

The Consumer Price Index in Taipei for March 2011

The Consumer Price Index(CPI) in Taipei for March 2011 was 105.05(2006=100), falling 1.34% from previous month, mainly because after Chinese New Year's Festival, housecleaning service and nannies costs came down which brought Household Operations prices to move down 37.57%, and Transportation & Communication Services and Vehicle Parts went down 0.41%. Besides, Vegetables declined 5.61% for sufficient supply, Fish & Shellfish and Meat prices decreased 8.25% and 1.17% respectively.

The annual change for CPI in Taipei for March 2011, compared with the same month of previous year, moved up 1.39%. Clothing prices went up 4.94%. Fuels & Lubricants advanced 11.90% which brought Transportation & Communication prices to move up 2.74%. Food prices rose 1.83%, of which prices of Food Away from Home, Fruits, Fish & Shellfish went up 2.10%, 9.26%, 6.50% separately. Besides, Education & Entertainment and Housing prices moved up 0.92% and 0.49% individually.

For the first quarter of 2011, the CPI increased by 1.27% over the same period of previous year. Prices of Food went up 2.10%, prices of Transportation & Communication moved up 1.80%, prices of Housing went up 0.52%, prices of Clothing moved up 4.16% , Education & Entertainment fees moved up 0.62%, prices of Medicines and Medical Care went up 1.39%, prices of Miscellaneous went down 0.04%.

