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Sha Chen Bao / Sand Storm

## Sand Storms & Desertification

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### Biggest Sand Storm in a Decade Hit China

On March 20, 2002, a most severe sand storm in a decade hit a vast area of China. The storm covered over 1.4 million square kilometers area in 8 provinces and municipalities including Beijing, Hebei, Liaoning, Neimenggu (Inner Mongolia), Gansu, Tianjin, Jilin, Shanxi, and Heilongjiang. The lives of over 130 million residents were greatly affected.



This map is a few years old and already out-to-date.

Each year the edge of the desert advances toward Beijing, and will reach it in a matter of a few years.

The sand storm reached into upper atmosphere and travelled to Korea, Japan and arrived in North America in a week.

Government to spend 2.4 billion US dollars in 10 year