

Economic Growth and Port Development in Taiwan

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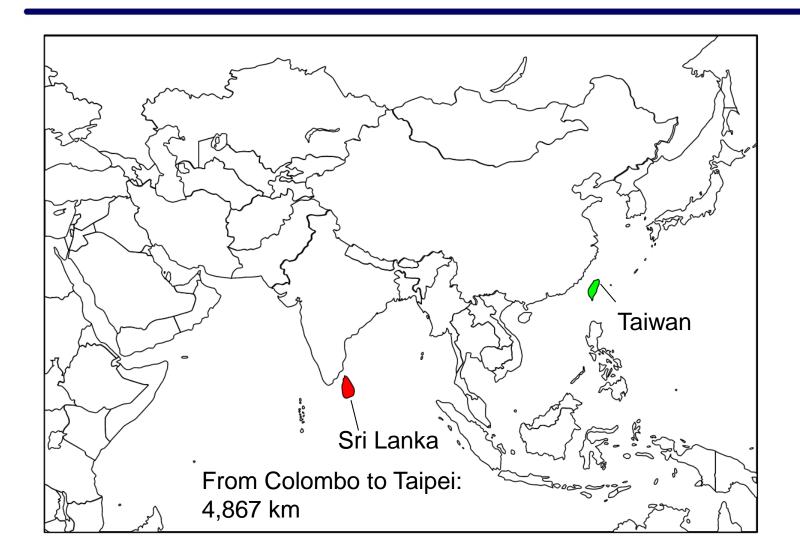
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1. Location of Taiwan and Main Ports in East Asia





Comparison between Sri Lanka and Taiwan

	Sri Lanka	Taiwan
Land Territory (km²)	65.6	36.2
Population (Mil)	20.96	23.49
Near Big Power	India	China
Main Container Port	Colombo(27)	Kaohsiung(13)
Volume in 2015 (Mil TEU)	5.19	10.27

Sri Lanka and Taiwan are the island country. These countries are near big power. So, these countries are susceptible to the influence of India or China. There are the representative port in Sri Lanka and Taiwan. The port of Colombo is the biggest port in South Asia, but the volume of one is the half volume of Kaohsiung port.

Main Port in East Asia



Note: (number) is the container port ranking in 2015.



Comparison of the Container Ports' Ranking

	1995			2005			2013	5	
Port	Country	Volume	Port	Country	Volume	Port	Country	y Vo	lume
1 Hong Kong	Hong Kong	12,550	Singapore		23,192	Shanghai			36,53
2 Singapore	Singapore	10,800	Hong Kong		22,427	Singapore			30,92
3 Kaohsiung	Taiwan	5,232	Shanghai	China	18,084	Shenzhen			24,20
4 Rotterdam	Netherlands	4,788	Shenzhen	China	16,197	Ningbo- Zhoushan	China		20,62
5 Busan	Korea	4,503	Busan		11,843	Hong Kong	,		20,11
6 Hamburg	Germany	2,890	Kaohsiung		9,741	Busan			19,46
7 Long Beach	USA	2,844	Rotterdam		9,300	Guangzhou	China		17,62
8 Yokohama	Japan	2,757	Hamburg		8,088	Qingdao	China		17,51
9 Los Angels	USA	2,555	Dubai	UAE	7,619	Dubai			15,59
10 Antwerp	Belgium	2,329	Los Angels		7,485	Tianjin	China		14,10
						Kaohsiung		(13)	10,26
Columbo	(31) 1,049	(35)	2,455	(27))		5,18

(Source) 1995&2000: "Containerisation International Yearbook," 2015: "Top 100 Container Ports 2016."

The situation of container port has changed from 1995 to 2015.

The container volume rapidly increased.

