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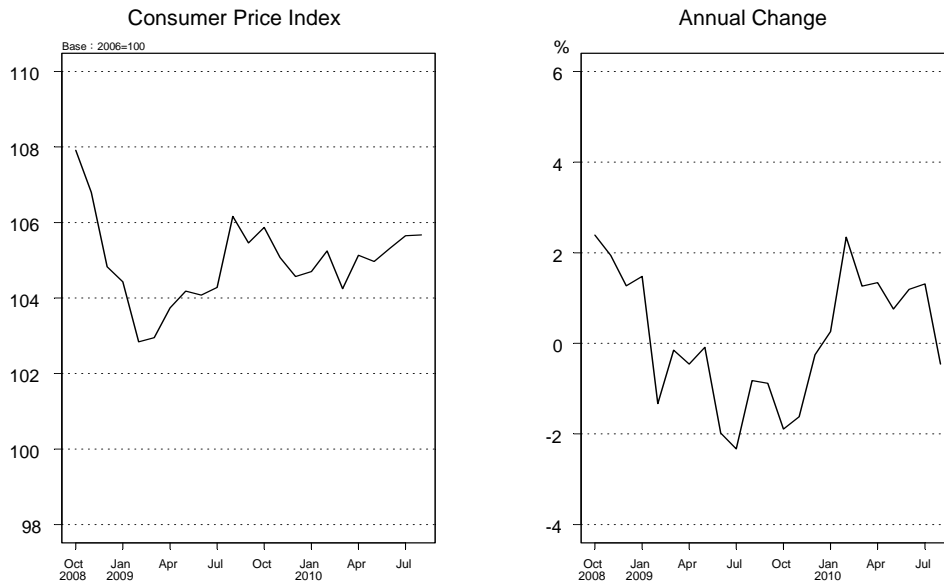
## The Price Indices for August 2010

### Consumer Price Indices (CPI)

The CPI in August 2010 was 105.67 (2006=100), rising 0.02% from previous month. Due mainly to prices of Fruits and Vegetables increased 8.52% and 3.28% respectively during Chinese Ghost Festival, Fuels & Lubricants price went up 1.43%, while Garments prices decreased 4.26%, and tour fee of overseas traveling came to the original lower price level for reducing airplane tickets prices. The General Index excluding Fruits, Vegetables, Fish, Shellfish and Energy, i.e. core CPI, moved down 0.34%.

The annual change for CPI in August 2010 decreased by 0.46%, due primarily to stable climate, Vegetables and Fruits prices went down 24.84% and 7.21% individually, compared with the same month of 2009, which prices were relatively expensive influencing by the impact of Typhoon Morakot. While Clothing price advanced 3.62%, Tobacco & Betelnut price went up 4.40%, Transportation & Communication Equipment prices moved up 4.45% since have been applied taxation reduction of motor vehicle excise during last year. The core CPI rose 0.40%.

For the first eight months of 2010, the CPI increased by 0.99% over the same period of previous year, as prices of Commodity went up 2.12% and Service moved up 0.11%. The core CPI increased 0.27%.



### **CPI-Living Necessaries**

The CPI-Living Necessaries is compiled basing on 424 CPI items. It includes three categories of CPI-Living Necessaries: Category A includes prices of Food, Water, Electricity & Gas Supply of Housing and Fuels & Lubricants of Transportation (190 items and 33.0% weights of CPI). Category B covers Category A and Education & Entertainment prices (244 items and 50.2% weights of CPI). Category C is the daily necessities, such as Food, Clothing, Water, Electricity & Gas, Fuels & Lubricants, Medical Care Services, and some items fall under segments of Communication and Personal Care Services (239 items and 42.7% weights of CPI).

The CPI-Living Necessaries in August 2010, compared with the previous month: Index of Category A was 112.75 (2006=100), went up 0.77%, Category B was 108.88, increased 0.40% and Category C was 109.52, moved up 0.34%.

