

CHINESE TAIPEI

Capital: Taipei

GEODATA

Area

36,000 km²

Major languages

Mandarin, Fukienese

Major religious groups

Taoist, Buddhist, and Confucian (93%); Christian (4.5%)

Surrounding countries

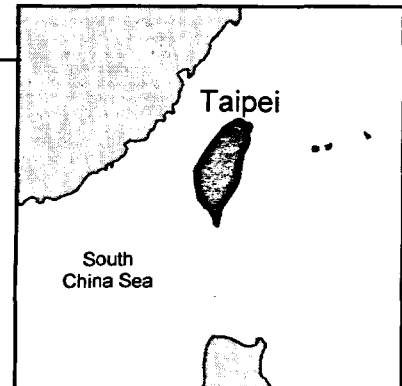
China, Philippines

Population

22.1 million (1999)

Population growth rate

0.8% (2000 est.)



POLITICAL DATA

UN Human Development Index (2001)

Not listed

ECONOMIC DATA

GDP

\$288.6 billion US (1999)

GDP growth rate

5.7% (1999)

GDP per capita

\$13,100 US (1999)

Main exports

Machinery, textiles, metals, foodstuffs, wood

Main imports

Machinery, metals, chemicals, petroleum, foodstuffs

Main exports to Canada

\$4.5 billion (1999), including machinery, electrical machinery, iron and steel products, vehicles (not railway), furniture and bedding

Main imports from Canada

\$1.14 billion (1999), including wood pulp, electrical machinery, organic chemicals, mineral fuel, wood

Inflation rate

0.2% (1999)

Unemployment rate

2.9% (1999)

Canadian Trade Office

Ted Lipman, Director, Canadian Trade Office, Chinese Taipei

365 Fu Hsing North Road, 13th Floor, Taipei 10483, Chinese Taipei

Phone: (011-886-2) 2544-3000, Fax: (011-886-2) 2544-3597, Web site: www.canada.org.tw/