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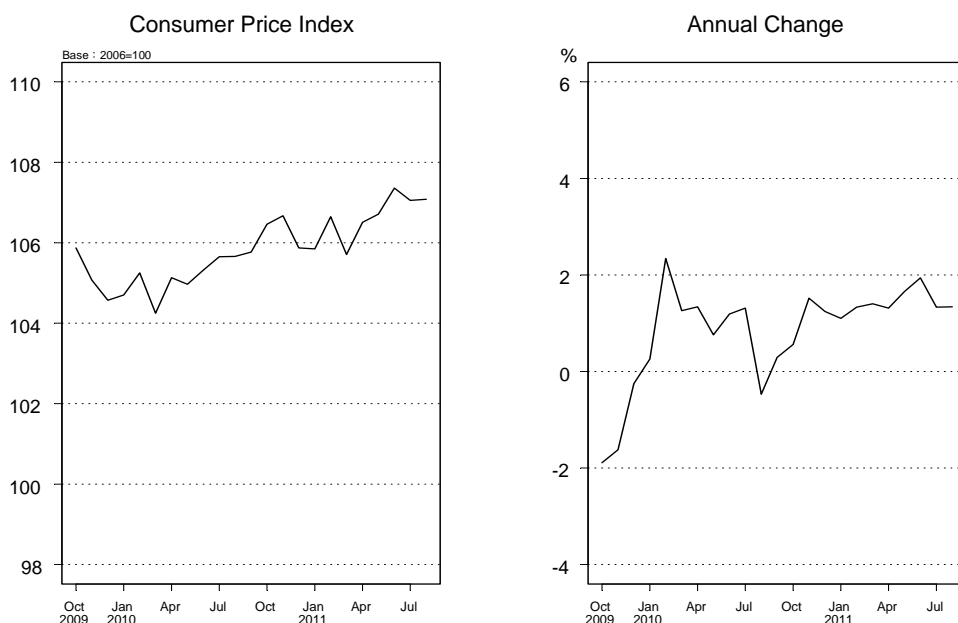
The Price Indices for August 2011

Consumer Price Indices (CPI)

The CPI in August 2011 (2006=100) rose 0.03% from previous month, mainly because prices of Vegetables and Fruits increased 8.01% and 1.92% respectively during Chinese Ghost Festival. Besides, Gas prices went up 0.55% which brought Water, Electricity & Gas Supply to move up 0.16%, while Garments prices decreased 5.86% for promotion, and tour expense for traveling went down to lower price level. The headline CPI excluding Fruits, Vegetables, Fish, Shellfish and Energy, i.e. core CPI, decreased 0.22%.

The annual change of CPI in August 2011, comparing with the same month of 2010, was 1.34%. Clothing prices rose 3.21%, mainly because Garments prices increased 2.21%. Food prices rose 1.60%, of which prices of Eggs, Edible Oil, Fish & Shellfish, Cereals & Cereal Products and Meat moved up 9.46%, 6.68%, 5.37%, 5.00% and 3.91% separately, whereas Vegetables prices declined 6.73%. Transportation & Communication prices moved up 1.36%, mainly because Fuels & Lubricants advanced 7.45%, but Communication Fee went down 6.35%. Housing prices rose 1.14% for prices of Gas, Household Appliances, Maintenance & Repairs and Residential Rent moved up 7.73%, 3.53%, 2.72% and 0.46% respectively. The General Index excluding Fruits and Vegetables increased 1.63%, the core CPI rose 1.26%.

For the first eight months of 2011, the CPI increased 1.43% over the same period of previous year, Commodity prices went up 2.39% and Service prices moved up 0.66%. The core CPI increased 1.04%.



CPI for Households in Different Disposable Income Groups

In August 2011, the CPI for Lowest 20% Disposable Income Group went up 1.37% comparing with the same month of 2010, CPI for Middle 60% Disposable Income Group and CPI for Highest 20% Disposable Income Group advanced 1.43% and 1.42% individually.

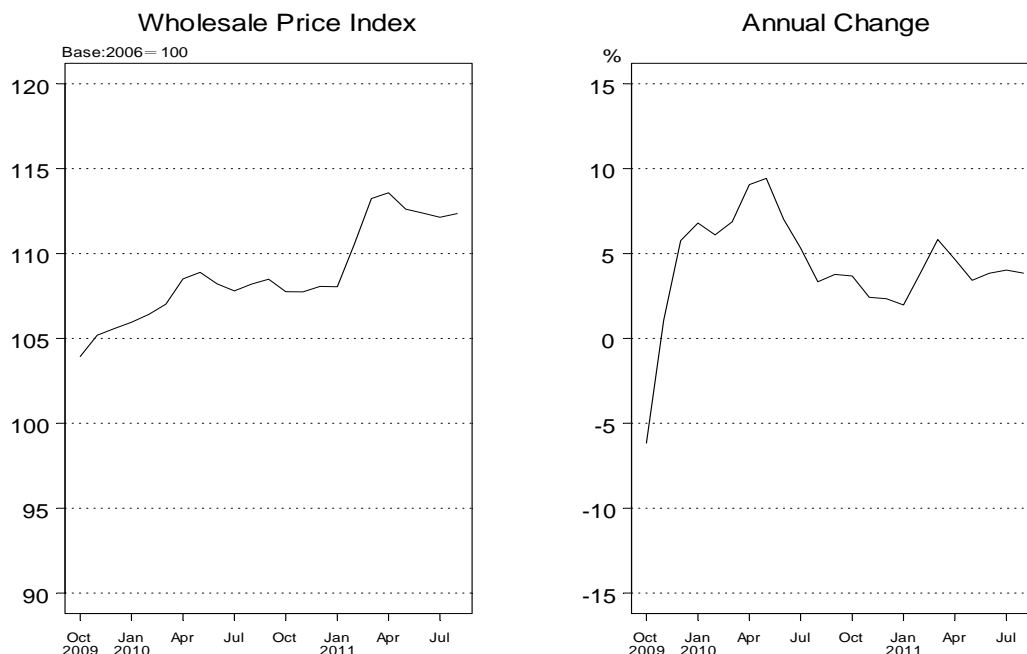
Wholesale Price Indices (WPI)

The WPI in August 2011 increased 0.20% from previous month, mainly because prices of Machinery & Equipment, Chemical Material and Rubber & Plastic Products moved up 1.50%, 1.23% and 1.07% separately. Whereas prices of Crude Petroleum & Natural Gas and Petroleum & Coal Products moved down 4.19% and 0.23% individually. The WPI for Domestic Sales Excluding Imports went up 0.23%. Import price index declined 0.15%, while Export price index moved up 0.57%.

The annual change of WPI in August 2011, comparing with the same month of 2010, was 3.85%. Mainly because prices of Crude Petroleum & Natural Gas, Petroleum & Coal Products, Chemical Material and Basic Metal went up 29.00%, 21.54%, 18.56% and 4.33% respectively, while prices of

Electronic Parts & Components decreased 9.28%. The WPI for Domestic Sales Excluding Imports rose 5.74%. Import price index moved up 6.41%, while Export price index moved down 0.71%.

For the first eight months of 2011, the WPI increased 3.93% compared with the same period of previous year, of which the Import price index went up 7.03%, whereas Export price index moved down 1.19%.



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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