

CHINA

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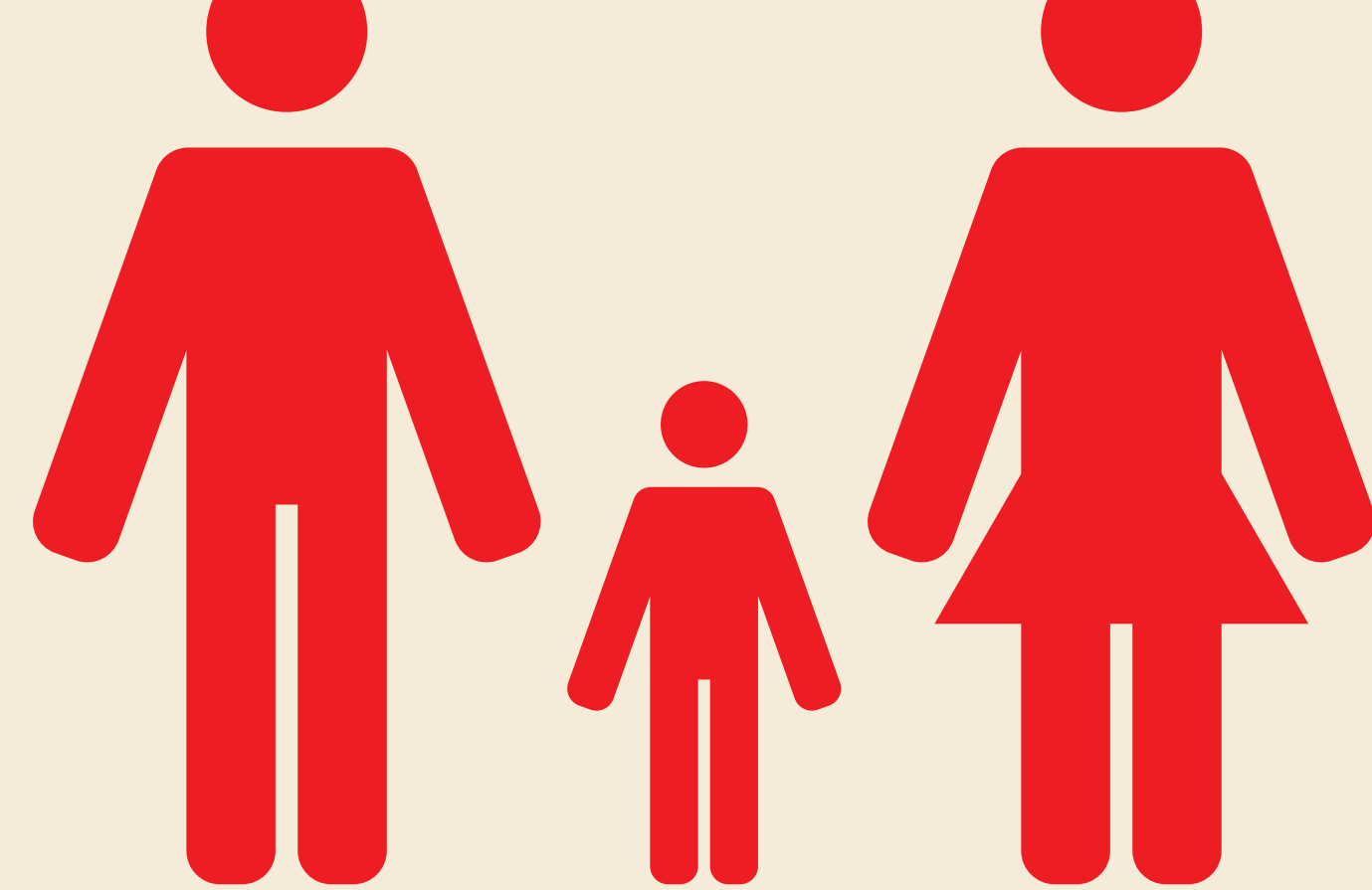
China is the most populated country in the world with over **1.3 billion** inhabitants living in an area that spans **9.3 million Km²**, 6% of the world's total landmass. Population growth has been slowing down recently, as such India may soon take the title of most populated country.

