

The Consumer Price Index in Taipei for April 2011

The Consumer Price Index(CPI) in Taipei for April 2011 was 106.06(2006=100), rising 0.96% from previous month, mainly because prices for clothing went up 14.54% when new items for spring/summer seasons beginning to arrive on the market. In addition, prices of Food moved up 0.77% due to prices of Vegetables, Meat and Fruits increased 5.25%, 1.63% and 2.29% individually.

The annual change for CPI in Taipei for April 2011, compared with the same month of previous year, went up 1.32%. Food prices rose 1.80%, of which prices of Fish & Shellfish, Food Away from Home, Meat and Fruits moved up 5.94%, 1.28%, 3.77% and 5.44% separately, whereas Vegetables declined 7.53%. Fuels & Lubricants advanced 9.52% which brought Transportation & Communication prices to move up 2.73%. Besides, Medicines and Medical Care and Education & Entertainment increased 2.61% and 0.95% due to prices of Chinese herbs and tour fees went up.

For the first four months of 2011, the CPI increased by 1.27% over the same period of previous year. Prices of Food went up 2.03%, prices of Transportation & Communication moved up 2.04%, prices of Housing went up 0.53%, prices of Clothing moved up 3.52%, Education & Entertainment fees moved up 0.70%, prices of Medicines and Medical Care went up 1.71%, prices of Miscellaneous went down 0.02%.

