



China

Government

- President: Xi Jinping
- Capital: Beijing
- Constitution adopted in 1982, with 5 revisions to follow. Amendments are proposed by the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress or supported by more than one-fifth of the National People's Congress membership.

- China is a communist-led state, established by Mao Zedong in 1949. It has 3 government branches:
 - **Legislative:** the unicameral National People's Congress (NPC).
Nearly 3,000 members whom are elected for 5-year terms.
 - **Executive:** Both the president and vice president receive an unlimited amount of five year terms, upon re-election by the NPC.
 - **Judicial:** The Supreme People's Court is the highest court.

Environment

- China is located in Eastern Asia, between North Korea and Vietnam.
- Having one of the largest global populations, there is a high population density in large cities located in the eastern half of the country, while the western half remains mostly barren.
- China faces many environmental issues, many of which are due to their industrial initiatives, which cause air & water pollution, desertion, earthquakes, and other natural disasters.

- China is the world's largest single emitter of carbon dioxide, due to its large reliance on burning of coal and fossil fuels.
- China participates in 20 international environmental agreements. These agreements promote sustainable development, yet China's rapid growth continues to increase the country's emissions.

Economy

- China has a socialist market economy. This means that the government maintains control over state-owned enterprises and public ownership, but participates in global capitalism.
- China is currently in their 13th Five Year Plan, which has the primary purpose of expanding the economy by amping up industrialization and domestic consumption.
- It is high in industrial output, exporting products such as: computers, metals, machinery, consumer goods (such as apparel and toys), and transportation equipment. Imports include: crude oil, cars, iron and more.

Society

- Primary religions within China include: Buddhism, Christianity, Islam and Taoism.
- Mandarin is the official language of China.
- For 36 years, China had a One-child policy implemented; however, in 2015 this was altered to allow two children per family.
- The people do not have access to much information, as the CCP imposes heavy censorship across the nation.
- 96.4% of China's population are literate