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The Price Indices for January 2014

Consumer Price Indices (CPI)

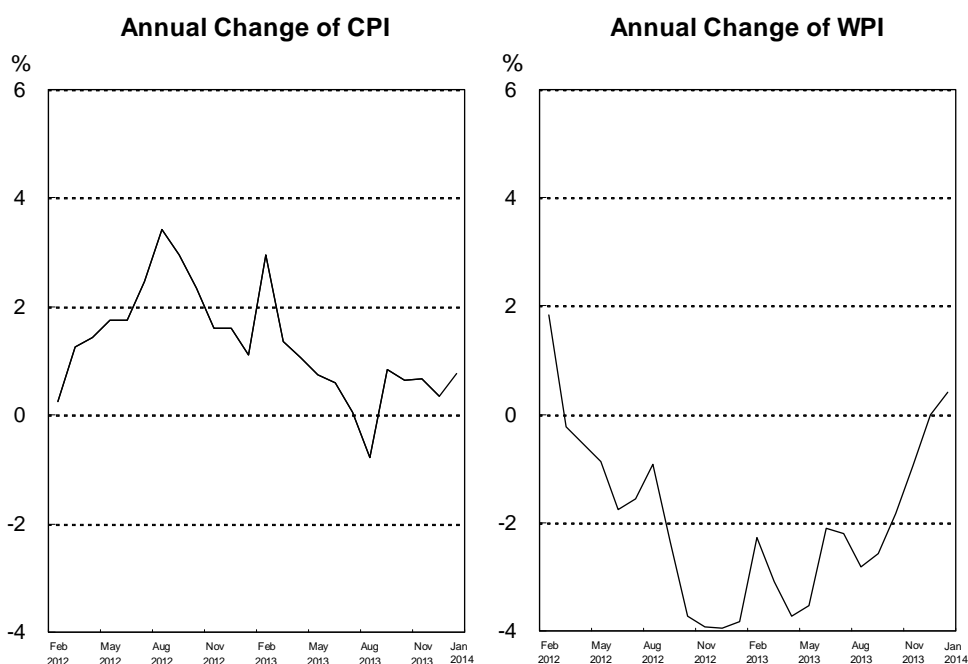
The CPI in January 2014 (2011=100) increased 0.24% from the preceding month, mainly because prices of services for nursery and nursing care and taxi fees went up during Lunar New Year festival. However, prices of vegetables moved down 15.47% due to sufficient supply. The general CPI excluding fruits, vegetables and energy, i.e. core CPI, rose 0.60%.

The annual change of CPI in January 2014, compared with the same month of 2013, rose 0.76%. Due to the distortions from the timing of Chinese New Year in January this year, prices of fruits, meats, fish and seafood were higher than last year. Furthermore, prices of bottled gas, electricity, and food away from home stayed high. Whereas, prices of vegetables, eggs, garments, and communication fees declined. The core CPI advanced 0.95%.

Wholesale Price Indices (WPI)

The WPI in January 2014 increased 0.63% from the preceding month, mainly because prices of computer, electronic and optical products, electronic parts and components, and chemical materials moved up 1.16%, 1.12%, and 0.96% individually, but prices of crude petroleum and natural gas declined 1.55% to offset the rise.

The annual change of WPI in January 2014, compared with the same month of 2013, went up 0.42%, mainly because prices of water supply, electricity and gas and electronic parts and components increased 7.89% and 2.26%, however, prices of basic metals and chemical materials decreased. The WPI for domestic sales excluding imports increased 0.40%, import price index moved down 0.39%, and export price index rose 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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