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## Is the European Union a Victim of China's Exports?

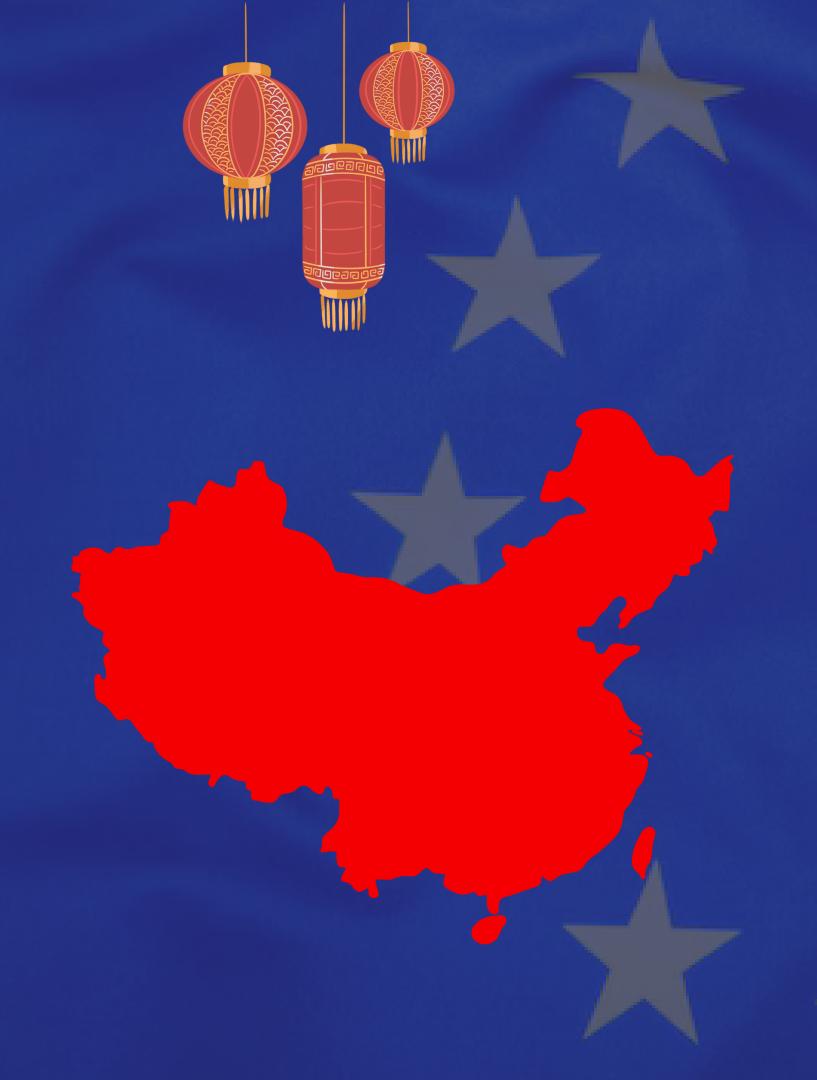


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- 1.The evolution and empowering of China's economy
- 2. The impact of China's Exports
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- 1978: "Reform and Opening Up" → Special Economic Zones
- Attracts foreign investment + cheap labor + infrastructure
- 1978: trade =  $$20B \rightarrow 1998$ : \$400B
- 2001: joins WTO → full access to global markets
- 2008 crisis: China stays strong, exports rebound
- Now: "Factory of the world"

# The impact of Chinese





#### **Advantages:**

- Cheaper products: electronics, appliances, telecom, etc.
- Supports EU's green & digital transitions (solar panels, batteries)
- Helps EU companies reduce costs using Chinese components

#### Disavantages:

- Unfair competition (subsidies, dumping)
  - → Example: Solar panel industry collapse in Europe
- Threat to automotive industry (BYD, NIO EVs)
- Dependence on China for key materials & goods
  - → Rare earths, electronics, medicines

## The EU's Response

- Anti-subsidy & dumping investigations (EVs 2024)
- Foreign Subsidies Regulation (FSR) since July
  2023
- Anti-Coercion Instrument (ACI) counter foreign pressure
- Foreign Investment Screening for strategic sectors
- Diplomatic actions response to China's rare earth restrictions





## Conclusion & open question:

Should Europe protect itself more from China, or should it continue to trade freely for the sake of globalization and growth?

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