

Western China Region (Sichuan and Shaanxi)

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Xinjiang
(Eastern Turkestan)

Tibet (Xizang)

Qinghai

Inner Mongolia

Ningxia

Gansu

Shaanxi

Shanxi

Hebei

Shandong

Heilongjiang

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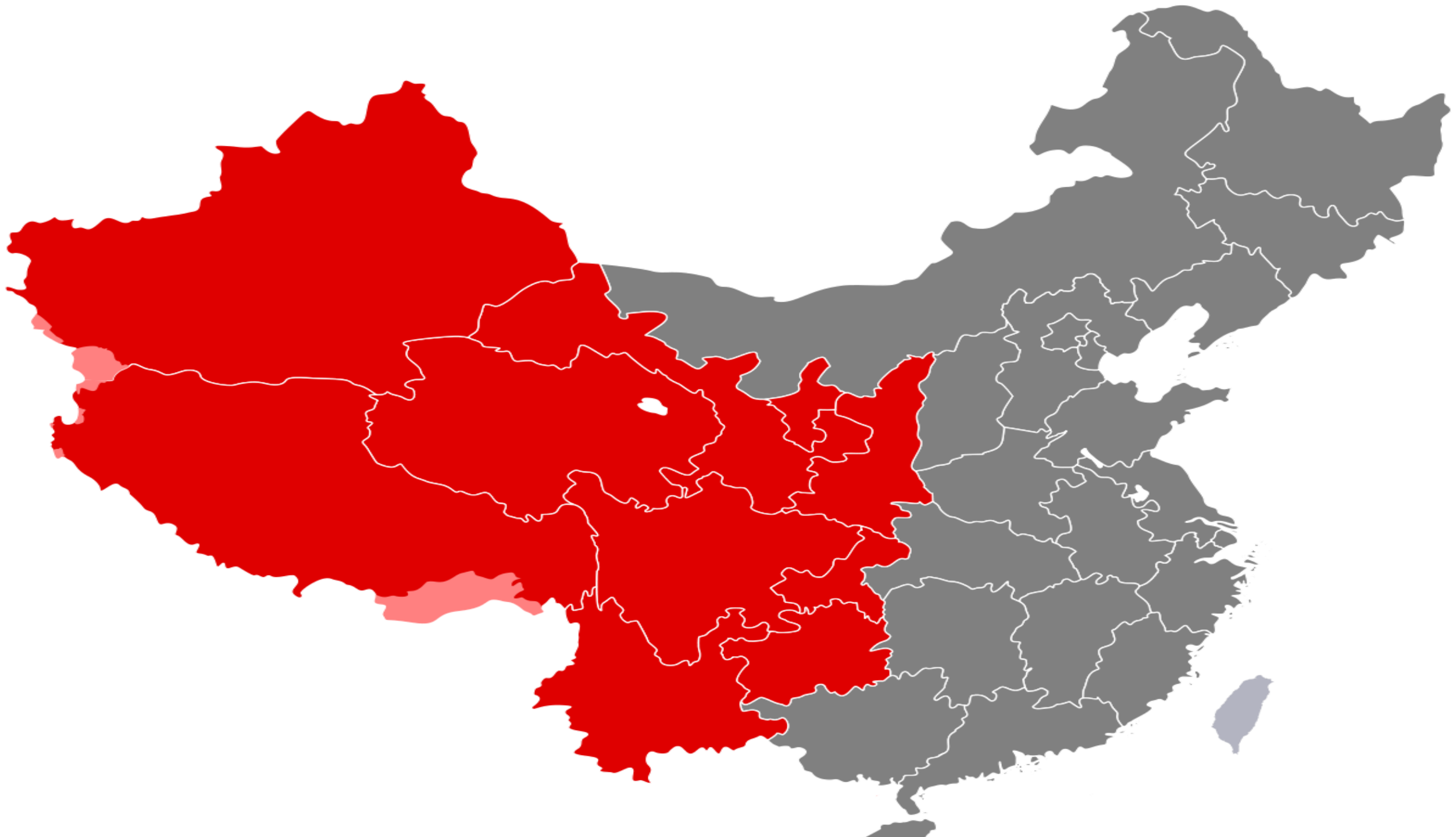
Guizhou

Fujian

Yunnan

Guangxi

Guangdong



Shaanxi Province profile

- Population 37 millions
- Area: 205,800
- Capital: Xian
- **Chang'an** was an ancient capital of more than ten dynasties in Chinese history, today known as **Xi'an**

Economic and technological development zones

1. Baoji Hi-Tech Industrial Development Zone,

industries are auto parts, electronics, IT, pharmaceuticals and bioengineering industries

