

China at a glance - VET & the Economy

Economic Data	Vocational Data
1. Land area 9.597 million sq km	1. Labour Force as % of Population 60.7%
2. Arable land 14.86% Permanent crops 1.27 %, other 83.87 %	2. Number of people undergoing VET courses in the institutions 90 million
3. Irrigated land 0.546 million sq km	3. Percentage of work force undergoing some sort of VET course 11.27%
4. Population 1314 million	4. Number of VET Institutions in China 5,00,000, nearly 350,000 in rural areas
5. Median age 32.7 years	5. Oldest VET Institutions and VET system in the country, more than 60 years
6. Literacy 91%	6. Number of VET courses being imparted in the country, more than 3000 types*
7. GDP 2,512 US\$ billions	7. Cost of imparting VET courses. Federal & State Governments, % of Total Cost 70%*
8. GDP 10,000 US\$ billions (PPP)	8. Cost of imparting VET courses. Local Community, Business, Private, % of Total Cost 30%*
9. GDP - per capita US\$ 1,911	9. Design and scope of VET courses decided by local community & local businesses and by local state governments based on availability of local resources and local needs of the economy Yes!
10. GDP by Sector Agriculture 11.9 %, Industry 24 %, Services 40%	
11. Labour Force 798 million	* means estimates only
12. Labour force by occupation Agriculture 45 %, Industry 24 %, Services 31 %	
13. Population below poverty line 10 %	
14. House hold income Lowest 10%...1.8 %, Highest 10%...33.1 %	
15. Inflation Rate 1.5 %	
16. Exports US\$ 974 billion	
17. Reserves US\$ 1074 billion	
18. Telephone - land line 350 million	
19. Telephone - mobile 438 million	
20. Internet users 123 million	