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HI 103 – World History

History 103

World History to 1500

October 19	Article Three Approval Deadline (required) TODAY!!!
October 22	Project Serve 2 for Oakleigh archives, 4-6 for home helping to set up for “Victorian Mourning”
October 24	Online Quiz Chapter 11
October 26	Article Review Three Due
November 2	EXAM 3 (Ch. 8-11)
November 11	Veterans Day (No Class – expect an extra assignment)

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CHRONOLOGY Medieval China

Arrival of Buddhism in China	c. first century C.E.
Fall of the Han dynasty	220 C.E.
Sui dynasty	581–618
Tang Dynasty	618–907
Li Bo and Du Fu	700s
Emperor Xuanzong	712–756
Song Dynasty	960–1279
Wang Anshi	1021–1086
Southern Song Dynasty	1127–1279
Life of Genghis Khan	c. 1162–1227
Mongol conquest of China	1279
Reign of Khubilai Khan	1260–1294
Fall of the Yuan dynasty	1368
Ming Dynasty	1369–1644

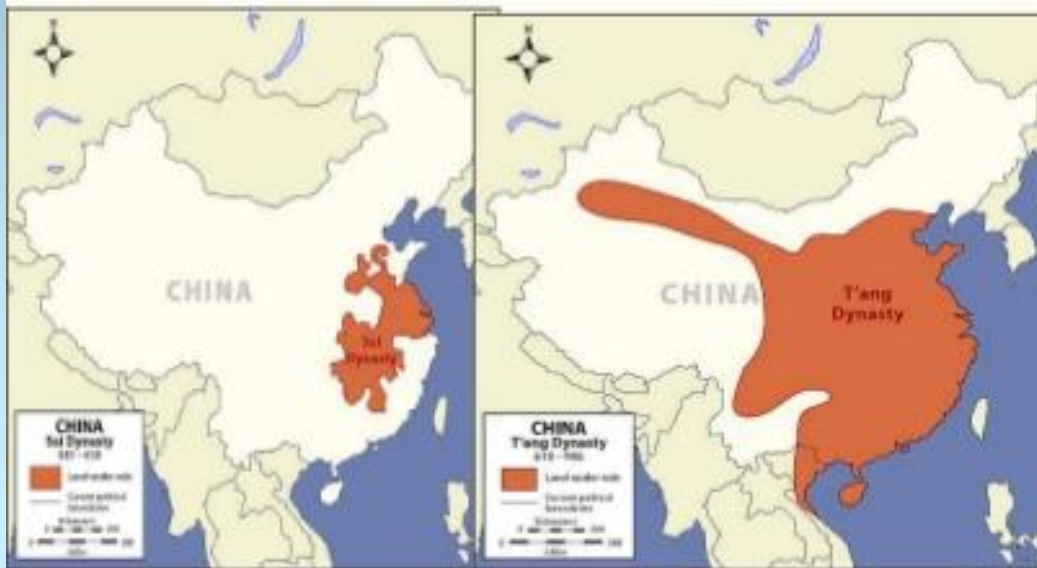
Era of Disunity

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I. After the Han

a. Centuries of disunity after fall of Han

- 589; Sui, Tang then Song dynasties centralize & revitalize China.



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Sui, Tang and the Song Dynasties

Sui [*Sway*] **Dynasty 581-618** (37 years)

