

# Taiwanese Community's Appeal

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## A “Taiwanese” Category in AAQoL Survey Report

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City of Austin

# Taiwanese Organizations:

- Austin Taiwanese Church
- Austin Institute of Taiwan Studies (AITS)
- Austin Chapter of North America Technology and Engineering Association (NATEA- Austin)
- Austin Taiwanese Association (ATA)
- Taiwanese Young Professional Association
- Austin Chapter of Taiwanese Chambers of Commerce (ACTCC)
- Others

# Purpose of Appeal:

- Taiwanese Community requests a separate “Taiwanese” Category in AAQoL Survey Report

# AAQoL Survey Forms With & Without “Taiwan” -- Misleading

**Form Without "Taiwan"** 10620

Section 1: Demographic Information

- What is your age? \_\_\_\_\_ year-old
- What is your gender? ☐ Male ☐ Female ☐ Other
- What is your ethnic origin? (Check all that apply)  
☐ Chinese ☐ Asian Indian ☐ Korean ☐ Vietnamese ☐ Filipino ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- What is your current relationship status?  
☐ Married ☐ Living with a partner ☐ Single ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- Please circle the highest year of school completed.  

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**With "Taiwan"** E. CH No. 49267

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E. CH NO. 40267

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## Reasons (Part -1):

1. Misleading Survey Question

2. Survey Mistakenly assumed “Taiwanese”  
is a part of “Chinese”

## Reasons (Part -2):

3. “Taiwanese” requests to have their own identity

4. Taiwanese is 9% of the total AAQoL survey samples

## Reasons (Part -3):

5. If Asian population (6.6% of Texas population) is significant to Texas population, the Taiwanese population (9% of Austin Asian population) is even more significant to Austin Asian population.



## Reasons (Part -4):

6. The World Factbook of U.S. CIA Web Site (6-17-2016) indicates:

Taiwan Ethnic Groups:

- Taiwanese (84%)
- Mainland Chinese (14%)
- Indigenous (2 %)

# Reasons (Part -4 - Continued -1):

6/17/2016

[https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/resources/the-world-factbook/geos/print\\_tw.html](https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/resources/the-world-factbook/geos/print_tw.html)

## THE WORLD FACTBOOK



EAST & SOUTHEAST ASIA :: **TAIWAN**

- Introduction :: **TAIWAN**

# Reasons (Part -4 - Continued -2):

People and Society :: TAIWAN

## **Nationality:**

**noun:** Taiwan (singular and plural)

**note:** example - he or she is from Taiwan; they are from Taiwan

**adjective:** Taiwan (or Taiwanese)

## **Ethnic groups:**

Taiwanese (including Hakka) 84%, mainland Chinese 14%, indigenous 2%

# Reasons (Part -5):

6. Recent Taiwan Survey by Taiwan Brain Foundation (4-26-2016) indicates:  
People of Taiwan consider themselves as:

- Taiwanese (84%)
- Chinese (6.9%)
- Young Taiwanese (91.8% of Age 20~29 people)

## Conclusions:

- AAQoL survey needs to revise and reflect the fact
- AAQoL survey needs to have a “Taiwanese” category.

# Questions & Answers