

# China, Sovereignty, Authority, and Power

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# Regime types

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- Single-Party System
- Democratic Centralism
- Ran under the Communist Party of China
- Highest source of power is the Politburo Standing Committee, absolute power.

# Type of economic system

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## ■ Socialist Market Economy

- ⌘ Allowed privatized business
- ⌘ Does not register information about the private sector.
- ⌘ Privatized health care and education.
- ⌘ Branched off from China's centrally planned economy.
- ⌘ "Socialism with Chinese characteristics."

# State building, legitimacy, and stability

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# Religion

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- The Communist Party is focused around Atheism, causing mass abandonment of religion in China.
- Buddhism is the fastest growing belief system in China, as it is one of few the Communist party allows to spread.
- The Party discredited Christianity and former Confucianism as poor examples of how Western society colonized.

# Ideology

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- Communist Party of China
  - ⑩ ~66.7 million members
  - ⑩ Quote pulled from party website “**Guiding Ideology:** Marxism-Leninism and Mao Zedong Thought”
  - ⑩ Maoism’s ‘Agrarian Socialism’
  - ⑩ Completely against Imperialism and Feudalism

# Governance and Accountability

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## ■ National Congress of the Communist Party of China

- ✎ Brings together all of the sectors of the communist party together every 5 years. It's original purpose was to be the most powerful decision making system in the Party.

## ■ Central Discipline Inspection Committee

- ⑩ In charge of “rooting out corruption” and reviewing the sectors of the Communist Party. On equal level with the Central Committee

## ■ Central Committee

- ⑩ Politburo Standing Committee (the *actual* most powerful branch)
- ⑩ Politburo
- ⑩ The Secretariat Administer
- ⑩ Central Military Commission