Unified in 581 by northerner Yang Jian
Builds around Daoism and Buddhism
canals

Son takes over – adds to Grand Canal

Canal Locks invented

Professional Army

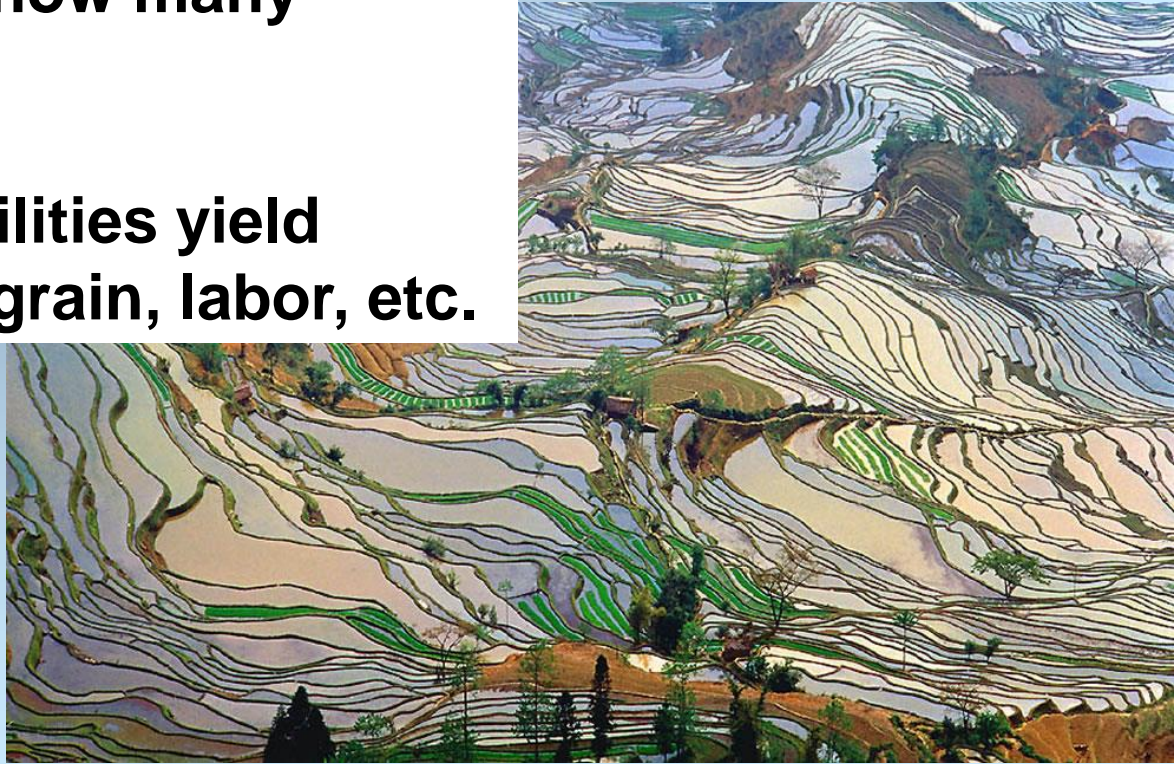
Overworked and over taxed
murdered



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Equal-field system: allocated land to households based on number of able-bodied adults and how many mouths to feed.

Equal productive capabilities yield (approx) equal taxes in grain, labor, etc.



Reunification of the Chinese Empire: The Sui Dynasty

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The Grand Canal: 1,100 mile canal to move food and other produces from south to north China.

Combination of rivers, lakes and canals that includes locks

**First section begun in 486 BC.
Majority completed by 600 AD (Sui Dynasty).**

South–North Water Transfer Project

Sketch Map of the Grand Canal



Reunification of the Chinese Empire: The Sui Dynasty

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Sui, Tang and the Song Dynasties

Tang Dynasty 618-907 (289 years)

General Li Yuan takes over

“elbowed out” by son

Golden Age of China

Capital largest city in the world

Empress Wu



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“The Four Great Inventions of China”

- ▶ 1. Paper was invented in 105 during the Han Dynasty



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“The Four Great Inventions of China”

- ▶ 2. Tang Dynasty invented the **woodblock printing**



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History of Printing



Woodblock Printing

Advantages?

Disadvantages?



