

The Consumer Price Index in Taipei for January 2014

The Consumer Price Index(CPI) in Taipei for January 2014 was 103.66 (2011=100), increased 0.80% from the previous month. The major factors of the change were the followings: prices of services for nursery and nursing care, household operations, fish and seafood, and entertainment expenses went up 61.43%, 6.38%, 5.72% and 3.65% respectively, during Lunar New Year festival.

The annual change of CPI in Taipei for January 2014, compared with the same month of previous year, increased 1.79%. The major factors of the change were the followings: due to the distortion from the timing of Chinese New Year in January this year, prices of services for nursery and nursing care, fish and seafood, fruits and entertainment expenses increased 71.52%, 9.56%, 8.48% and 7.21% respectively. However, prices of vegetables, services and vehicle parts for transportation and communication decreased 13.23% and 1.14% respectively. The general CPI excluding fruits, vegetables and energy, i.e. core CPI, increased 1.97%.

