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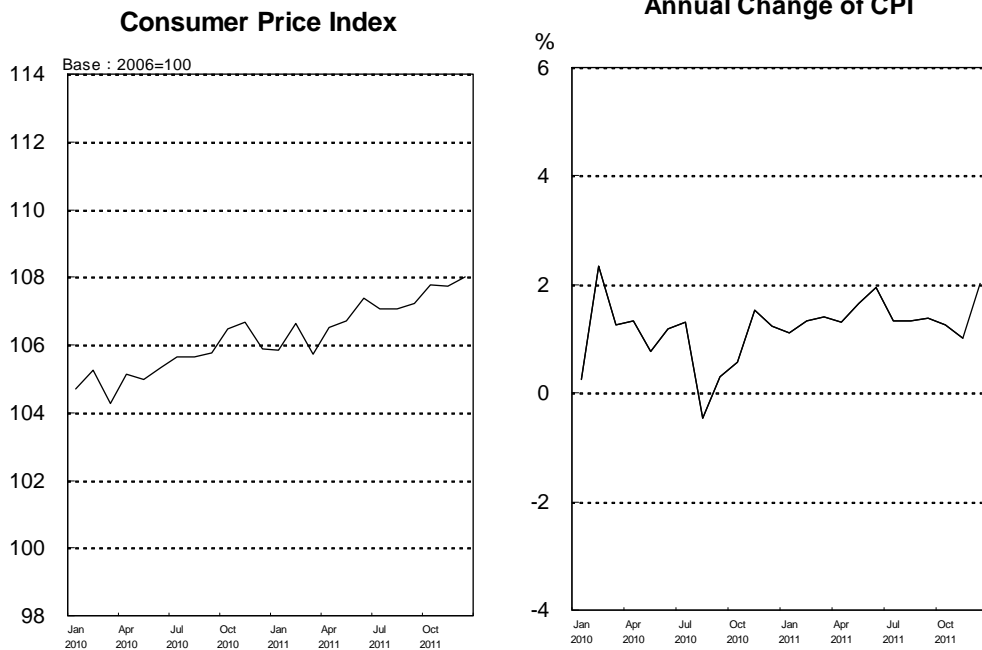
### The Price Indices for December 2011

#### Consumer Price Indices (CPI)

The CPI in December 2011 (2006=100) increased 0.25% from previous month, mainly because of the weather, prices of Vegetables went up 23.39%, whereas prices for Clothing went down 2.81% for promotion at the end of 2011, along with Fuels & Lubricants down 1.27% additionally. The headline CPI excluding Fruits, Vegetables, Fish, Shellfish and Energy, i.e. core CPI, declined 0.13%.

The annual change of CPI in December 2011, comparing with the same month of 2010, was 2.03%. Food prices went up 5.41%, of which Vegetables prices advanced 48.05%. Eggs, Fish & Shellfish and Dairy Products moved up 29.57%, 6.85% and 6.18% separately. Cereals & Cereal Products and Edible Oil prices increased 5.58% and 4.56% respectively, while Fruits prices went down 9.68%. Clothing prices rose 3.80%, mainly because Garments prices increased 3.48%. Medicines & Medical Care prices rose 1.32% due mainly to increasing of traditional Chinese medicine prices. Housing prices rose 0.91% for prices of Gas and Household Appliances moved up 6.71% and 2.39% individually. Transportation & Communication prices moved down 0.28%, mainly because Communication Fee declined 6.13%, whereas Fuels & Lubricants went up 1.76%. The General Index excluding Fruits and Vegetables increased 1.36%, the core CPI rose 1.18%.

For the whole year of 2011, the CPI increased 1.42% compared with 2010's, Commodity prices went up 2.39% and Service prices moved up 0.65%. The core CPI increased 1.12%.



### **CPI for Households in Different Disposable Income Groups**

In December 2011, the CPI for Lowest 20% Disposable Income Group went up 2.23% comparing with the same month of 2010, CPI for Middle 60% Disposable Income Group and CPI for Highest 20% Disposable Income Group increased 2.13% and 1.97% respectively.