1,387,040,772 China
1,339,296,847 India
326,002,603 USA

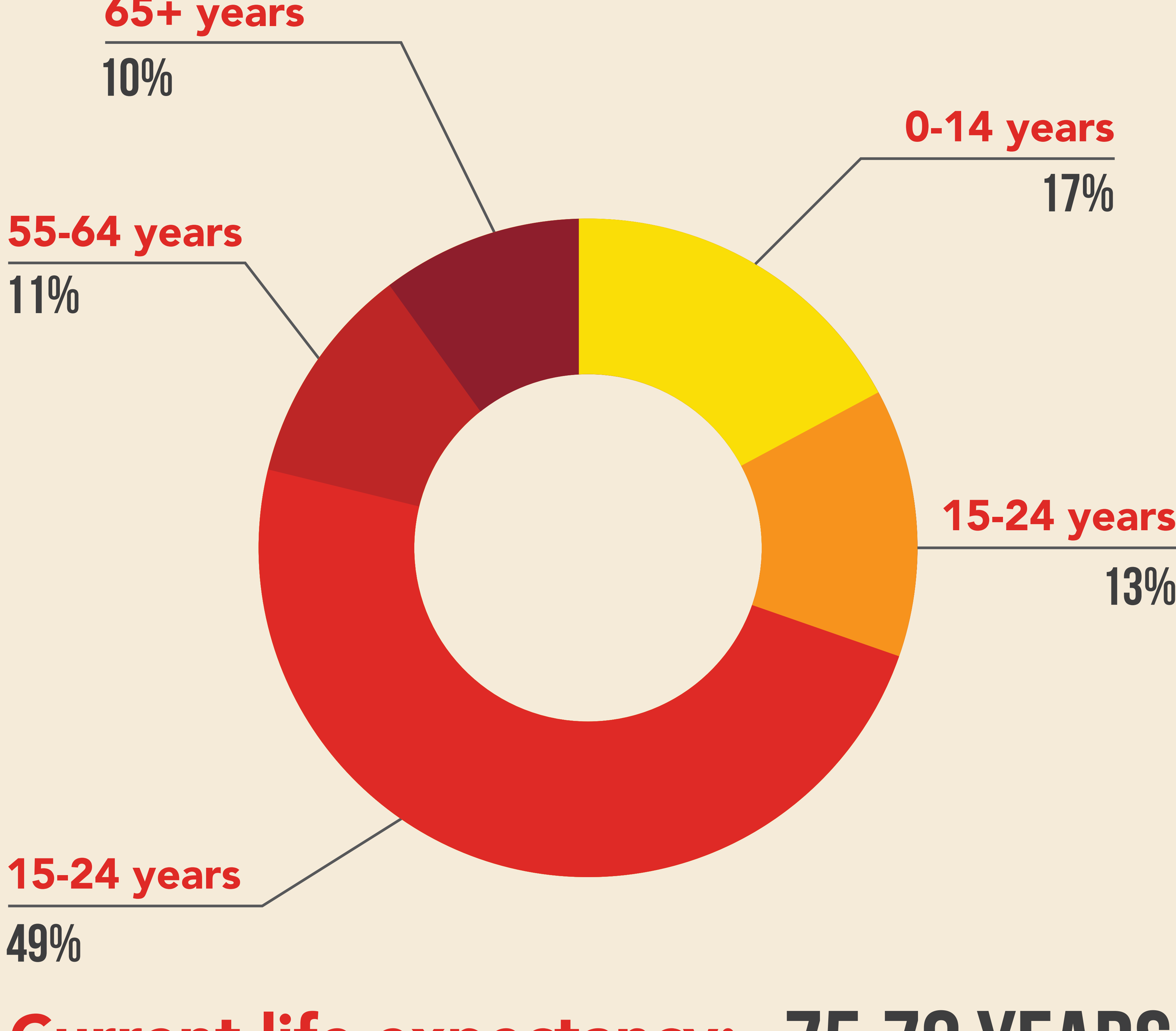
China's cities are some of the most densely populated in the world. Here's the **top five most populated**:



In 1979, the Chinese Government introduced a **one child policy** to combat **overpopulation** and **gender imbalance**. This led to more people growing old than those reproducing.



