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### **The Price Indices for September 2014**

#### **Consumer Price Indices (CPI)**

The CPI in September 2014 (2011=100) decreased 0.03% from the preceding month. After summer vacation, prices of entertainment expenses fell 1.90%. Meanwhile, prices of fuels and lubricants declined 2.77%. In addition to the supply lowered by the seasons change, the need of Moon Festival and the anticipation of the typhoon's strike brought prices of fruits increasing 6.94%. The general CPI excluding fruits, vegetables, and energy, i.e. core CPI, edged down 0.07%.

The annual change of CPI in September 2014, compared with the same month of 2013, climbed 0.72%. Prices of food rose 1.40%, since prices of meats, fruits, and food away from home surged 11.12%, 4.89%, and 4.43%. Prices of water, electricity, and gas supply advanced 5.50%, while prices of fuels and lubricants declined 6.19%. The core CPI increased 1.55%.

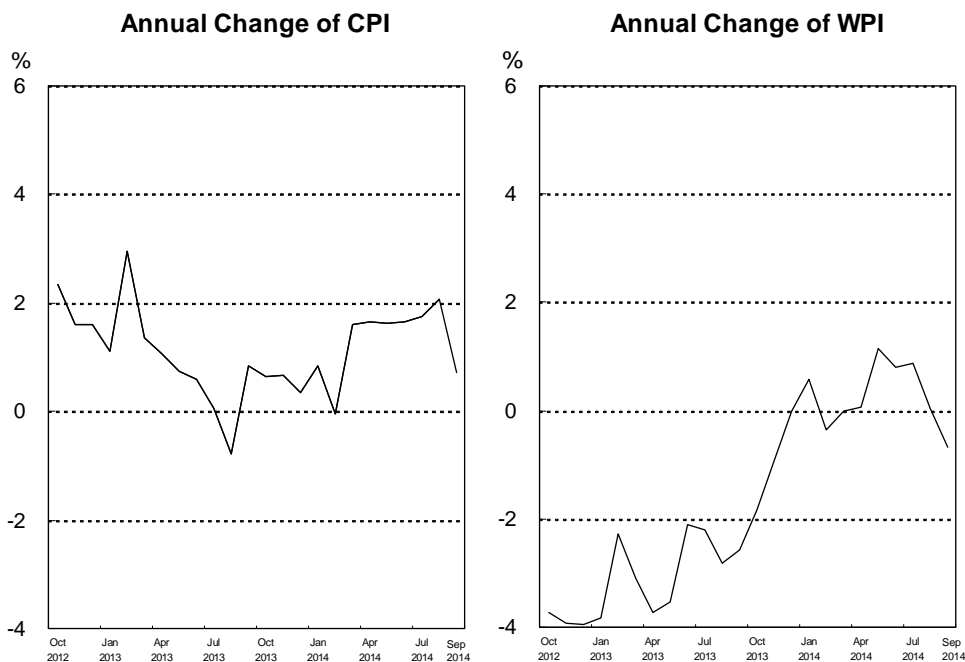
For the first three quarters, the CPI went up 1.32% over the same period of the previous year. Prices of commodity group rose 1.67%, and prices of service group climbed 1.05%. The core CPI increased 1.19%.

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

The WPI in September 2014 dropped 0.70% from the preceding month. Prices of crude petroleum and natural gas moved down 3.88%. Prices of petroleum and coal products fell 2.97%, and prices of chemical materials decreased 0.98%.

The annual change of WPI in September 2014, compared with the same month of 2013, went down 0.67%. Prices of quarrying and mineral products, including crude petroleum, natural gas, and other mineral products, dropped 8.36%. Prices of petroleum and coal products fell 4.90%, and prices of computer and electronic and optical products decreased 5.23%. However, prices of basic metals and electricity rose. The WPI for domestic sales excluding imports went up 0.23%, import price index moved down 2.42%, and export price index climbed 0.11%.

For the first three quarters of 2014, the WPI advanced 0.27% over the same period of the previous year.



**Statistical Tables**

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