



Taiwan



Introduction to TAIWAN

TAIWAN, an island off China's southeastern coast, is a bustling democracy involved in an uncertain relationship with China – though it operates with sovereignty, Taiwan has not officially declared independence. Regardless, it has become one of the most prosperous states in Southeast Asia.

The people of TAIWAN

Total population:	22,974,347
Children under 15:	3,841,516
Average Life Expectancy:	77.96 years
Per capita annual income:	\$31,100
% children in primary school:	N/A*
Average years of education:	N/A*
Literacy rate:	96.1%
Internet users:	15.143 million
Cell phones in use:	25.412 million

Major/official language(s):

Mandarin Chinese
Taiwanese (Min)
Hakka dialects

Risk issues impacting children:

UNICEF does not currently offer children at risk statistics for this country.

More about TAIWAN

Capital city:	Taipei
Type of government:	Multiparty Democracy
Square kilometers:	35,980
General terrain:	Eastern two-thirds are mostly rugged mountains; flat to gently rolling plains in west
Major industries/jobs:	Electronics, petroleum refining, armaments, chemicals, textiles, iron and steel
National motto:	N/A*
Major airport(s):	Taiwan Taoyuan International near Taipei Siaogang Airport in Kaohsiung Cing Cyuan Gang in Taichung

Reaching TAIWAN

Currently classified as World B: Somewhat Reached

Major religions:

Mixture of Buddhist and Taoist - 93%
Christian - 4.5%
Other - 2.5%

Christian groups:

Protestant - 32.3%
Independent - 27.6%
Roman Catholic - 22.4%
Other - 17.5%
Anglican - 0.2%

Unreached People Groups: 13 (77% of pop)

Average annual Christian growth: 0.05

Average annual baptisms: 23,699

Foreign missionaries: 3,200

Per million: 139.77

National Christian workers/pastors: 4,000

Per million: 174.72

Number of churches/congregations: 4,568

Children's ministry in TAIWAN

Specific children's ministry information has not been provided for Taiwan. The following information regards general children's ministry in Southern Asia, and may not all be applicable to this nation.

Overview: • Children's leaders in Southeast Asia are passionate about reaching kids.

- In some Southeast Asian nations, religious activity is viewed with suspicion or banned altogether.
- People need training, tools, and empowerment to do effective ministry in this region. Tools need to be portable, as travel is difficult in many areas. Little training is currently available for children's leaders, especially in rural areas.
- Urban areas tend to be better-resourced and quality training may be available.
- Most children's workers are women.

Focus for Prayer

Training children's leaders for outreach in
4,568 congregations

Strategies for reaching and discipling
3,841,516 children for Christ