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## When will China become a super power?



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I would say that China already is a superpower.

















**China** took USSR’s place once it collapsed, **China** is currently the biggest counter to the **USA** in the world.

Let’s begin with the **Demographics**;

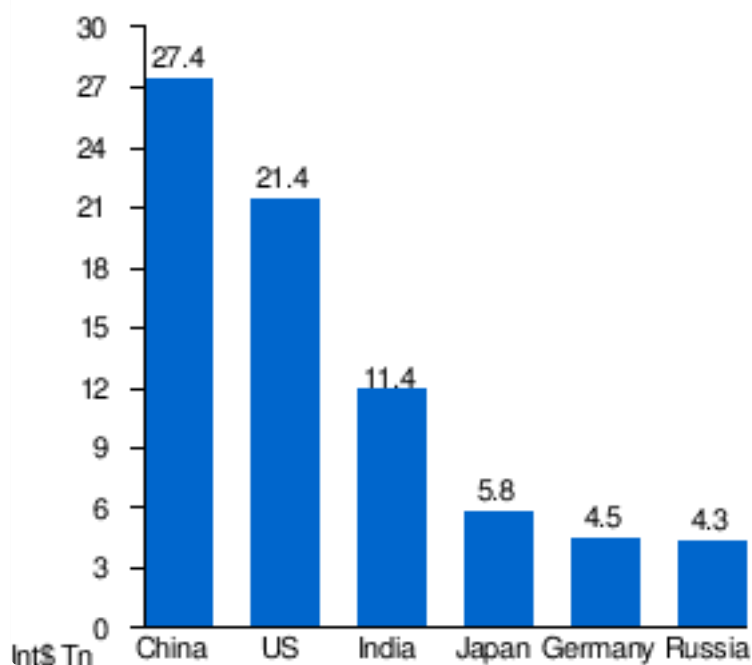
**China** is currently the country with the [biggest population](#) at 1.4bil people, meanwhile, the **USA** comes 3rd with 300mil people.

TOP 20 LARGEST COUNTRIES BY POPULATION (LIVE)					
1		<a href="#">China</a>	1,419,177,013	11	 <a href="#">Japan</a> 126,912,924
2		<a href="#">India</a>	1,366,138,724	12	 <a href="#">Ethiopia</a> 109,672,919
3		<a href="#">U.S.A.</a>	328,682,058	13	 <a href="#">Philippines</a> 107,823,720

4		<a href="#">Indonesia</a>	269,051,454	14		<a href="#">Egypt</a>	100,850,527
5		<a href="#">Brazil</a>	212,123,290	15		<a href="#">Vietnam</a>	97,263,162
6		<a href="#">Pakistan</a>	203,924,897	16		<a href="#">D.R. Congo</a>	86,241,592
7		<a href="#">Nigeria</a>	200,056,678	17		<a href="#">Turkey</a>	82,776,749
8		<a href="#">Bangladesh</a>	167,765,559	18		<a href="#">Iran</a>	82,677,656
9		<a href="#">Russia</a>	143,907,733	19		<a href="#">Germany</a>	82,413,042
10		<a href="#">Mexico</a>	132,050,260	20		<a href="#">Thailand</a>	69,284,477

Now, in **Economy**, I prefer using **GDP (PPP)** since compared to the **Nominal GDP** it's more effective in comparing countries. since **GDP (PPP)** takes into account things such as cost of living, inflation, etc.. allowing for a more meaningful ranking.

Anyways, getting this out of the way, [China is ranked first in GDP \(PPP\)](#).



Also, to show you how much reliant the world is on **China**, I will show you the biggest importing partners for some of the “most” important “countries”;

#### [The USA;](#)

- China 21.4%
- European Union 18.9%
- Mexico 13.2%
- Canada 12.6%
- Japan 6%
- Others 27.9%

#### [Russia;](#)

- European Union 38.2%

- China 20.9%
- The United States 6.1%
- Belarus 5.2%
- Japan 3.7%

#### India;

- China 16.6%
- European Union 10.4%
- The United States 5.7%
- The United Arab Emirates 4.9%
- Saudi Arabia 4.6%

#### Japan;

- China 25.8%
- European Union 12.4%
- The United States 11.4%
- Australia 5%
- South Korea 4.1%

#### European Union;

- China 20.1%
- The United States 14.5%
- Switzerland 7.1%
- Russia 6.3%
- Norway 4.3% (2016 est.)

