

The Consumer Price Index in Taipei for June 2013

The Consumer Price Index(CPI) in Taipei for June 2013 was 102.26(2011=100), increased 0.44% from the previous month, mainly because prices of Miscellaneous moved up 2.55% due to the increase of nannies fees during Dragon Boat Festival. Meanwhile, prices of Housing went up 0.72% because summer electricity rates dragged electricity fee up. Nevertheless, prices of Clothing moved down 3.05% for promotion, which offset partly rise of CPI.

The annual change of CPI in Taipei for June 2013, compared with the same month of previous year, moved up 0.26%, mainly because prices of Vegetables, Fuels & Lubricants, Food Away from Home and Residential Rent went up 12.56%, 3.74%, 1.10% and 0.68% individually. Nevertheless, Fruits prices and Entertainment expenses decreased 19.48% and 2.35% respectively, which offset some percentage of raise. The general CPI excluding fruits, vegetables and energy, i.e. core CPI, increased 0.27%.

For the first six months of 2013, the CPI increased by 0.98% over the same period of previous year. Prices of Medicines & Medical Care moved up 1.79%, prices of Transportation & Communication moved up 1.52%, prices of Food moved up 1.36%, prices of Housing moved up 1.16%, prices of Miscellaneous moved down 0.16%, prices of Clothing moved down 0.07%, Education & Entertainment fees moved down 0.02%.

