

## The Consumer Price Index in Taipei for June 2014

The Consumer Price Index(CPI) in Taipei for June 2014 was 104.86 (2011=100), increased 0.87% from the previous month. The major factors of the change were the followings: because of heavy rainfall, prices of vegetables went up 20.63%, besides, prices of water, electricity and gas supply rose 10.01%, since summer electricity rates pulled electricity fees up. Moreover, the time was close to summer vacation, led expenses of travel abroad go up, so entertainment expenses went up 3.62%. However, prices of abundant fruits dropped 9.44%.

The annual change of CPI in Taipei for June 2014, compared with the same month of previous year, increased 2.56%. The major factors of the change were the followings: prices of meat, entertainment expenses, and food away from home went up 9.92%, 9.01%, and 4.52% respectively. Whereas, prices of services and vehicle parts for transportation and communication and educational expenses declined both. The general CPI excluding fruits, vegetables and energy, i.e. core CPI, increased 2.32%.

For the first six month of 2014, the CPI increased by 1.69% over the same period of previous year. Prices of food went up 4.00%, prices of miscellaneous increased 2.00%, prices of clothing went up 1.81%, education and entertainment fees went up 1.72%, prices of health went up 0.80%, prices of housing went up 0.79%, prices of transportation and communication moved down 0.54%.