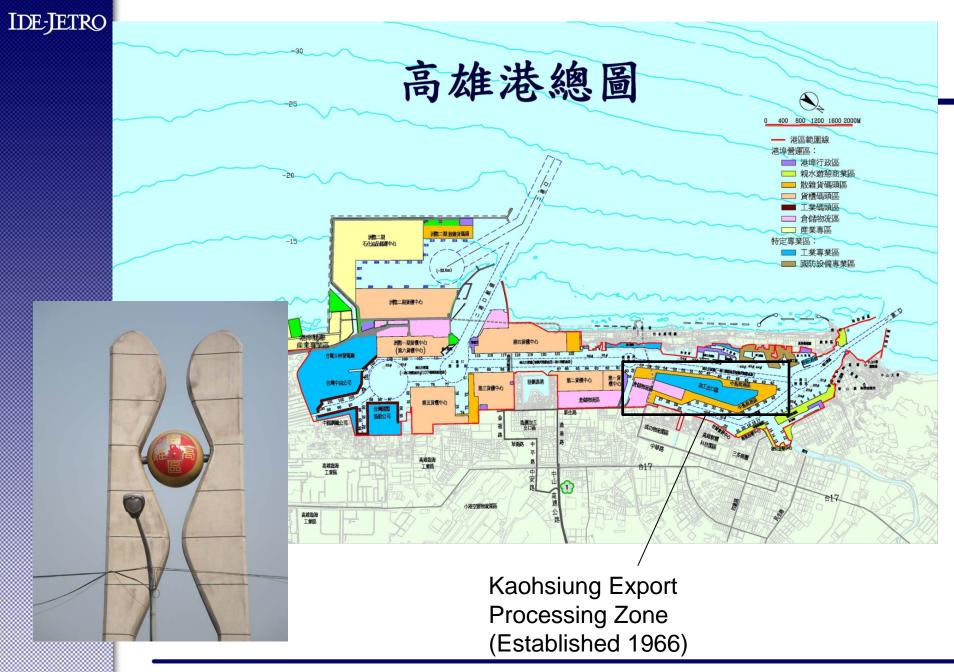
Also, the local government in China invested port development.

As a result, China is the center of container ports.

2. Outline of Kaohsiung Port

- Originally Kaohsiung Port was developed as a fishery port in the late 1600's
- In Japanese colonial era (1895-1945), the administrators carried out the expansion of Kaohsiung Port in several times.
- After 1956, Taiwanese (R.O.C.)
 government began to expand Kaohsiung
 Port (544ha). Under the construction of
 expansion, the government decided to
 develop the New Chung-tao Commercial
 Harbor Area (218ha) (1963 -1975).

- 27 wharfs were constructed surrounding the Kaohsiung Export Processing Zone (EPZ) in this harbor.
- There are a container center and 17 warehouses in this harbor.
- ⇒As a result, Taiwan had a port closely related to EPZ.



3. What is EPZ?

EPZ

- -designed as bonded area
- -all products produced in EPZ have to export to other country
- exemption or reduction from taxation (import tax, income tax, business tax, cargo tax etc.)
- freely remit profit and dividend to headquarter
- ⇒For a different systems in outside of EPZ, the companies which produce low cost moved into the EPZ.

➤ For Implemental Country or Region (Merits)

- Securing the employment
- Acquisition of technology
- Acquisition of foreign currency
- Protection for domestic companies
- Acquisition of necessary information concerned about the growth of export company
- To invest for industry sector

(Demerit)

Outbreak of "Export Enclave"

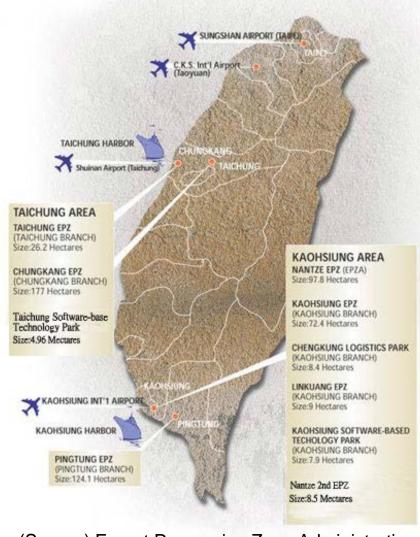
- For Companies(Merits)
- Reduction of product costs (labor cost, fixed cost)
- favorable treatment for tax system (Demerits)
- Impossibility for domestic market penetration
- Possibility for country risk



4. Why Taiwanese government decided to establish EPZ?

- Confliction with mainland China
- USA government decided to stop the economic assistance to Taiwan
- government's financial difficulty, foreign reserves shortage
- increasing population and high unemployment rate
- ⇒So, Taiwanese government had to do industrial development and economic growth in the country. As a result, the government decided to establish the EPZ. Goals of the EPZ are "Attract Foreign Industrial Investment," "Explore External Trade," "Increase Job Opportunity" and "Introduce Modern Technology."

Map of EPZ in Taiwan



(Source) Export Processing Zone Administration

- 10 EPZs in Taiwan
- 503.3 ha
- Taichung:3Kaohsiung:6Pingtung:1
- →Kaohsiung is the much EPZs.