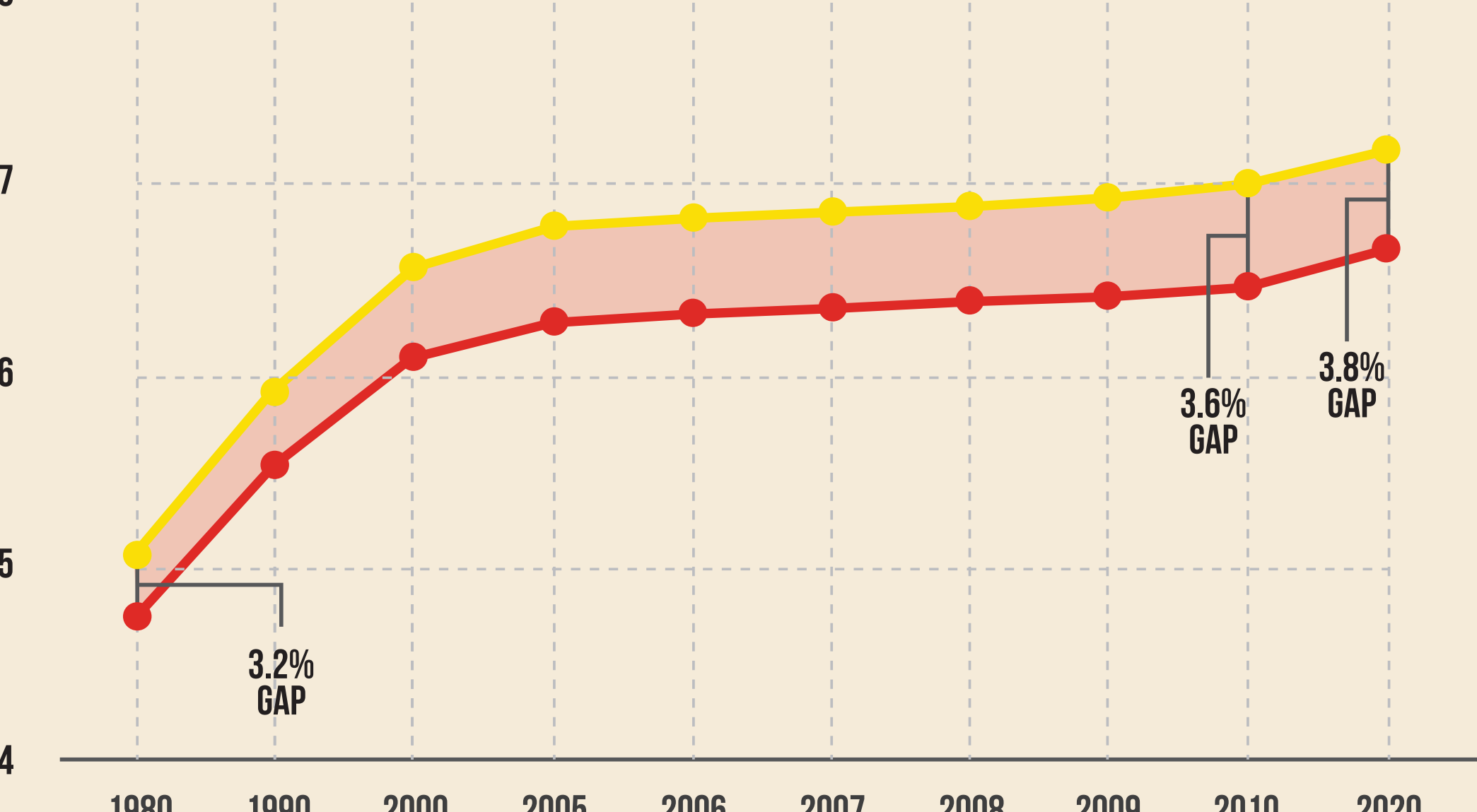
Current age breakdown:



