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### **The Price Indices for November 2012**

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

The CPI in November 2012 (2006=100) decreased 0.76% from the preceding month. Because of sufficient supplies, vegetables and fruits prices decreased 16.63% and 2.94% respectively. Besides, prices of clothing moved down 4.13% for annual sales of some department stores; entertainment expense went down 2.18% for tour fees of traveling abroad were on special offer.

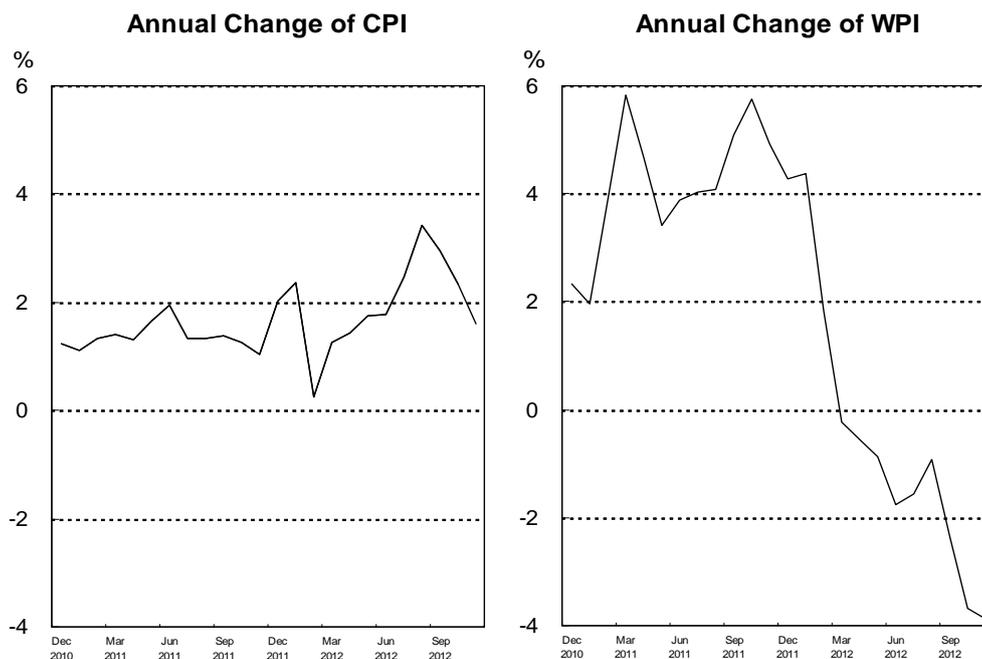
The annual change of CPI in November 2012, compared with the same month of previous year, was 1.59% mainly because prices of fruits and fish & shellfish increased 14.03% and 3.30% individually. Furthermore, prices of fuels & lubricants, gas and electricity went up 8.07%, 7.48% and 3.74% separately; tobacco & betelnut prices moved up 5.46% additionally, whereas vegetables, meat prices and communication fees declined 5.78%, 1.52% and 2.01% respectively. The general CPI excluding fruits, vegetables, fish, shellfish and energy, i.e. core CPI, rose 0.96%.

#### **Wholesale Price Indices (WPI)**

The WPI in November 2012 decreased 1.00% from the preceding month, mainly because prices of petroleum & coal products and crude petroleum & natural gas went down 3.52% and 1.34% individually. In addition, machinery & equipment and chemical material prices moved down 1.24% and 1.07% respectively.

The annual change of WPI in November 2012, compared with the same

month of 2011, was minus 3.87%, mainly due to an appreciation of 3.74% for N.T. dollar against U.S. dollar, besides, prices of basic metal, electronic parts & components decreased 10.00% and 4.27% individually, prices of imported iron sand moved to a lower price level. The WPI for domestic sales excluding imports rose 0.63%; import price index declined 6.38% and export price index moved down 5.48%.



