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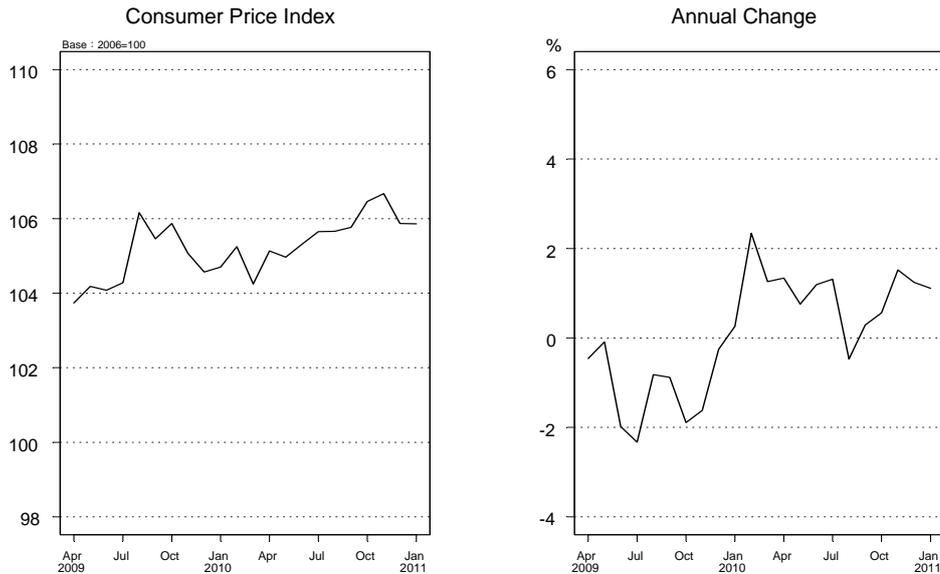
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## The Price Indices for January 2011

### Consumer Price Indices (CPI)

The CPI in January 2011 was 105.86 (2006=100), falling 0.01% from previous month, mainly because prices of Clothing decreased 4.85% for winter garments promotion, and cosmetology service prices went down brought Personal Care Services prices to decrease 4.57%. Whereas tour fees became expensive during winter vacation and Fuels & Lubricants went up 1.77% to reflect escalation of oil prices. The General Index excluding Fruits, Vegetables, Fish, Shellfish and Energy, i.e. core CPI, decreased 0.12%.

The annual change for CPI of January 2011 increased by 1.11%. Food prices went up 1.99%, of which prices of Fish & Shellfish, Meat and Vegetables moved up 12.73%, 3.81% and 3.73% separately. Tour fees and prices of Chinese herbs went up, which brought Education & Entertainment and Medicines & Medical Care prices to move up 1.44% and 1.32% respectively. Besides, Housing prices moved up 0.50%, of which Residential Rent price increased 0.34%. Prices of Transportation & Communication moved up 0.46% due mainly to 3.33% rise of Fuels & Lubricants. The General Index excluding Fruits and Vegetables increased 1.13%, the core CPI rose 0.81%.



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

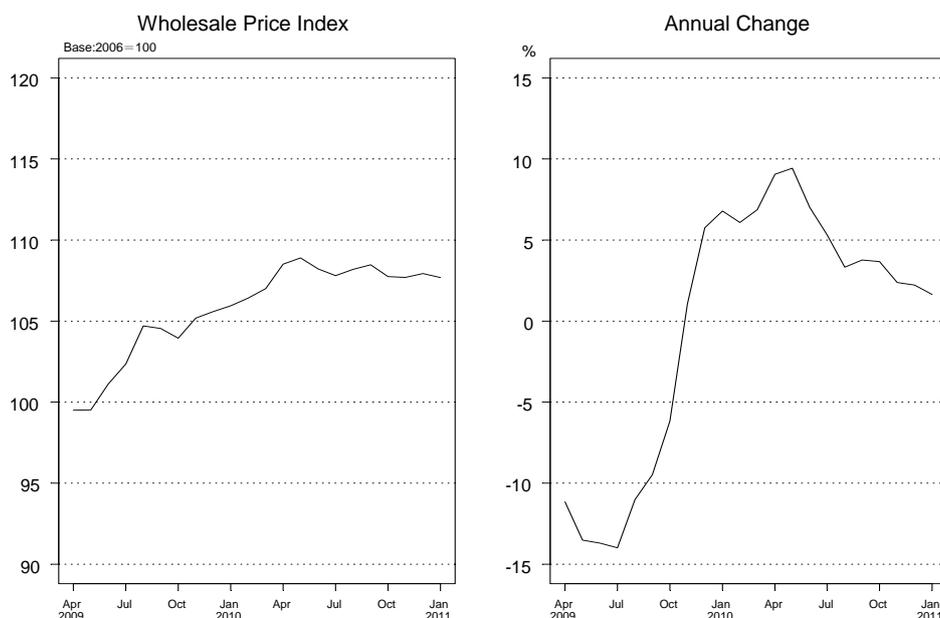
In January 2011, the CPI for Lowest 20% Disposable Income Group was 106.46 (2006=100), moved down 0.16% from December 2010, went up 1.03% comparing with the same month of 2010; CPI for Middle 60% Disposable Income Group was 106.06, down 0.02% from December 2010, rose 1.18% comparing with the same month of 2010; CPI for Highest 20% Disposable Income Group was 105.51, declined 0.02% from December 2010, while increased 1.28% comparing with the same month of 2010.

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

The WPI in January 2011 was 107.69 (2006=100), decreased 0.22% from previous month, due mainly to 2.78% appreciation of Taiwan Dollar to U.S. Dollar. Besides, prices of Electronic Parts & Components went down 2.12%, while Petroleum & Coal Products and Chemical Material prices moved up 1.52% and 1.08% individually. Domestic Sales Excluding Imports prices rose 1.04%; Imports and Exports prices moved down 0.39% and 1.31% separately.

The annual change of WPI in January 2011, comparing with the same month of 2010, increasing 1.64%, mainly because prices escalation of imported Iron ores which brought Other Mineral Products prices to increase

42.53%. In addition, prices of Basic Metal, Chemical Material and Petroleum & Coal Products moved up 10.65%, 9.32% and 6.51% individually, whereas prices of Electronic Parts & Components decreased 9.21%. Domestic Sales Excluding Imports and Imports prices rose 4.69% and 3.30% separately. While Exports prices went down 3.01%.



### 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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