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China's Forex Market Sustains Stable Run
In the first seven months of 2026, cumulative settlement totaled 1,831.6 billion dollars against sales of 1,542.2 billion dollars, posting a surplus of 289.4 billion dollars. **(State Administration of Foreign Exchange)**

China's Central Bank Adds 8 Banks as Digital Yuan Operators
China's central bank announced on Monday that it has added eight banks to its list of authorized institutions for digital yuan operations, in a step to promote the steady development of the digital currency. **(People's Bank of China)**

China's Retail Sales of Goods, Services up 2.6 Pct in First Seven Months
China's total retail sales of goods and services, a major indicator of the country's consumption strength, increased by 2.6% year on year in the first seven months of 2026**. (National Bureau of Statistics**）

China's Fixed-Asset Investment Down 6.7 Pct in First Seven Months
China's fixed-asset investment dropped 6.7% year on year in the first seven months of 2026，totaling around 26 trillion yuan (about $3.84 trillion). **(National Bureau of Statistics)**

China's Industrial Output Up 5.3 Pct in First Seven Months
China's value-added industrial output increased by 5.3% year on year in the first seven months of 2026. In July alone, industrial output grew 4.5% year on year and 0.11% month on month. **(National Bureau of Statistics)**

China's Surveyed Urban Unemployment Rate Averages at 5.2 Pct in First Seven Months
China's job market has remained generally stable, with the surveyed urban unemployment rate averaging 5.2% in the first seven months of 2026. **(National Bureau of Statistics)**

China's Inclusive Loans to Small Firms Rise 8 Pct
China's inclusive loans to small firms maintained steady growth. The outstanding inclusive loans to small firms reached 38.9 trillion yuan (about $5.73 trillion) at the end of the second quarter, up 8% year on year. **(National Financial Regulatory Administration)**