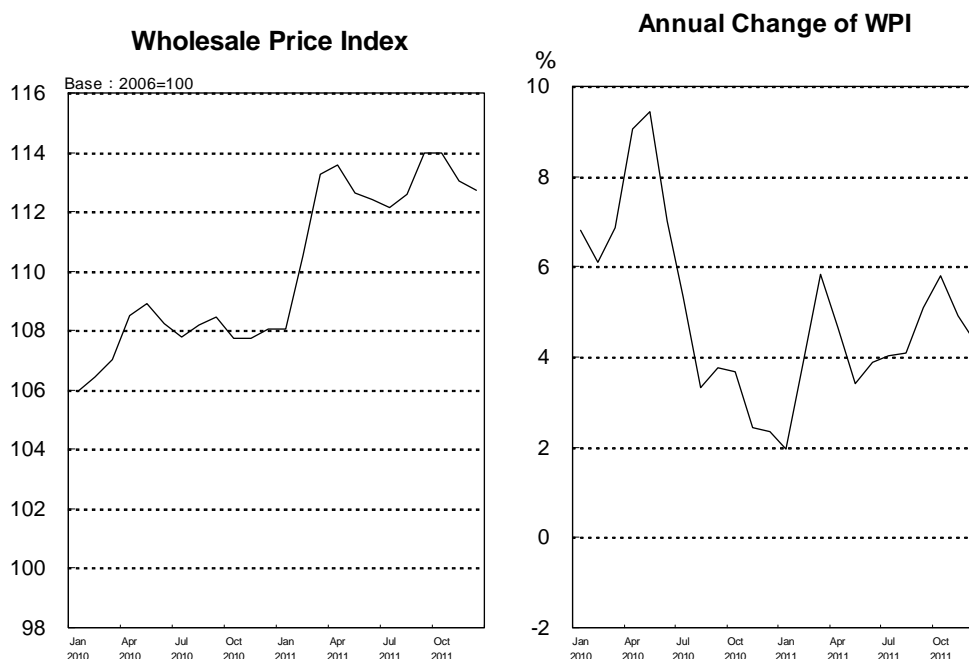
### **Wholesale Price Indices (WPI)**

The WPI in December 2011 decreased 0.28% from previous month. Mainly because prices of Crude Petroleum & Natural Gas, Petroleum & Coal Products, Fabricated Metal Products moved down 1.34%, 1.21% and 1.11% individually. In addition, imported coal prices went down which brought Other Mineral Products to decline 2.29%, while vegetables prices rose tremendously which brought prices of Farm Products to increase by 4.55%. The WPI for Domestic Sales Excluding Imports increased 0.18%. Import and Export price indices moved down 0.52% and 0.49% separately.

The annual change of WPI in December 2011, comparing with the same month of 2010, was 4.32%. Mainly because prices of Crude Petroleum & Natural Gas, Petroleum & Coal Products and Machinery & Equipment went up

24.56%, 13.16% and 6.56% respectively. Furthermore, the imported coal prices went up which brought Other Mineral Products to increase 24.68%. Nevertheless, prices of Basic Metal decreased 3.18%. The WPI for Domestic Sales Excluding Imports rose 1.65%. Import price index moved up 7.74%, Export price index went up 3.29%.

For the whole year of 2011, the WPI increased 4.32% compared with 2010's, of which the Import price index went up 7.63%, Export price index moved up 0.12%.



