

FTSE TWSE Taiwan 50 Index

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FTSE Group has partnered with the Taiwan Stock Exchange (TWSE) to calculate the FTSE TWSE Taiwan Index Series, combining both local knowledge and international indexing capabilities, to create a family of eight indices for both domestic and international investors.

The FTSE TWSE Taiwan 50 is the headline index, representing the performance of the top 50 Taiwanese companies by market capitalisation that meet the relevant investability screening requirements set by FTSE.

5-Year Performance - Total Return (TWD)



Note: FTSE Taiwan Index, which is displayed in the time-series chart above and in tables below, is part of the FTSE Global Equity Index Series. See www.ftse.com/geis for more information.

Performance and Volatility - Total Return (TWD)

	Performance %						Return %*		Volatility %**		
	3M	6M	YTD	12M	3YR	5YR	3YR	5YR	1YR	3YR	5YR
FTSE TWSE Taiwan 50	-0.6	-0.3	5.0	-12.8	37.5	11.8	11.2	2.3	21.7	20.1	24.9
FTSE Taiwan	-0.8	-0.2	5.3	-12.9	36.1	8.8	10.8	1.7	21.8	20.6	25.5

* Returns are annualised

** Volatility - 1YR based on 12 months daily data. 3YR and 5YR based on monthly data

Top 10 Constituents

Constituent	ICB Sector	Net MCap (TWDm)	Wgt %
Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing	Technology Hardware & Equipment	2,235,397	20.13
Hon Hai Precision Industry	Electronic & Electrical Equipment	981,969	8.84
Formosa Plastics Corp	Chemicals	508,030	4.58
Nan Ya Plastics	Chemicals	472,708	4.26
HTC Corporation	Technology Hardware & Equipment	381,889	3.44
Formosa Chemicals & Fibre	Chemicals	361,487	3.26
Chunghwa Telecom	Fixed Line Telecommunications	347,425	3.13
China Steel	Industrial Metals & Mining	327,819	2.95
MediaTek	Technology Hardware & Equipment	290,345	2.61
Cathay Financial Holding	Life Insurance/Assurance	241,773	2.18
Totals		6,148,843	55.38

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Coverage

The FTSE TWSE Taiwan 50 Index represents over 70% of the Taiwanese market.

Objective

The indices are designed for the creation of index tracking funds, derivatives and as a performance benchmark.

Investability

Stocks are free-float weighted to ensure that only the investable opportunity set is included within the indices.

Liquidity

Stocks are screened to ensure that the index is tradable.

Transparency

Freely available index rules are overseen by an independent committee of leading market professionals.

Availability

The indices are calculated based on price and total return methodologies, both real time and end-of-day.

Global Sector Classification

Index constituents are categorized in accordance with the Industry Classification Benchmark (ICB), the global standard for industry sector analysis.

ICB Supersector Breakdown

ICB Code	ICB Supersector	No. of Cons	Net MCap (TWDm)	Wgt %
0500	Oil & Gas	1	172,457	1.55
1300	Chemicals	4	1,393,675	12.55
1700	Basic Resources	1	327,819	2.95
2300	Construction & Materials	3	261,007	2.35
2700	Industrial Goods & Services	6	1,590,379	14.32
3300	Automobiles & Parts	2	189,580	1.71
3500	Food & Beverage	1	206,542	1.86
3700	Personal & Household Goods	2	167,703	1.51
5300	Retail	2	198,608	1.79
6500	Telecommunications	3	606,712	5.46
8300	Banks	7	832,415	7.50
8500	Insurance	2	446,345	4.02
8700	Financial Services	2	223,481	2.01
9500	Technology	14	4,486,722	40.41
Totals		50	11,103,444	100.00

Index Characteristics

Attributes	FTSE TWSE Taiwan 50	FTSE Taiwan
Number of constituents	50	99
Net MCap (TWDm)	11,103,444	12,616,360
Constituent Sizes (Net MCap TWDm)		
Average	222,069	127,438
Largest	2,235,397	2,235,397
Smallest	46,681	9,181
Median	131,742	63,523
Weight of Largest Constituent (%)	20.13	17.72
Top 10 Holdings (% Index MCap)	55.38	48.74

INFORMATION**Index Universe**

TWSE Board Universe

Index Launches

29 October 2002

Base Date

30 April 2002

Base Value

5000

Investability Screen

Free-float adjusted and liquidity screened

Index Calculation

Real-time (calculated every 15 seconds) and end-of-day indices available

End-of-Day Distribution

Via FTP and email

Currency

TWD and USD. Real-time in TWD only

Review Dates

Quarterly in January, April, July and October

History

Available from April 1997

Index Rules and Vendor Codeswww.ftse.com/taiwanData definitions available from info@ftse.comFor further information visit www.ftse.com, email info@ftse.com or call your local FTSE office:

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