Looking at those statistics you can see how much does the world rely on **China**, given the fact that **124** countries have **China** as their biggest trading partner compared to the American **56**.

We should also bring in the [External Debt by country](#) , which the USA is obviously ranked at 1st with being almost 18 Trillion dollars in debt, compared to the Chinese 1.5 Trillion.

Moving in the **Military**, I would say that **China** is really underrated by the people.







Not only did **China** show it's might to the **USA** in the [Korean War](#) after they kicked the American ass so badly that [General Mac Arthur was fired after he wanted to nuke China](#).

But when people compare **China** and **USA** they usually say things such as; "USA has 2.300 Fighters compared to the 1.200 Chinese ones, so the USA wins"

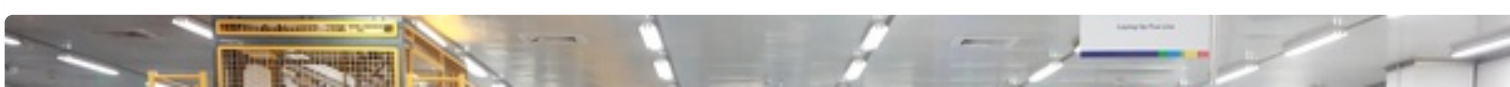
Well, they forget some important things, not only most of those fighters are from the cold war era, but **China** compared to the **USA**, is a sleeping giant.



How so, you ask? Well, it's simple, it's called the **Labour Force Strength** and again, [China is ranked 1st](#).

In case you don't know, **Labour Force Strength** as explained by **Global Firepower** is what reflects the wartime output of countries concerning all manners of the military industry such as; bullets, bombs, uniforms, tanks, planes, etc...

So **China** has **806mil** people ready to mass produce whatever **China** needs if they feel that war is close, now compare that to the **American 160mil**, that's not even a comparison, **China** can easily outproduce any country in the world making **China** unstoppable.





Especially since **China** has quality on its side as well, **YJ-18** being one of that, since the **PLARF recently outclassed the American missiles** putting the US Aircraft Carriers at a huge risk.

The Chinese military is winning the conventional missile arms race, particularly for anti-ship missiles, and US commanders are frantically trying to come up with alternative strategies before US aircraft carriers become obsolete.

"We know that China has the most advanced ballistic missile force in the world," James Fanell, a retired US Navy captain and former senior intelligence officer with the US Pacific Fleet, told Reuters Thursday. "They have the capacity to overwhelm the defensive systems we are pursuing."

And that's just one of the many examples.

Switching to **Foreign relations;**

After showing you the importance of **China** in the world's economy, there isn't much to say about this topic given the fact that **China** is part of the **Shanghai Cooperation Organisation** which is an alliance between these countries;

- **China**
- **India**
- **Kazakhstan**
- **Kyrgyzstan**
- **Pakistan**
- **Russia**
- **Tajikistan**
- **Uzbekistan**

