

The Consumer Price Index in Taipei for December 2012

The Consumer Price Index(CPI) in Taipei for December 2012 was 108.56(2006=100), increased 0.18% from the previous month, mainly because prices of Vegetables went up 23.00% owing to the effect of cold, wet weather. In addition, Cosmetic Items and Medicines & Health Food moved up 2.67% and 1.70% due to the reduction of discount.

The annual change for CPI in Taipei for December 2012, compared with the same month of previous year, moved up 1.48%. Food prices rose 2.20% for prices of Fruits, Food Away from Home, and Cereals & Cereal Products went up 17.08%, 2.40% and 1.07% separately. Transportation & Communication increased 2.17% for prices of Fuels & Lubricants moved up 10.08%. Housing prices rose 1.13%, of which prices of Water, Electricity & Gas Supply and Residential Rent moved up 4.44% and 0.64% respectively.

For the whole year of 2012, the CPI increased 1.63% compared with 2011's. Prices of Food went up 3.87%, prices of Clothing moved up 2.34%, prices of Miscellaneous rose 1.49%, prices of Housing went up 1.09%, prices of Medicines and Medical Care increased 0.53%, prices of Transportation & Communication moved up 0.22%, prices of Education & Entertainment moved up 0.11%.

