# What's Going On in China: Corn, GMO, Crop Insurance and High-Speed Rails

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# A Quick Introduction: Dr. Wendong Zhang

- Grown up in a rural county in NE China
- Attended college in Shanghai and Hong Kong
- Ph.D. in Ag Econ in 2015 from Ohio State
- 2012 summer intern at USDA-ERS on farm economy and farmland values
- Research and extension interests:

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China Ag: quarterly Ag DM articles

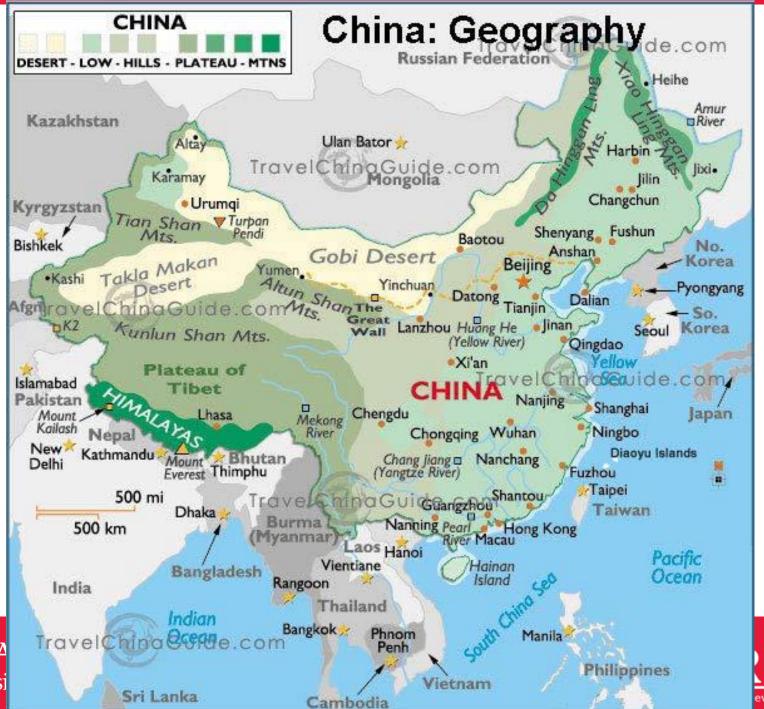


## China's Provinces



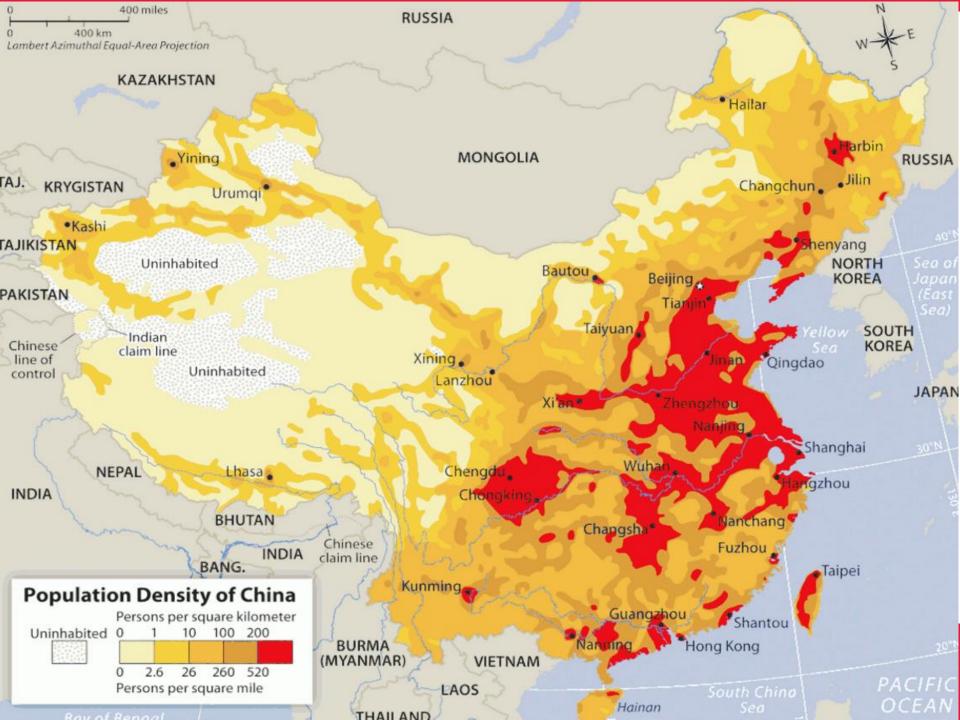


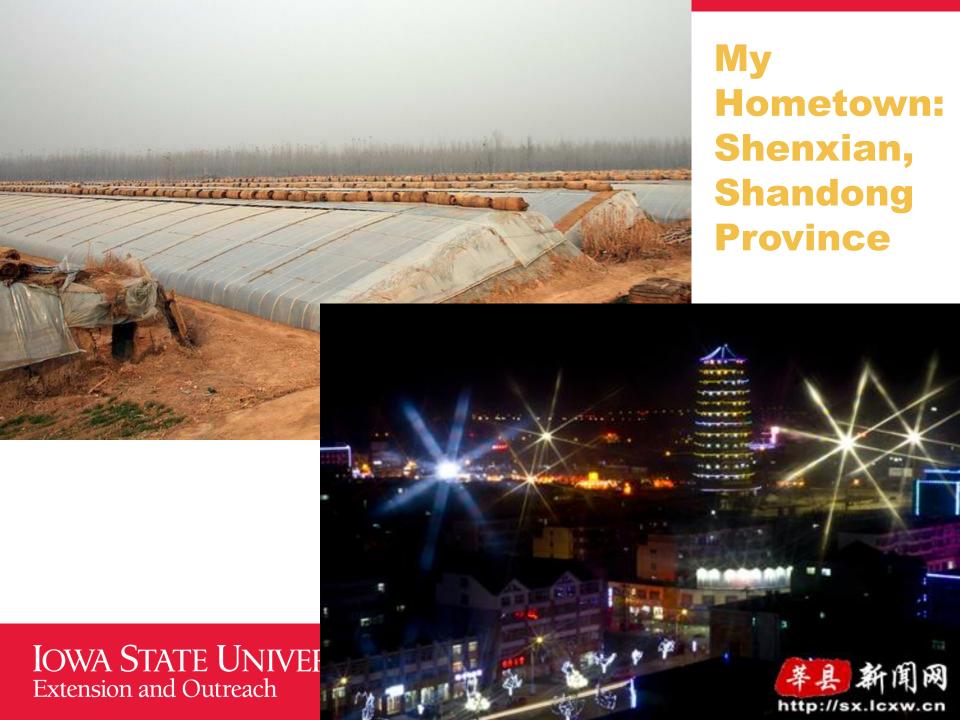






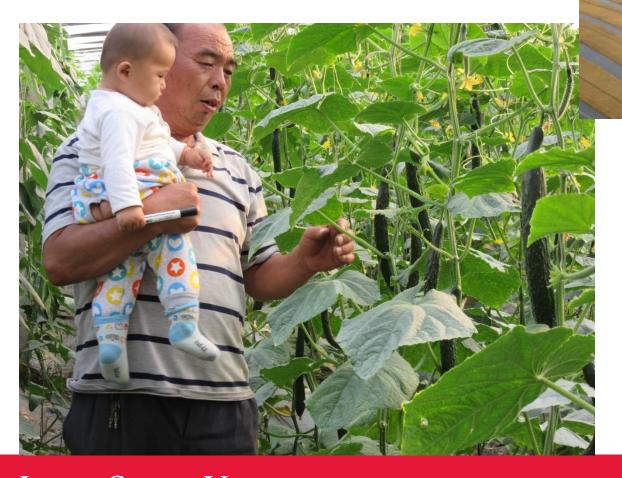






## Intensification of Land-Use in China

**Greenhouse – plastic film - Shandong Province** 





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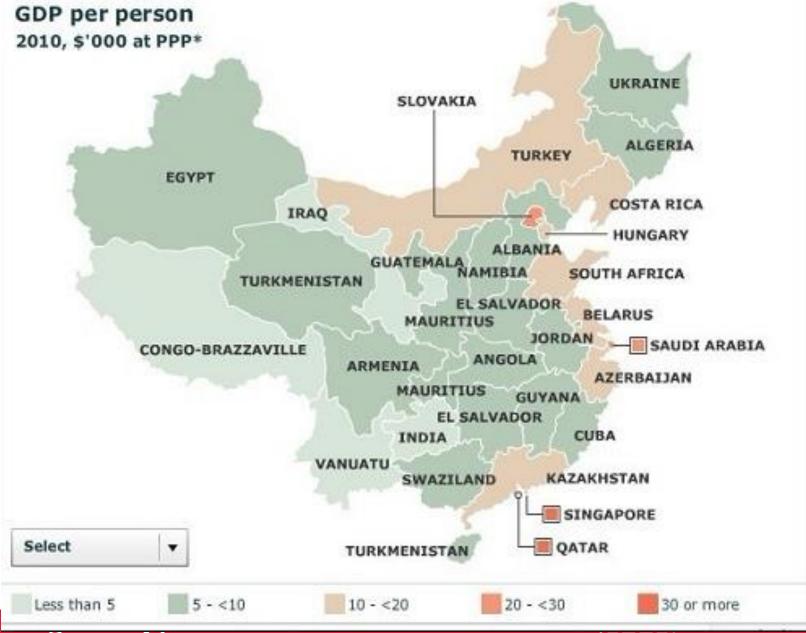






