# Why this country?

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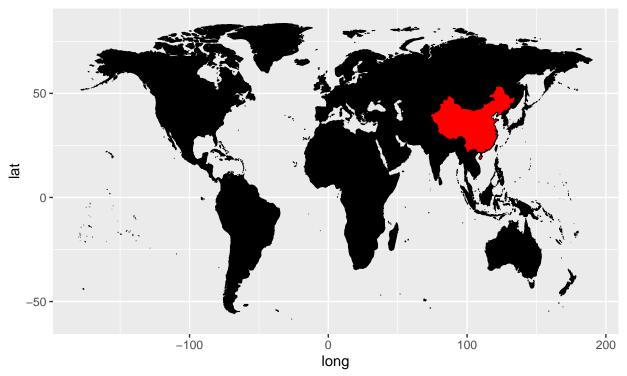
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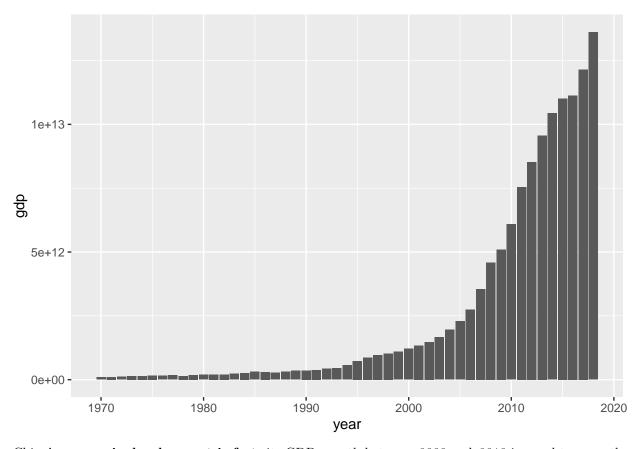
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### Introduction

With a **major influence** over Asia, but whose footprint is global, **China** is a **superpower**. With a GDP of more than \$ 12 trillion, the **second largest economy** in the world since 2010, in possession of the **second largest military budget** in the world and possessing nuclear weapons, China also plays a decisive role in **global governance**, thanks in particular to its headquarters in permanent member of the United Nations Security Council.



### A recent superpower



China's economic development is fast: its GDP growth between 2008 and 2018 is equal to more than 290%.

Following my trip to China for one semester back to 2018, the discovery of this territory where everything is done much faster than in Europe caught my attention. Combined with this mysterious meteoric growth, the study of this country can only be fascinating.