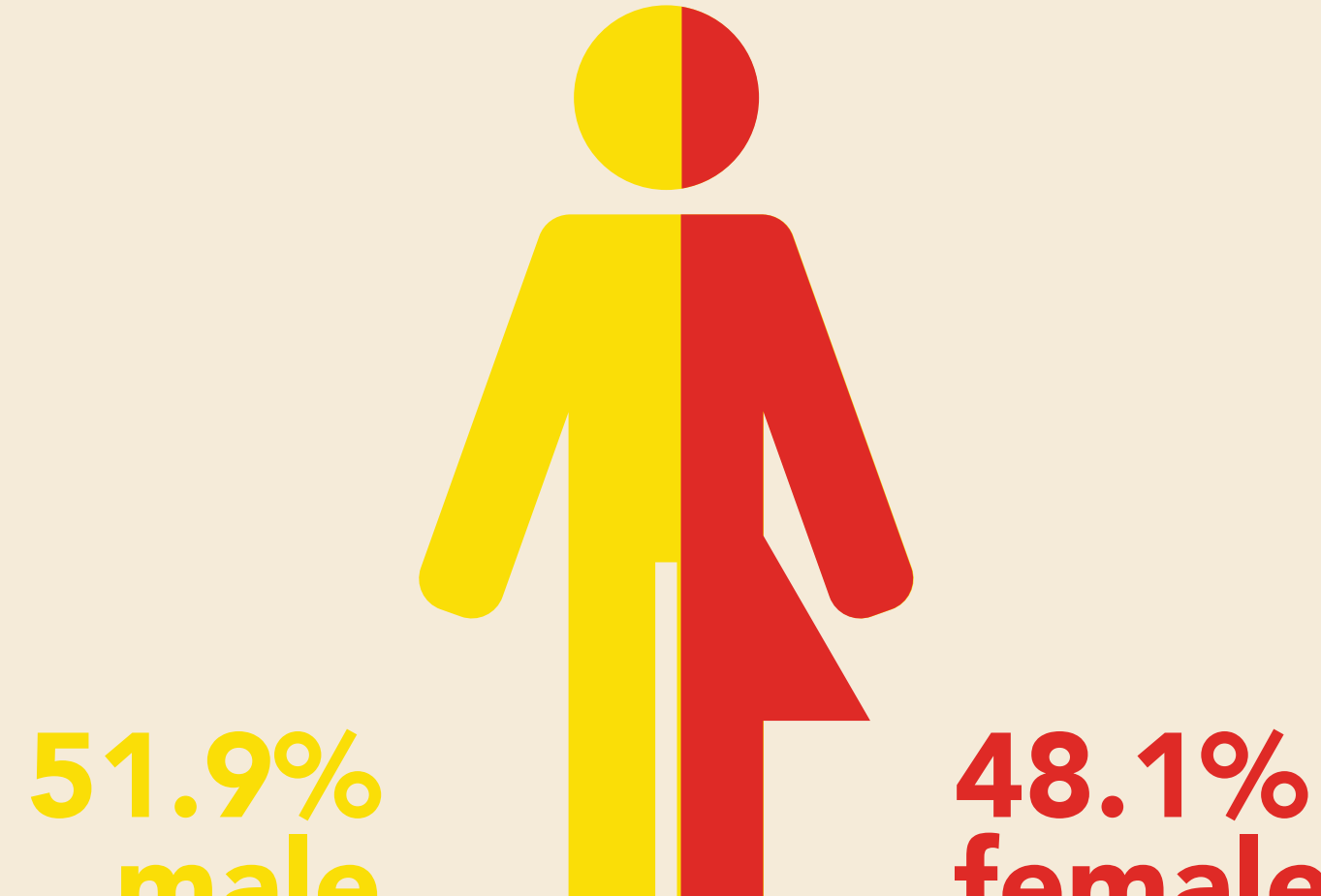
Current life expectancy: 75.78 YEARS

There are currently **33.5 million** more males than females, indicating that gender imbalance is still a huge problem.