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History of Printing



Logographic language

Movable type

State sponsored books

Demand driven by

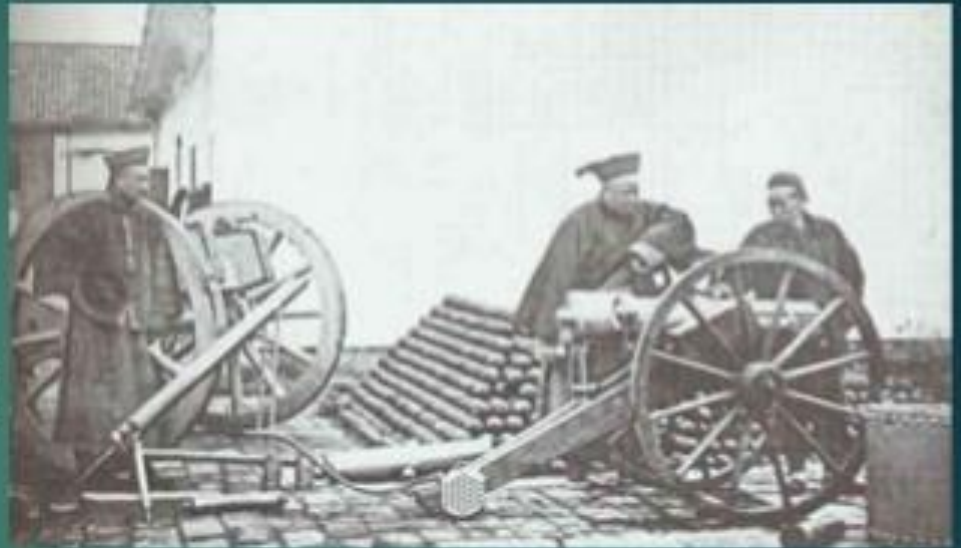
Schools/academies



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“The Four Great Inventions of China”

- ▶ 3. Tang Dynasty invented **gunpowder**; originally used only in fireworks, then small box bombs- drastically altered how wars were fought



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“The Four Great Inventions of China”

- ▶ 4. Tang Dynasty invented magnetic compass – used to navigate vast distances over land and sea (an improvement of the earlier sundial/compass)



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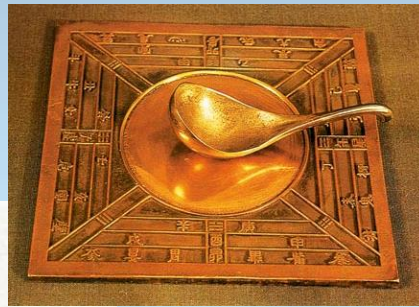
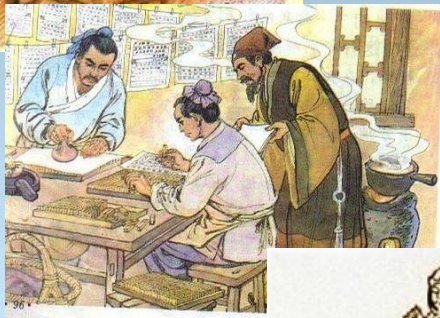
The Four Great Inventions of China

Paper

Printing

Gunpowder

Compass



Why so great?

Which is the greatest?

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Sui, Tang and the Song Dynasties

Song Dynasty 960-1279 (319 years)

Gap of 53 years –

Five Dynasties and Ten Kingdoms period

Civil Service Exams

Scholar-gentry

reinstated “Well-field” system

Monetary System

Credit (flying money)

paper money

Silk Road – climate and bandits

Maritime Route – compass, sternpost, sail

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Civil Service Exams in China (~1000 AD)

Old School

Recommendations

Local Magistrate nominations

Family influence

Subjective criteria

Literary Talent

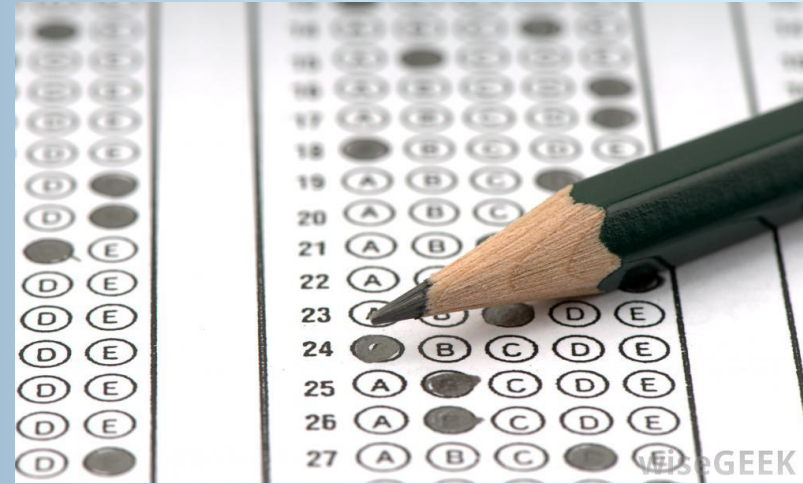
Reputation for virtue



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Civil Service Exams in China

