

Controversies: Formosa Chemicals & Fibre

- In September 2019, Formosa Chemicals & Fibre Corporation's third aromatic hydrocarbons plant in Mailiao in Yunlin County, Taiwan was accused of manipulating [Continuous Emissions Monitoring System \(CEMS\)](#) data and fined 100,000 NT by the Yunlin County government because it could not produce the minimum amount of valid emissions data from the CEMS programme required by law.
- On 7 April 2019, more than 10,000 villagers from Mailiao, Yunlin county, in Taiwan had to be evacuated following an [explosion at the aromatics plant operated by Formosa Chemical and Fiber Corporation](#). A preliminary fine of 5 million NT (about 162,000 USD) was issued by the county government to the company over a violation of air pollution regulations.
- On 17 November 2017, the company was hit with a fine of [41.2 million USD](#) for environmental breaches at one of its plants. The environmental bureau in Changhua County, Taiwan said the company's textile fibre plant had used a type of coal that does not comply with its environmental impact assessment.
- On 7 March 2017, a Formosa Chemicals & Fibre Corporation plant in Mailiao, Yunlin County, Taiwan [suffered an explosion leaving four employees injured](#). The Ministry of Labour and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration ordered the area around the accident to be immediately shut down for investigation.