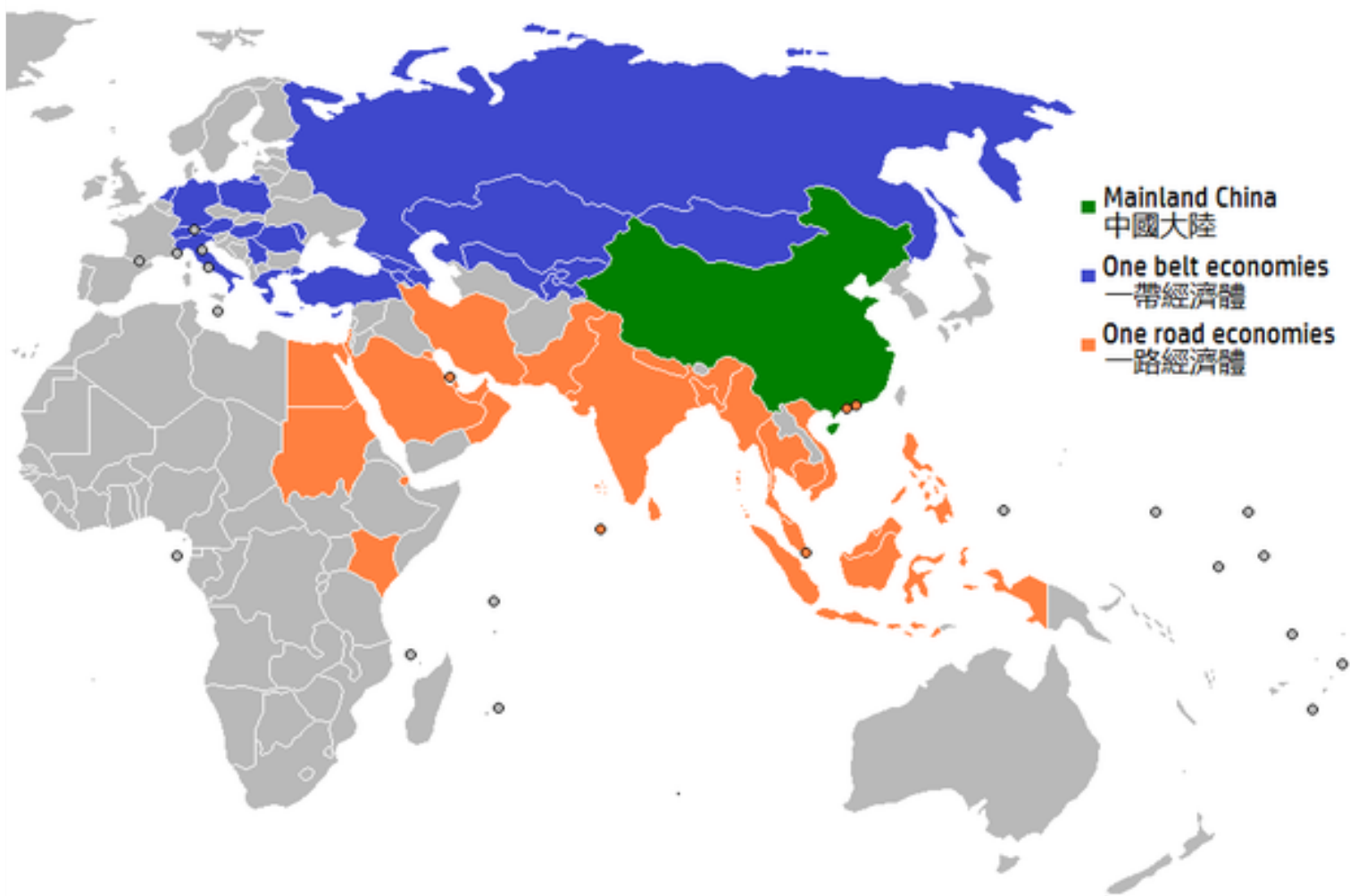


Which the [ASEAN](#) is heavily cooperating with.

But **China** is also part of [BRICS](#) , an international organization encouraging commercial, political and cultural cooperation between these countries;