Source: Economist





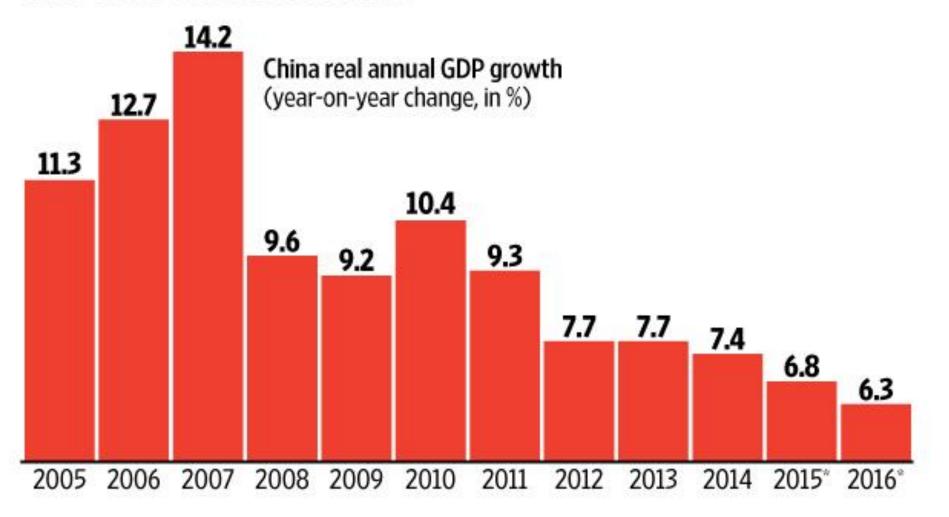




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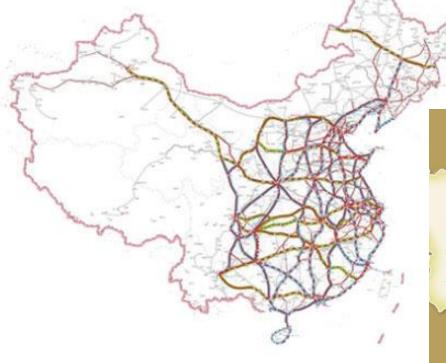
"Projected % change by International Monetary Fund

