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Summary: By 2022, the prices of new homes sold in Beijing, Shanghai, Guangzhou, and Shenzhen were 1.73 times, 1.81 times, 1.80 times, and 1.97 times their 2014 levels, respectively. The value of China's housing market is four times the country's GDP, compared to 1.6 in the US and 2.1 in Japan. Accounting for more than one-quarter of all economic activity and two-thirds of household wealth. Now that China's total population is shrinking, especially the home-buying-age cohort, the collapse of the property dam seems inevitable. Related: How China Can Avoid the Japan Trap and Can China's Long-Term Growth Rate Exceed 2–3 Percent? and The Neoclassical Growth of China

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