

## **The Price Indices for March 2022**

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

The CPI in March 2022 increased 0.31% from the preceding month, mainly because the index for fuels and lubricants rose 5.29% as the international oil prices went up. The index for vegetables rose 4.73% due to the cold snap. Moreover, indices for eggs, personal effects, as well as cosmetic items rose 2.88%, 2.11% and 1.23%, respectively. However, the index for fruits decreased 3.58%; the index for entertainment expenses fell 1.81% after the Lunar New Year holidays in February; the index for garments fell 0.93% due to promotions of winter clothes, offsetting part of the increase. The general CPI excluding fruits, vegetables and energy (core CPI) rose 0.19%.

The CPI in March 2022, compared with the same month of 2021, increased 3.27%, mainly because the index for vegetables rose 24.35% due to the cold snap and a relatively lower comparison base. The index for eggs rose 23.00% due to increased feeding costs. The index for fuels and lubricants rose 19.20% as the international oil prices went up. Moreover, indices for fruits, food away from home, transportation fees, meats, as well as household appliances rose 8.53%, 5.26%, 4.62%, 4.54%, and 3.25%, respectively. However, the index for communication equipment fell 4.40%, offsetting part of the increase. The core CPI increased 2.47%.

For the first quarter of 2022, the CPI increased 2.81% over the same period of previous year. The index for commodity and service moved up 3.82% and 1.99%, respectively. The core CPI increased 2.18%.

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

The PPI, the price index for products domestically produced, in March 2022 rose 3.43% from the preceding month, mainly because the index for petroleum and coal products rose 14.51%. The index for chemical material, other chemical products and pharmaceuticals also rose 6.00%.

The PPI in March 2022, compared with the same month of 2021, increased 11.67%. Indices for petroleum and coal products, fabricated metal products, basic metals, as well as electronic parts and components rose 48.39%, 25.07%, 21.69%, and 6.37%, respectively. Moreover, the index for chemical material, other chemical products and pharmaceuticals rose 11.28%.

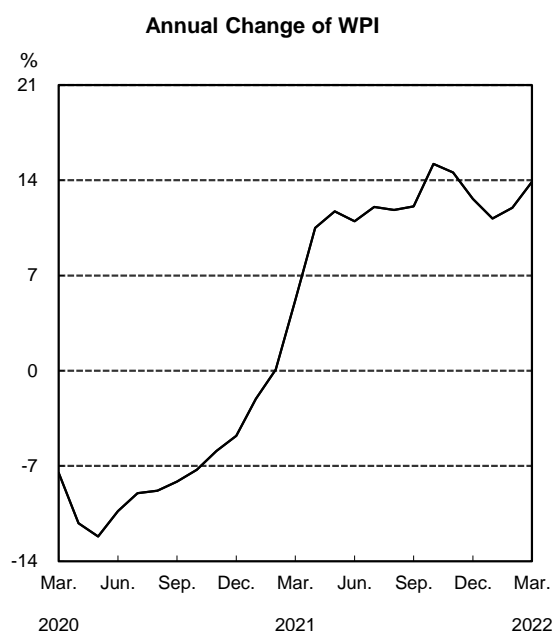
For the first quarter of 2022, the PPI increased 11.16% over the same period of previous year.

### Wholesale Price Index (WPI)

The WPI in March 2022 increased 3.99% from the preceding month. Indices for petroleum and coal products, as well as quarrying and mining products rose 16.20% and 15.46%. The index for chemical material, other chemical products and pharmaceuticals also rose 5.33%.

The WPI in March 2022, compared with the same month of 2021, increased 13.89%. Indices for quarrying and mining products, petroleum and coal products, basic metals, as well as electronic parts and components rose 64.14%, 53.67%, 22.97%, and 9.18%, respectively. The index for chemical material, other chemical products and pharmaceuticals also rose 12.48%. The price index for domestic sales excluding imports (DPI) increased 11.64%, import price index (IPI) and export price index (EPI) also rose 17.24% and 12.55%, respectively.

For the first quarter of 2022, the WPI increased 12.38% over the same period of previous year. The DPI, IPI and EPI rose 11.31%, 14.26% and 11.49%, respectively.



### Statistical Tables

Table1 The Changes of Consumer Price Indices

Table2 The Changes of Producer Price Indices

Table3 The Changes of Wholesale Price Indices

Table4 The Changes of Import Price Indices

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