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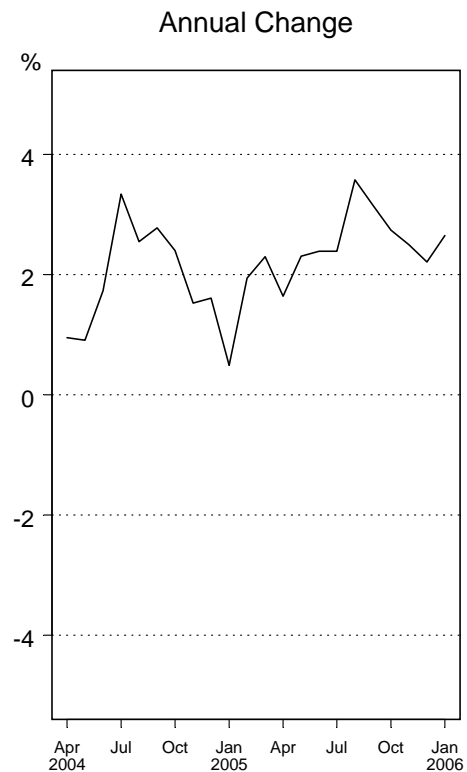
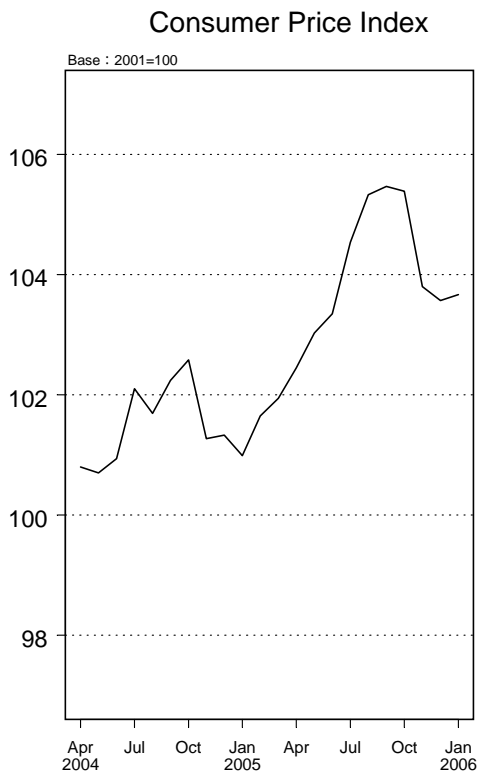
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### The Price Indices for January 2006

#### Consumer Price Indices (CPI)

The CPI in January 2006 was 103.67 (2001=100), up 0.10% from last month, due mainly to 2.50% rises of Housing prices.

The CPI in January 2006 increased 2.65% from the same month of last year, due mainly to prices of Medicines & Medical Care and Food up 6.26% and 6.04% respectively. The General Index excluding Fruits, Vegetables, Fish, Shellfish and Energy, i.e. core CPI, was up 1.37%.



## Wholesale Price Indices (WPI)

The WPI in January 2006 was 110.03 (2001=100), down 1.36% from last month, due mainly to prices of Farm Products and Computer, Communication Eq., Audio & Video Equipment down 5.10% and 3.00% respectively.

The WPI in January 2006 increased 1.04% from the same month of last year, due mainly to prices of Energy Minerals and Petroleum & Coal Products rising 37.34% and 19.79% respectively. Besides, the Import Price Index rose 5.24% and Export Price Index fell 1.82%.



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Table 1 The Changes of Consumer Price Indices

