



China After Mao

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Communist Party

- EBREY: Pace of change extraordinary (566)
 - But party maintained power & membership
- **Hua Guofeng** (1976-78) – Arrested **Gang of Four** and blamed them for **Cultural Revolution**



Deng Xiaoping

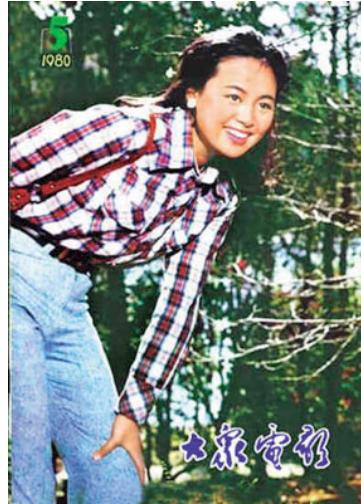


- 1978-92 (retired); dies in 1997
- “Poverty is not socialism”
- **Four Modernizations**
 - Agriculture, Industry, Science, and Technology
- 15M party members back to school
 - 14% HS, 4% College degrees in '78
- 1978 – **Democracy Wall** – One year of freedom of speech until it was shut down



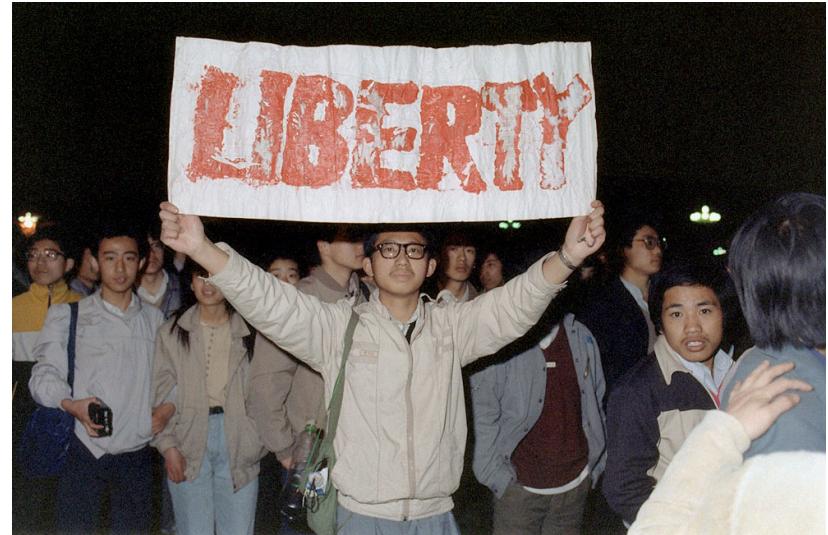
Westernization

- Visited US in 1979 to discuss econ & cultural ties
- Sent troops to VIE to retaliate for invasion of CMB
- 1980 – First Special Economic Zone (Shenzen)
 - Foreigners & Western teachers abound
 - Low taxes to foreign investors
 - Christian churches, Taoist & Buddhist temples reopen
 - People dress colorfully



Party Changes

- 1983-86 – Crackdown on CCP corruption
 - 109K expelled by 1987
- 1983 – “**Spiritual Pollution**” crackdown
 - Not everyone happy w/ Western changes, esp. w/ youth
 - Leads to Tiananmen Square demonstrations in 1989
 - After TS, 48M members submitted self-evaluations
 - 1M were sent to the country to “learn from the masses”



A “Socialist Market Economy”

- Deng: USSR fell b/c central planning ≠ prosperity
 - Don’t worry about labeling, just worry about progress
 - Rewrote constitution to explain SME
- 1990s – Local elections permitted & caused some political change