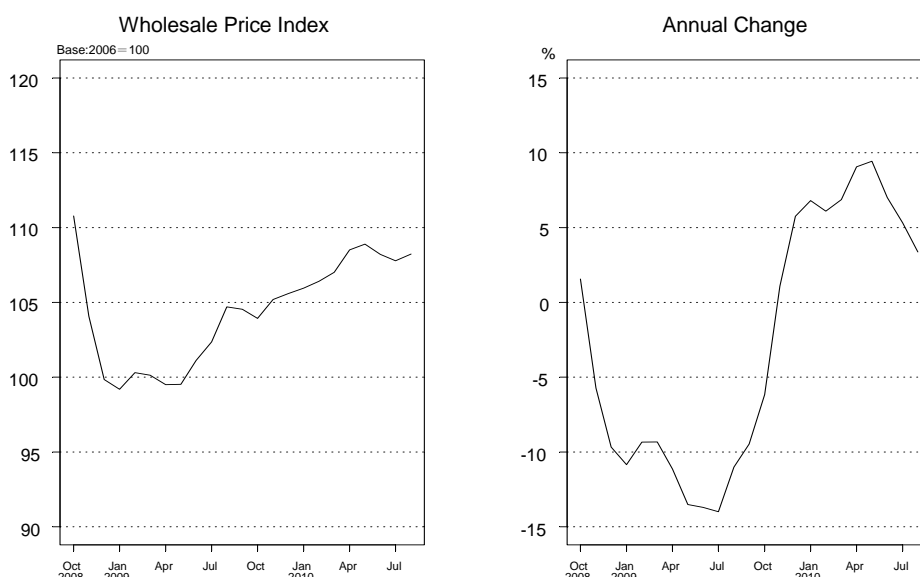
### **Wholesale Price Indices (WPI)**

The WPI in August 2010 was 108.23 (2006=100), increasing 0.42% from previous month, due mainly to prices of Basic Metal, Petroleum & Coal Products and Chemical Material went up 1.32%, 1.19% and 0.90%

respectively. Domestic Sales Excluding Imports and Imports prices rose 0.56% and 0.71% separately, while Exports prices moved down 0.04%.

The annual change of WPI in August 2010, comparing with the same month of 2009, increasing 3.37%, due mainly to price level of imported Iron ores became higher which causing Other Mineral Products price increased 42.44%, in addition, prices of Basic Metal and Chemical Material moved up 15.02% and 8.91% individually. Domestic Sales Excluding Imports prices rose 3.75%; Imports and Exports prices went up 4.58% and 1.75% separately.

For the first eight months of 2010, the WPI increased 6.72% compared with the same period of previous year, of which the Import and Export Price Index went up 8.46% and 3.15% individually.



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Table 1 The Changes of Consumer Price Indices

Aug. 2010

Groups	Weight (%)	Index of Aug. 2010 (2006=100)	Compared with Previous Month (%)	Compared with the Same Month of Previous Year (%)	The First Eight Months of 2010 Compared with the Same Period of Previous Year (%)
General Index	1,000.00	105.67	0.02	-0.46	0.99
Basic Group					
1. Food	260.82	112.65	0.84	-3.31	0.44
Meat	23.08	120.70	1.00	0.30	1.58
Fish & Shellfish	16.71	134.92	0.11	5.62	6.54
Vegetables	24.81	111.16	3.28	-24.84	-0.09
Fruits	27.59	97.92	8.52	-7.21	0.96
2. Clothing	41.72	102.51	-3.06	3.62	2.81
Garments	26.97	98.19	-4.26	3.87	2.73
3. Housing	279.47	102.99	-0.09	0.29	0.38
Residential Rent	185.40	100.56	-0.02	0.02	-0.07
Household Operations	14.53	96.00	-0.03	0.23	0.55
Water, Electricity & Gas Supply	36.87	115.73	-0.31	2.09	3.45
4. Transportation & Communication	140.42	102.16	0.18	0.98	3.79
Transportation & Communication Equip.	27.57	96.88	0.33	4.45	3.30
Fuels & Lubricants	32.55	111.21	1.43	1.92	15.22
5. Medicines & Medical Care	47.41	107.27	0.13	-0.03	0.44
Medical Care Services	33.02	103.13	0.02	-0.24	0.82
Medicines & Health Food	10.62	123.29	0.46	0.99	-0.12
6. Education & Entertainment	171.48	100.76	-0.40	0.30	-0.60
Educational Expense	111.25	98.05	-0.11	-1.13	-1.41
Entertainment Expense	60.22	105.67	-0.88	2.81	0.85
7. Miscellaneous	58.68	109.91	-0.38	1.62	3.86
Tobacco & Betelnut	14.65	127.55	-1.56	4.40	15.88
Personal Care Services	14.78	99.62	0.21	-0.34	-0.67
Commodity and Service Groups					
1. Commodity	437.11	108.31	0.24	-1.51	2.12
(Excluding Food)	264.95	104.85	-0.47	1.13	3.05
Non-durable Consumer Goods	299.12	113.51	0.75	-2.21	3.11
(Excluding Food)	126.96	113.57	0.06	1.81	6.35
Semi-durable Consumer Goods	62.85	100.71	-2.24	1.52	0.99
Durable Consumer Goods	75.14	92.44	0.09	-0.66	-1.44
2. Service	562.89	103.39	-0.15	0.41	0.11
Food	88.66	110.99	0.00	0.23	-0.28
Housing	209.54	100.25	-0.01	0.03	-0.04
Transportation & Communication	76.99	99.56	-0.46	-0.58	-0.50
Medical Care	33.02	103.13	0.02	-0.24	0.82
Education & Entertainment	129.64	106.77	-0.40	1.95	0.88
Miscellaneous	23.83	99.62	0.13	-0.13	-0.41
Special Groups					
General Index Excluding Fruits & Vegetables	947.60	105.74	-0.27	0.64	1.02
General Index Excluding Food	739.18	103.11	-0.29	0.68	1.20
General Index Excluding Fruits, Vegetables, Fish, Shellfish & Energy	866.64	104.54	-0.34	0.40	0.27