Jan. 2006

Groups	Weight (%)	Index of Jan. 2006 (2001=100)	Compared with Last Month (%)	Compared with the Same Month of Last Year (%)
General Index	1,000.00	103.67	0.10	2.65
Basic Group				
1. Food	250.54	110.10	-1.64	6.04
Meat	25.17	115.05	1.81	3.02
Fish & Shellfish	16.73	111.42	2.30	2.10
Vegetables	27.89	108.77	-15.93	12.30
Fruits	27.94	123.43	-0.15	31.88
2. Clothing	47.46	100.29	-6.51	-2.88
Garments	32.52	98.81	-8.64	-4.05
3. Housing	307.94	100.26	2.50	2.93
Residential Rent	210.96	97.40	0.01	0.06
Water, Electricity & Gas Supply	37.37	103.08	1.02	2.46
4. Transportation & Communication	126.25	101.44	0.16	0.46
Oils	22.63	124.60	0.25	7.62
Communication Services	77.27	97.66	0.13	-0.73
5. Medicines & Medical Care	37.37	114.07	0.08	6.26
Medical Care Services	24.96	120.34	0.26	8.63
6. Education & Entertainment	161.11	99.03	0.29	-0.36
Educational Expense	118.75	100.26	-0.03	0.21
7. Miscellaneous	69.33	105.95	0.89	1.57
Personal Care Services	14.01	103.10	2.27	2.69
Commodity and Service Groups				
1. Commodity	528.52	105.08	-1.33	2.99
(Excluding Food)	277.97	100.55	-1.00	0.13
Non-durable Consumer Goods	384.36	109.21	-0.92	5.00
(Excluding Food)	133.81	107.71	0.51	3.07
Semi-durable Consumer Goods	62.59	98.59	-5.24	-2.67
Durable Consumer Goods	81.57	89.45	-0.21	-3.12
2. Service	471.48	102.08	1.78	2.27
Housing	237.03	100.28	3.15	3.27
Transportation & Communication	74.10	97.57	0.13	-0.81
Medical Care	24.69	121.00	0.26	8.71
Education & Entertainment	104.85	104.87	0.55	0.88
Miscellaneous	30.81	101.01	1.11	1.30
Special Groups				
General Index Excluding Fruits & Vegetables	944.17	103.01	0.70	1.59
General Index Excluding Food	749.46	101.53	0.74	1.48
General Index Excluding Fruits, Vegetables, Fish, Shellfish & Energy	873.10	102.28	0.68	1.37

Note :Due to late reports and corrections by respondents all data are subject to revision 3 months after original publication.

## Table 2 The Changes of Wholesale Price Indices

Jan. 2006

Groups	Weight (%)	Index of Jan. 2006 (2001=100)	Compared with Last Month (%)	Compared with the Same Month of Last Year (%)
General Index	1000.00	110.03	-1.36	1.04
General Index Excluding Import & Export	360.47	116.43	-0.06	-0.30
Import	310.71	119.00	-1.68	5.24
Export	328.82	94.53	-2.74	-1.82
Basic Group				
1. Agriculture, Forestry, Livestock & Fishery	39.30	117.28	-0.95	1.38
(1) Farm Products	19.89	112.94	-5.10	8.18
(2) Forest Products	0.51	141.71	-3.34	5.82
(3) Livestock & Poultry	9.66	131.58	6.22	-5.00
(4) Aquatic Products	9.24	108.87	0.38	-3.99
2. Minerals Products	37.73	212.28	1.11	35.99
(1) Energy Minerals	30.16	221.33	1.17	37.34
(2) Sand, Gravel & Crushed Stone	3.71	164.65	6.31	10.58
3. Manufacturing Products	889.18	105.60	-1.66	-1.18
(1) Food & Beverages	38.61	115.09	-0.15	1.65
(2) Tobaccos	4.66	132.70	-0.16	-1.45
(3) Textile Products	37.11	102.00	-1.74	-0.25
(4) Ready-made Apparel & Accessories	12.22	88.68	-2.83	-0.65
(5) Hides, Skins, Leather & Related Products	8.47	100.01	-2.32	1.31
(6) Lumber & Wood Products	3.56	106.20	-2.32	0.39
(7) Furniture & Fixture	8.76	107.90	-1.38	1.30
(8) Pulp, Paper, Paper Products & Printed	21.45	101.66	-1.39	-1.78
(9) Chemicals	63.87	160.79	-0.50	-1.09
(10) Chemical Products	30.02	95.61	-1.64	0.19
(11) Petroleum & Coal Products	41.01	155.99	-0.64	19.79
(12) Rubber & Plastic Products	31.42	108.30	-1.07	-0.02
(13) Nonmetallic Mineral Products	14.80	111.01	-0.05	-4.32
(14) Primary Metal Products	57.25	170.95	-2.33	-4.49
(15) Metal Products	30.52	119.88	-2.51	-7.64
(16) Machinery	60.94	98.23	-1.47	-2.01
(17) Computer, Communication Eq., Audio & Video Equipment	129.17	66.35	-3.00	-5.25
(18) Electronic Components & Accessories	176.39	75.45	-2.37	-5.62
(19) Electrical Equipments & Apparatus	41.65	109.74	-1.16	6.94
(20) Transportation Equipment & Parts	45.15	96.98	-1.04	-3.04
(21) Precision Instruments	19.24	94.19	-2.88	-2.40
(22) Miscellaneous Products	12.91	104.26	-2.07	3.38
4. Water Supply, Electricity & Gas	33.79	101.11	0.39	1.11
By Stage of Processing				
1. Raw Materials	61.00	178.03	0.88	22.05
2. Intermediate Materials	413.28	117.00	-1.05	-0.60
3. Finished Goods	196.90	99.14	-1.18	-0.01
(1) Capital Goods	68.55	90.92	-1.58	-2.77
(2) Consumer Goods	128.35	103.32	-0.98	1.31
Special Groups				
General Index Excluding Exports	671.18	117.50	-0.82	2.18
General Index Excluding Imports	689.29	106.17	-1.21	-0.94
Non Heavy Chemical Industrial Products	211.51	103.72	-1.32	0.20
Heavy Chemical Industrial Products	677.67	106.20	-1.76	-1.59