Source: Bloomberg

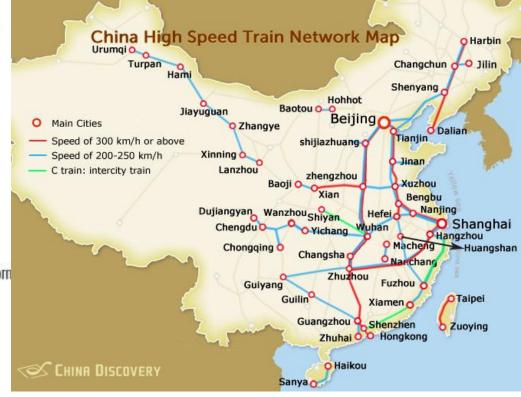


#### Planned Network of High-Speed Rail Lines to Be Built By 2030

# High-Speed Rail in China



Source: National Development and Reform

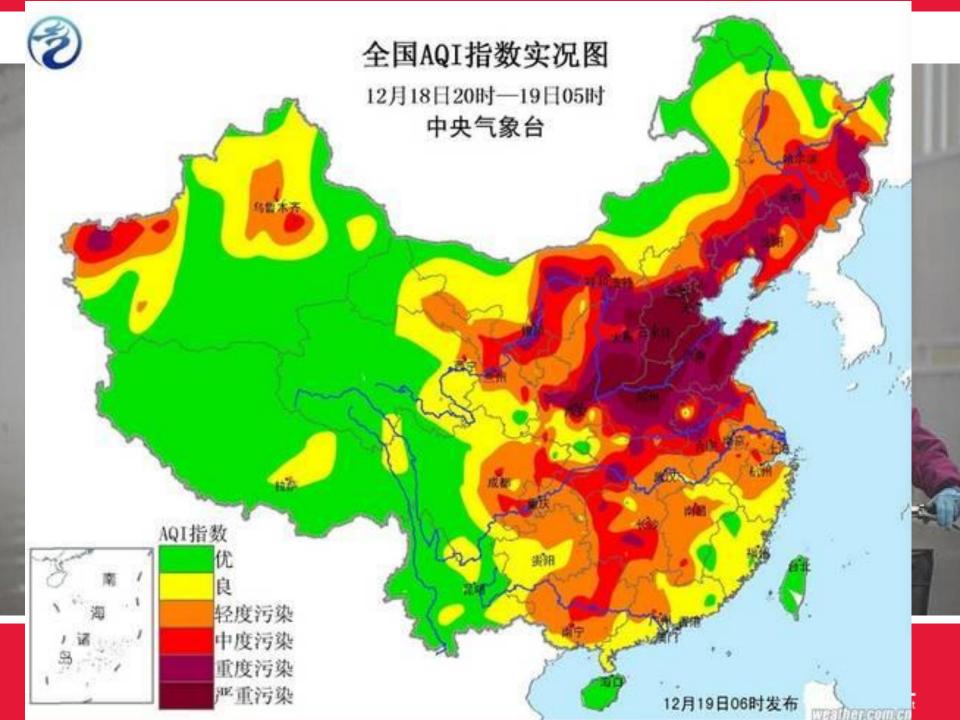














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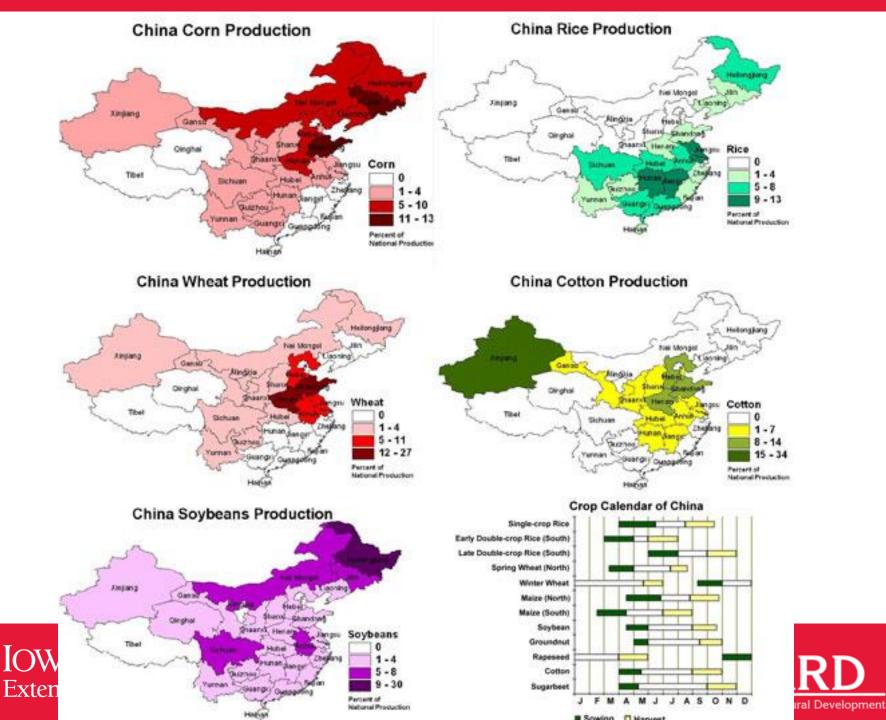


## China vs. US

prev	China	US
Total Population	1350.4 million	318.9 million
Gross agricultural production	555.2 billion \$	232.4 billion \$
Share of Agriculture in Total GDP	10.0%	1.3%
Share of Agriculture in Employment	35.0%	2.0%

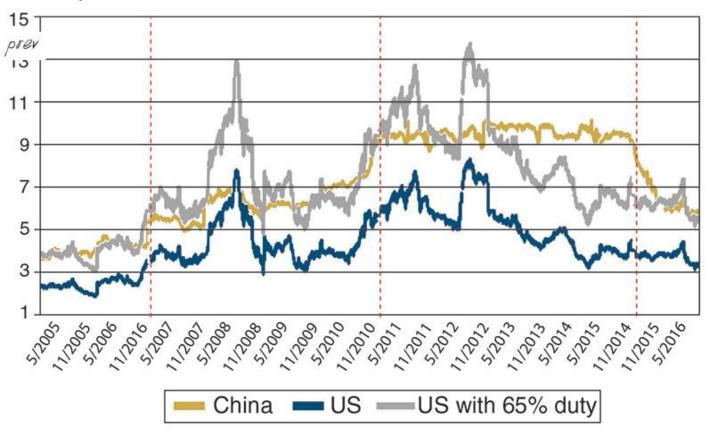
	China	US
Number of Farmers	241.7 million	3.2 million
Number of Farms	200.2 million	2.1 million
Total Farmland Area	406.8 million acres	914.5 million acres
Corn Production Area	89.7 million acres	87.4 million acres
Soybean Production Area	16.9 million acres	76.3 million acres
Wheat Production Area	59.6 million acres	45.3 million acres
Total Size of Vegetable/Herb		
Greenhouses	83.6 million sq.ft.	61.8 sq.ft
Average Farm Size	2.0 acres	433.6 acres