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## Table 2 The Changes of Wholesale Price Indices

Aug. 2010

Groups	Weight (%)	Index of Aug. 2010 (2006=100)	Compared with Previous Month (%)	Compared with the Same Month of Previous Year (%)	The First Eight Months of 2010 Compared with the Same Period of Previous Year (%)
General Index	1,000.00	108.23	0.42	3.37	6.72
Domestic Sales Excluding Imports	307.86	111.49	0.56	3.75	8.70
Imports	327.09	115.65	0.71	4.58	8.46
Exports	365.05	97.20	-0.04	1.75	3.15
Basic Group					
1. Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Animal Husbandry Products	27.15	129.26	1.21	-1.52	3.96
(1) Farm Products	12.87	120.14	2.40	-5.50	2.26
(2) Poultry & Livestock Products	6.60	135.98	1.84	-1.89	1.19
(3) Forest Products	0.41	109.23	-2.70	9.58	18.05
(4) Fishery Products	7.27	138.66	-0.98	5.34	8.52
2. Quarrying & Mineral Products	57.59	134.59	1.04	9.68	22.68
(1) Crude Petroleum & Natural Gas	45.78	119.80	1.27	1.73	32.71
(2) Sand, Stone & Clay Quarrying	2.56	103.37	0.16	-8.19	-9.62
(3) Other Mineral Products	9.25	218.64	0.53	42.44	3.00
3. Manufacturing Products	890.99	104.52	0.36	3.12	5.79
(1) Foods	18.50	125.86	1.04	6.05	6.66
(2) Beverages	5.34	102.60	0.02	-0.07	0.40
(3) Tobaccos	2.49	116.88	-0.09	-0.38	7.55
(4) Textile Products	21.67	116.20	-0.03	8.11	5.61
(5) Wearing Apparel & Clothing Accessories	4.65	98.38	-0.31	-1.44	-2.74
(6) Leather, Fur & Related Products	4.97	112.72	-0.33	9.19	6.18
(7) Wood & Bamboo Products	2.15	118.78	-0.01	11.82	7.83
(8) Pulp, Paper, Paper Products & Printed Matter	15.11	121.44	0.03	13.42	14.57
(9) Petroleum & Coal Products	54.63	116.98	1.19	6.06	25.33
(10) Chemical Material	91.92	111.68	0.90	8.91	26.01
(11) Chemical Products & Medical Goods	28.00	109.91	0.19	0.81	-1.65
(12) Rubber & Plastic Products	22.42	114.35	0.02	3.06	1.16
(13) Non-metallic Mineral Products	13.93	107.92	0.47	-3.01	-6.42
(14) Basic Metal	84.77	119.14	1.32	15.02	24.58
(15) Fabricated Metal Products	42.26	113.69	-0.37	5.99	5.45
(16) Electronic Parts & Components	261.17	81.33	-0.15	-3.25	-3.37
(17) Computer, Electronic & Optical Products	64.22	81.25	-0.44	-5.28	-7.44
(18) Electrical Equipment	34.70	107.26	0.78	2.91	6.47
(19) Machinery & Equipment	67.61	112.85	0.42	2.01	-1.86
(20) Transport Equipment & Parts	34.78	108.83	0.06	0.99	-0.70
(21) Furniture & Fixtures	5.20	108.74	-0.36	1.24	-2.35
(22) Miscellaneous Products	10.51	109.13	0.35	2.89	-0.57
4. Water Supply, Electricity & Gas	24.28	131.26	-0.42	1.38	3.10
By Stage of Processing					
1. Raw Materials	138.48	130.83	1.16	7.35	21.61
2. Intermediate Materials	356.29	111.26	0.48	4.31	6.75
3. Finished Goods	140.17	109.77	0.46	0.61	0.81
(1) Capital Goods	53.38	110.47	0.67	2.16	-1.45
(2) Consumer Goods	86.79	108.86	0.33	-0.32	2.24
Special Groups					
Domestic Sales	634.95	113.38	0.64	4.18	8.57
Domestic Products	672.91	104.52	0.25	2.72	5.81
Non-Heavy Chemical Industrial Products	166.01	113.04	0.24	4.61	3.15
Heavy Chemical Industrial Products	724.98	102.61	0.39	2.75	6.51

