

The Consumer Price Index in Taipei for May 2017

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) in Taipei for May 2017 was 105.48 (2011=100), increased 0.18% from the previous month. The major factors of the change were the followings: prices of vegetables raised 4.83% because of lower supply. Prices of services for nursery and nursing care moved up 8.59%. Prices of entertainment expenses increased 0.95%. However, prices of garments decreased 3.91%. Prices of fuels and lubricants went down 2.99%. Prices of fruits dropped 0.89%.

The annual change of CPI in Taipei for May 2017, compared with the same month of previous year, increased 0.57%. The major factors of the change were the followings: prices of food away from home raised 2.24% because prime cost went up. Prices of services for personal care increased 9.45%. Prices of residential rent moved up 1.01%. However, prices of vegetables decreased 13.04%. Prices of fruits dropped 4.02%. Prices of entertainment expenses moved down 0.52%. The general CPI excluding fruits, vegetables and energy, i.e. core CPI, increased 0.99%.

For the first five months of 2017, the CPI increased 0.58% over the same period of previous year. Prices of transportation and communication, miscellaneous, clothing, housing, health and food raised 2.15%, 1.79%, 1.41%, 0.71%, 0.40% and 0.02% respectively; by contrast, education and entertainment fees decreased 0.44%.