# Of Maize and Markets: China's New Corn Policy

#### Dollars per bushels



Source: http://www.quandl.com/

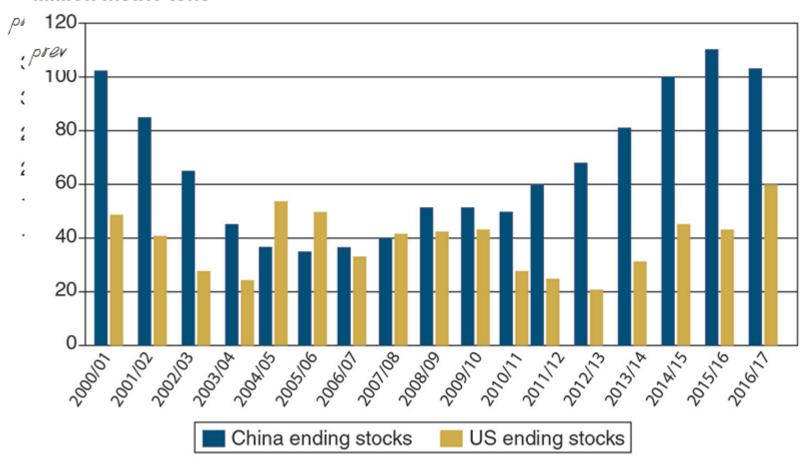






# Of Maize and Markets: China's New Million metric tons Corn Policy

4 Million metric tons



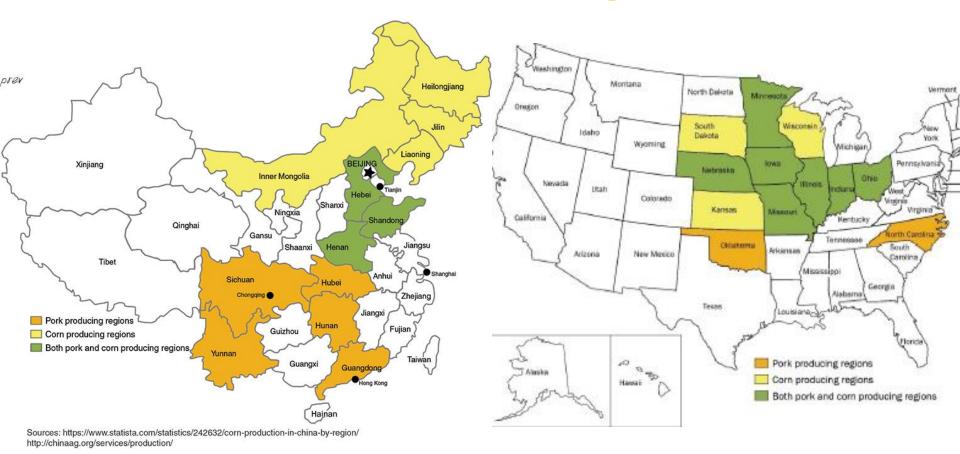
Source: USDA FAS Grain: world markets and trade







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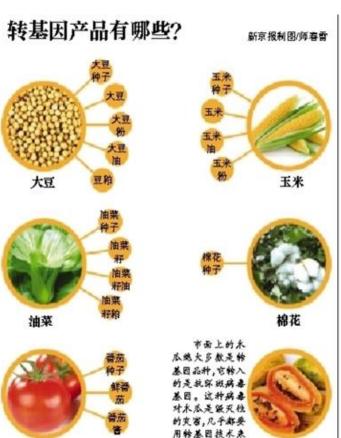
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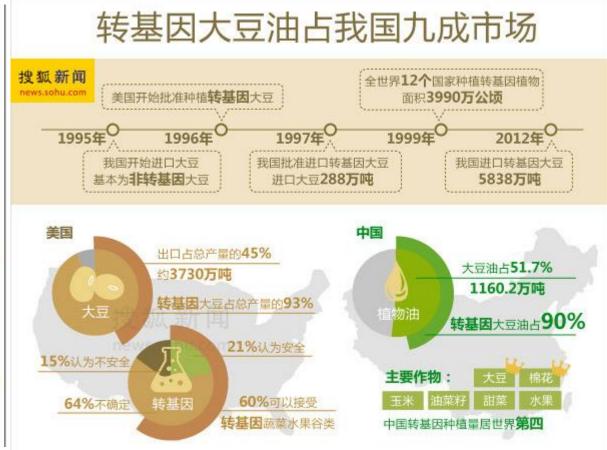




## **GMO** in China



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# GMO in China: Controversy/Divide China Wants GMOs. The Chinese People Don't.

**BloombergView** 

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After Decades Of Wariness, China To Grow GMOs



The Chinese have long been wary of genetically modified organisms. The country allows imports of genetically modified corn and soybeans for animal feed. But it's held off on domestic commercialization of those crops.

Over the past year, China has signaled it would relax that stance. This week it released its latest five-year plan for science and technology, saying it would push for the commercialization of biotech corn and soybeans in the next few years.

# GMO in China: Controversy/Divide





Yongyuan Cui

Larry King in China; Key critique of GMO



# Crop Insurance in China world's 2<sup>nd</sup> largest market 2007-2014

	2007	2014
Acres Covered for major crops (US acres)	37.9 million	182.2 million Corn: 67.3% Rice: 64.9% Wheat: 61.8%
Premiums (US \$)	0.69 billion	5 billion
# Households Insured		214 million
Indemnity Paid (US \$)		3.4 billion

2013 flood in Heilongjiang: paid \$900 per household, 62% of annual average income; 59.7% insured households get payments



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#### How it works now?

- Insures based on production cost
- Pay-up coverage level: 75% of production cost
- Risk covered: weather (not market)
- Vegetable, pork price loss insurance trial
- 2<sup>nd</sup> insurance market (similar to FarmerMac)

### Future developments/trials

- Weather-based index insurance
- Price-based index insurance
- Yield/revenue-based insurance



# A Primer on China's Political System and Reform Logic

At the highest level, anyone who reaches the age of 68 before or during a party national congress cannot, under normal circumstances, be a candidate for the Politburo Standing Committee. Five of its seven current members — everyone except President Xi Jinping and Premier Li Keqiang — fall into this category ahead of next year's 19th National People's Congress.

