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China remains world's largest online retail market for 13th straight year

China has remained the world's largest online retail market for a 13th consecutive year, with its digital consumption exceeding 23.8 trillion yuan (about 3.39 trillion U.S. dollars) **(Xinhua)**

China's foreign trade up 3.8% in 2025

In 2025, China's foreign trade value reached 45.47 trillion yuan (about \$6.48 trillion), up 3.8% year-on-year. Exports grew 6.1% year-on-year, while imports saw a smaller increase of 0.5% year-on-year. **(General Administration of Customs)**

China's foreign exchange reserves increased 0.34% in December 2025

As of the end of December 2025, China's foreign exchange reserves totaled US\$3.3579 trillion, an increase of US\$11.5 billion compared with the end of November, representing a 0.34% rise. **(State Administration of Foreign Exchange)**

China's interbank debt financing tops 10t yuan in 2025

Last year, over 2,300 enterprises raised a total of 10.1 trillion yuan (\$1.43 trillion) through debt financing instruments on China's interbank market. **(National Association of Financial Market Institutional Investors)**

Households diversifying investments

By the end of the third quarter of 2025, the total size of wealth management products in China had reached 32.13 trillion yuan (\$4.6 trillion), a 9.42% year-on-year increase. **(China Wealth (Asset) Management Registry and Custody Co Ltd.)**

China to reduce interest rates to encourage lending

China will reduce the interest rates of various structural monetary instruments by 0.25%, with the one-year interest rate on various central bank lending facilities to be lowered from current 1.5% to 1.25%. **(People's Bank of China)**