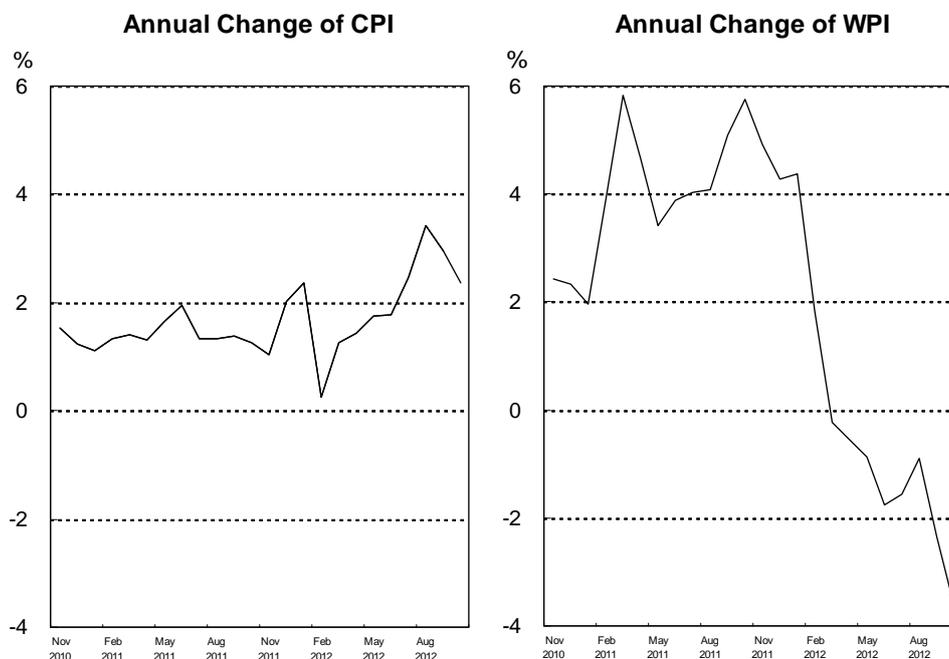
The annual change of CPI in October 2012, compared with the same month of previous year, was 2.36% mainly because prices of fruits and vegetables increased 18.85% and 11.57% individually. Furthermore, prices of fuels & lubricants, gas and electricity went up 11.62%, 7.55% and 3.74% separately, whereas communication fees and meat prices declined 3.13% and 2.33% respectively. The core CPI rose 1.06% compared with the same month of preceding year.

Wholesale Price Indices (WPI)

The WPI in October 2012 decreased 1.36% from the preceding month, mainly because prices of farm products, petroleum & coal products and crude petroleum & natural gas went down 8.99%, 2.59% and 2.31% respectively.

The annual change of WPI in October 2012, compared with the same month of 2011, was minus 3.64% mainly because prices of basic metal,

chemical material and electronic parts & components decreased 11.49%, 7.52% and 4.13% individually, whereas prices of petroleum & coal products moved up 5.82%. The WPI for domestic sales excluding imports rose 0.19%; import price index declined 5.53% and export price index moved down 5.32%.



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Table 1 The Changes of Consumer Price Indices