Current EPZs in Taiwan

City	Name	Area (ha)	Establish	Main Industries
	Chungkang EPZ	177.28	2003	Display Panel
Taichung	Taichung EPZ	26.12	1971	Optics and Electronics
	Taichung Software Park	4.96	2013	Software, Digital Contents
	Nanzih EPZ	92.33	1969	Semiconductor (packing andn testing)
	Nanzih Second Park	8.49	2011	Semiconductor (packing andn testing)
Kaohsiung	Kaohsiung Software Park	7.92	2000	Software, Digital Contents
	Kaohsiung EPZ	72.38	1966	IC (packing and testing) LCD,
	Linkuang EPZ	8.96	1999	Optoelectronic
	Cheng Kung Logistics Park	8.82	2007	Logistics, Warehousing
Pingtung	Pingtung Park	123.04	2000	Water treatment and motor

Main industries are many ones from hardware to software. Three EPZs are established in about 1970's, seven ones are in about 2000's.

Overview of EPZ in Taiwan

	Phase I	Phase II	Phase III	Phase IV	Phase V
Time	1966-1986	1987-1996	1997-2006	2007-2016	2017- (Target)
Development	Traditional	Industries	Transformation	Industry	Smartly
Stage	Industries	Adjustment	& Expansions	Clustering	Value-added
Operation Models	Processing	Manufacturing	R&D	R&D	Smart
	Assembly		Design	Design	Manegement
			Manufacturing	Manufacturing	Operations
			Logistics	Marketing	
				Branding	
				Logistics	
				(Multi-modality)	
Product Evolution	OEM	ОЕМ	OEM	High-Value-added	System Integrated
	(Low-end)	(Middle-end)	(High-end)		
Main Product Goods	Clothings	Camera lenses	LCD	TFT-LCD	Systematic 3D
	Black -white	IC	IC (High and	High-end Key IC	AR (Augmented
	television	Color Television	Intermediate-	Digital Contents	Reality)/ VR(Vertual
	Plastics		end)		Reality) Application
					Products
	Leather	Metal Products	Optics	Information software	Cloud Computing
		(Bolts, Nuts)	Digital Camera	Digital Contents	

⇒During 50 years, the EPZs in Taiwan achieved the advancement of industry.

Merits of EPZ and Kaohsiung Port

- EPZ is close to port: omission for shipping time (especially container)
- increase of shipping cargo⇒actively port operations
 ⇒priming new routes for shipping ⇒more increase of shipping cargo
- Export ⇒need inspection and customs work
- In the time of poorly infrastructure in outside of EPZ or Taiwan, it was reasonable for government to establish EPZ near harbor (port), and for company to move to EPZ.

	Container Vol	ume in Kaoh	siung Port	(Unit: TEU)				
	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	1980
Import								
Shipment Container	46,928	60,061	56,053	71,854	85,060	164,703	241,665	304,469
Empty Container	39,839	36,487	56,624	91,994	95,511	130,319	145,928	169,532
Export								
Shipment Container	78,154	90,011	106,217	147,965	168,219	266,818	366,700	469,092
Empty Container	1,398	5,557	6,142	5,180	4,239	7,816	22,890	35,922
Total	166,319	192,116	225,036	316,993	353,029	569,656	777,183	979,015

(Source) Containerization International Yearbook, various issues.

This table shows in the era of two container centers (At present, there are five container centers in Kaohsiung Port). In that time, it is thought that a lot of containers in Kaohsiung port was related with EPZ.

Main Deregulation of EPZ

- Industry: Manufacturing (1966-87)
 add Trading and Consultant (1988)
 Physical Distribution, Repair (1997)
- Processing on commission: only in EPA (1966-73)
 outside of EPZ less than 30% (1974-87)
 no restriction (1988-)
- Market: only export (1966-85)
 domestic market less than 20% (1986)
 less than 50% (1988)
 no restriction for domestic market (1997)

For future of port and economic growth

- Management and Operation
 Government control port management and policy
 Government commission operator to operate port
 * existence of global terminal operators
 HPH, COSCO Pacific, CMHI, MTL in Hong Kong

DPW in UAE, and PSA in Singapore

- Development of seaside
 Petro chemistry (Singapore, Kaohsiung)
 for domestic, for ship
 Establishment of FTZ or EPZ
 manufacturing sector and service sector need three advancements
 - 1. industry (textile →mechanical)
 - 2. internal corporations(labor intensive→capital intensive)
 - 3. products (cheap →expensive)

*The improvement works of port facilities in India are delayed, it is the biggest opportunity for Sri Lanka.