

Chart 1: The Taiwanese Attitudes towards Engaging in War and the Military Service System
(2016-2018)

[Question] Peaceful cross-Strait relations are what we all desire. But if China invades Taiwan, are you willing to engage in war to protect this country?

| | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Yes | 75.9 | 69.1 | 67.1 |
| Very willing | 41.6 | 34.3 | 32.2 |
| Willing | 34.3 | 34.8 | 34.9 |
| No | 20.0 | 26.6 | 24.0 |
| Unwilling | 8.6 | 11.3 | 9.9 |
| Most unwilling | 11.4 | 15.3 | 14.1 |
| Willing After explanation | - | - | 4.9 |
| No Comment/Hard to say/I don't care/I don't know | 3.0 | 3.3 | 2.9 |
| Refuse to answer | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.2 |
| N | 1226 | 1225 | 1228 |

[Question] Do you approve of Taiwan resuming conscription or maintaining mandatory conscription in order to build up military forces?

| | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Approve | 60.2 | 83.4 | 86.3 |
| Highly approve | 28.0 | 46.4 | 49.9 |
| Approve | 32.2 | 37.0 | 36.4 |
| No | 36.3 | 15.0 | 12.3 |
| Disapprove | 19.9 | 8.8 | 6.7 |
| Highly disapprove | 16.4 | 6.2 | 5.6 |
| Other | 0.2 | - | 0.1 |
| No Comment/Hard to say/ I don't know | 3.2 | 1.2 | 1.4 |
| Refuse to answer | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0 |
| N | 1277 | 1226 | 1225 |

Chart 2: Taiwanese Attitudes towards the Military Service System — Gender, Age, and National Identity (2018)

[Question] Do you approve of Taiwan resuming conscription or maintaining mandatory conscription in order to build up military forces?

| (N) % | | | | |
|-----------|----------------|---------------|-------------|-----------------|
| Age | Approve | Disapprove | Other | Total |
| 18-29 | (122) 82.4 | (26) 17.6 | (0) .0 | (148) 100.0 |
| 30-39 | (157) 86.3 | (25) 13.7 | (0) .0 | (182) 100.0 |
| 40 and up | (786) 87.6 | (85) 9.5 | (26) 2.9 | (897) 100.0 |
| Total | (1065) 86.8 | (136) 11.1 | (26) 2.1 | (1227) 100.0 |

Chart 3: Taiwanese Willingness to Engage in War — Age and National Identity (2018)

[Question] If China invades Taiwan, are you willing to engage in war to protect this country?

| (N) % | | | |
|-----------|---------------|---------------|----------------|
| Age | Willing | Unwilling | Total |
| 18-29 | (102) 69.4 | (45) 30.6 | (147) 100.0 |
| 30-39 | (125) 71.0 | (51) 29.0 | (176) 100.0 |
| 40 and up | (596) 75.1 | (198) 24.9 | (794) 100.0 |
| Total | 823 73.7 | 294 26.3 | 1117 100.0 |