

# WHAT IS A HIDDEN CHILD?

## I Hidden Child Define

The hidden child is a child born in secret during the family planning period, in order to avoid the huge punishment that their parents can't afford. They have no registered permanent residence after birth. In order to avoid the strict inspection of family planning staff, they are usually fostered in other families, or even unable to recognize their biological parents. What's more, some will even be discarded by their parents or directly sent to the family with Fertility Indicators for adoption.

**Most of the gender is female.**



## I Huge Punishment

Forced ligation for couples who do not have fertility indicators.

For pregnant women who have no fertility indicators during the period of pregnancy, they are forced to induce labor.

Public officials are expelled from public office (mainly for government departments and state-owned enterprises). Farmers confiscate production materials and other private property (including but not limited to the farmer's cattle, pigs, houses, and grains, etc.), and then impose a relatively high fine at that time.



## I Data (Without Household Registration )

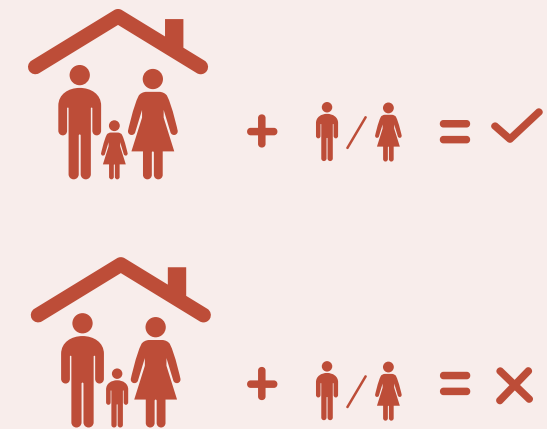
There are more than 13 million people registered without household registration in the country, most of whom are exceeded family planning and have not registered. And this "majority" accounted for more than 60%.

According to the 2007 statistics of the Fujian Provincial Public Security Bureau, the majority of people born and left unsettled in Fujian Province, under 10 years of age, accounted for 81.09 percent.

**In terms of gender, women are the majority.**

## · On April 13, 1984, the Central Committee forwarded Document No.7 of the Report on Family Planning

After the release of Document No. 7: After the birth of a child in the city, whether the child is a boy or girl, they must be forced to ligation, while the second child is illegal. In the rural area, if the first child is a boy, they must be ligated. If the child is a girl, the second child can be regenerated. After the second child is born, whether the child is a boy or girl, they must be ligated. If you are found to be pregnant again, forced abortion, and regardless of the size of the fetus in the abdomen, will not endanger the mother's life safety, once found, as long as the child has not landed, forced abortion.





# WHY DOES GENDER SELECTION APPEAR?

## Gender Selection Define



In the face of such a wide range of social projects - family planning, few people can predict in advance all the possible consequences of policy implementation. **In addition to changes in fertility rate and population quality**, it is also manifested in the widespread gender selection phenomenon. It promotes the possibility and development of illegal B-ultrasonic testing of gender. Many parents are forced to sterilize after giving birth to a second child, so they start to have a choice to decide whether the baby in their belly is born, that is, **selective abortion**.