New School Competitive Exams



Nothing to do with fairness

**Selection process to result in:
Skilled
Loyal to the state
Centralize civil power**

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Civil Service Exams in China

State Schools and Private Academies

800 out of 400,000 selected
(1/500)

Subjects:

Confucian classics

Poetry

Public policy and Statecraft



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Civil Service Exams in China

Impact

Schools and private academies

“teach to the test”

Create a common knowledge base for educated public

Longer time in school-

Average age for passing highest level exam-- 31



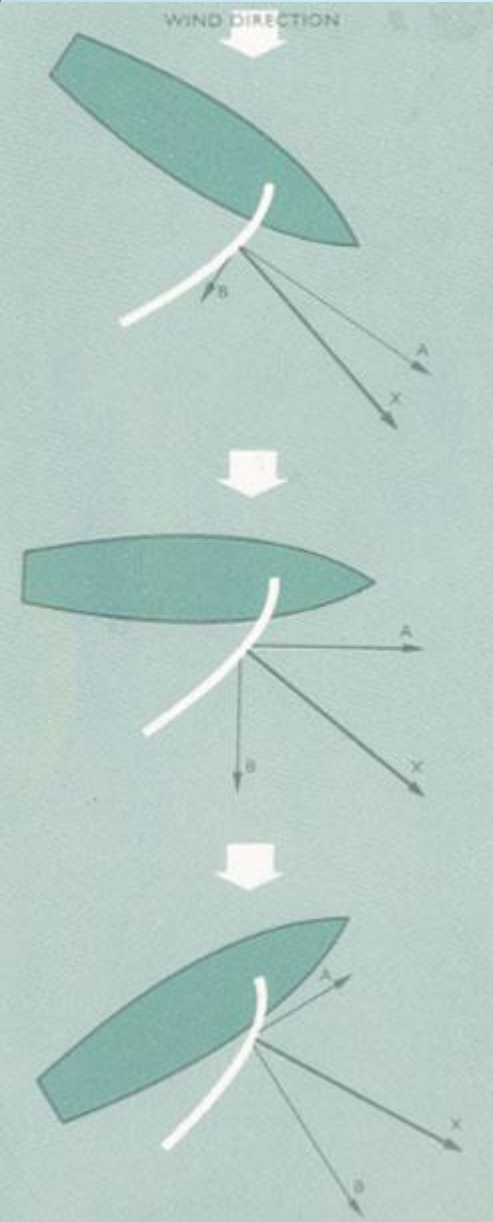
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Lug/Junk Sail

Sternpost Rudder

Magnetic Compass



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Landed Gentry

Chinese:

Scholar-gentry

Passed civil service exams

Land owner

living (well) off rent income



British:

Gentle man

(not a working man)

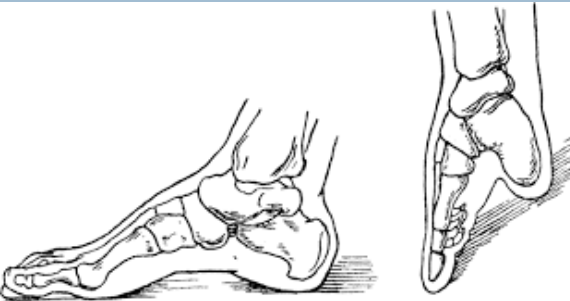
Land owner

living (well) off rent income

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Foot binding

Beauty
Status
Dependence



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The Value of Women



Cassette Girls

“Old Mobile Fort Louis de la Lousiane 1702-1711” by Jay

Higginbotham, describes their shipboard experiences and the travel to Mobile.

These young women were quickly named the ‘cassette’ girls because the French government gave each volunteer some clothing and a small trunk called a ‘cassette’ to take with them to America.

Some of the young ladies died of illness after arrival or fell ill aboard ship. The first consignment reached Mobile in 1704.



Three Impoverished Maidens

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The Value of Women

Dowry

Payment to get rid of the girl

Daughter is viewed as a liability

Or

Wealth Transfer to daughter

Eldest son will inherit family wealth.

Protection against widowhood or husband who wastes family assets.



The Value of Women

What's it like to grow up as a poor girl in India

“Raising a daughter is like watering your neighbor’s garden.”



Lets Make Female Foeticide A History...

Say NO to dowry. STOP female foeticide.