Oct. 2012

Groups	Weight (%)	Index of Oct. 2012 (2006=100)	Compared with Previous Month (%)	Compared with the Same Month of Previous Year (%)	The First Ten Months of 2012 Compared with the Same Period of Previous Year (%)
General Index	1,000.00	110.34	-0.05	2.36	2.00
Basic Group					
1. Food	260.82	121.31	-1.45	4.24	4.60
Cereals & Cereal Products	19.72	124.41	0.04	1.93	2.75
Meat	23.08	122.71	0.29	-2.33	-2.64
Eggs	2.00	134.67	1.35	3.39	9.14
Fish & Shellfish	16.71	146.00	-1.14	3.38	4.10
Vegetables	24.81	121.33	-10.75	11.57	30.17
Fruits	27.59	123.78	-3.93	18.85	6.22
Edible Oil	1.70	151.30	0.32	4.24	1.03
2. Clothing	41.72	125.14	17.18	2.88	2.90
Garments	26.97	129.89	28.38	4.46	3.16
3. Housing	279.47	104.61	-1.26	1.36	1.09
Residential Rent	185.40	101.93	0.07	0.79	0.59
Household Operations ¹	14.53	96.46	-4.99	-0.45	0.00
Water, Electricity & Gas Supply	36.87	115.57	-7.33	4.45	3.64
Gas	9.70	141.64	0.01	7.55	8.09
Electricity	22.00	106.81	-12.48	3.74	2.14
4. Transportation & Communication	140.42	105.94	0.00	2.49	0.13
Fuels & Lubricants	32.55	132.92	-1.47	11.62	5.15
Communication Fees	31.77	84.31	2.64	-3.13	-7.45
5. Medicines & Medical Care	47.41	111.00	0.31	1.09	0.80
Medicines & Health Food	10.62	132.76	0.28	0.86	0.94
6. Education & Entertainment	171.48	101.61	0.11	0.93	0.71
Educational Expense	111.25	98.29	-0.02	-0.08	-0.08
Entertainment Expense	60.22	107.63	0.32	2.67	2.06
7. Miscellaneous	58.68	112.63	-0.17	2.19	2.22
Tobacco & Betelnut	14.65	137.98	0.87	4.60	4.01
Personal Care Services	14.78	98.21	-1.82	-0.16	1.27
Commodity and Service Groups					
1. Commodity	437.11	116.92	-0.14	4.09	3.59
(Excluding Food)	264.95	112.15	1.36	3.32	2.07
Non-durable Consumer Goods	299.12	123.04	-2.17	5.32	4.71
(Excluding Food)	126.96	121.69	-2.19	5.55	3.32
Semi-durable Consumer Goods	62.85	115.67	11.62	2.07	1.65
Durable Consumer Goods	75.14	91.82	-0.05	-0.22	-0.25
2. Service	562.89	105.00	0.03	0.92	0.71
Food	88.66	115.91	0.06	2.35	2.27
Housing	209.54	101.55	-0.28	0.70	0.53
Transportation & Communication	76.99	96.86	0.85	-1.45	-2.64
Medical Care	33.02	105.21	0.32	1.31	0.76
Education & Entertainment	129.64	109.45	0.20	1.57	1.57
Miscellaneous	23.83	99.18	-1.19	0.16	1.34
Special Groups					
General Index Excluding Fruits & Vegetables	947.60	109.64	0.43	1.65	1.26
General Index Excluding Food	739.18	106.36	0.53	1.62	1.01
General Index Excluding Fruits, Vegetables, Fish, Shellfish & Energy	866.64	107.78	0.95	1.06	0.91

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

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Table 2 The Changes of Wholesale Price Indices

