

CHRONOLOGY OF DYNASTIES

Emperor Yao (Legendary)	3rd millennium B.C.		
Emperor Shun (Legendary)	3rd millennium B.C.		
Hsia	2183-1752 B.C.?		
Shang	1751-1112 B.C.	(or 1765-1112 B.C.)	
Chou	1111- 249 B.C.	(or 1027- 249 B.C.)	
		Spring and Autumn	722-481 B.C.
		Warring States (480-)	403-222 B.C.
Ch'in	(255 B.C.-) 221-206 B.C.		
Han	B.C. 206-220 A.D.	Western (Former) Han B.C.	206- 8 A.D.
		Hsin	9- 23 A.D.
		Eastern (Later) Han	25-220 A.D.
Wei	220-265 A.D.	Three Kingdoms	Wei 220-265 Shu 221-263 Wu 222-280
Chin	265-420	Western Chin	265-317
S. and N. Dynasties	420-589	Eastern Chin	317-420
	South		North
	Liu Sung		Later (North) Wei
	Southern Ch'i		Eastern Wei
	Liang		Western Wei
	Ch'en		Northern Ch'i
Sui	581-618		Northern Chou
Tang	618-907		
Five Dynasties	907-960		
		Later Liang	907-923
		Later T'ang	923-936
		Later Chin	936-947
		Later Han	947-950
		Later Chou	951-960
Liao (907-)	947-1125		
Sung	960-1279	Northern Sung	960-1126
		Southern Sung	1127-1279
	Hsi-hsia		
	Chin		
Yüan (Mongol)	(1206-) 1271-1368		
Ming	1368-1644		
Ch'ing (Manchu)	1644-1912		
Republic	1912-		
People's Republic	1949-		