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The Price Indices for October 2010

Consumer Price Indices (CPI)

The CPI in October 2010 was 106.46 (2006=100), rising 0.66% from previous month. Due mainly to new clothes became available in the market, causing Clothing prices went up 12.55%. Besides, impact by Typhoon Megi, prices of Vegetables and Fruits increased 10.61% and 6.84% respectively, while Water, Electricity & Gas Supply prices decreased 6.78% for ending of summer electricity rates application, Household Operations moved down 4.15% because of falling back of nannies fees as ending of Mid-Autumn Festival. The General Index excluding Fruits, Vegetables, Fish, Shellfish and Energy, i.e. core CPI, moved up 0.48%.

The annual change for CPI in October 2010 increased by 0.56%, due primarily to having been applied taxation reduction of motor vehicle excise during last year and Fuels & Lubricants went up, led the prices of Transportation & Communication to move up 1.22%, in addition, tour fees for traveling overseas escalated to reflect cost, while Fruits prices went down 9.36%. The core CPI rose 0.57%.

For the first ten months of 2010, the CPI increased by 0.88% over the same period of previous year, as prices of Commodity went up 1.71% and Service moved up 0.21%. The core CPI increased 0.35%.



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 October 2010, compared with the previous month: Index of Category A was 114.09 (2006=100), went up 0.68%, Category B was 109.64, increased 0.49% and Category C was 111.24, moved up 1.39%.

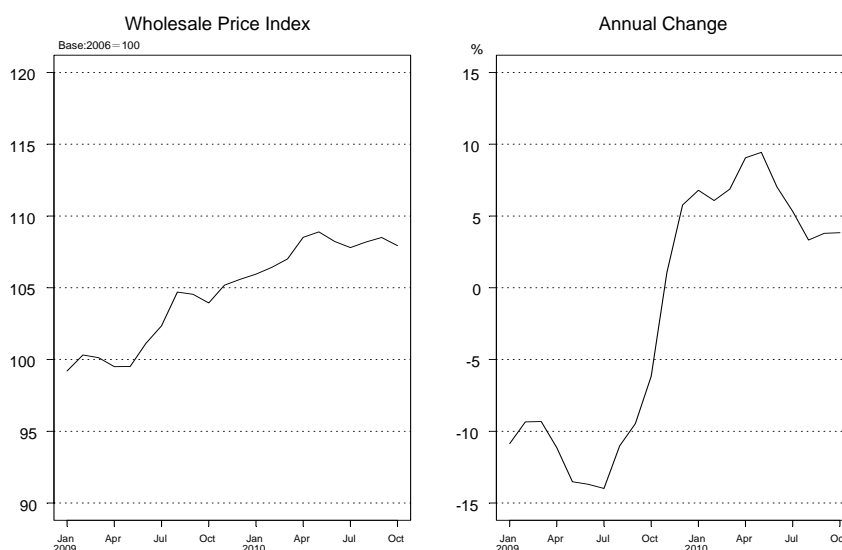
Wholesale Price Indices (WPI)

The WPI in October 2010 was 107.93 (2006=100), decreasing 0.53% from previous month, due mainly to 2.95% appreciation of Taiwan Dollar to U.S. Dollar. Besides, Water Supply, Electricity & Gas prices declined 5.36% for ending of summer rates application. Prices of imported Iron ores moved down which led Other Mineral Products prices to decrease 7.71%, prices of

Electronic Parts & Components went down 1.99%, whereas Crude Petroleum & Natural Gas and Chemical Material moved up 3.08% and 1.48% individually. Domestic Sales Excluding Imports prices rose 0.23%; Imports and Exports prices went down 0.45% and 1.35% separately.

The annual change of WPI in October 2010, comparing with the same month of 2009, increasing 3.84%, due mainly to prices escalation of imported Iron ores which causing Other Mineral Products price increased 42.15%, in addition, prices of Chemical Material and Basic Metal moved up 17.08% and 15.89% individually. Domestic Sales Excluding Imports prices rose 5.32%; Imports and Exports prices went up 5.40% and 0.81% separately.

For the first ten months of 2010, the WPI increased 6.12% compared with the same period of previous year, of which the Import and Export prices went up 7.87% and 2.72% individually.



Statistical Tables

Table1 The Changes of Consumer Price Indices

Table2 The Changes of Wholesale Price Indices

Table3 The Changes of Import Price Indices

Table4 The Changes of Export Price Indices

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