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Table 1 The Changes of Consumer Price Indices

Dec. 2011

Groups	Weight (%)	Index of Dec. 2011 (2006=100)	Compared with Previous Month (%)	Compared with the Same Month of Previous Year (%)	The Annual Average Index of 2011 Compared with 2010's (%)
General Index	1,000.00	108.02	0.25	2.03	1.42
Basic Group					
1. Food	260.82	118.37	1.56	5.41	2.26
Cereals & Cereal Products	19.72	122.83	0.27	5.58	4.06
Meat	23.08	124.94	-0.72	1.89	3.88
Eggs	2.00	139.43	5.54	29.57	10.15
Fish & Shellfish	16.71	143.08	1.84	6.85	6.51
Vegetables	24.81	132.46	23.39	48.05	-3.39
Fruits	27.59	97.34	-7.63	-9.68	3.61
Dairy Products	10.51	134.30	-0.79	6.18	2.89
Edible Oil	1.70	148.53	1.67	4.56	4.50
2. Clothing	41.72	116.79	-2.81	3.80	3.24
Garments	26.97	116.64	-4.02	3.48	3.30
3. Housing	279.47	103.23	-0.03	0.91	0.86
Residential Rent	185.40	101.13	-0.01	0.31	0.36
Maintenance & Repairs	14.78	110.46	-0.22	2.67	2.41
Household Appliances	27.89	107.40	-0.12	2.39	2.38
Water, Electricity & Gas Supply	36.87	110.67	0.00	2.02	1.44
Gas	9.70	131.78	0.00	6.71	4.22
4. Transportation & Communication	140.42	103.03	-0.34	-0.28	1.41
Fuels & Lubricants	32.55	118.76	-1.27	1.76	7.30
Communication Fee	31.77	86.52	0.00	-6.13	-5.46
5. Medicines & Medical Care	47.41	109.81	-0.09	1.32	1.81
Medicines & Health Food	10.62	131.34	-0.29	2.71	5.89
6. Education & Entertainment	171.48	100.20	-0.04	0.19	0.53
Educational Expense	111.25	98.38	0.05	0.20	-0.04
Entertainment Expense	60.22	103.49	-0.18	0.17	1.52
7. Miscellaneous	58.68	110.74	0.08	1.06	1.00
Tobacco & Betelnut	14.65	132.07	0.23	3.77	3.00
Personal Care Services	14.78	99.18	-0.90	-0.23	0.22
Commodity and Service Groups					
1. Commodity	437.11	113.03	0.58	3.90	2.39
(Excluding Food)	264.95	107.84	-0.58	1.64	2.19
Non-durable Consumer Goods	299.12	118.49	1.19	4.92	2.97
(Excluding Food)	126.96	115.36	-0.22	1.92	3.36
Semi-durable Consumer Goods	62.85	110.12	-1.78	2.38	2.26
Durable Consumer Goods	75.14	92.05	-0.15	0.29	-0.35
2. Service	562.89	103.90	-0.02	0.51	0.65
Food	88.66	113.54	0.25	1.96	1.44
Housing	209.54	100.85	0.00	0.36	0.42
Transportation & Communication	76.99	97.79	-0.13	-1.78	-1.14
Medical Care	33.02	103.93	-0.04	0.74	0.37
Education & Entertainment	129.64	107.14	-0.08	1.02	1.57
Miscellaneous	23.83	99.54	-0.56	0.05	0.21
Special Groups					
General Index Excluding Fruits & Vegetables	947.60	107.67	-0.13	1.36	1.48
General Index Excluding Food	739.18	104.27	-0.26	0.74	1.10
General Index Excluding Fruits, Vegetables, Fish, Shellfish & Energy	866.64	106.43	-0.13	1.18	1.12

Note: All data are subject to revision 3 months after original publication due to late reports and corrections by respondents.

