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The Price Indices for April 2021

Consumer Price Index (CPI)

The CPI in April 2021 (2016=100) increased 0.64% from the preceding month, mainly because the index for garments rose 9.94% due to the new arrival of spring and summer clothes, indices for vegetables, as well as fuels and lubricants also rose 3.40% and 2.40%, respectively. Moreover, the index for entertainment expenses rose 1.55% as hotel charges and domestic package holidays fees increased during the long weekend of Children's and Tomb-Sweeping Days. However, the index for fruits fell 2.44%, offsetting part of the increase. The general CPI excluding fruits, vegetables and energy (core CPI) rose 0.64%.

The CPI in April 2021, compared with the same month of 2020, increased 2.09%, mainly because the index for fuels and lubricants rose 47.95% due to a relatively lower comparison base, the index for transportation fees rose 14.75% due to the increase in airfares, and indices for eggs and vegetables also rose 5.52% and 4.95%, respectively. However, the index for fruits fell 5.43%, partly offsetting the increase. The core CPI increased 1.35%.

For the first four months of 2021, the CPI increased 1.13% over the same period of previous year. Indices for commodity and service moved up 1.00% and 1.22%, respectively. The core CPI increased 1.01%.

Wholesale Price Index (WPI)

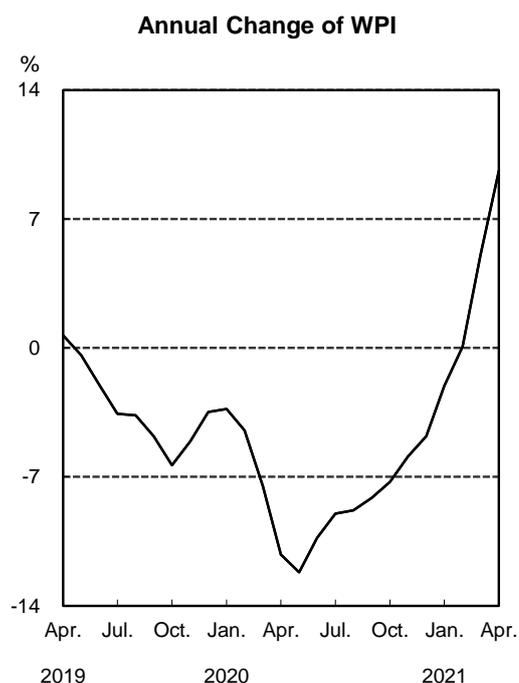
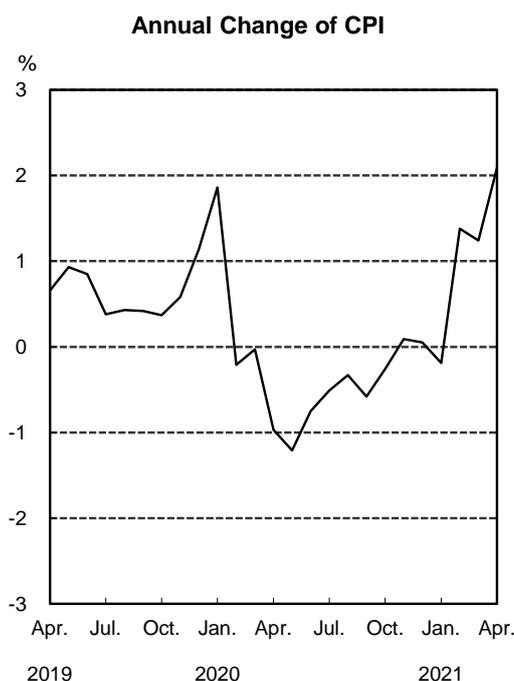
The WPI in April 2021 increased 0.59% from the preceding month. Indices for basic metals, as well as fabricated metal products rose 2.18% and 1.73%, respectively. The index for chemical material, other chemical products and pharmaceuticals also rose 1.45%.

The WPI in April 2021, compared with the same month of 2020, increased 9.62%. Indices for petroleum and coal products, as well as quarrying and mining products rose 89.50% and 57.21%, respectively. The index for chemical material, other chemical products and pharmaceuticals also rose 33.86%. Moreover, the index for basic metals rose 28.50%. However, the NTD appreciated 6.37% against the USD, partly offsetting the increase. The price index for domestic sales excluding imports (DPI) increased 13.23%, import price index (IPI) and export price index (EPI) also rose 11.97% and 5.13%, respectively.

For the first four months of 2021, the WPI increased 3.04% over the same period of previous year. The DPI, IPI, and EPI also rose 6.42%, 3.27%, and 0.38%, respectively.

Producer Price Index (PPI)

The PPI, the price index for products domestically produced, in April 2021 increased 1.02% from the preceding month. Indices for basic metals, as well as fabricated metal products both rose 2.68%. The index for chemical material, other chemical products and pharmaceuticals also rose 2.00%.



Statistical Tables

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