Oct. 2012

Groups	Weight (%)	Index of Oct. 2012 (2006=100)	Compared with Previous Month (%)	Compared with the Same Month of Previous Year (%)	The First Ten Months of 2012 Compared with the Same Period of Previous Year (%)
General Index	1000.00	109.80	-1.36	-3.64	-0.60
Domestic Sales Excluding Imports	307.86	116.65	-1.14	0.19	-0.76
Imports	327.09	119.50	-1.87	-5.53	-0.24
Exports	365.05	93.69	-0.99	-5.32	-0.86
Basic Group					
1. Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Animal Husbandry Products	27.15	143.34	-4.36	1.44	4.57
(1) Farm Products	12.87	136.79	-8.99	7.67	7.69
(2) Poultry & Livestock Products	6.60	136.40	1.56	-3.42	-6.38
(3) Forest Products	0.41	109.61	-0.90	-9.11	-8.30
(4) Fishery Products	7.27	160.75	-1.05	-3.11	9.04
2. Quarrying & Mineral Products	57.59	162.56	-3.30	-5.63	3.29
(1) Crude Petroleum & Natural Gas	45.78	162.09	-2.31	0.39	6.19
(2) Sand, Stone & Clay Quarrying	2.56	104.09	0.33	1.98	2.07
(3) Other Mineral Products	9.25	186.34	-7.68	-25.18	-6.21
3. Manufacturing Products	890.99	103.69	-0.86	-4.15	-1.43
(1) Foods	18.50	135.61	-1.65	0.45	0.71
(2) Beverages	5.34	107.31	0.04	2.83	3.18
(3) Tobaccos	2.49	131.98	0.00	7.56	8.22
(4) Textile Products	21.67	122.73	-0.36	-6.76	-4.96
(5) Wearing Apparel & Clothing Accessories	4.65	106.29	-0.54	1.42	6.09
(6) Leather, Fur & Related Products	4.97	116.82	-1.14	-0.07	4.40
(7) Wood & Bamboo Products	2.15	115.19	-1.05	-1.41	0.78
(8) Pulp, Paper, Paper Products & Printed Matter	15.11	112.50	-0.45	-5.73	-4.85
(9) Petroleum & Coal Products	54.63	151.79	-2.59	5.82	5.82
(10) Chemical Material	91.92	120.78	-0.21	-7.52	-7.20
(11) Chemical Products & Medical Goods	28.00	109.35	-0.54	-5.18	-0.48
(12) Rubber & Plastic Products	22.42	116.14	-0.69	-3.44	0.65
(13) Non-metallic Mineral Products	13.93	105.19	-0.95	-0.10	0.57
(14) Basic Metal	84.77	107.07	-1.21	-11.49	-9.77
(15) Fabricated Metal Products	42.26	107.64	-0.46	-6.14	-3.36
(16) Electronic Parts & Components	261.17	72.98	-0.76	-4.13	0.34
(17) Computer, Electronic & Optical Products	64.22	74.91	-1.12	-4.40	1.59
(18) Electrical Equipment	34.70	108.93	0.36	-1.80	-1.13
(19) Machinery & Equipment	67.61	113.12	-1.00	-3.51	2.54
(20) Transport Equipment & Parts	34.78	110.59	-0.35	-0.80	1.70
(21) Furniture & Fixtures	5.20	109.56	-0.59	-2.95	3.24
(22) Miscellaneous Products	10.51	110.95	-0.63	-2.73	2.07
4. Water Supply, Electricity & Gas	24.28	141.27	-5.09	11.86	5.69
By Stage of Processing					
1. Raw Materials	138.48	150.65	-1.81	-5.74	-1.65
2. Intermediate Materials	356.29	110.52	-1.30	-2.70	-1.25
3. Finished Goods	140.17	113.11	-1.69	0.54	3.00
(1) Capital Goods	53.38	109.68	-0.96	-2.97	2.26
(2) Consumer Goods	86.79	114.71	-2.12	2.72	3.45
Special Groups					
Domestic Sales	634.95	117.86	-1.52	-2.85	-0.48
Domestic Products	672.91	104.99	-1.07	-2.57	-0.80
Non-Heavy Chemical Industrial Products	166.01	114.34	-0.66	-3.41	-0.70
Heavy Chemical Industrial Products	724.98	101.27	-0.91	-4.34	-1.62

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Table 3 The Changes of Import Price Indices