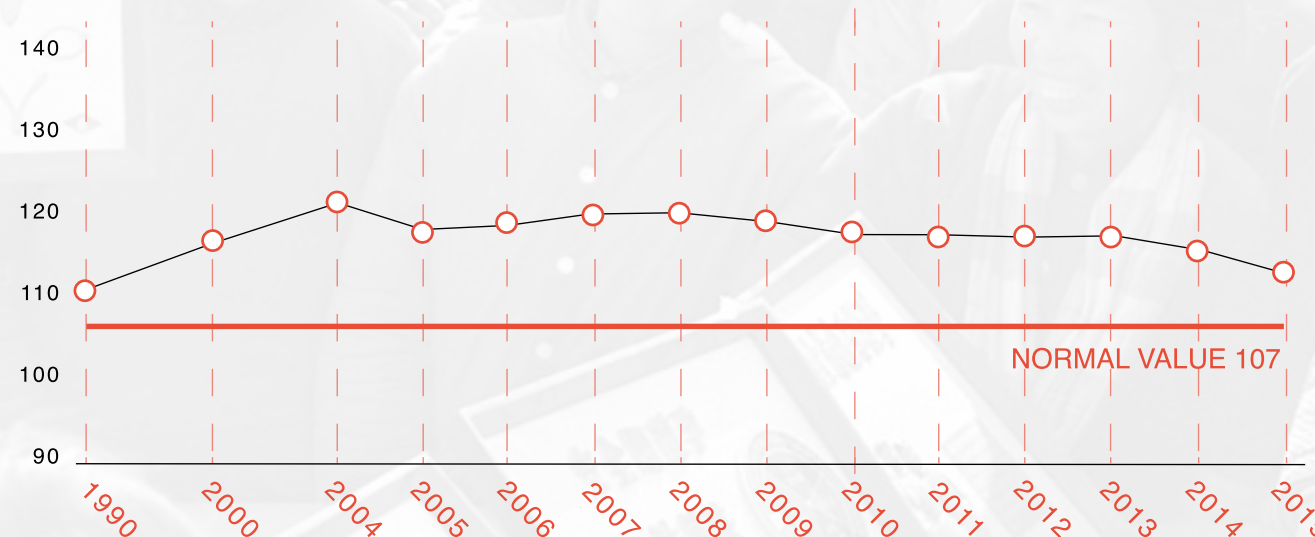
The government advertises on the bulletin boards that daughters can be as important as boys.

"It's the same for boys and girls."



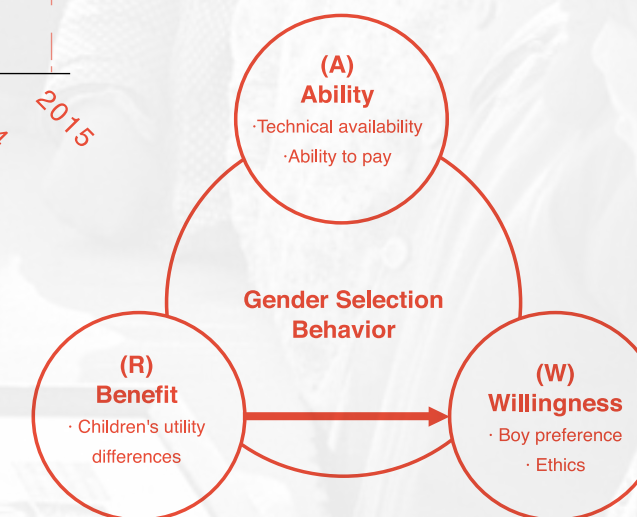
Because of China's policy, parents often can't know the baby's gender in advance, which has led to a lot of popular judgment. Some mothers-to-be are convinced by these rumors, randomly sit on the number, affect ingesting their own and family mood, and even endanger the health of the fetus in the abdomen. In general, after 4 months of the fetus, an experienced doctor can distinguish the sex of the fetus by B-ultrasonic.

## Trend of Sex Rate of Births in China



## One of the Reasons for the Serious Gender Imbalance in Contemporary China

Due to the influence of Confucian culture in Chinese society, boys are the key to family inheritance. Many girls are selectively aborted after being known for their sex during pregnancy.



Model of RWA Diffusion Mechanism Based on Gender Selection Behavior

## Gender Choice Behavior and Gender Imbalance Theory

The RWA model of Ansley J. Coale discusses the process of "production, diffusion and reduction" of fertility behavior in the historical perspective, and aims to reveal the dynamic transformation mechanism of micro-personal behavior and macro-social phenomena. Changes in the sex ratio at birth are related to the levels and interrelationships of many factors.