

The Consumer Price Index in Taipei for May 2014

The Consumer Price Index(CPI) in Taipei for May 2014 was 103.95 (2011=100), increased 0.16% from the previous month. The major factors of the change were the followings: because of heavy rainfall, prices of vegetables went up 6.05%, besides, both prices of food away from home and entertainment expenses went up 0.72%. However, prices of services for personal care and garments dropped 3.16% and 2.07% due to special discount for Mother's Day.

The annual change of CPI in Taipei for May 2014, compared with the same month of previous year, increased 2.11%. The major factors of the change were the followings: prices of fruits, meat, entertainment expenses and food away from home went up 13.94%, 10.91%, 6.07% and 3.69% respectively. Whereas prices of vegetables and educational expenses declined. The general CPI excluding fruits, vegetables and energy, i.e. core CPI, increased 2.03%.

For the first five month of 2014, the CPI increased by 1.51% over the same period of previous year. Prices of food went up 3.68%, prices of clothing went up 2.37%, prices of miscellaneous increased 1.79%, education and entertainment fees went up 1.32%, prices of health went up 0.83%, prices of housing went up 0.72%, prices of transportation and communication moved down 0.69%.