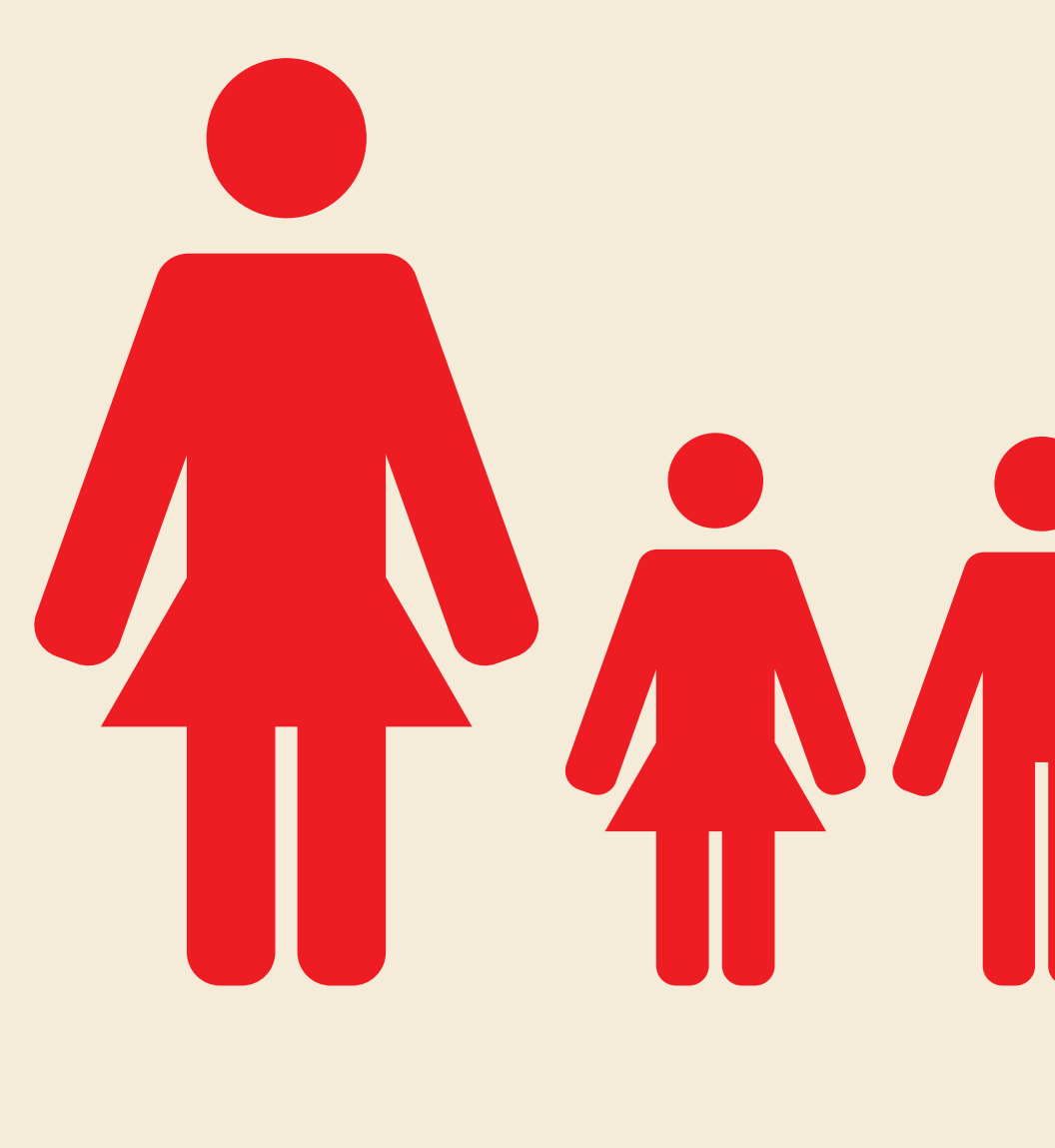
China's gender gap (in millions)



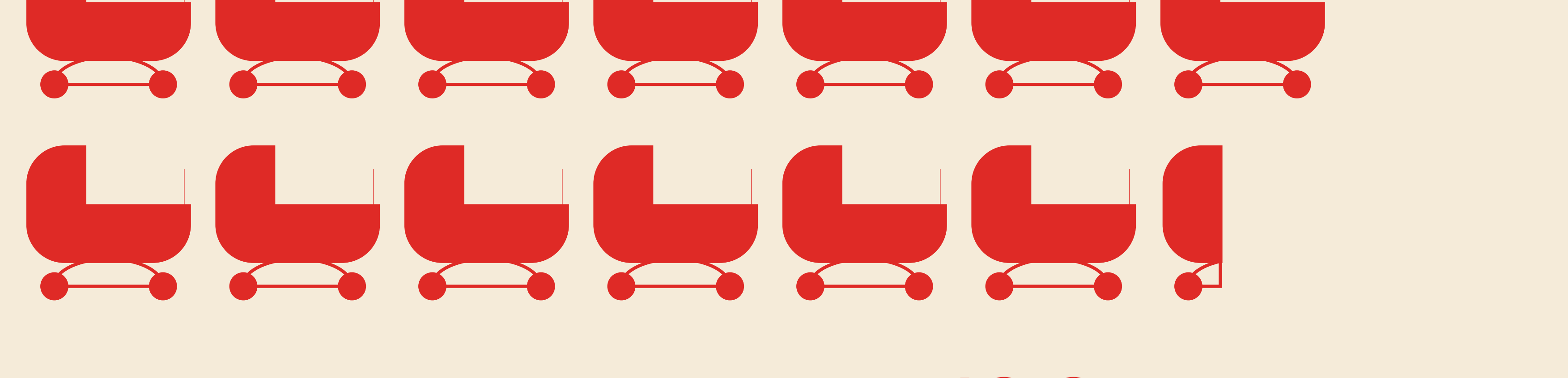
China is currently:



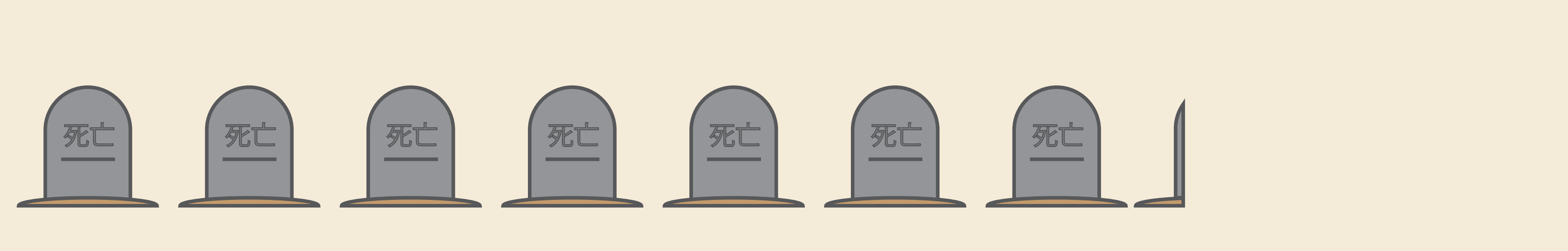
After formally phasing out the controversial **one child policy** in 2015 in favour of a **two child policy** to combat the ageing population, China has seen a rise in births to **1.66 per woman**, still far less the government estimated.



Current birth rate:

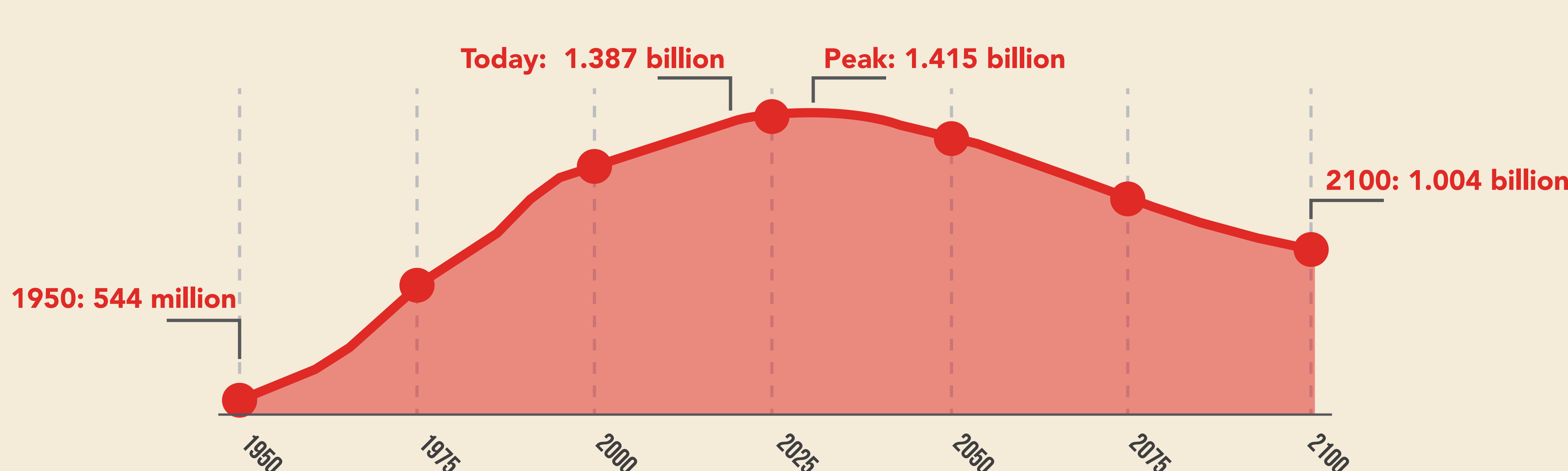


Current death rate:



Thanks to the **ageing population**, China's population is projected to peak in 2030 before dropping by a full quarter of today's population by 2100.