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Table 3 The Changes of Import Price Indices

Aug. 2010

Groups	Weight (%)	Index of Aug. 2010 (2006=100)	Compared with Previous Month (%)	Compared with the Same Month of Previous Year (%)	The First Eight Months of 2010 Compared with the Same Period of Previous Year (%)
Basic Group (on N.T.D. Basis)					
General Index	1,000.00	115.65	0.71	4.58	8.46
1. Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared Foods	34.64	133.80	0.28	5.35	9.42
2. Mineral Products & Nonmetallic Mineral Products	208.51	135.19	0.84	8.96	23.08
3. Textiles & Textile Articles	13.85	119.85	0.01	12.06	6.29
4. Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	17.93	121.96	-1.43	16.39	14.78
5. Chemicals, Plastics, Rubber & Articles Thereof	147.68	113.99	0.43	5.32	10.28
6. Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	118.38	118.25	2.93	14.04	25.83
7. Machinery, Optical & Precision Instruments	166.28	115.34	0.80	2.89	-1.28
8. Electronic Machinery	258.41	85.88	-0.27	-5.92	-6.25
9. Transportation Equipment & Parts	21.11	124.01	0.57	5.12	1.70
10. Miscellaneous Products	13.21	121.52	0.82	8.13	5.48
Basic Group (on U.S.D. Basis)					
General Index	1,000.00	117.93	1.41	7.77	13.32
1. Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared Foods	34.64	136.45	0.97	8.55	14.33
2. Mineral Products & Nonmetallic Mineral Products	208.51	137.79	1.53	12.26	28.46
3. Textiles & Textile Articles	13.85	122.19	0.69	15.46	11.09
4. Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	17.93	124.37	-0.75	19.92	19.97
5. Chemicals, Plastics, Rubber & Articles Thereof	147.68	116.25	1.12	8.51	15.20
6. Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	118.38	120.66	3.63	17.50	31.47
7. Machinery, Optical & Precision Instruments	166.28	117.59	1.49	6.01	3.18
8. Electronic Machinery	258.41	87.56	0.41	-3.07	-2.05
9. Transportation Equipment & Parts	21.11	126.42	1.26	8.31	6.28
10. Miscellaneous Products	13.21	123.90	1.52	11.42	10.24

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Table 4 The Changes of Export Price Indices

Aug. 2010

Groups	Weight (%)	Index of Aug. 2010 (2006=100)	Compared with Previous Month (%)	Compared with the Same Month of Previous Year (%)	The First Eight Months of 2010 Compared with the Same Period of Previous Year (%)
Basic Group (on N.T.D. Basis)					
General Index	1,000.00	97.20	-0.04	1.75	3.15
1. Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared Foods	9.95	132.85	-0.35	15.98	9.96
2. Textiles & Textile Articles	53.37	116.43	-0.47	5.79	6.84
3. Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	7.52	124.35	0.57	16.44	20.96
4. Chemicals, Plastics, Rubber & Articles Thereof	123.31	112.22	0.33	8.71	13.59
5. Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	111.70	110.04	-0.71	9.06	13.09
6. Machinery, Optical & Precision Instruments	154.88	90.28	-0.29	-1.74	-2.80
7. Electronic Machinery	424.79	81.49	-0.27	-4.15	-3.97
8. Transportation Equipment & Parts	32.07	107.55	-0.38	-1.06	-3.02
9. Miscellaneous Products	82.43	106.01	1.93	7.43	14.41
Basic Group (on U.S.D. Basis)					
General Index	1,000.00	99.13	0.65	4.46	7.76
1. Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared Foods	9.95	135.45	0.35	19.07	14.87
2. Textiles & Textile Articles	53.37	118.72	0.21	8.61	11.59
3. Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	7.52	126.80	1.25	19.55	26.37
4. Chemicals, Plastics, Rubber & Articles Thereof	123.31	114.45	1.02	11.60	18.63
5. Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	111.70	112.26	-0.03	11.97	18.15
6. Machinery, Optical & Precision Instruments	154.88	92.04	0.39	0.88	1.56
7. Electronic Machinery	424.79	83.08	0.42	-1.59	0.32
8. Transportation Equipment & Parts	32.07	109.67	0.32	1.58	1.32
9. Miscellaneous Products	82.43	108.09	2.63	10.30	19.46

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