India's 50 Million Women MISSING

Fight female foeticide, Take Stand

“May you be the mother of a hundred sons.”

- toast to the bride

Dowry demon devours yet one more bride

2400 Dowry Deaths / Year

Source: MHA in a affidavit filed in the Supreme Court on April 8, 2015

SCARRED FOR LIFE

BETTER MECHANISMS IN PLACE FOR RECORDING THE CRIME, SAY CAMPAIGNERS FOR SURVIVORS

Almost 250 more acid attack cases reported in the country

2014	309
2013	66
2012	85
2011	83

States and Union Territories with the most number of cases

Uttar Pradesh	185
Madhya Pradesh	53
Delhi	27
Other States	3

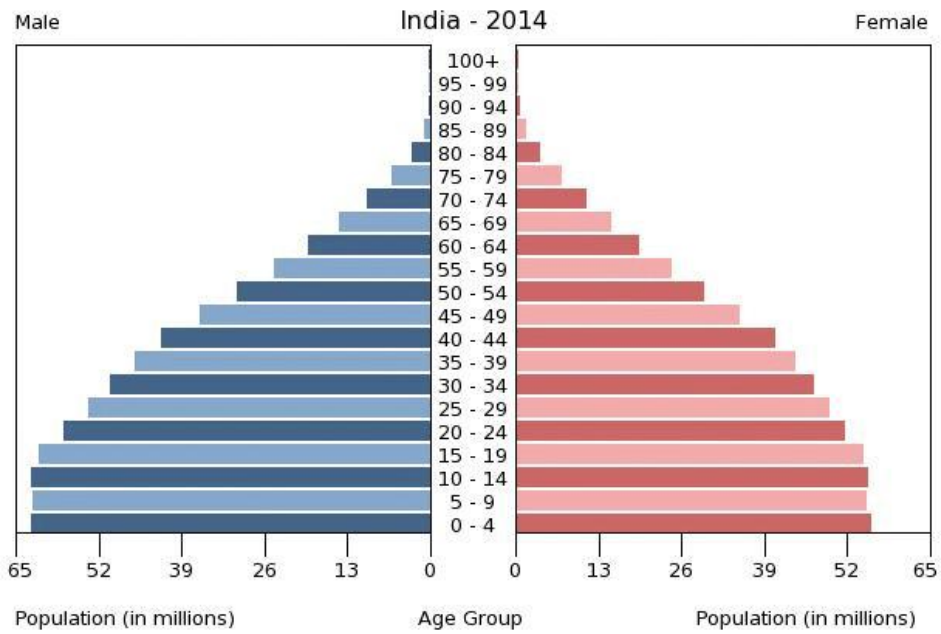
COMMON CAUSES

- Unrequited love
- Rejection of marriage proposal
- Spouse's insistence on divorce
- Wife's refusal to undergo sex-determination test
- Professional rivalry
- Disputes with bride's family
- Unintended injury at the scene of attack

PERSONS ARRESTED

2014	208
2013	82
2012	132
2011	122

Two cases registered in Tamil Nadu till December 2014. One person has been arrested



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Cost of getting married



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**Shortage of Chinese Women
Bride-Price
\$9,000-\$16,000
(average income is \$10,000)**



Both of these items are leftovers

The Women's Federation of China has defined **leftover women** as women unmarried over the age of 27.

Here is their excellent advice on the matter:

Tip #1: Education does not make you attractive

The tragedy is that as women age, they are worth less and less, so by the time they get their M.A. or Ph.D., they are already old, like yellowed pearls.

Tip #2: Don't be picky

The main reason many girls become "leftover women" is that their standards for a partner are too high. The perfect man may exist, but why on earth would he want to marry you?

Tip #3: If you do bag a man, do keep up appearances

When you find out that he is having an affair, you may be in a rage, but if you make a fuss, you are denying the man "face" ... No man is capable of spending a lifetime being loyal to an outmoded wife who never changes ... Try changing your hairstyle or your fashion. Women must constantly change for the better..