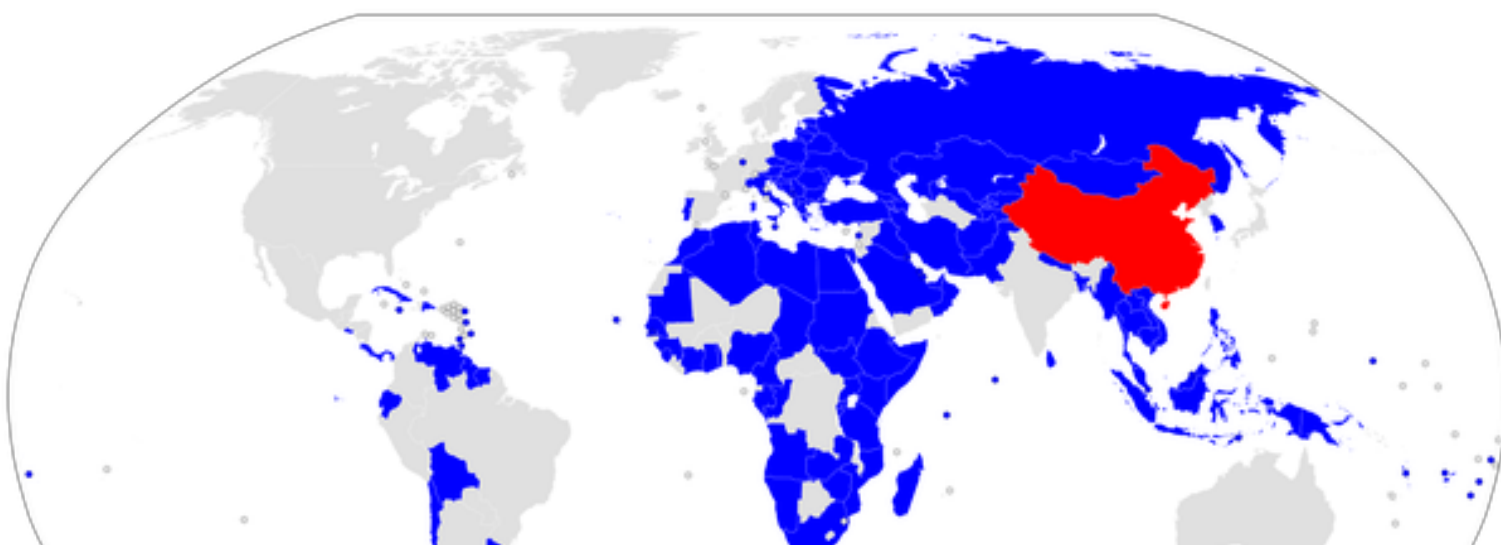
- **Brazil**
- **Russia**
- **India**
- **China**
- **South Africa**

**China** is also going after the **One Belt One Road** which will allow **China** to dominate the global trade, even more.