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AGE: 71

Yu Zhengsheng Chairman of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference



Liu Yunshan Propaganda chief



Zhang Gaoli Vice Premier



Zhang Dejiang Chairman of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress



Wang Qishan Secretary of the Central Commission for Discipline Inspection



Li Kegiang Premier



Xi Jinping President, General Secretary of the Communist Party of China

Source: Asia Times



# China's Experimentalist Approach: Local Trial & Error + (RDA) Regional Tournament Competition for promotion

- Demarcation/certification of leasing rights for rural land: 22 [30] provinces (230 million rural households)
- Operating rights of leased rural land & Rural residence as collateral: 300 [3000] counties
- Bundling reform "rural land reclamation + rural residential land owned by collectives + rural residence rights system": 33 [333] cities

Each trial area has a different approach, has a potential to become national policy

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#### Of maize and markets: China's new corn policy

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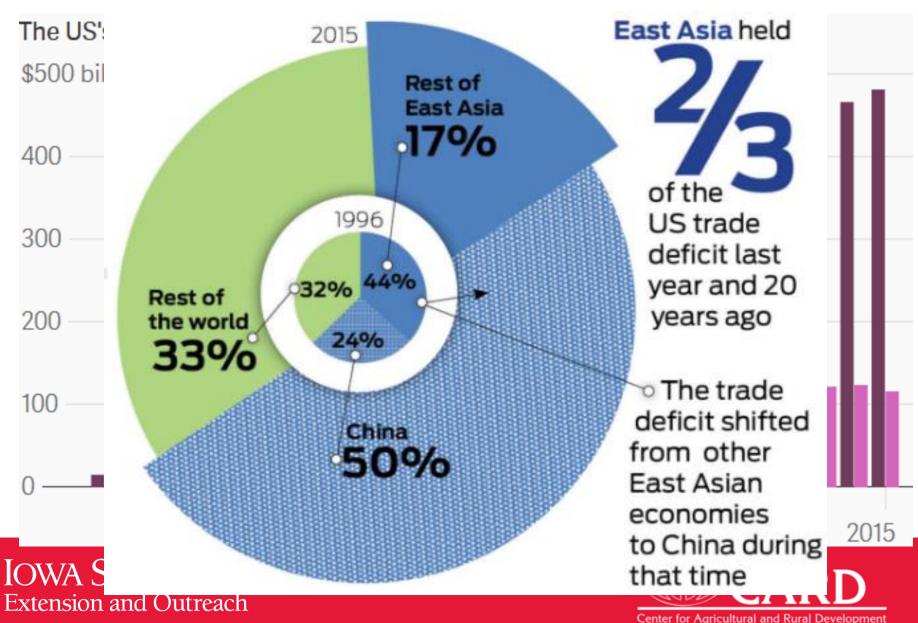
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## Is China a Currency Manipulator?



## **Growing Trade deficit w China**



# China's Importance in U.S. and lowa Ag Trade

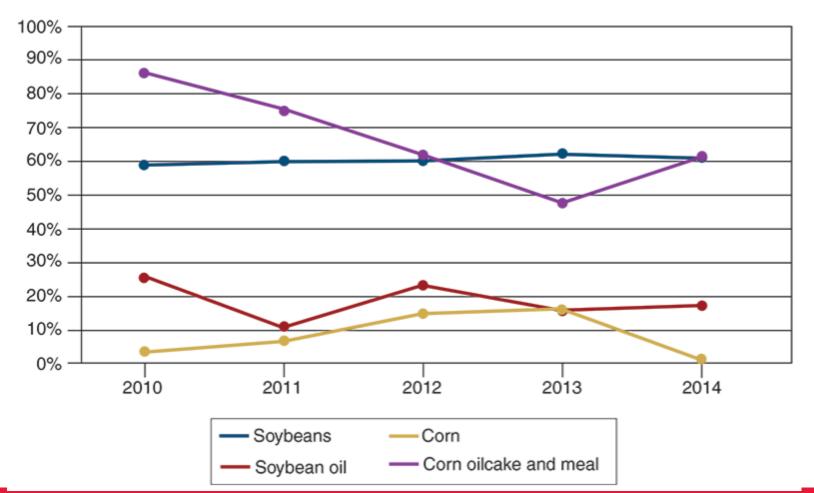
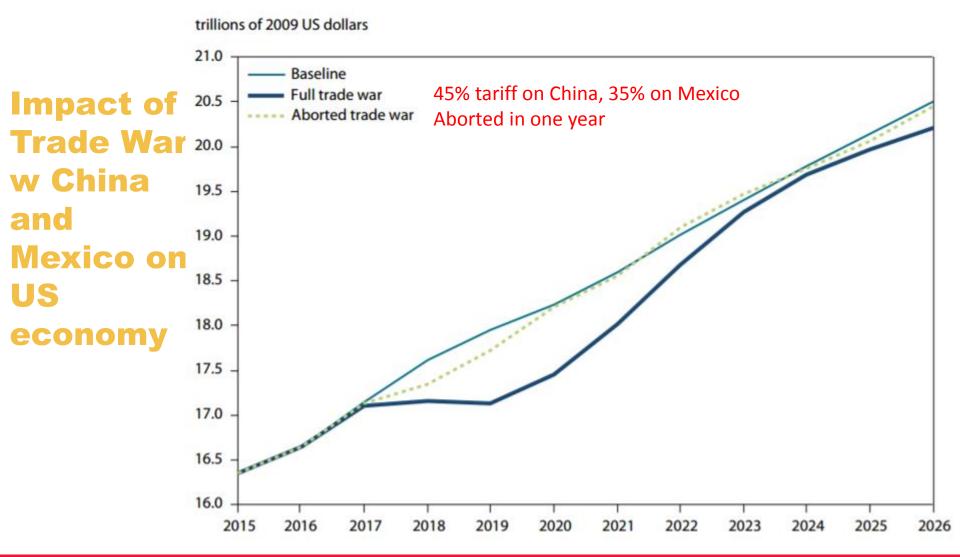