2. Shaanxi Xi'an Export Processing Zone

Established in 2004, As the first state-level export processing zone in west China, XEPZ has become one of the seven pioneer EPZs with the function of bonded logistics in China. more than 40 enterprises home and abroad settled in XEPZ. aviation, machinery, electronics and new energy

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Western Triangle , The Western Triangle is a new economic zone composing the three major city-level economies of Western China: Xi'an, Chongqing and Chengdu

Xi'an High-tech Industrial Development Zone,

Xi'an Software Park

, is the professional park for Xi'an to develop scale software and service outsourcing industries,

Yangling Agriculture Hi-Tech Industrial Zone

Yangling Agriculture Hi-Tech Industrial Zone was approved as a national-level hi-tech development zone by State Council in 1997

Foreign Trade

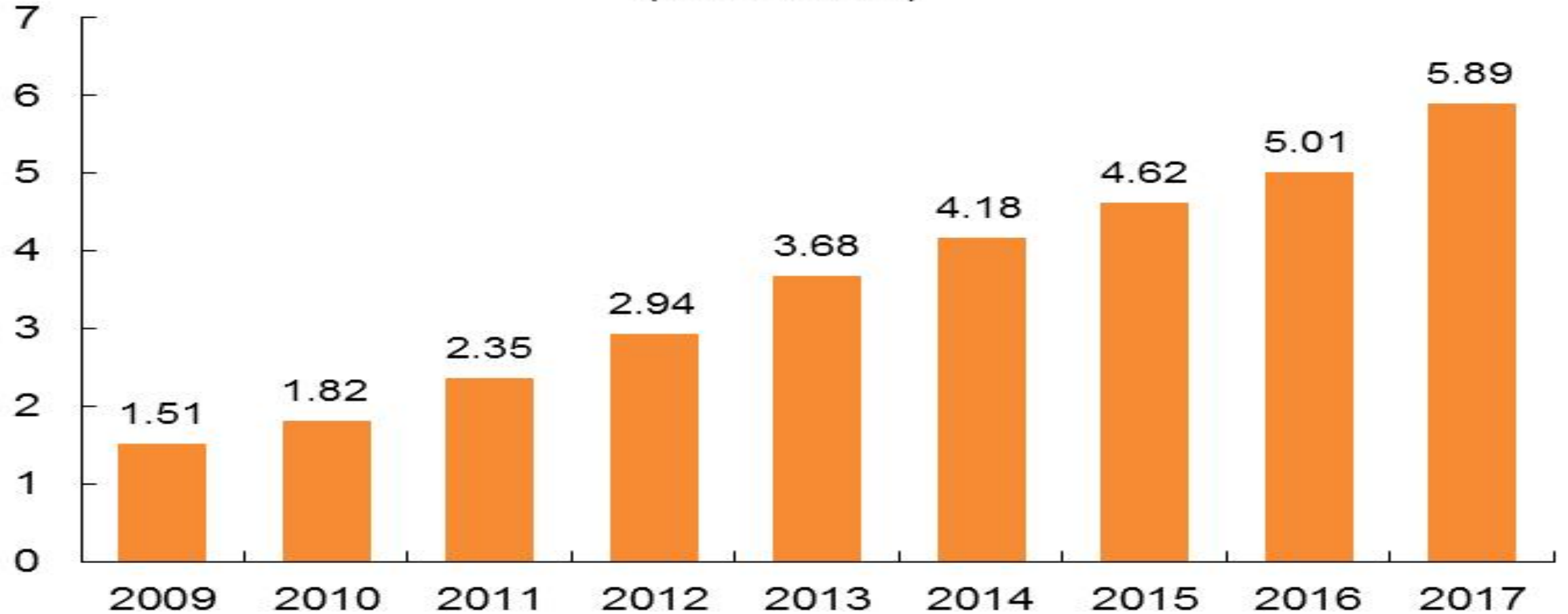
- In 2016, Hong Kong was the largest export market of Shaanxi, accounting for 22.2% of the province's total exports
- Other major export markets included the US, South Korea, Taiwan and Japan
- Major exports included processed agricultural products, minerals, textiles and garments, metals and metal products, electrical/mechanical equipment and transport equipment etc
- Shaanxi's major import items were electrical and mechanical equipment and chemical products. Major import sources included Taiwan, the US, South Korea and Japan

Foreign investment

- Foreign direct investment actually utilised in Shaanxi amounted to US\$5.0 billion in 2016
- 60.6% was attributed to the manufacturing sector
- Hong Kong was the leading investor, accounting for 38.2% of the utilised FDI
- South Korea (33.2%)

Foreign Direct Investment

Utilised FDI of Shaanxi
(US\$ billion)



