

Massive increase in Taiwan defence spend

Taiwan plans to boost military expenditure by 22.9% to \$31.27bn in 2026, bringing it to 3.32% of GDP, after calls by the Trump administration to spend more on its own defence

MILITARY EXPENDITURE

New Taiwan \$ billions

Personnel
200.8

Operational upkeep
Ammunition, spare parts
199

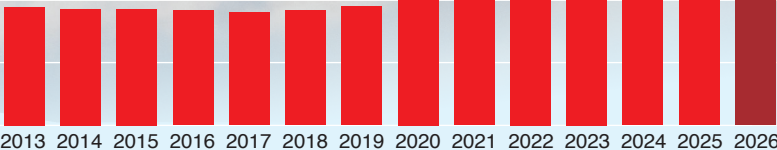
Other
Undisclosed
118.3

*Seeking to buy
F-35 jets from U.S.*

YEAR-ON-YEAR

2013-2025

Including special
supplemental budgets



Total
NT\$949.5 bn
U.S. \$31.27bn

Military investment
Arms purchased
from U.S.
161.6

Special budget
New fighter jets,
naval defences
186.8

Coast guard, veterans
Newly included to conform
to NATO calculations 83

China
U.S. \$248.2bn