

People's Republic of China (PRC)



- Capital city: Beijing
- Official language: Standard Chinese or Mandarin

1) Geographical features:

- Area: 9,596,960 sq km
- Geographical coordinates: 35 00 N, 105 00 E
- Climate: extremely diverse; tropical in south to subarctic in north
- Topography type: mostly mountains, high plateaus, deserts in west; plains, deltas, and hills in east

2) Political features:

- Government type: Communist state
- Head of state: President Xi Jinping (since 14 March 2013)
- Head of government: Premier Li Keqiang (since 16 March 2013)

3) Economic features:

- Total GDP: \$10,360,105,247,908.3 (2014)
- GDP growth rate: 7.1% (2015) [provisional]
- GDP per capita: \$7,593.9 (2014)
- GNI (PPP): \$17,918,963,026,686 (2014)
- Sectoral composition of economy (2014 est.):
 - » Agriculture: 9.2%
 - » Industry: 42.6%
 - » Services: 48.2%
- Currency and exchange rate: Renminbi yuan (RMB) per US dollar - 6.14 (2014 est.) Exports: \$2.343 trillion (2014 est.)
- Biggest exporting partners: US 16.9%, Hong Kong 15.5%, Japan 6.4%, South Korea 4.3% (2014 est.)
- Imports: \$1.96 trillion (2014 est.)
- Biggest importing partners: South Korea 9.7%, Japan 8.3%, US 8.1%, Taiwan 7.8%, Germany 5.4%, Australia 5% (2014 est.)

4) Social and demographic features:

- Population size: 1,364,270,000.0 (2014)
- Main languages spoken: Standard Chinese or Mandarin (official; Putonghua, based on the Beijing dialect), Yue (Cantonese), Wu (Shanghainese), Minbei (Fuzhou), Minnan (Hokkien-Taiwanese), Xiang, Gan, Hakka dialects, minority languages

- Main religions followed: Buddhist 18.2%, Christian 5.1%, Muslim 1.8%, folk religion 21.9%, Hindu < .1%, Jewish < .1%, other 0.7% (includes Daoist (Taoist)), unaffiliated 52.2% (2010)
- Biggest ethnic groups: Han Chinese 91.6%, Zhuang 1.3%, other (includes Hui, Manchu, Uighur, Miao, Yi, Tujia, Tibetan, Mongol, Dong, Buyei, Yao, Bai, Korean, Hani, Li, Kazakh, Dai and other nationalities) 7.1% (2010 est.)
- Available working population (as a percentage of total population): 73% (2014)
- Sex ratio: 1.06 male(s) / female (2014 est.)

5) Military and defense:

- Total defense expenditure: \$216,371m (2014)
- Defense expenditure as a % of GDP: 2.06% (2014)
- Military obligation: Selective compulsory military obligation; service for 2 years
- Military strength (Active manpower): 2,333,000 (2014)

6) Important rankings:

- GDP ranking (nominal): 2 (2015)
- HDI ranking: 91 (2014)
- Global peace index: 124 (2015)
- KOF Globalization index: 75 (2015)
- Military strength ranking: 3 (2015)
- Where-to-be-born index: 49 (2013)