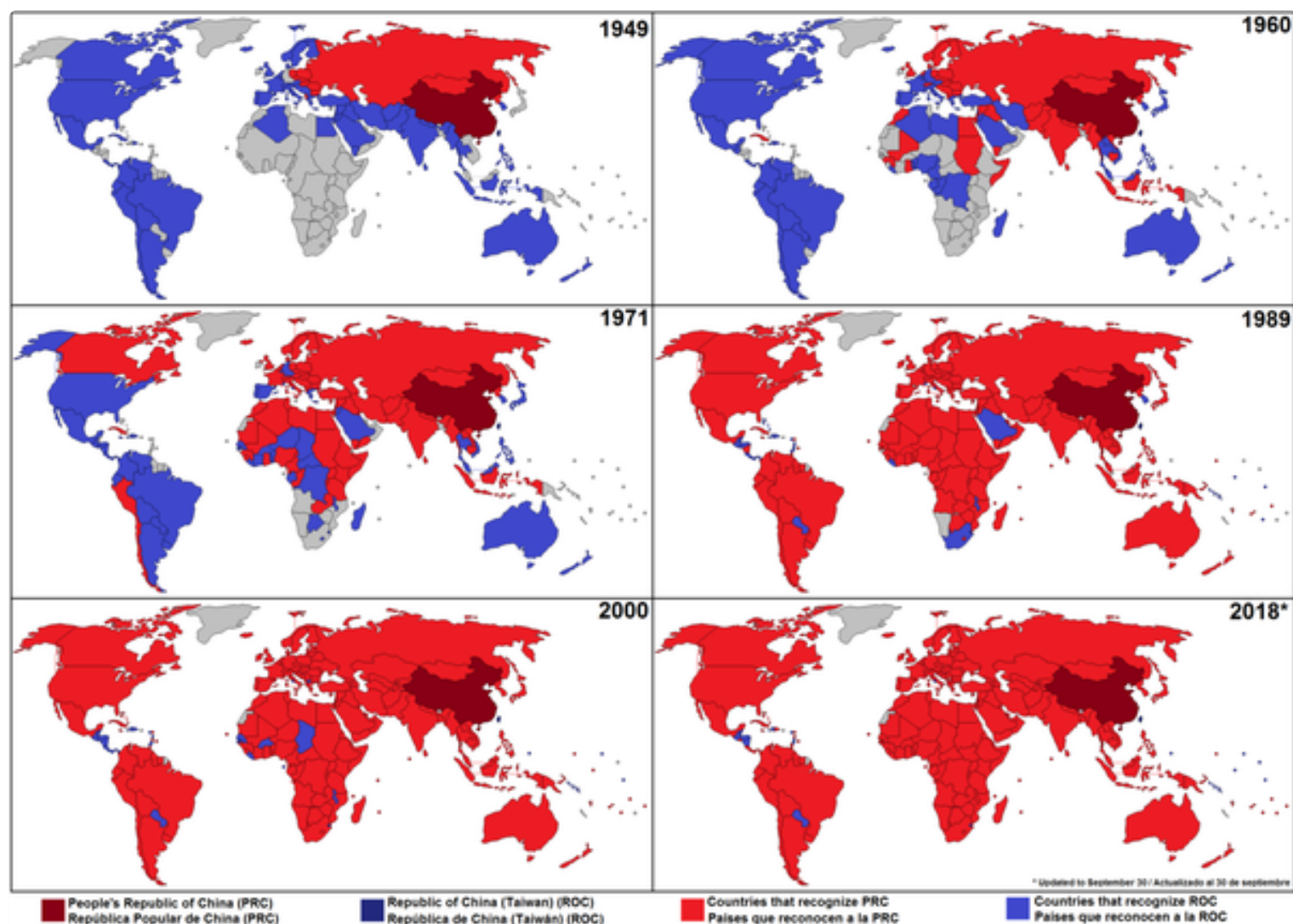


With [Italy](#) recently joining the One Belt One Road project.

Here you can see the countries that joined the **One Belt One Road** so far.



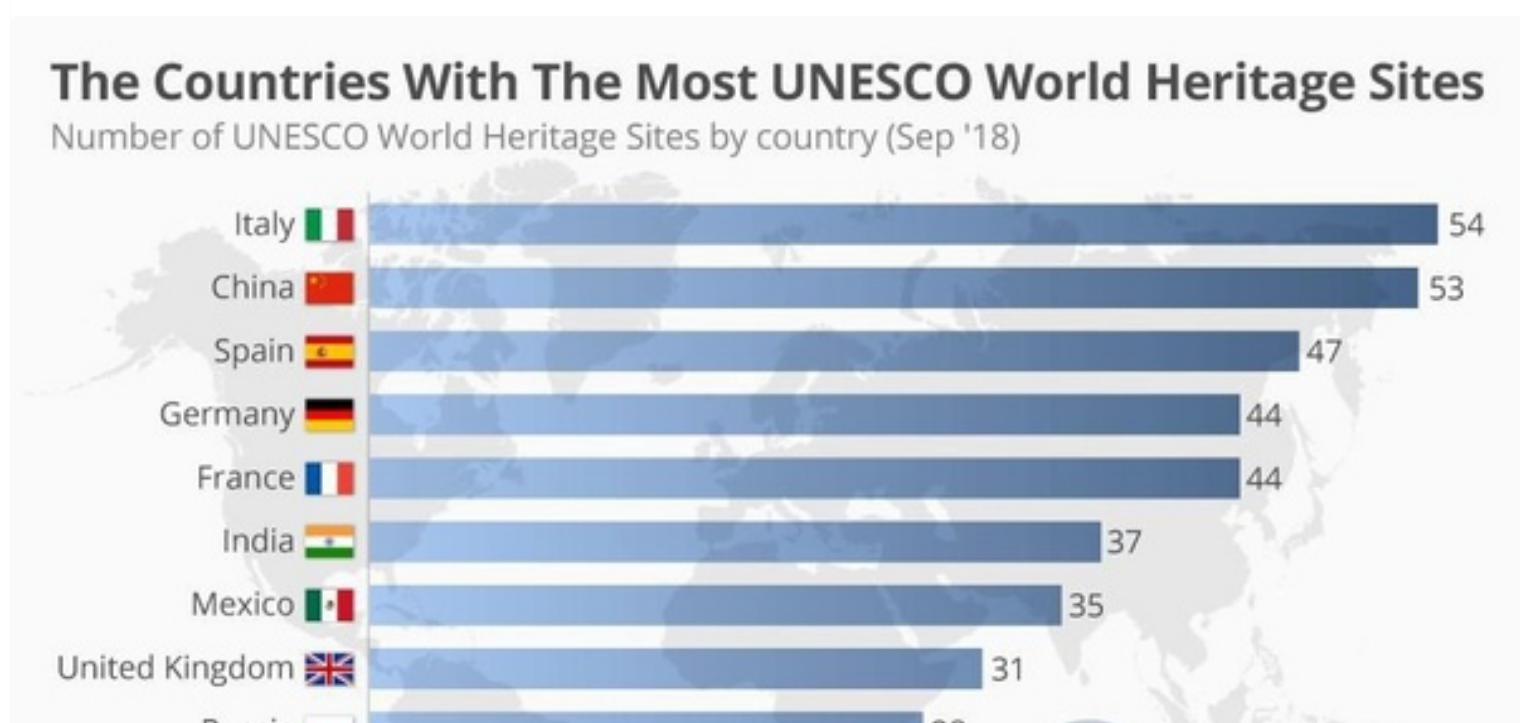
As this was not enough to show you the massive influence that **China** has on the world let me show you the number of countries recognizing **PRC** instead of **ROC** to this day.