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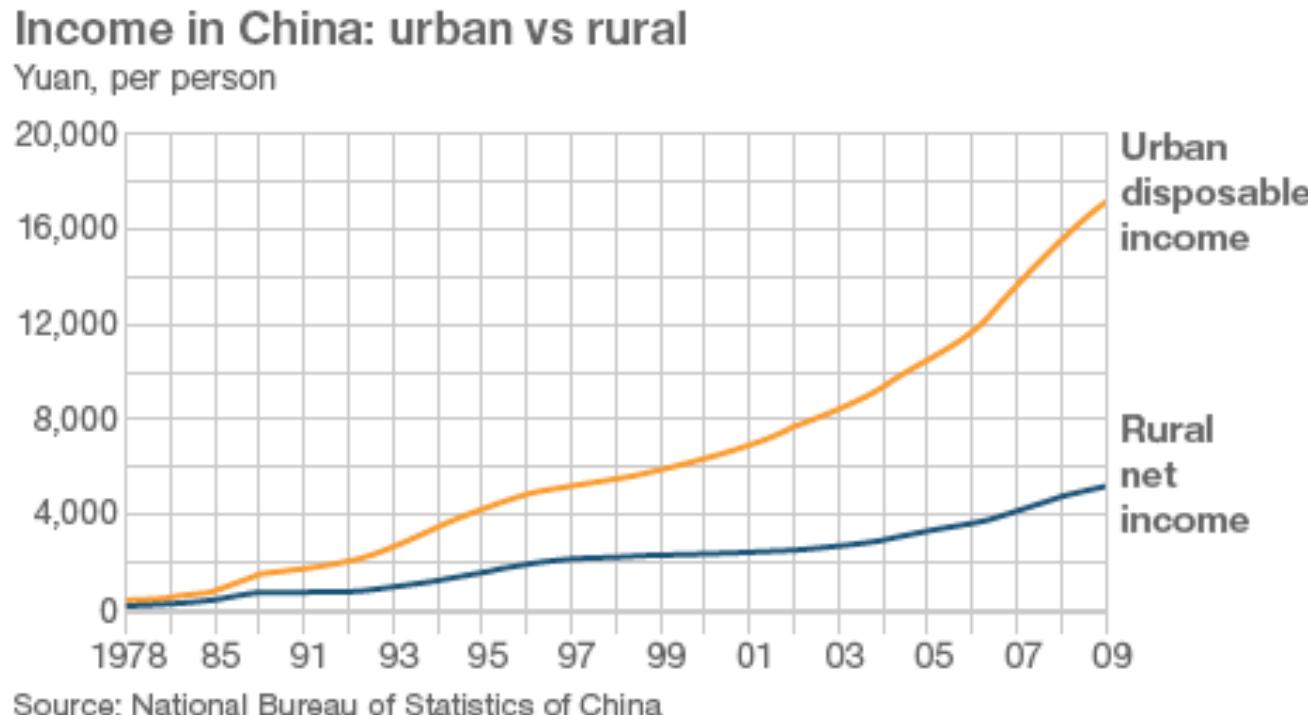
After Deng

- EBREY: Rapid growth not a simple success story
- Essentially bankrupt government, high unemployment, corruption, low education
- 63M party members (Stats 567)



Economic Restructuring

- Urban-Rural wealth gap changes
 - Poverty: 33% in 1976 to 6.5% in 1998
- 1980 – End of collective farming
 - Great for rural areas
 - 1995 – 125M private farms w/ higher wages



Privatization and its Impact

- Special Economic Zones
 - Incentives to foreign investors → low taxes, new plants, well-trained cheap labor
 - 17% of world's garment exporters; 7.3B shoes
- 1990-2000 – 30-35M unemployed & military halved
- 1992 – 100M Rural workers migrated to cities once controls were lifted → crime, housing & food issues
- 1997-98 – Rural healthcare shortage & peasant rebellions
- 1990s – ↑ in disposable income → durable good & Western purchases
 - 1978 – Zero privately owned cars → 2010 – More than USA



Education

- 1977 – Reinstitution of college entrance exams
- Higher wages for teachers & cost of educ. grew
 - Rural kids paid teachers for educ. through labor (572)
- Urban and rural divide in education & illiteracy



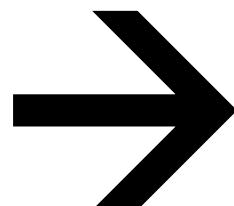
Arts

- End of Cultural Revolution → rebirth of the arts
 - EBREY: Sufferers found it politically possible to write of their experiences
- Government tolerance
 - But still restricted some Western films
 - Censored internet and foreign media



Gender Roles

- 1920s – Push for equality begins
 - Right to divorce, contraception, etc.
- Women played larger role in Revolution than before
 - Official rhetoric said to treat both genders equally
 - EBREY: Reality lagged behind the rhetoric; Confucian Filial Piety still dominant
 - Visible, but not relevant
- Post-Mao – Women given jobs, but less pay, first to be fired, worse jobs w/ same education



Population Control

- Late 1970s – **One Child, One Family Policy**
 - Two children in rural CHN
 - Work units gave people permission to marry & have kid
 - 1990s – Relaxed so families who only had a daughter to try again to have a son
 - Even now, more female fetuses aborted, and children adopted
 - Concern for how they'll care for elderly parents and thrive without extended family



