

China is located in the continent of **Asia**. North east to China is the Pacific Ocean and south east is the South China sea. China has major cities including Beijing in the north and Guangzhou in the south. China is also home to a variety of different physical features including the **Gobi desert** and **Mt Everest** in the Himalayas mountain range.

Where do 1.4 billion people live?

The population in China is not the same number in every region. Some will have a higher population than others. We refer to **where people live (spread out) in geography as population distribution**.
Densely populated - A lot people living in an area, making it compact and crowded
Sparsely populated - Not as many people living in area, more space and distance.

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How is development measured?

Gross Domestic Product (GDP) £.

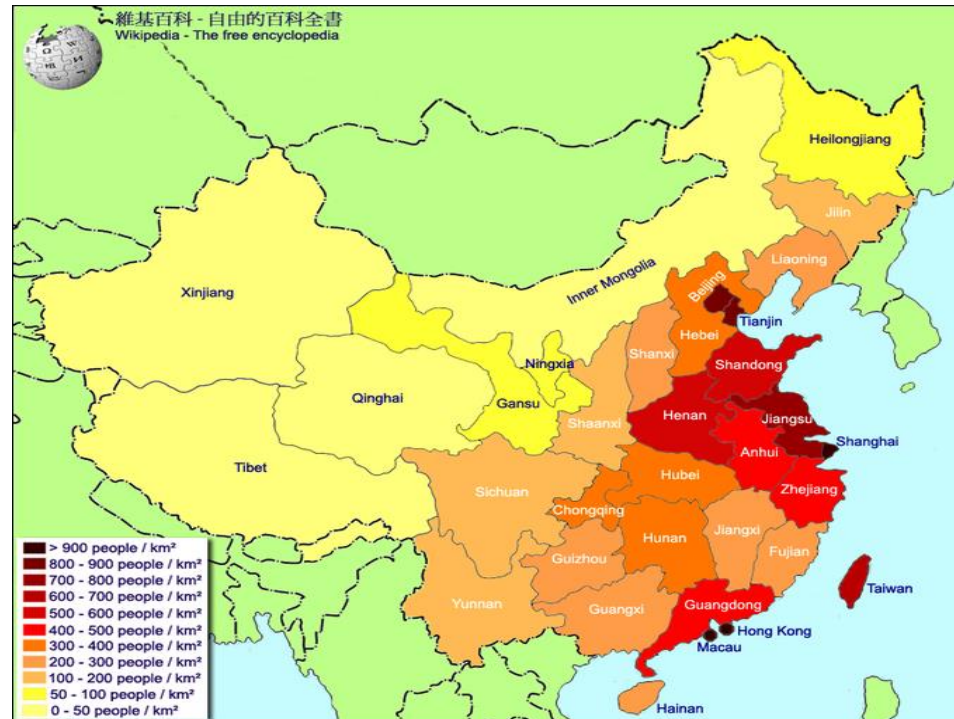
The value of all the goods and services produced by a nation in any one year.

Human Development Index (HDI) £+😊

Measures development by combining measures of life expectancy, education and income. It is different from GDP as it measures wealth, health and happiness.

So is China actually that rich?

Despite having a **high GDP** mainly due to manufacturing, China has a high population (the world's largest) and a **large proportion do not share the wealth...**





China's One Child Policy



Parents in China receive the cost of child care and medical expenses for their one child.	Both parents are able to work because they do not have to worry about child care and so they will be financially better off	Abortion rate has gone up as women are pressured if pregnant for a 2 nd time There is now 60 million more men than women	There was not enough shelter for all the population and so population needed to decline.
Babies are being abandoned, particularly baby girls as women are less superior in Chinese society	There will be nobody to look after the elderly	Children get more time with their parents	Couples who break the policy are often forced into sterilisation - which is against their human rights

Foxconn Factory TNC in China

Foxconn is a major manufacturer that serves high-profile consumer electronics firms such as Dell, Motorola, Nintendo, Nokia, Apple, and Sony.

FOR	AGAINST
<p>Foxconn employs 1.3 million people in China.</p> <p>Foxconn makes products for Amazon, Apple, Google, and Nintendo</p> 	<p>Many employees work up to twelve hours a day for 6 days each week.</p> <p>Between January and May 2018, 18 workers committed suicide. Foxconn assembly-line workers will make as approximately £330 a month. That's for 160 working hours a month, so the hourly pay is about £2. The average monthly salary in China is £970.</p> 

China's pollution problem

China has a lot of coal power plants which emit lots of pollutants. These coal mines and car exhausts are responsible for the smog surrounding the major cities.

Scientists estimate that China's pollution problems claim 4,000 lives per day.

China's pollution solutions

Road rationing – different licence plates on different days allowed
Traffic Straddling buses
Kyoto agreement – international agreement which sets targets globally



Great Wall of China



Jobs are often seasonal and poorly paid and tourism pushes up local houses prices and costs of goods and services for the locals.

Money from the tourism can go towards restoring the wall therefore protecting it for future tourism.

Tourists can be seen as being disrespectful for Chinese culture by breaking the brick out of the Great Wall for a souvenir.

Attracts more tourists each year therefore generating money to the government and the economy and brings new opportunities for people seeking jobs

What is a superpower?

A very powerful and influential nation (e.g. the USA). They are able to project their influence anywhere in the world. They are a dominant global force.

Emerging superpower - a country which may become a dominant global force in the future

China's place in the world is it a superpower?

It's rare to pick up something without seeing the words "Made in China" written on it. That's because China is the world's biggest exporting and trading country, having exported £500 billion worth of goods into Europe in 2018. Also up to 20% of all the products China makes end up in the USA.

BUT...

many people believe China is not yet made of superpower 'stuff'. This is because the government interferes with its economy a lot! Financially many people still live in poverty. The government also favours some companies over others so it is not a fair system! AND to be THE global superpower China needs global support which it currently lacks, many countries are suspicious of China's spying and have claimed that Huawei are trying to steal trade secrets from other companies.