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Table 3 The Changes of Import Price Indices

Jan. 2006

Groups	Weight (%)	Index of Jan. 2006 (2001=100)	Compared with Last Month (%)	Compared with the Same Month of Last Year (%)
Basic Group (on N.T.D. Basis)				
General Index	1,000.00	119.00	-1.68	5.24
1. Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared Foods	47.60	119.76	-0.40	3.46
2. Mineral Products	134.52	208.75	0.22	36.10
3. Textiles & Textile Articles	23.09	103.15	-3.23	1.37
4. Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	25.78	111.68	-3.10	-0.22
5. Chemicals, Plastics, Rubber & Articles Thereof	133.44	128.14	-2.18	-2.09
6. Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	76.14	177.32	-1.70	7.08
7. Machinery, Optical & Precision Instruments	166.08	94.63	-1.60	-5.44
8. Electronic Machinery	355.47	77.87	-3.10	-4.87
9. Transportation Equipment & Parts	20.86	94.96	-2.72	-4.17
10. Miscellaneous Products	17.02	101.39	-2.34	0.38
Basic Group (on U.S.D. Basis)				
General Index	1,000.00	125.15	1.93	4.63
1. Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared Foods	47.60	126.02	3.25	2.86
2. Mineral Products	134.52	219.46	3.90	35.30
3. Textiles & Textile Articles	23.09	108.47	0.32	0.77
4. Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	25.78	117.43	0.44	-0.82
5. Chemicals, Plastics, Rubber & Articles Thereof	133.44	134.71	1.40	-2.67
6. Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	76.14	186.45	1.90	6.45
7. Machinery, Optical & Precision Instruments	166.08	99.52	2.01	-5.99
8. Electronic Machinery	355.47	81.87	0.44	-5.46
9. Transportation Equipment & Parts	20.86	99.89	0.86	-4.72
10. Miscellaneous Products	17.02	106.65	1.24	-0.22

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## Table 4 The Changes of Export Price Indices

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Groups	Weight (%)	Index of Jan. 2006 (2001=100)	Compared with Last Month (%)	Compared with the Same Month of Last Year (%)
Basic Group (on N.T.D. Basis)				
General Index	1,000.00	94.53	-2.74	-1.82
1. Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared Foods	15.98	118.43	-2.20	-2.16
2. Textiles & Textile Articles	103.87	99.26	-2.50	0.02
3. Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	10.44	102.13	-3.56	1.08
4. Chemicals, Plastics, Rubber & Articles Thereof	99.77	119.25	-1.64	-2.26
5. Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	93.17	131.51	-4.20	-7.96
6. Machinery, Optical & Precision Instruments	97.27	94.50	-3.29	-0.95
7. Electronic Machinery	479.49	73.27	-2.66	-3.04
8. Transportation Equipment & Parts	32.16	89.34	-3.06	-5.48
9. Miscellaneous Products	67.85	124.16	-1.88	13.71
Basic Group (on U.S.D. Basis)				
General Index	1,000.00	99.43	0.84	-2.41
1. Animal, Vegetable Products & Prepared Foods	15.98	124.49	1.39	-2.76
2. Textiles & Textile Articles	103.87	104.42	1.07	-0.58
3. Wood, Paper, Pulp & Articles Thereof	10.44	107.43	0.00	0.49
4. Chemicals, Plastics, Rubber & Articles Thereof	99.77	125.39	1.98	-2.84
5. Primary Metals & Articles Thereof	93.17	138.33	-0.67	-8.51
6. Machinery, Optical & Precision Instruments	97.27	99.43	0.28	-1.53
7. Electronic Machinery	479.49	77.04	0.92	-3.62
8. Transportation Equipment & Parts	32.16	93.96	0.51	-6.04
9. Miscellaneous Products	67.85	130.65	1.72	13.03

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