

# 中国的独生子女

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One child policy in China



# 独生子女政策 the one-child policy

The one-child policy was a population planning policy of China. The policy was introduced in 1979.



# Why was it introduced?

China's population approached one billion in the late 1970s.

The government became concerned about what effect this would have on its economic growth.



# How was it enforced?

1. Financial incentives
2. Fines
3. coercive measures, e.g., forced abortions and mass sterilizations.

The policy was more strictly implemented in urban areas.



# Controversies

1. Violation of human rights.
2. female infanticide.
3. gender imbalance.



# Relaxation and abandonment

1. In 2013, couples were allowed to have a second child if one parent is an only child.
2. In 2015, the policy was abandoned.



# Why being abandoned?

1. One of the lowest fertility rate in the world
2. aging population

