

## **The Price Indices for February 2022**

### **Consumer Price Index (CPI)**

The CPI in February 2022 increased 0.01% from the preceding month, mainly because of the Lunar New Year holiday effects. The index for entertainment expenses rose 1.91% as hotel charges and domestic package holidays fees increased. The index for vegetables rose 7.25% due to the decreasing supply with cold snap and continuous rainfalls. The index for fuels and lubricants also rose 1.81% as the international oil prices went up. Moreover, indices for eggs, services for personal care, as well as food away from home rose 7.15%, 2.26%, and 0.96%, respectively. However, the index for services for nursery and nursing care decreased 20.00% due to the extra cash gift expended before the Lunar New Year's Eve in January; the index for fruits fell 6.81%; the index for garments fell 1.85% due to promotions of winter clothes, offsetting part of the increase. The general CPI excluding fruits, vegetables and energy (core CPI) rose 0.02%.

The CPI in February 2022, compared with the same month of 2021, increased 2.36%, mainly because the index for fuels and lubricants rose 16.88% as the international oil prices went up. The index for fruits rose 12.71% due to the delayed effect of heavy rains last year. The index for transportation fees also rose 5.86% due to the increase in airfares. Moreover, indices for eggs, vegetables, maintenance and repair of dwellings, as well as food away from home rose 24.30%, 9.67%, 6.82%, and 4.80%, respectively. However, the index for services for nursery and nursing care fell 17.86% due to the Lunar New Year's Eve of 2021 fell in February while that of 2022 fell in January; the index for communication equipment fell 4.55% owing to the decrease in the prices of mobile phones, offsetting part of the increase. The core CPI increased 1.65%.

For the first two months of 2022, the CPI increased 2.60% over the same period of previous year. The index for commodity and service moved up 3.49% and 1.87%, respectively. The core CPI increased 2.03%.

## **Wholesale Price Index (WPI)**

The WPI in February 2022 increased 1.81% from the preceding month. Indices for petroleum and coal products, quarrying and mining products, as well as electronic parts and components rose 8.14%, 7.64%, and 1.00%, respectively. The index for chemical material, other chemical products and pharmaceuticals also rose 2.34%. However, the index for poultry and livestock products fell 1.98%, offsetting part of the increase.

The WPI in February 2022, compared with the same month of 2021, increased 11.54%. Indices for quarrying and mining products, petroleum and coal products, as well as basic metals rose 48.35%, 39.40%, and 22.40%, respectively. The index for chemical material, other chemical products and pharmaceuticals also rose 14.63%. The price index for domestic sales excluding imports (DPI) increased 11.00%, import price index (IPI) and export price index (EPI) also rose 12.98% and 10.70%, respectively.

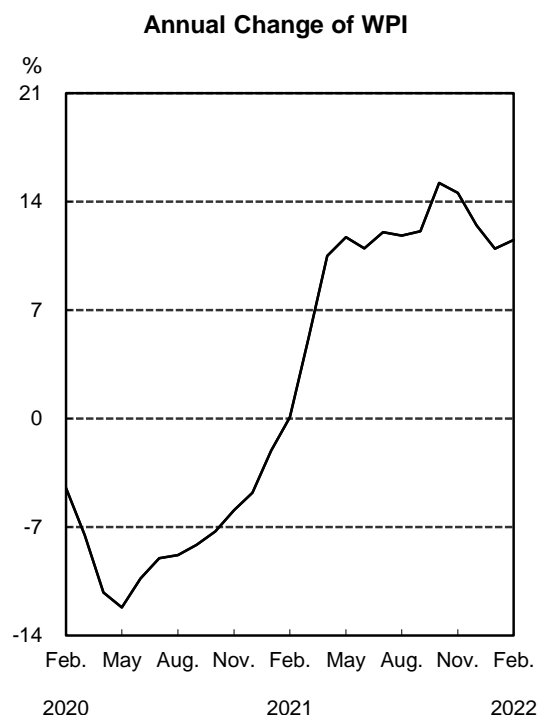
For the first two months of 2022, the WPI increased 11.26% over the same period of previous year. The DPI, IPI and EPI rose 11.06%, 12.50% and 10.33%, respectively.

## **Producer Price Index (PPI)**

The PPI, the price index for products domestically produced, in February 2022 rose 1.27% from the preceding month, mainly because the index for petroleum and coal products rose 7.87%. The index for chemical material, other chemical products and pharmaceuticals also rose 2.97%. However, the index for poultry and livestock products fell 1.99%, offsetting part of the increase.

The PPI in February 2022, compared with the same month of 2021, increased 10.73%. Indices for petroleum and coal products, fabricated metal products, basic metals, as well as electronic parts and components rose 36.77%, 23.86%, 20.50%, and 6.15%, respectively. Moreover, the index for chemical material, other chemical products and pharmaceuticals rose 15.27%.

For the first two months of 2022, the PPI increased 10.72% over the same period of previous year.



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