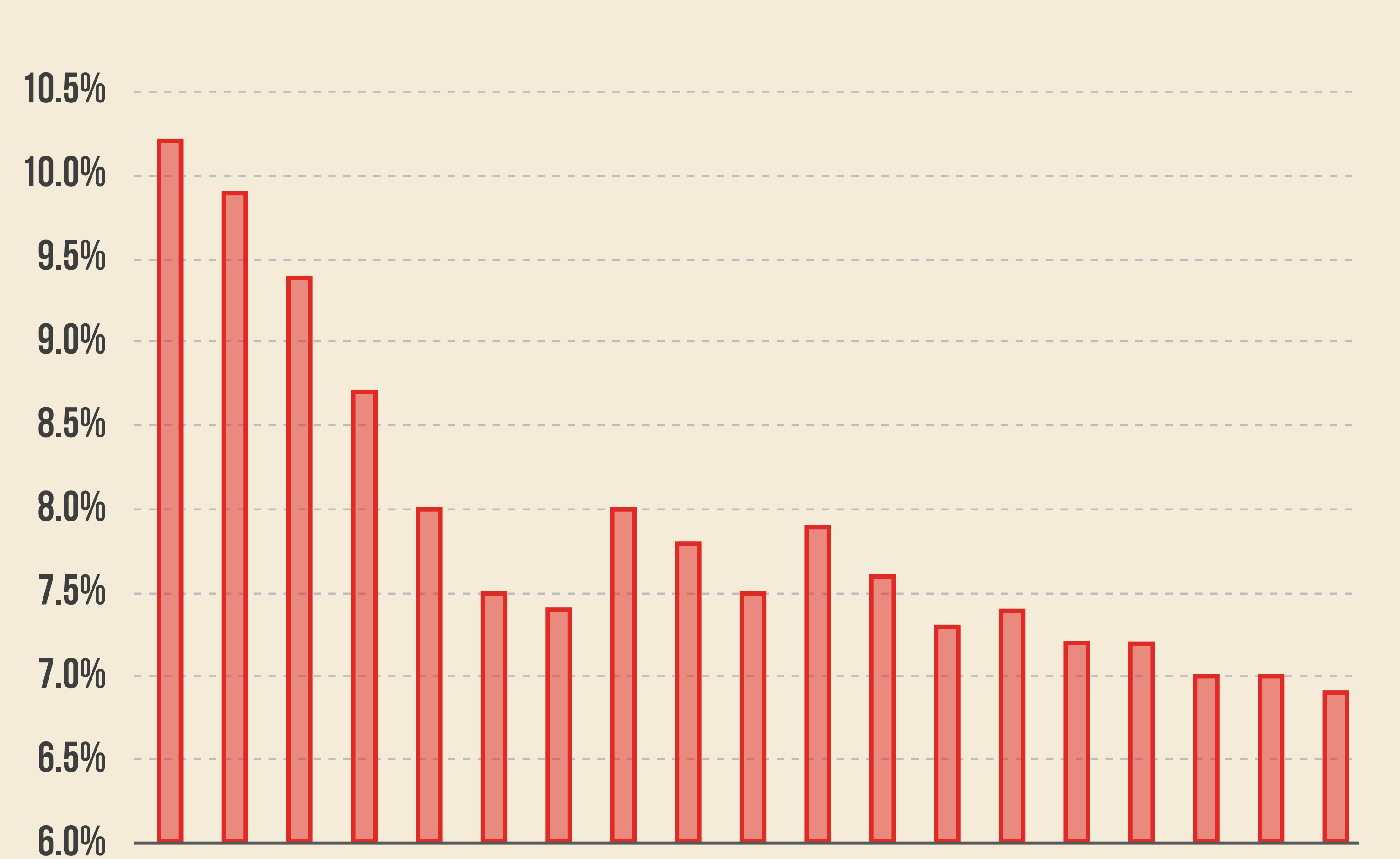
Projected population growth (and decline)



China is also facing another problem: the **slowing of it's GDP**. China's GDP is worth **17.85%** of the world's total economy, valued at **\$10.87 trillion**.

If China's GDP to capita ratio were anything like the rest of the world's it would easily become the world's largest economy. Sadly, it's been slowing in recent years, from **10% in 2011** to **8% in 2015**.

GDP decline per year



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