Table 2 The Changes of Wholesale Price Indices

Dec. 2011

Groups	Weight (%)	Index of Dec. 2011 (2006=100)	Compared with Previous Month (%)	Compared with the Same Month of Previous Year (%)	The Annual Average Index of 2011 Compared with 2010's (%)
General Index	1000.00	112.73	-0.28	4.32	4.32
Domestic Sales Excluding Imports	307.86	115.36	0.18	1.65	5.06
Imports	327.09	125.38	-0.52	7.74	7.63
Exports	365.05	97.52	-0.49	3.29	0.12
Basic Group					
1. Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Animal Husbandry Products	27.15	144.78	3.19	11.76	9.84
(1) Farm Products	12.87	129.97	4.55	6.17	7.90
(2) Poultry & Livestock Products	6.60	138.15	-1.23	4.95	5.54
(3) Forest Products	0.41	102.33	-6.55	-11.45	0.27
(4) Fishery Products	7.27	177.43	4.99	27.56	16.90
2. Quarrying & Mineral Products	57.59	174.84	-1.53	23.91	25.89
(1) Crude Petroleum & Natural Gas	45.78	165.66	-1.34	24.56	28.19
(2) Sand, Stone & Clay Quarrying	2.56	101.96	0.01	3.07	-2.41
(3) Other Mineral Products	9.25	244.71	-2.29	24.68	22.80
3. Manufacturing Products	890.99	106.53	-0.30	2.39	2.41
(1) Foods	18.50	133.85	-0.34	2.23	6.00
(2) Beverages	5.34	104.16	-0.08	2.25	0.30
(3) Tobaccos	2.49	122.70	0.00	3.79	3.09
(4) Textile Products	21.67	129.31	-0.62	1.78	13.41
(5) Wearing Apparel & Clothing Accessories	4.65	104.62	0.10	7.93	3.24
(6) Leather, Fur & Related Products	4.97	116.42	-0.45	6.98	1.96
(7) Wood & Bamboo Products	2.15	115.96	0.09	2.90	0.73
(8) Pulp, Paper, Paper Products & Printed Matter	15.11	116.49	-0.80	-3.28	-0.32
(9) Petroleum & Coal Products	54.63	143.24	-1.21	13.16	18.58
(10) Chemical Material	91.92	123.31	-0.36	1.09	12.97
(11) Chemical Products & Medical Goods	28.00	114.04	-0.27	4.83	2.63
(12) Rubber & Plastic Products	22.42	117.96	-0.16	4.44	3.00
(13) Non-metallic Mineral Products	13.93	105.49	-0.20	0.48	-1.34
(14) Basic Metal	84.77	117.39	-0.42	-3.18	4.55
(15) Fabricated Metal Products	42.26	112.27	-1.11	1.05	1.55
(16) Electronic Parts & Components	261.17	75.79	0.01	0.50	-7.25
(17) Computer, Electronic & Optical Products	64.22	78.61	-0.20	3.03	-5.89
(18) Electrical Equipment	34.70	110.08	0.41	0.74	2.26
(19) Machinery & Equipment	67.61	116.50	-0.17	6.56	1.25
(20) Transport Equipment & Parts	34.78	111.70	0.31	3.47	1.40
(21) Furniture & Fixtures	5.20	112.34	-0.13	7.74	1.01
(22) Miscellaneous Products	10.51	113.61	-0.08	5.95	2.74
4. Water Supply, Electricity & Gas	24.28	126.29	0.00	0.20	0.86
By Stage of Processing					
1. Raw Materials	138.48	157.40	-0.86	12.04	18.99
2. Intermediate Materials	356.29	112.28	-0.26	1.35	2.46
3. Finished Goods	140.17	113.12	0.83	4.77	1.95
(1) Capital Goods	53.38	112.44	-0.13	5.12	0.55
(2) Consumer Goods	86.79	113.04	1.43	4.56	2.81
Special Groups					
Domestic Sales	634.95	120.24	-0.19	4.81	6.39
Domestic Products	672.91	106.48	-0.16	2.46	2.57
Non-Heavy Chemical Industrial Products	166.01	116.84	-0.37	2.52	3.58
Heavy Chemical Industrial Products	724.98	104.19	-0.29	2.37	2.09

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### Table 3 The Changes of Import Price Indices