Figure 2.2 Projected US GDP under baseline, full trade war, and aborted trade war scenarios, 2015–26



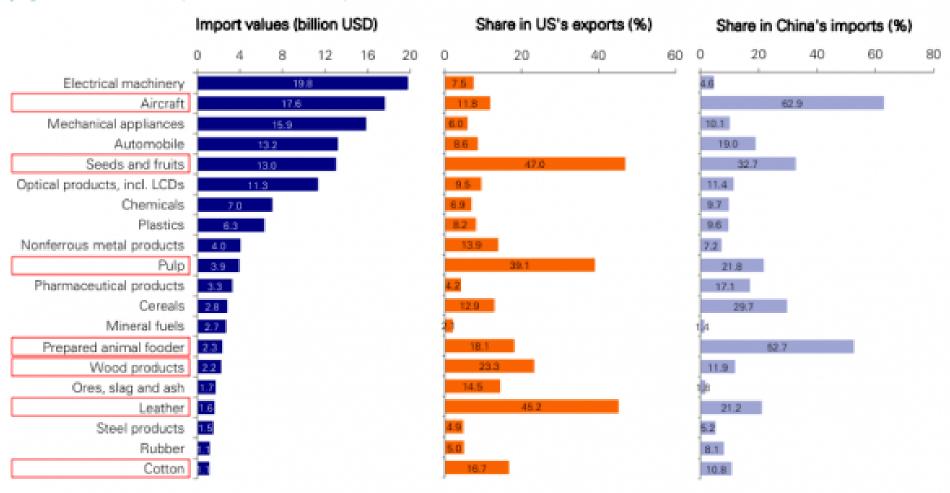
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Source: Peterson Institute



## **U.S.-China trade war games?**

Figure 16: China's imports from the US, by sector, 2015



Source: Deutsche Bank, UN COMTRADE

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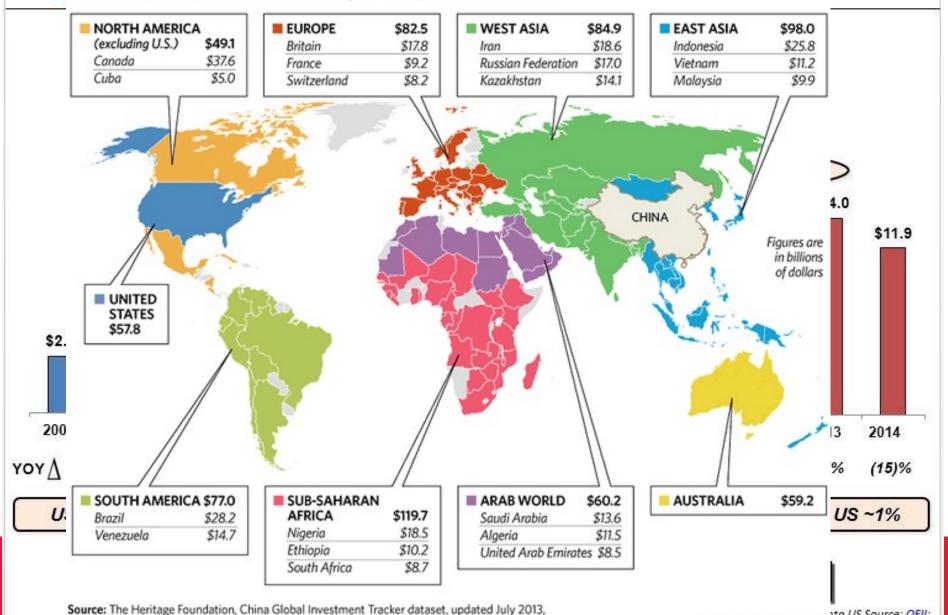
Sub-Saharan Africa sees very heavy Chinese construction activity. In investment, Australia holds a narrow lead over the U.S., followed by Canada and Brazil.