*In order to go in line with the up-to-date expenditure patterns of households and industry structure, the rebasing of CPI & WPI are conducted once every 5 years. Updating for the indices weights to base year 2011 has been accomplished and the related linking processes are being conducted now. The DGBAS plans to start monthly releases of the 2011 base CPI& WPI from February 5, 2013, when preliminary figures for January are published.*

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Table 1 The Changes of Consumer Price Indices

Nov. 2012

Groups	Weight (%)	Index of Nov. 2012 (2006=100)	Compared with Previous Month (%)	Compared with the Same Month of Previous Year (%)	The First Eleven Months of 2012 Compared with the Same Period of Previous Year (%)
General Index	1,000.00	109.48	-0.76	1.59	1.96
Basic Group					
1. Food	260.82	119.21	-1.73	2.28	4.38
Cereals & Cereal Products	19.72	124.47	0.05	1.61	2.64
Meat	23.08	123.94	1.00	-1.52	-2.53
Eggs	2.00	130.34	-3.22	-1.34	8.12
Fish & Shellfish	16.71	145.12	-0.60	3.30	4.03
Vegetables	24.81	101.15	-16.63	-5.78	26.36
Fruits	27.59	120.16	-2.94	14.03	6.93
Edible Oil	1.70	149.53	-1.17	2.35	1.15
2. Clothing	41.72	121.91	-2.23	1.20	2.70
Garments	26.97	123.94	-4.13	1.62	2.95
3. Housing	279.47	104.59	-0.02	1.28	1.11
Residential Rent	185.40	101.95	0.02	0.80	0.61
Household Operations <sup>1</sup>	14.53	96.49	0.03	-0.42	-0.03
Water, Electricity & Gas Supply	36.87	115.57	0.00	4.43	3.71
Gas	9.70	141.64	0.00	7.48	8.03
Electricity	22.00	106.81	0.00	3.74	2.28
4. Transportation & Communication	140.42	105.32	-0.58	1.86	0.28
Fuels & Lubricants	32.55	130.00	-2.20	8.07	5.42
Communication Fees	31.77	84.86	0.65	-2.01	-6.97
5. Medicines & Medical Care	47.41	111.14	0.13	1.12	0.83
Medicines & Health Food	10.62	133.17	0.31	1.10	0.96
6. Education & Entertainment	171.48	100.79	-0.81	0.56	0.69
Educational Expense	111.25	98.32	0.03	0.00	-0.08
Entertainment Expense	60.22	105.28	-2.18	1.54	2.01
7. Miscellaneous	58.68	113.51	0.82	2.59	2.25
Tobacco & Betelnut	14.65	138.96	0.71	5.46	4.14
Personal Care Services	14.78	100.42	2.25	0.34	1.18
Commodity and Service Groups					
1. Commodity	437.11	115.09	-1.52	2.39	3.47
(Excluding Food)	264.95	111.33	-0.66	2.60	2.11
Non-durable Consumer Goods	299.12	120.83	-1.79	3.19	4.57
(Excluding Food)	126.96	121.05	-0.51	4.71	3.44
Semi-durable Consumer Goods	62.85	113.58	-1.55	1.16	1.58
Durable Consumer Goods	75.14	91.75	-0.08	-0.48	-0.27
2. Service	562.89	104.90	-0.10	0.93	0.73
Food	88.66	116.27	0.31	2.66	2.31
Housing	209.54	101.56	0.01	0.69	0.55
Transportation & Communication	76.99	97.03	0.18	-0.94	-2.48
Medical Care	33.02	105.33	0.11	1.31	0.81
Education & Entertainment	129.64	108.33	-1.02	1.03	1.52
Miscellaneous	23.83	100.57	1.40	0.47	1.26
Special Groups					
General Index Excluding Fruits & Vegetables	947.60	109.37	-0.23	1.43	1.27
General Index Excluding Food	739.18	105.94	-0.37	1.32	1.03
General Index Excluding Fruits, Vegetables, Fish, Shellfish & Energy	866.64	107.61	-0.14	0.96	0.91

