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Urban Housing and Planning in China

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In China, plans for cities must be sent to Ministry of Urban and Rural Construction and Environmental protection, which has a Breau of Urban Planning which then approves. Smaller cities send plans to local Worker’s Council.

Because of the rapid development of Bejing, some places lack water supplies, toilet facilities, and are heavily overcrowded.

Tuanjeihu Residential Quarter: Central heating for all houses. Has nurseries, schools, medical centers, 40.3 Hecta-acres, markets, shops and houses. 30,000 people. 70% two room flats, 15% one room flats, and 15% three room flats. Rooms supplemented by kitchen/dining area and toilet/bathrooms. Schools of 16 to 25 classes per neighborhood.

Some housing built by industry out of need for housing for its workers. Government cannot pay for all housing, so subsidizing the construction of housing by private business. Also, money going towards things like National Games Arenas and rail ways.

Some problems with the high-rises: not fully complete. Water does not always reach upper stories, and some elevators do not work. Rushed Building Jobs. Shortage of land led the necessary construction of residential high-rises in downtown Singapore.

Living conditions are terrible, caused primarily because of unrestricted growth of industry. Only 200,000 tons of waste is treated from the water supply, compared to the 5 million that is produced daily. High level of dependence on coal has led to terrible air standards.

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Water efficient toilets.