

The Price Indices for January 2017

Consumer Price Indices (CPI)

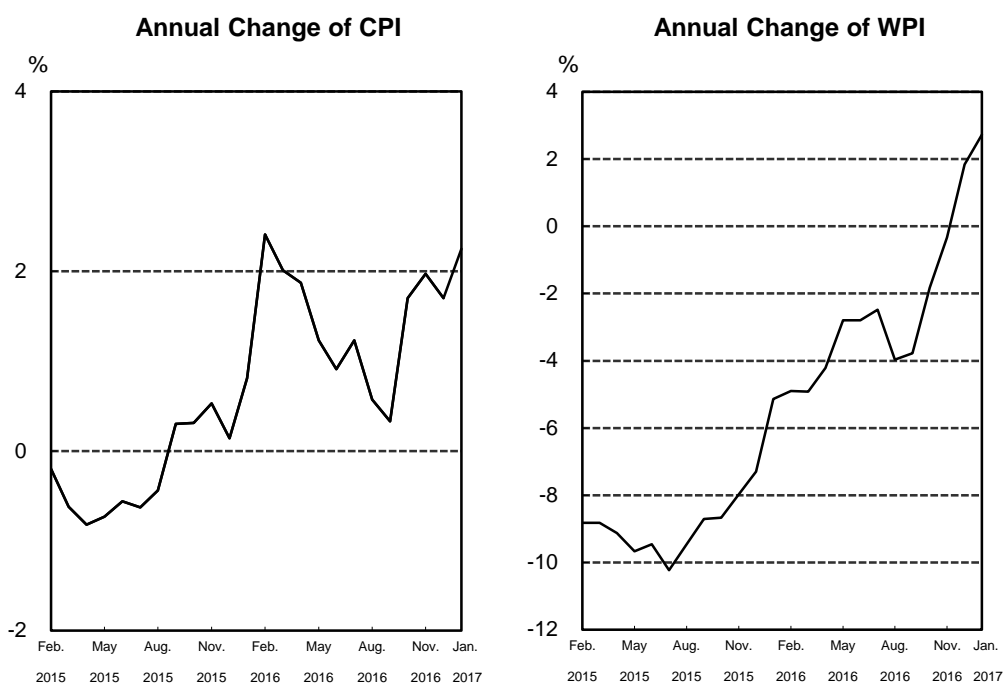
The CPI in January 2017 (2011=100) decreased 0.02% from the preceding month, mainly because prices of vegetables and garments went down 27.23% and 5.88%. However, prices of services for nursery and nursing care rose 42.48%, prices of entertainment expenses advanced 3.84%, and taxi fees moved up during Lunar New Year Festival. In addition, prices of fish and seafood increased 5.73%, and prices of fruits rose 4.06% to offset the decline. The general CPI excluding fruits, vegetables and energy, i.e. core CPI, moved up 0.67%.

The annual change of CPI in January 2017, compared with the same month of 2016, moved up 2.25%. Since Spring Festival started from January this year, prices of services for nursery and nursing care increased 45.19%, and prices of entertainment expenses moved up 4.10%. Additionally, prices of fuels and lubricants rose 27.13%, and prices of fruits went up 20.35%. Prices of fish and seafood advanced 8.70%, and prices of food away from home went up 1.60%. Nonetheless, prices of vegetables fell 7.44%, and prices of water, electricity and gas supply declined 6.75% to neutralize the increase. The core CPI went up 1.65%.

Wholesale Price Indices (WPI)

The WPI in January 2017 increased 0.66% from the preceding month. Prices of quarrying products and other mineral products went up 5.21%, and prices of petroleum and coal products went up 5.09%. Prices of chemical materials advanced 3.92%, and prices of basic metals moved up 2.34%. However, prices of farm products fell 7.20%, and prices of electronic parts and components decreased 0.37%.

The annual change of WPI in January 2017, compared with the same month of 2016, increased 2.72%. Prices of crude petroleum and natural gas rose 62.65%, prices of quarrying products and other mineral products went up 30.34%, and prices of petroleum and coal products advanced 27.27%. Prices of basic metals moved up 17.16%, and prices of chemical materials rose 14.57%. However, prices of water supply, electricity and gas moved down 8.90%, and prices of computers and electronic and optical products declined 4.55%. Prices of electronic parts and components went down 4.51%, and prices of machinery and equipment fell 3.76%. The WPI for domestic sales excluding imports increased 5.05%, import price index moved up 4.94%, but export price index decreased 0.75%.



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