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

2.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

Nov. 2012

Groups	Weight (%)	Index of Nov. 2012 (2006=100)	Compared with Previous Month (%)	Compared with the Same Month of Previous Year (%)	The First Eleven Months of 2012 Compared with the Same Period of Previous Year (%)
General Index	1000.00	108.66	-1.00	-3.87	-0.90
Domestic Sales Excluding Imports	307.86	115.79	-0.67	0.63	-0.63
Imports	327.09	118.06	-1.26	-6.38	-0.79
Exports	365.05	92.58	-1.07	-5.48	-1.29
Basic Group					
1. Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Animal Husbandry Products	27.15	140.03	-2.30	-0.26	4.13
(1) Farm Products	12.87	131.47	-4.00	5.72	7.53
(2) Poultry & Livestock Products	6.60	135.37	-0.47	-3.22	-6.12
(3) Forest Products	0.41	109.15	-0.44	-0.32	-7.61
(4) Fishery Products	7.27	158.97	-1.11	-6.05	7.61
2. Quarrying & Mineral Products	57.59	160.22	-1.20	-9.60	2.02
(1) Crude Petroleum & Natural Gas	45.78	160.03	-1.34	-4.46	5.17
(2) Sand, Stone & Clay Quarrying	2.56	104.01	-0.08	2.02	2.06
(3) Other Mineral Products	9.25	182.00	-0.76	-27.33	-8.44
3. Manufacturing Products	890.99	102.67	-0.96	-3.90	-1.66
(1) Foods	18.50	134.75	-0.39	0.28	0.65
(2) Beverages	5.34	107.05	-0.21	2.70	3.13
(3) Tobaccos	2.49	131.98	0.00	7.56	8.16
(4) Textile Products	21.67	121.56	-0.42	-5.88	-5.09
(5) Wearing Apparel & Clothing Accessories	4.65	106.15	-0.42	1.00	5.63
(6) Leather, Fur & Related Products	4.97	116.47	-0.68	-0.41	3.98
(7) Wood & Bamboo Products	2.15	114.97	-0.25	-0.77	0.64
(8) Pulp, Paper, Paper Products & Printed Matter	15.11	112.04	-0.32	-4.60	-4.86
(9) Petroleum & Coal Products	54.63	147.63	-3.52	1.81	5.53
(10) Chemical Material	91.92	119.42	-1.07	-3.51	-6.88
(11) Chemical Products & Medical Goods	28.00	107.77	-1.07	-5.80	-1.01
(12) Rubber & Plastic Products	22.42	115.27	-0.66	-2.54	0.36
(13) Non-metallic Mineral Products	13.93	104.11	-1.03	-1.50	0.38
(14) Basic Metal	84.77	106.19	-0.76	-10.00	-9.80
(15) Fabricated Metal Products	42.26	106.86	-0.52	-5.82	-3.60
(16) Electronic Parts & Components	261.17	72.50	-0.45	-4.27	-0.12
(17) Computer, Electronic & Optical Products	64.22	74.09	-0.80	-6.43	0.80
(18) Electrical Equipment	34.70	108.77	-0.63	-0.29	-1.00
(19) Machinery & Equipment	67.61	111.71	-1.24	-4.31	1.89
(20) Transport Equipment & Parts	34.78	109.98	-0.54	-1.21	1.43
(21) Furniture & Fixtures	5.20	109.11	-0.50	-3.04	2.65
(22) Miscellaneous Products	10.51	110.95	-0.22	-2.42	1.67
4. Water Supply, Electricity & Gas	24.28	141.42	0.08	11.98	6.26
By Stage of Processing					
1. Raw Materials	138.48	148.90	-1.03	-6.13	-2.07
2. Intermediate Materials	356.29	109.63	-0.88	-2.58	-1.37
3. Finished Goods	140.17	111.80	-1.14	-0.49	2.68
(1) Capital Goods	53.38	108.04	-1.48	-4.25	1.65
(2) Consumer Goods	86.79	113.62	-0.93	1.86	3.29
Special Groups					
Domestic Sales	634.95	116.71	-0.98	-3.11	-0.72
Domestic Products	672.91	103.99	-0.86	-2.43	-0.96
Non-Heavy Chemical Industrial Products	166.01	113.45	-0.60	-3.17	-0.95
Heavy Chemical Industrial Products	724.98	100.21	-1.07	-4.11	-1.84

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Table 3 The Changes of Import Price Indices