Source: Shaanxi Statistical Bureau

Sichuan Profile

- Population: 87 millions
- Area: 490,000 square kilometers (second largest among Provinces)
- From 1955 until 1997 Sichuan had been China's most populous province
- The capital of the Republic of China during Sino-Japan war

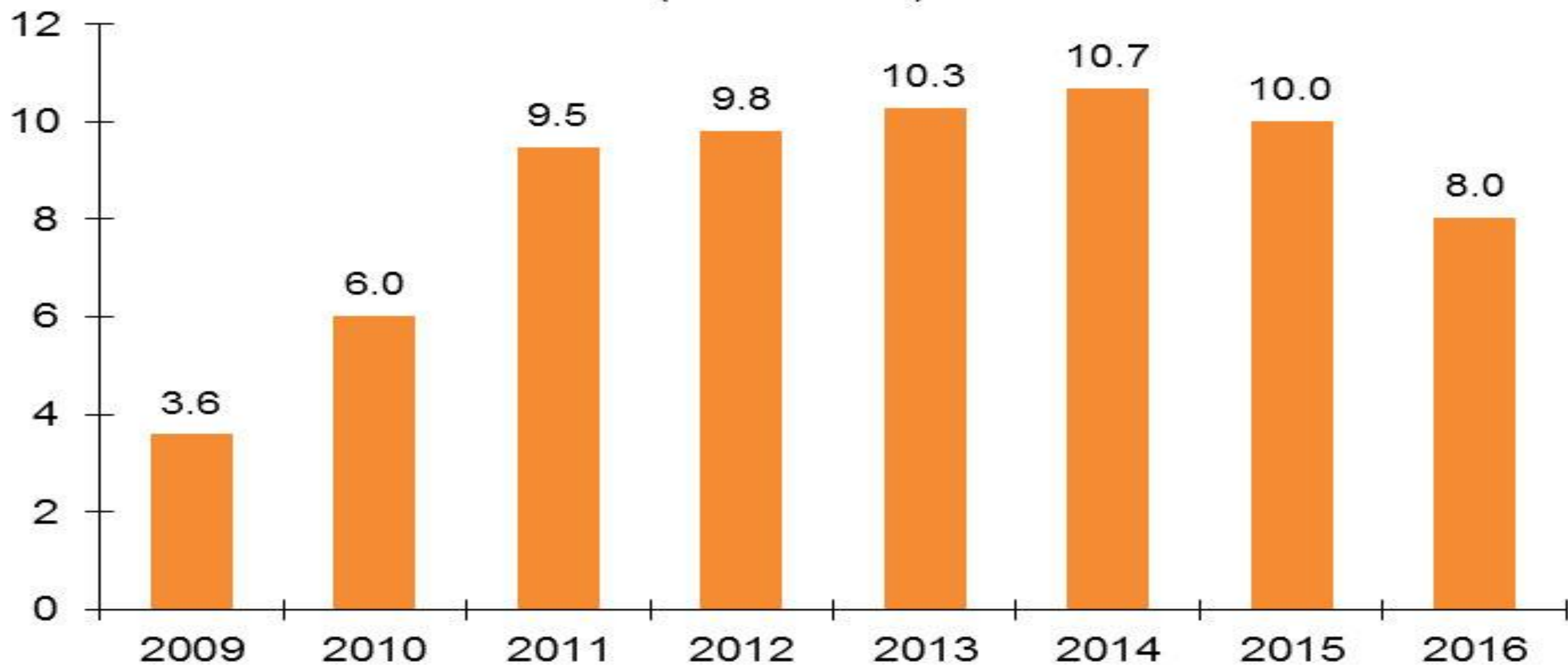
Economy

- historically known as the "Province of Abundance"
- It is one of the major agricultural production bases of China. Grain, including rice and wheat, is the major product with output that ranked first in China in 1999
- Sichuan is rich in mineral resources. It has more than 132 kinds of proven underground mineral resources
- The region alone possesses 13.3% of the reserves of iron and 83% of the cobalt of the whole country
- Sichuan also possesses China's largest proven natural gas reserves, the majority of which is transported to more developed eastern regions

Foreign Trade

- Sichuan's foreign trade grew strongly in the past few years
- It is the leading export base in the western region. Major export markets in 2016 included the US (29.3% of the total), Hong Kong (10.9%), the Netherlands (5.7%), Japan (4.7%) and Vietnam (3.7%)
- Major export products included computer products (35.8% of the total), integrated circuits (7.5%), jewellery (3.5%), garment (2.5%) and footwear (2.3%).
- Major import sources in 2016 were the US (27.6% of the total), Japan (9.4%) , South Korea (8.4%), Taiwan (6.9%) and Ireland (6.5%).

Utilised FDI of Sichuan (US\$ billion)



Source: Sichuan Statistical Bureau

Thank you