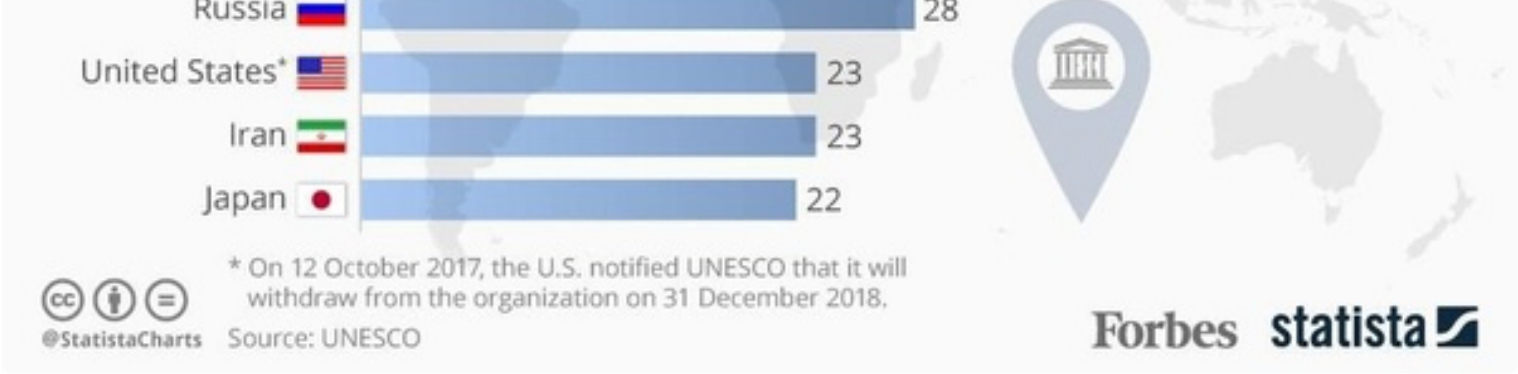


Ending up with the **Culture**;

**China** is one of the oldest countries on Earth , with a rich tradition in literature, film, classical music, and ballet.

**China** currently ranks 2nd after **Italy** in the countries with most heritage sites.





To keep it short, **Chinese culture** is really deep, writing about everything regarding it would take a lot of time.

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