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Groups	Weight (%)	Index of Nov. 2012 (2006=100)	Compared with Previous Month (%)	Compared with the Same Month of Previous Year (%)	The First Eleven Months of 2012 Compared with the Same Period of Previous Year (%)
Basic Group (on N.T.D. Basis)					
General Index	1,000.00	118.06	-1.26	-6.38	-0.79
1. Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared Foods	34.64	155.11	-1.32	1.28	1.32
2. Mineral Products & Nonmetallic Mineral Products	208.51	161.22	-1.53	-8.79	1.84
3. Textiles & Textile Articles	13.85	122.08	-0.87	-14.14	-11.16
4. Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	17.93	108.40	-0.15	-5.34	-5.84
5. Chemicals, Plastics, Rubber & Articles Thereof	147.68	115.44	-0.94	-6.09	-3.50
6. Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	118.38	105.98	-1.62	-8.99	-9.76
7. Machinery, Optical & Precision Instruments	166.28	110.99	-1.67	-5.34	1.56
8. Electronic Machinery	258.41	79.85	-0.70	-3.75	1.90
9. Transportation Equipment & Parts	21.11	124.49	-1.26	-2.97	1.67
10. Miscellaneous Products	13.21	119.26	-0.23	-2.53	0.88
Basic Group (on U.S.D. Basis)					
General Index	1,000.00	131.86	-0.82	-2.87	-1.85
1. Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared Foods	34.64	173.25	-0.89	5.06	0.24
2. Mineral Products & Nonmetallic Mineral Products	208.51	179.99	-1.08	-5.38	0.78
3. Textiles & Textile Articles	13.85	136.32	-0.44	-10.94	-12.13
4. Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	17.93	121.08	0.30	-1.81	-6.86
5. Chemicals, Plastics, Rubber & Articles Thereof	147.68	128.94	-0.51	-2.58	-4.52
6. Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	118.38	118.45	-1.18	-5.59	-10.76
7. Machinery, Optical & Precision Instruments	166.28	123.93	-1.24	-1.81	0.51
8. Electronic Machinery	258.41	89.18	-0.26	-0.15	0.83
9. Transportation Equipment & Parts	21.11	139.00	-0.83	0.65	0.62
10. Miscellaneous Products	13.21	133.17	0.22	1.11	-0.18

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Table 4 The Changes of Export Price Indices

Nov. 2012

Groups	Weight (%)	Index of Nov. 2012 (2006=100)	Compared with Previous Month (%)	Compared with the Same Month of Previous Year (%)	The First Eleven Months of 2012 Compared with the Same Period of Previous Year (%)
<b>Basic Group (on N.T.D. Basis)</b>					
General Index	1,000.00	92.58	-1.07	-5.48	-1.29
1. Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared Foods	9.95	149.35	-2.44	-13.74	9.75
2. Textiles & Textile Articles	53.37	119.56	-0.47	-4.18	-2.92
3. Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	7.52	109.28	-1.05	-8.02	-4.77
4. Chemicals, Plastics, Rubber & Articles Thereof	123.31	111.83	-0.93	-5.29	-5.43
5. Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	111.70	97.89	-0.93	-8.69	-7.60
6. Machinery, Optical & Precision Instruments	154.88	84.69	-0.53	-4.02	0.75
7. Electronic Machinery	424.79	72.03	-0.44	-5.22	0.12
8. Transportation Equipment & Parts	32.07	107.83	-0.64	-2.03	1.53
9. Miscellaneous Products	82.43	123.73	-4.05	-5.27	4.03
<b>Basic Group (on U.S.D. Basis)</b>					
General Index	1,000.00	103.45	-0.62	-1.93	-2.34
1. Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared Foods	9.95	166.83	-2.01	-10.50	8.62
2. Textiles & Textile Articles	53.37	133.57	-0.02	-0.59	-3.95
3. Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	7.52	122.09	-0.61	-4.58	-5.81
4. Chemicals, Plastics, Rubber & Articles Thereof	123.31	124.96	-0.48	-1.73	-6.44
5. Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	111.70	109.42	-0.48	-5.26	-8.61
6. Machinery, Optical & Precision Instruments	154.88	94.60	-0.08	-0.42	-0.32
7. Electronic Machinery	424.79	80.46	0.00	-1.66	-0.91
8. Transportation Equipment & Parts	32.07	120.46	-0.19	1.65	0.46
9. Miscellaneous Products	82.43	138.22	-3.62	-1.73	2.95

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