

## The Consumer Price Index in Taipei for April 2013

The Consumer Price Index(CPI) in Taipei for April 2013 was 101.67(2011=100), increased 0.59% from the previous month, mainly because prices of Clothing went up 15.27% with the availability of new arrivals for spring/summer clothing. Besides, Vegetables prices moved up 13.56% due to unstable weather. Nevertheless, Fruits, Fuels & Lubricants prices, and Educational Expenses decreased 4.22%, 2.07% and 0.66% respectively, which offset partly rise of CPI.

The annual change of CPI in Taipei for April 2013, compared with the same month of previous year, moved up 0.52%, mainly because prices of Vegetables, Household Appliances, and Water, Electricity& Gas Supply, and Residential Rent went up 12.34%, 3.99%, 3.42%, and 0.75% separately. Nevertheless, Fruits prices went down 10.18% due to sufficient supply.

For the first four months of 2013, the CPI increased by 1.29% over the same period of previous year. Prices of Food move up 1.89%, prices of Transportation & Communication moved up 1.87%, prices of Medicines & Medical Care move up 1.66%, prices of Housing moved up 1.18%, prices of Clothing moved up 0.87%, Education & Entertainment fees moved up 0.57%, prices of Miscellaneous moved down 0.34%.

