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# The Price Indices for October 2017

# **Consumer Price Indices (CPI)**

The CPI in October 2017 (2011=100) increased 0.62% from the preceding month. Prices of garments, tobacco and betel nuts, and vegetables rose 18.01%, 9.55%, and 4.08% respectively. On the other hand, the price of water, electricity and gas supply fell 9.39% to offset the increase. The general CPI excluding fruits, vegetables and energy (core CPI) increased 0.83%.

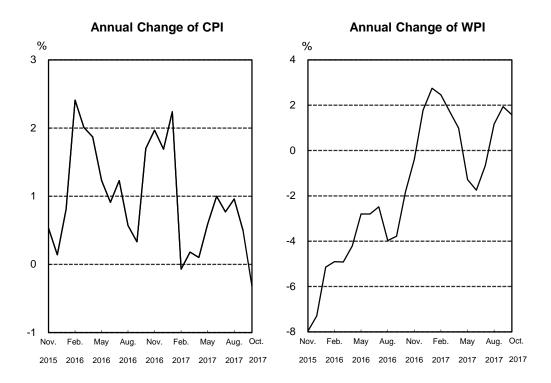
The annual change of CPI in October 2017, compared with the same month of 2016, decreased 0.32%. Prices of vegetables, fruits, and eggs fell 25.85%, 15.87%, and 12.86% respectively. Nonetheless, prices of tobacco and betel nuts, services for nursery and nursing care, and fuels and lubricants rose 15.72%, 9.33%, and 5.57% respectively. The core CPI increased 1.13%.

For the first ten months of 2017, the CPI increased 0.59% over the same period of previous year. Prices of commodity and services rose 0.06% and 0.98%, respectively. The core CPI increased 0.96%.

## Wholesale Price Indices (WPI)

The WPI in October 2017 increased 0.47% from the preceding month. Prices of crude petroleum and natural gas, fishery products, and petroleum and coal products increased 4.39%, 4.23%, and 3.44% respectively, but the price of water supply, electricity and gas fell 4.98%. The annual change of WPI in October 2017, compared with the same month of 2016, increased 1.58%. Prices of quarrying and mineral products, basic metals, and petroleum and coal products rose 15.25%, 15.01%, and 10.53%. However, prices of farm products, non-metallic mineral products, and machinery and equipment decreased 21.55%, 6.39%, and 3.80%. The WPI for domestic sales excluding imports increased 3.15%, imports price index also rose 1.98%, but export price index decreased 0.01%.

For the first ten months of 2017, the WPI increased 0.89% 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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