Oct. 2012

Groups	Weight (%)	Index of Oct. 2012 (2006=100)	Compared with Previous Month (%)	Compared with the Same Month of Previous Year (%)	The First Ten Months of 2012 Compared with the Same Period of Previous Year (%)
Basic Group (on N.T.D. Basis)					
General Index	1,000.00	119.50	-1.87	-5.53	-0.24
1. Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared Foods	34.64	157.20	-3.11	1.30	1.31
2. Mineral Products & Nonmetallic Mineral Products	208.51	163.08	-3.71	-5.80	2.92
3. Textiles & Textile Articles	13.85	123.08	-1.13	-15.49	-10.87
4. Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	17.93	108.86	-0.23	-7.96	-5.84
5. Chemicals, Plastics, Rubber & Articles Thereof	147.68	117.00	-0.21	-7.82	-3.21
6. Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	118.38	107.77	-1.63	-9.54	-9.82
7. Machinery, Optical & Precision Instruments	166.28	112.92	-1.22	-4.26	2.29
8. Electronic Machinery	258.41	80.38	-0.94	-2.70	2.49
9. Transportation Equipment & Parts	21.11	126.08	-0.87	-2.99	2.16
10. Miscellaneous Products	13.21	119.08	-0.92	-2.60	1.19
Basic Group (on U.S.D. Basis)					
General Index	1,000.00	132.87	-0.97	-2.30	-1.74
1. Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared Foods	34.64	174.82	-2.22	4.76	-0.22
2. Mineral Products & Nonmetallic Mineral Products	208.51	181.26	-2.82	-2.59	1.37
3. Textiles & Textile Articles	13.85	136.84	-0.22	-12.61	-12.24
4. Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	17.93	121.05	0.69	-4.82	-7.29
5. Chemicals, Plastics, Rubber & Articles Thereof	147.68	130.11	0.70	-4.68	-4.67
6. Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	118.38	119.91	-0.73	-6.46	-11.22
7. Machinery, Optical & Precision Instruments	166.28	125.52	-0.31	-0.99	0.75
8. Electronic Machinery	258.41	89.36	-0.03	0.62	0.94
9. Transportation Equipment & Parts	21.11	140.16	0.05	0.32	0.62
10. Miscellaneous Products	13.21	132.38	-0.02	0.72	-0.35

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Table 4 The Changes of Export Price Indices

Oct. 2012

Groups	Weight (%)	Index of Oct. 2012 (2006=100)	Compared with Previous Month (%)	Compared with the Same Month of Previous Year (%)	The First Ten Months of 2012 Compared with the Same Period of Previous Year (%)
Basic Group (on N.T.D. Basis)					
General Index	1,000.00	93.69	-0.99	-5.32	-0.86
1. Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared Foods	9.95	153.48	-2.97	-9.75	12.44
2. Textiles & Textile Articles	53.37	120.42	-0.29	-5.97	-2.78
3. Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	7.52	110.44	-1.62	-7.90	-4.45
4. Chemicals, Plastics, Rubber & Articles Thereof	123.31	112.81	-0.90	-8.36	-5.48
5. Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	111.70	98.96	-0.57	-10.04	-7.48
6. Machinery, Optical & Precision Instruments	154.88	84.95	-0.81	-4.21	1.21
7. Electronic Machinery	424.79	72.62	-0.91	-4.71	0.75
8. Transportation Equipment & Parts	32.07	108.52	-0.53	-1.73	1.89
9. Miscellaneous Products	82.43	128.95	-2.21	1.25	5.02
Basic Group (on U.S.D. Basis)					
General Index	1,000.00	104.22	-0.08	-2.08	-2.37
1. Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared Foods	9.95	170.68	-2.07	-6.66	10.76
2. Textiles & Textile Articles	53.37	133.93	0.63	-2.75	-4.27
3. Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	7.52	122.84	-0.71	-4.75	-5.92
4. Chemicals, Plastics, Rubber & Articles Thereof	123.31	125.49	0.01	-5.23	-6.92
5. Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	111.70	110.12	0.36	-6.95	-8.90
6. Machinery, Optical & Precision Instruments	154.88	94.47	0.11	-0.92	-0.33
7. Electronic Machinery	424.79	80.75	0.00	-1.45	-0.79
8. Transportation Equipment & Parts	32.07	120.69	0.38	1.63	0.34
9. Miscellaneous Products	82.43	143.41	-1.30	4.71	3.43

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