


## Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region Overview

Abbreviated Name	Xin	
Regional Capital	Urumqi	
Administrative Divisions	2 cities, 5 autonomous prefectures and 88 counties	
Secretary of the Regional Party Committee; Governor	Zhang Chunxian; Nu-er Baikeli	
Size	1,665,000 km <sup>2</sup>	
Annual Mean Temperature	9.5–12.0°C	
Annual Precipitation	12.8 mm	
Official Government URL	<a href="http://www.xinjiang.gov.cn">www.xinjiang.gov.cn</a>	

Note: Personnel information as of September 2014

### [Economic Scale]

	Unit	2012	2013	2013	
				National Ranking	Share (%)
Gross Domestic Product (GDP)	100 Million RMB	7,505	8,510	25	1.4
Per Capita GDP	RMB	33,796	37,847	N.A.	-
Value-added Industrial Output (enterprises above a designated size)	100 Million RMB	2,724	2,896	N.A.	N.A.
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishery Output	100 Million RMB	2,276	2,539	N.A.	N.A.
Total Investment in Fixed Assets	100 Million RMB	6,258	8,148	23	1.8
Fiscal Revenue	100 Million RMB	909	1,129	26	0.9
Fiscal Expenditure	100 Million RMB	2,720	3,067	N.A.	N.A.
Total Retail Sales of Consumer Goods	100 Million RMB	1,799	2,039	27	0.9
Foreign Currency Revenue from Inbound Tourism	Million USD	551	585	N.A.	N.A.
Export Value	Million USD	19,347	22,270	17	1.0
Import Value	Million USD	5,824	5,292	27	0.3
Export Surplus	Million USD	13,523	16,978	8	2.6
Total Import and Export Value	Million USD	25,171	27,562	19	0.7
Foreign Direct Investment Contracts	No. of contracts	55	42	N.A.	N.A.
Foreign Direct Investment Contracted Amount	Million USD	611	362	N.A.	N.A.
Actual Foreign Direct Investment Amount	Million USD	408	481	27	0.2

	Unit	2012	2013	National	Share
				Ranking	(%)
Per Capita Disposable Income: Urban	RMB	17,921	19,874	28	-
Per Capita Net Annual Income: Rural	RMB	6,394	7,296	22	-

Source: The 2013 Xinjiang Statistical Yearbook, the Statistical Communiqué of the People's Republic of China on the 2013 National Economic and Social Development, and the Statistical Communiqué of the 2013 National Economy and Social Development of Xinjiang.

### [Social Development]

	Unit	2012	2013
Registered Population (end-of-year)	10,000 People	N.A.	N.A.
Permanent Population (end-of-year)	10,000 People	2,233	2,264
Total Stock of Water Resources	100 million m <sup>3</sup>	886	N.A.
Total Power Generation	100 million kWh	1,187	1,442
Electricity Consumption	100 million kWh	N.A.	N.A.
Goods Transported	100 million ton-km	2,559	N.A.
Passengers Transported	100 million passenger-km	849	N.A.
Higher Education Institutions	No. of institutions	34	36
No. of People Enrolled in Higher Education	10,000 People	28	28
No. of Mobile Phone Users	10,000 People	2,009	2,134
No. of Internet Users	10,000 People	962	N.A.

Source: The 2013 Xinjiang Statistical Yearbook and the Statistical Communiqué of the 2013 National Economy and Social Development of Xinjiang.

### [Investment Climate]

Geographical and Social Conditions	The Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region is located to the northwest of China, bordering the Mongolian People's Republic, Republic of Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, and Islamic Republic of Afghanistan. Gansu Province is to the East; and the Tibet Autonomous Region and Qinghai Province sit just on the other side of the Kunlun Mountains to the south. The region is the largest administrative division in China. Approx. 45% of the population consists of Uyghur people, while approx. 40% is Han Chinese.	
Resource Distribution	The region has the largest oil reserves in the country. The region also has the second largest reserves of natural gas, third largest reserves of coal, and fourth largest reserves of chromium in China.	
Major Industries	Development and processing of oil and natural gas; along with agriculture	
Infrastructure	Railways	The Lanxin Railway (Lanzhou-Urumqi) while the Kahe Railway (Kashgar-Hotan), etc. The first high-speed railway in the Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region—the Lanxin Second Railway (Lanzhou-Urumqi),—started test runs in August 2014 for this region's section.
	Expressways	The Turpan-Urumqi-Dahuangshan Expressway, Urumqi-Kuytun Expressway, etc. The Jingxin Expressway (Beijing-Urumqi) and the Akesu-Kashgar Expressway are under construction.

	Airports	There are 16 airports in the region, including those in Turpan, Kashgar, Akesu, Karamay, Ghulja, and Kumul, as well as the Urumqi Diwopu International Airport. Qiemu Airport is undergoing relocation; while Hotan Airport is undergoing expansion work from August 2014. Also, expansion work for Korla Airport and Kumul Airport is scheduled to start by the end of 2014.
	Subway	Urumqi Subway Line 1 is now being constructed.
Transportation and Access	Rail	It takes approximately 45 hours from Urumqi to Shanghai and approximately 33 hours from Urumqi to Beijing.
	Air	There are regular services from Urumqi Diwopu International Airport to various cities in Central Asia, including Bishkek (Kyrgyz Republic) and Ashgabat (Turkmenistan), as well as Moscow (Russia) and Jeddah (Saudi Arabia).
Major Development Zones	National Development Zones	Urumqi Economic and Technological Development Area Shihezi Economic and Technological Development Area Korla Economic and Technological Development Area Zhundong Economic and Technological Development Area Urumqi Ganquanbao Economic and Technological Development Area Wujiaqu Economic and Technological Development Area Xinjiang Kuytun–Dushanzi Economic and Technological Development Area Aral Economic and Technological Development Area Changji New & Hi-tech Industrial Development Zone Urumqi New & Hi-tech Industrial Development Zone Xinjiang Production and Construction Corps. Shihezi New & Hi-tech Industrial Development Zone
	Regional-Level Development Zones	Urumqi Shuimogou Industry Park Urumqi Toutunhe Industry Park Xinjiang Shanshan Chemical Industry Park etc.
Japanese Sister Cities/Prefectures	None	
Recent Topics	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. In September 2014, Taiheiyo Cement Corporation announced that its Chinese subsidiary, Taiheiyo Cement Investment Co., Ltd., had cancelled the joint enterprise contract signed with a local company in the Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region. Taiheiyo Cement Corporation explained that this is because the Chinese government had been strengthening its policy against the construction of new factories in industries with excessive production capacity, including the cement industry, resulting in no prospects for government approvals or licenses for such business.</li> <li>2. A pilot operation was started in August 2014 on the route located in the Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region for the Lanxin Second Railway (Lanzhou City–Urumqi City),—the first high-speed railway in the region. Full operation is due to start at the end of the year.</li> <li>3. The Akesu-Kashgar Expressway, which is the longest expressway in China, is now under construction. The expressway is due to open at the end of 2014.</li> <li>4. In March 2014, the construction of Urumqi Metro Line 1 was started.</li> </ol>	

Source: The 2013 Xinjiang Statistical Yearbook and the HP of the Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region Government, etc. (Compiled: September 2014)

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