

## The Consumer Price Index in Taipei for August 2010

The Consumer Price Index(CPI) in Taipei for August 2010 was 104.83(2006=100), falling 0.23% from previous month. Prices of Clothing went down 3.09%, due mainly to price of Garments moved down 4.81% for the impact of promotions. Education & Entertainment fees went down 0.34%, due mainly to tour fee of overseas traveling that came to the original lower price level for summer vacation is about to end.

The annual change for CPI in Taipei for August 2010, compared with the same month of previous year, moved down 0.48%. Due primarily to stable climate, Vegetables and Fruits prices decreased 20.05% and 13.84% individually, compared with the same month of 2009, which prices were relatively expensive influencing by the impact of Typhoon Morakot. Education Expense price moved down 3.32%. While Garments price moved up 4.18%, Fuels & Lubricants price went up 2.84%.

For the first eight months of 2010, the CPI increased by 0.28% over the same period of previous year. Prices of Transportation & Communication moved up 3.43%, prices of Housing went up 0.32%, prices of Clothing moved up 1.80%, prices of Medicines and Medical Care went up 1.08%, prices of Miscellaneous went up 1.04%, prices of Food moved up 0.16%, Education & Entertainment fees moved down 2.41%.

