

OIE Information & Travel Cheat Sheet



Country:

Taiwan (TW)

Sex & Dating

- Societal work-life balance results in limited time for socialization and dating.
- High gender equality ranking but prevailing patriarchal attitudes
- Taiwan's younger generation increasingly have viewed casual hookups and sex as acceptable.

Alcohol & Drugs

- Legal age to buy/consume alcohol: 20
- Less excessive and indulgent drinking culture relative to other East Asia states
 - Excessive drunkenness is not tolerated
- All usage and possession of drugs are prohibited in Taiwan

LGBTQIA+ Culture

- Considered the most LGBTQ friendly nation in Asia with broad legal protections
- Generally strong social networks, though many face difficulty being accepted by family members due "traditional family values"

Cultural Customs and Norms

- Population: 23.57 million
- Currency: New Taiwan Dollar
- The people of Taiwan value hard work, patience, humility, friendliness and respect for others. They are highly motivated and centered around the extended family, their most important economic resource. They dislike loud, showy and unrefined behavior.

Resources

119 Fire and ambulance / **112** for police

+82 Country code

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 - Phone: +1 443-569-8601 / Website: [dutravelassistanceprovider](#)
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- Student Support Program (My SSP): 24/7 Mental Health Support
- U.S. Department of State Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (STEP): **travel.state.gov**



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