

The Price Indices for December 2019

Consumer Price Indices (CPI)

The CPI in December 2019 (2016=100) increased 0.04% from the preceding month. Prices of fuels and lubricants rose 2.43% as the international oil prices kept rising. Prices of eggs, as well as transportation fees also rose 0.88% and 0.86%, respectively. However, prices of garments declined 2.50% due to the anniversary sales of department stores. Prices of communication fees and vegetables also fell 1.80% and 1.75%, respectively. The general CPI excluding fruits, vegetables and energy (core CPI) was unchanged.

The CPI in December 2019, compared with the same month of 2018, increased 1.13%. Prices of vegetables and fruits rose 21.97% and 13.01%, respectively. Prices of fuels and lubricants also rose 4.33% as the international oil prices kept rising. Prices of personal effects rose 3.21% as well, mainly owing to the increase in the prices of precious metals ornaments and jewellery. Moreover, prices of medical care services rose 1.58% owing to the increase of ward fee and registration fee for medical treatment. Nonetheless, prices of eggs, as well as communication fees declined 14.11% and 6.82%, respectively, offsetting part of the increase. The core CPI increased 0.57%.

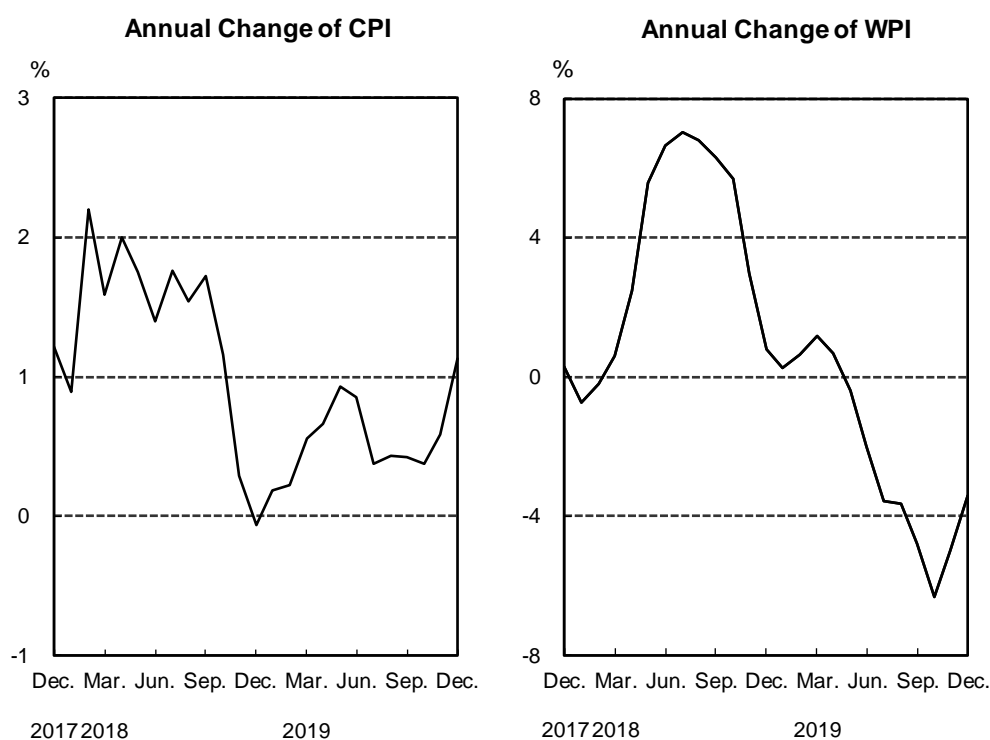
In 2019, the CPI increased 0.56%. Prices of commodity and service moved up 0.44% and 0.68%, respectively. The core CPI increased 0.50%.

Wholesale Price Indices (WPI)

The WPI in December 2019 decreased 0.23% from the preceding month, mainly owing to prices of quarrying products and other mining products, as well as chemical material, other chemical products and pharmaceuticals fell 2.27% and 1.01%, respectively. On the other hand, prices of petroleum and coal products, as well as crude petroleum and natural gas rose 3.23% and 3.20%, respectively.

The WPI in December 2019, compared with the same month of 2018, decreased 3.42%. Prices of chemical material, other chemical products and pharmaceuticals fell 9.00%. Prices of basic metals, as well as electronic parts and components also fell 5.26% and 5.07%, respectively. However, prices of farm products, as well as petroleum and coal products rose 12.86%, and 4.35%, respectively. The WPI for products domestically produced for domestic purchase decreased 2.26%, import price index and export price index also fell 2.30% and 5.22%, respectively.

In 2019, the WPI decreased 2.24%. Prices of imports and domestic products fell 1.45% and 2.63%, respectively.



Statistical Tables

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