

## **The Price Indices for September 2016**

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

The CPI in September 2016 (2011=100) increased 0.45% from the preceding month. After two consecutive typhoons, prices of vegetables and fruits went up 7.73% and 3.32%. Prices of services for nursery and nursing care rose 7.36%, and prices of fuels and lubricants moved up 1.72%. However, prices of entertainment expenses fell 1.85%, and prices of garments moved down 0.96%. The general CPI excluding fruits, vegetables and energy, i.e. core CPI, advanced 0.09%.

The annual change of CPI in September 2016, compared with the same month of 2015, moved up 0.33%. Prices of fruits advanced 10.02%, prices of fish and seafood went up 6.54%, and prices of food away from home increased 1.34%. However, prices of vegetables fell 11.18%, and prices of water, electricity and gas supply declined 9.80%. The core CPI rose 0.95%.

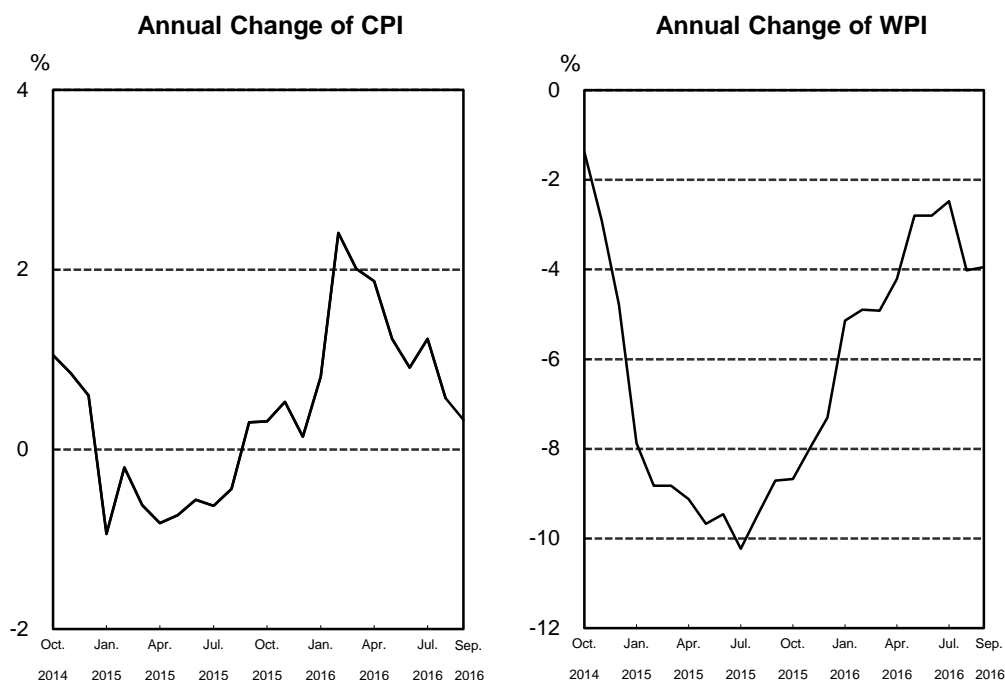
For the first three quarters of 2016, the CPI advanced 1.27% over the same period of previous year. Prices of commodity moved up 1.90%, and prices of service rose 0.80%. The core CPI increased 0.82%.

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

The WPI in September 2016 increased 0.04% from the preceding month. Prices of fishery and farm products went up 11.20% and 2.95% respectively. Prices of petroleum and coal products rose 2.0%, and prices of chemical materials advanced 0.41%. However, prices of crude petroleum and natural gas moved down 1.54%, and prices of basic metals decreased 0.77%.

The annual change of WPI in September 2016, compared with the same month of 2015, decreased 3.95%. Prices of crude petroleum and natural gas dropped 11.20%, prices of petroleum and coal products went down 10.17%, and prices of chemical materials fell 3.57%. Furthermore, prices of water supply, electricity and gas moved down 12.27%, prices of computers and electronic and optical products declined 6.09%, and prices of electronic parts and components went down 4.68%. However, prices of fishery products increased 10.94%. The WPI for domestic sales excluding imports decreased 2.23%, import price index fell 4.27%, and export price index declined 5.04%.

For the first three quarters of 2016, the WPI decreased 3.92% over the same period of previous year.



### 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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