Dec. 2011

Groups	Weight (%)	Index of Dec. 2011 (2006=100)	Compared with Previous Month (%)	Compared with the Same Month of Previous Year (%)	The Annual Average Index of 2011 Compared with 2010's (%)
<b>Basic Group (on N.T.D. Basis)</b>					
General Index	1,000.00	125.38	-0.52	7.74	7.63
1. Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared Foods	34.64	150.51	-1.63	3.08	10.89
2. Mineral Products & Nonmetallic Mineral Products	208.51	174.38	-1.50	21.93	25.11
3. Textiles & Textile Articles	13.85	140.68	-1.06	-0.26	21.78
4. Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	17.93	113.49	-0.87	-3.98	-1.36
5. Chemicals, Plastics, Rubber & Articles Thereof	147.68	122.65	-0.34	6.18	7.54
6. Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	118.38	116.98	0.67	-3.85	4.22
7. Machinery, Optical & Precision Instruments	166.28	117.02	-0.20	5.44	-0.12
8. Electronic Machinery	258.41	82.73	0.16	2.72	-5.36
9. Transportation Equipment & Parts	21.11	128.91	0.48	5.85	2.69
10. Miscellaneous Products	13.21	121.50	-0.43	2.09	0.76
<b>Basic Group (on U.S.D. Basis)</b>					
General Index	1,000.00	134.81	-0.66	6.54	15.37
1. Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared Foods	34.64	161.85	-1.77	1.93	18.84
2. Mineral Products & Nonmetallic Mineral Products	208.51	187.42	-1.63	20.56	34.04
3. Textiles & Textile Articles	13.85	151.24	-1.18	-1.38	30.39
4. Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	17.93	122.03	-1.01	-5.06	5.80
5. Chemicals, Plastics, Rubber & Articles Thereof	147.68	131.90	-0.46	5.00	15.30
6. Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	118.38	125.87	0.54	-4.93	11.77
7. Machinery, Optical & Precision Instruments	166.28	125.79	-0.33	4.26	7.05
8. Electronic Machinery	258.41	88.94	0.01	1.55	1.51
9. Transportation Equipment & Parts	21.11	138.57	0.34	4.67	10.06
10. Miscellaneous Products	13.21	130.62	-0.56	0.95	8.02

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Table 4 The Changes of Export Price Indices

Dec. 2011

Groups	Weight (%)	Index of Dec. 2011 (2006=100)	Compared with Previous Month (%)	Compared with the Same Month of Previous Year (%)	The Annual Average Index of 2011 Compared with 2010's (%)
Basic Group (on N.T.D. Basis)					
General Index	1,000.00	97.52	-0.49	3.29	0.12
1. Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared Foods	9.95	175.23	1.21	32.02	21.86
2. Textiles & Textile Articles	53.37	125.18	-0.41	3.08	7.40
3. Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	7.52	117.06	-1.47	-3.16	-2.24
4. Chemicals, Plastics, Rubber & Articles Thereof	123.31	117.28	-0.61	1.27	7.33
5. Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	111.70	105.65	-1.47	-2.76	0.78
6. Machinery, Optical & Precision Instruments	154.88	88.26	0.08	3.70	-4.05
7. Electronic Machinery	424.79	76.00	-0.04	1.04	-8.06
8. Transportation Equipment & Parts	32.07	110.50	0.40	4.34	1.07
9. Miscellaneous Products	82.43	128.31	-1.77	18.01	17.39
Basic Group (on U.S.D. Basis)					
General Index	1,000.00	104.89	-0.63	2.13	7.40
1. Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared Foods	9.95	188.41	1.08	30.53	30.54
2. Textiles & Textile Articles	53.37	134.61	-0.54	1.92	15.13
3. Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	7.52	125.89	-1.61	-4.25	4.89
4. Chemicals, Plastics, Rubber & Articles Thereof	123.31	126.15	-0.73	0.13	15.08
5. Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	111.70	113.67	-1.60	-3.86	8.11
6. Machinery, Optical & Precision Instruments	154.88	94.90	-0.06	2.53	2.92
7. Electronic Machinery	424.79	81.71	-0.18	-0.10	-1.37
8. Transportation Equipment & Parts	32.07	118.82	0.26	3.16	8.37
9. Miscellaneous Products	82.43	137.98	-1.90	16.68	25.85

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