**And at the same time
Leftover Women**



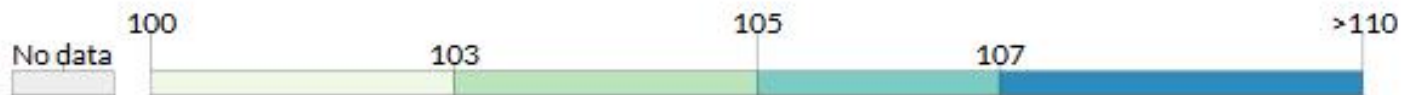
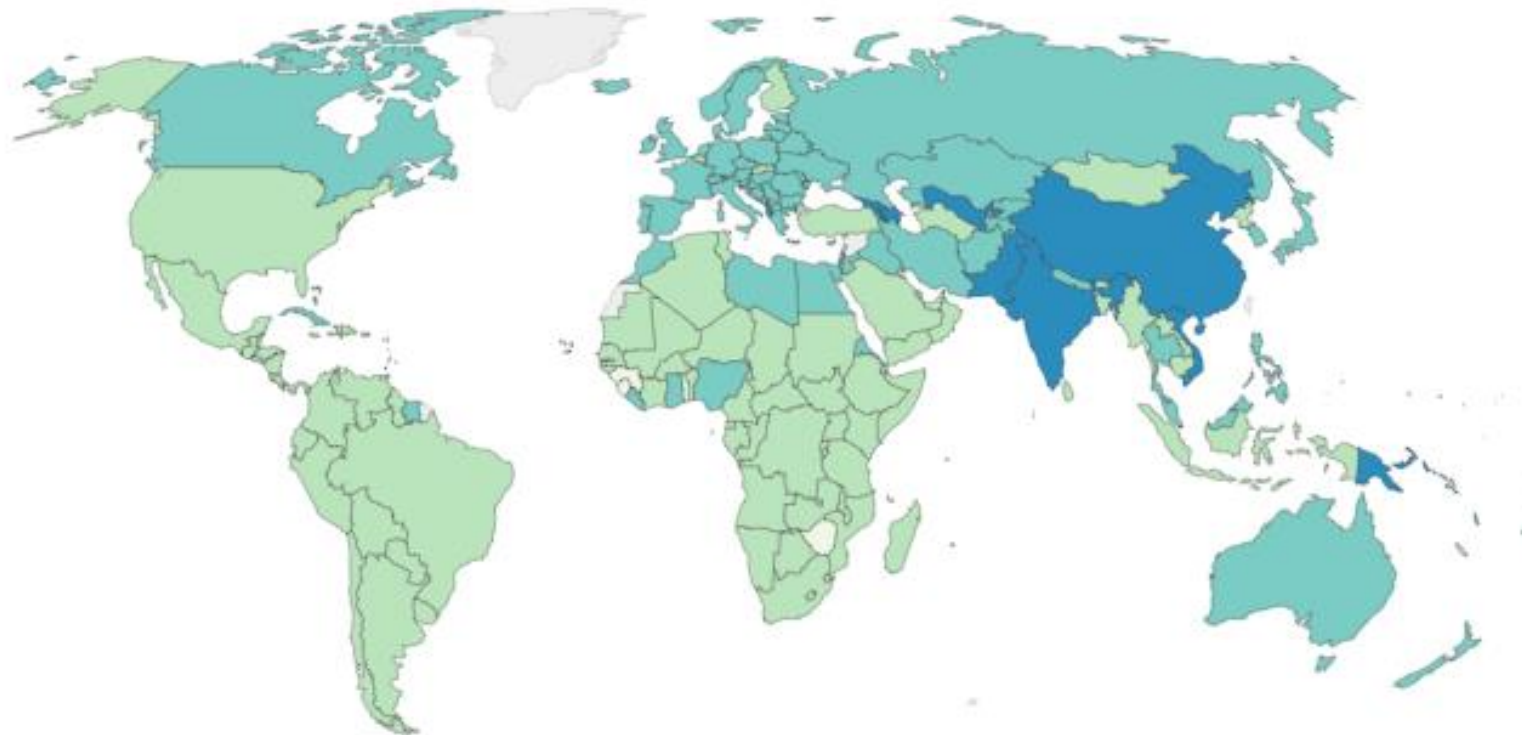
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Sex ratio at birth, 2017

The sex ratio at birth is measured as the number of newborn boys for every 100 newborn girls.

Our
in

World



historically, there have been about 105 boys born for every 100 girls worldwide

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