

## The Consumer Price Index in Taipei for October 2013

The Consumer Price Index(CPI) in Taipei for October 2013 was 103.75 (2011=100), increased 0.12% from the previous month. The major factors of the change were the followings: prices of clothing increased 21.02% for new seasonal products available in the market, while prices of miscellaneous moved down 1.92% because of falling back of nannies fees as ending of Moon Festival. Besides, prices of water, electricity, and gas supply dropped because of the end of application for summer electricity rate.

The annual change of CPI in Taipei for October 2013, compared with the same month of previous year, increased 1.17%. The major factors of the change were the followings: prices of vegetables, entertainment expenses, food away from home and residential rent increased 37.87%, 2.85%, 0.91% and 0.67% respectively. However, prices of garments, fruits decreased 7.47% and 5.93%, respectively. The general CPI excluding fruits, vegetables and energy, i.e. core CPI, increased 0.60%.

For the first ten months of 2013, the CPI increased by 0.81% over the same period of previous year. Prices of health went up 1.62%, prices of housing went up 1.05%, prices of food went up 0.94%, prices of transportation & communication went up 0.84%, education & entertainment went up 0.56%, prices of miscellaneous increased 0.28%, prices of clothing moved down 1.01%.