Family Life

- Arranged marriages fell last 20 years
- Divorce legal and common, esp. in cities
- Breakdown of traditional family & Confucian values
 - Youth began to supersede elderly as youth moves to cities



Criticism

- 1978 – Democracy Wall – **Wei Jinshen** calls for 5th Modernization & democracy → wall ends in '79
 - Wei imprisoned & exiled to US in 1997
- 1986 – **Fang Lizhi** stressed adopting Western political system → Deng crackdown on students → dismisses **Hu Yaobang** for being too liberal
- 1988 – TV series *River Elegy* questions conservative/backward nature of CHN



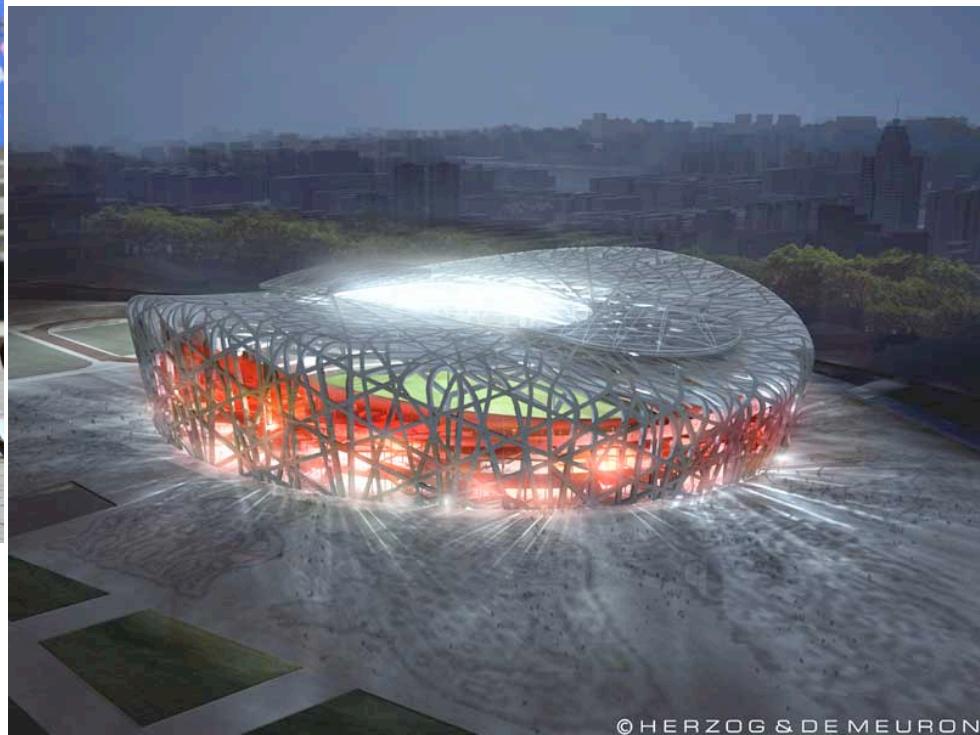
1989

- April – Protests begin
- Deng: “counter-revolutionary turmoil”
- May – Int’l press in Beijing to cover Gorby visit
 - Crackdown begins when he leaves
- June 3&4 – Tanks in Tiananmen Square → 500 dead
 - Hardliners justify suppression to protect stability → compulsory political classes in 1990s universities



1990

- No real uniting issue for critics
- Li Hongzhi leads Falun Gong (Tao/Buddhist org.)
 - Mass protest in 1999 → most imprisoned; sect outlawed
- 2000s – Environmentalism rises → Olympics 2008



Foreign Policy

- 1960s – Split w/ USSR
- 1970s – Supported Khmer Rouge in CMB
- 1972 – Triangular Diplomacy w/ Nixon & Kissinger
- 1980s – Friendly w/ West; distanced from USSR
- 1984 – UK agrees to return **Hong Kong** in 1997
- 2000s – Increases diplomatic role
 - Joins World Bank, IMF, Asian Development Bank, WTO



Taiwan

- 1975 – Chiang Kai-Shek dies → **Chiang Chingkuo**
- Late 1980s – Multi-party parliamentary democracy
- 1949-1970s – US & UN recognized Taiwan as CHN
 - Nixon normalizes relations & Taiwan is recognized as *part* of People's Republic of China



Taiwan's Growth

- Japanese land reform & industrial development
- Foreign investment
- Investment in technical training
- 1960s-Present – Export oriented economy
 - 1966 – Tax-Free export zone
- 1987 – Travel allowed to mainland
- 2000 – **Kuomintang (KMT)** lost reelection to DPP

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