



Country Fact Sheet

China

LAND AND POPULATION	Year	Value	Unit
Area			
Country total area	2016	960 001	1 000 ha
Cultivated area (arable land + permanent crops)	2016	135 698	1 000 ha
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Population Total population	2017	1 441 131	1 000
Total population	2017	150.1	inhab/km²
Population density	2017	595 096	1 000
Rural population	2017	499 339	1 000
Economically active population in agriculture As % of total economically active population	2014	58.43	%
	2014	30.43	70
RENEWABLE WATER RESOURCES (RWR)	Year	Value	Unit
Long-term average annual precipitation			
Depth		645	mm/year
Volume		6 192	km³/year
Long-term average annual RWR			
Internal (IRWR)		2 813	km³/year
External (ERWR)		27.32	km³/year
Total Actual (TRWR)		2 840	km³/year
Dependency ratio		0.9619	%
TRWR per capita	2017	1 971	m³/year
Total dam capacity	2013	829.8	km³
WATER WITHDRAWAL	Year	Value	Unit
By sector			
Agricultural	2015	385.2	km³
Municipal	2015	79.4	km³
Industrial	2015	133.5	km³
Total	2015	598.1	km³
Total water withdrawal per capita	2015	415	m³
By source			
Surface water withdrawal	2015	484.9	km³
Groundwater withdrawal	2015	106.9	km³
Total freshwater withdrawal	2015	594.2	km³
Desalinated water produced	2008	0.0109	km³
Direct use of treated municipal wastewater	2013	3.86	km³
Direct use of agricultural drainage water		-	km³
Pressure on water resources			
Total freshwater withdrawal as % of TRWR	2015	20.92	%
Agricultural water withdrawal as % of TRWR	2015	13.56	%
IRRIGATION AREAS	Year	Value	Unit
Area equipped for irrigation			
Full control irrigation	2013	69 863	1 000 ha
surface irrigation (2006) 59 338 1 000 ha			
sprinkler irrigation (2006) 2 841 1 000 ha localized irrigation (2006) 759.5 1 000 ha			
Equipped lowland areas		-	1 000 ha
Spate irrigation		-	1 000 ha
Total area equipped for irrigation	2013	69 863	1 000 ha
As % of cultivated area	2013	51.48	%
Area actually irrigated	2013	58 449	1 000 ha
As % of area equipped for irrigation	2013	83.66	%

Notes: 1 km³ = 10⁹ m³ = 1 000 million m³; 1 ha = 1 hectare = 10 000 m²

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