

# Cross-Country Risk Assessment: China vs India

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Our team will apply the cross-country risk assessment between China and India from the perspective of the UN Commission for Social Development.

## Hypothesis:

As China's population ages and shrinks, not only will India grow into one of the world's most dominant economic players, but may prove a more stable and less risk-prone country.

## Background Information:

China	India
Population <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 1.41 Billion</li></ul>	Population <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 1.42 Billion</li></ul>
Fertility Rate <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 1.18 children/woman</li></ul>	Fertility Rate <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 2.01 children/woman</li></ul>
Land area <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 9,596,960 km<sup>2</sup></li></ul>	Land area <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 3,287,263 km<sup>2</sup></li></ul>
GDP (PPP) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•</li></ul>	GDP (PPP) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•</li></ul>
GDP Growth Rate <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•</li></ul>	GDP Growth Rate <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•</li></ul>
FDI Inflows <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•</li></ul>	FDI Inflows <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•</li></ul>

Population

- <https://data.worldbank.org/indicator/SP.POP.TOTL?locations=CN>

UN Population Division

- <https://population.un.org/dataportal/data/indicators/67,61,65,19/locations/356,156/start/1990/end/2023/line/linetimeplot>

## Main points of comparison and analysis:

- *Expected economic growth*
  - Emerging industries
    - India's emerging space sector
    - Energy production in China vs India
  - Population growth
    - a. India's traditional families and cultural and religious constraints
    - b. Impacts of China's one child policy
    - c. The increase in participation of women from the one-child generation in higher education
    - d. Skewed sex ratio - "Missing girls"
  - Government investment & spending
    - Infrastructure - bureaucracy
    - public health - Sanitary crisis
    - Education
- *Current economic status*
  - Debt/GDP - GDP vs GDP per capita
  - Unemployment
  - Budget Deficit
  - Purchasing power
  - Trade & FDI inflows
  - Strikes - *Indian farmers (most of them Sikhs) protesting against farm laws in 2020*
- *Political stability*
  - Corruption index - Custom bribes, corrupt custom officers
  - International relations
  - Domestic politics - Nationalization (Indian Hindu Nationalism)

- *Population health & happiness*
  - HDI
  - Life expectancy
  - Infant mortality
  - Gender inequality
  - Education

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