

Research Update:

Taiwan High Speed Rail Corp. 'twAAA/twA-1+' Ratings Affirmed; Outlook Stable

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Rating Action Rationale

Taiwan Ratings Corp. today affirmed its 'twAAA' long-term and 'twA-1+' short-term issuer credit ratings on **Taiwan High Speed Rail Corp.** (THSRC). The outlook on the long-term rating is stable. The ratings on THSRC reflect the company's higher-than-peers market share (by passenger kilometers travelled) in business and long-distance trips in Taiwan, comparatively stronger profitability, and our view of declining negative business impact from the COVID-19 pandemic. Additionally, the ratings reflect our view of the very high likelihood of timely and sufficient extraordinary support from the government of Taiwan. THSRC's high debt leverage partly offsets these rating strengths.

Related Criteria & Research

Related Criteria

- General Criteria: Rating Government-Related Entities: Methodology And Assumptions - March 25, 2015
- General Criteria: Methodology For National And Regional Scale Credit Ratings - June 25, 2018
- General Criteria: Environmental, Social, And Governance Principles In Credit Ratings - October 10, 2021
- General Criteria: Group Rating Methodology - July 01, 2019
- Criteria | Corporates | General: Corporate Methodology: Ratios And Adjustments - April 01, 2019
- Criteria | Corporates | General: Methodology And Assumptions: Liquidity Descriptors For Global Corporate Issuers - December 16, 2014
- General Criteria: Country Risk Assessment Methodology And Assumptions - November 19, 2013
- General Criteria: Methodology: Industry Risk - November 19, 2013
- Criteria | Corporates | General: Corporate Methodology - November 19, 2013
- General Criteria: Methodology: Management And Governance Credit Factors For Corporate Entities - November 13, 2012

Related Research

- Taiwan Ratings' Ratings Definitions - November 11, 2021

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Ratings List

Ratings Affirmed

Taiwan High Speed Rail Corp.

Issuer Credit Rating	twAAA/Stable/twA-1+
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