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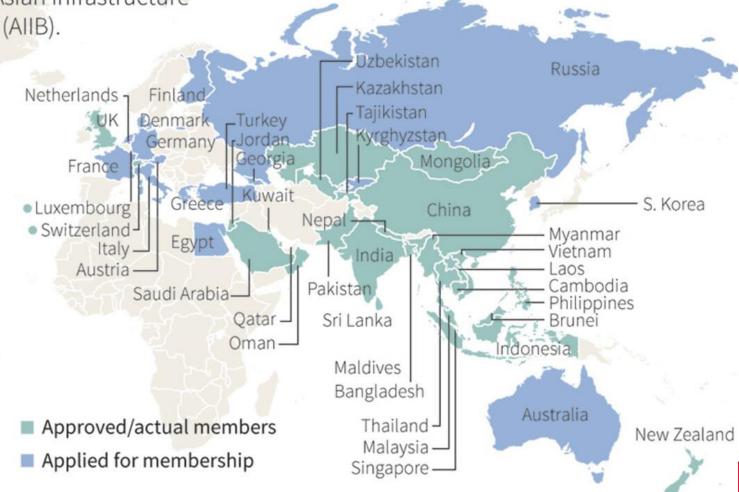
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## AIIB founding members

China has set a March 31 deadline for nations to become founding members of the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB).



Source: Ministry of Finance, China; Reuters

Brazil



#### Technology in China

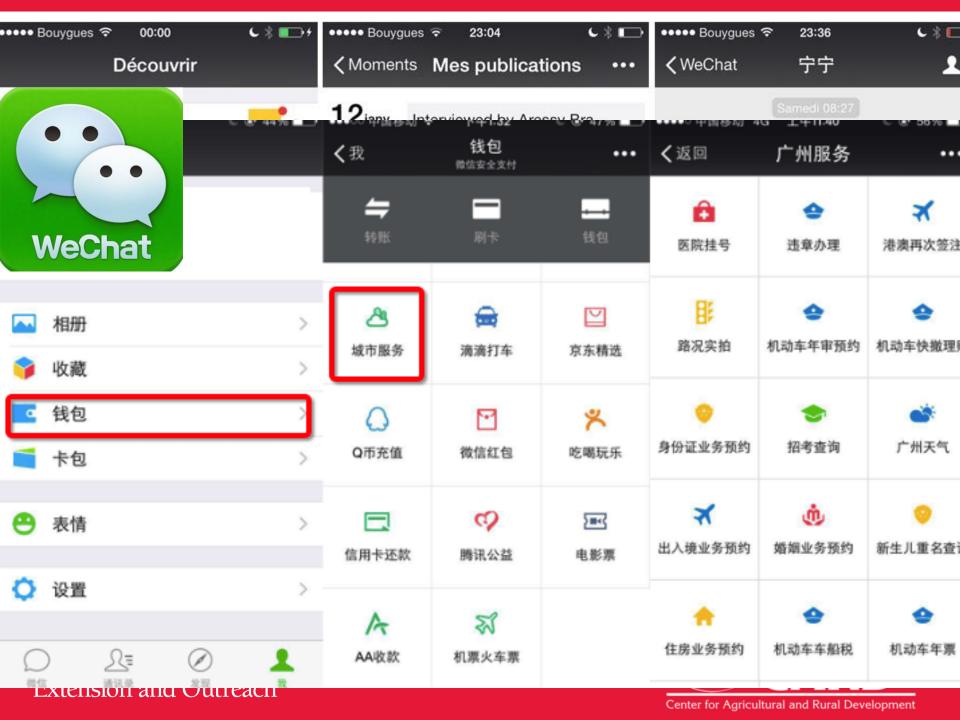
## China's tech trailblazers

#### Coming of Age

The aggregate size of the Chinese internet industry has ballooned since 2006 as China shifts to a consumption-led economy. Tencent, Alibaba and Baidu have played key roles in driving the explosive growth.

Chinese Internet Companies (aggregate): 2006 2015 \$545 billion billion \$424 million billion \$22 billion billion Market cap Net income Revenue

Source: Capital Group







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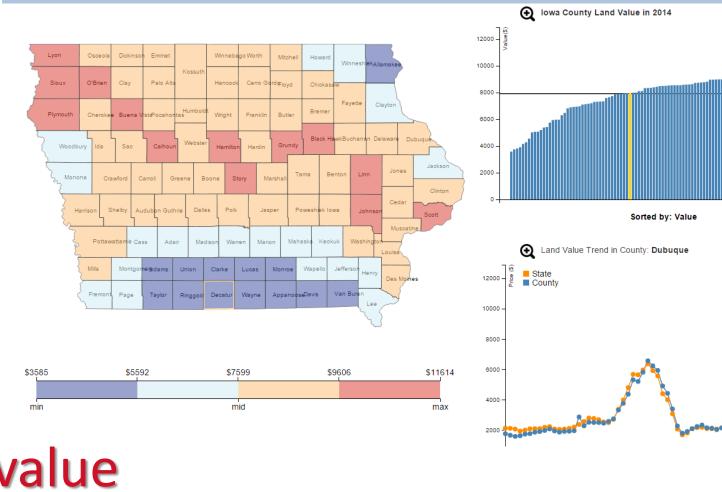
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Nominal Value Inflation Adjusted

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