

Map 1. N = North, S = South, E = East, W = West, C = Central. In addition to these basic directions which may be combined in various ways, "F" signifies "far," hence FN means "far north." Two "F"'s signify greater distance from the core of the heartland, thus FFNW implies a region very far to the northwest.

The sectors of the map are numbered according to the approximate sequence when they became attached to the EAH for the first time. Many of them later detached themselves, and they may have become attached and detached several times in history. The four sectors at the bottom left have never become part of the EAH empire, hence they are not numbered.

Ruling house	Ethnic affiliations	Regional affiliations	NC, N, E	
*Shang (1570–1045)	unknown, but with steppe associations	north-northwest (Henan, Shanxi, Shaanxi)		
*Zhou (Western) (1045–771) Spring and Autumn (770–476)	unknown, but with steppe associations various	north-northwest (Shaanxi, Shanxi) various (nine major states, approximately 140 minor states)	NC, N, NE, E, SC, SE NC, N, NE, E, SC, SE	
Warring States (475–221) *Qin (221–207)	various Sinitic with likely central Eurasian heritage	various (seven major states) northwest (Shaanxi)	NC, N, NE, E, SC, SE NC, N, NE, E, SC, SE, SW, S, FS	

*Western Han (206 BCE-8 CE) Xin (9-24)	Sinitic with likely central Eurasian heritage	east (but the name "Han"derives from a river that rises in the northwest [Shaanxi]) north-central(?)	NC, N, NE, NW, E, SW, SC, SE, WSW, S, FSWS, FS NC, N, NE, NW, E, SW, SC, SE, WSW,
*Eastern Han (25–220)	Sinitic with likely central Eurasian heritage	north-central	S, FSWS, FS NC, N, NW, NE, FNE, E, SW, SC, SE, WSW, S, SWS, FS
Three Kingdoms			
(220–65) Wei (220–65)	Sinitic	east	NC, NE, E
Shu (221–63)	Sinitic (unusual physiognomy)	northeast	SW, WSW
Wu (222–80)	Sinitic	southeast	SC, SE, S, SES, FS, FSE
*Western Jin (265–316)	Sinitic	east	NC (small part), E (part), SC, SE, S, SES, SWS, FS, FSE
Chouchi (296–317)	Di •Yang (originally	northwest	NW NW
Sixteen Kingdoms (pl and Western Yan)	surnamed Linghu)	F	
(304–439) Han, Former Zhao		northwest	NC, E
(304–29) Cheng Han	,	southwest	SW, WSW
(304–47) Former Liang	•Li Sinitic	north	NW
(317–76) Later Zhao (319–51)	Jie •Shi	north	NC, N, NE, E
Dai, Later Wei (338–76)	Tabgatch (Särbi)	north	NC, N
Ran Wei (350–52)	Sinitic	east	E
Former Yan (337–70)	Xianbei (Särbi) Proto-Mongolian	northeast	E, NE
Former Qin (350–94)	Di	north	NC, N, NW, E, SW
(390–34) Later Qin (384–417)	Qiang •Yao	northwest	NW, NC, SC (part)

	Later Yan (384–407)	Xianbei (Särbi)	northeast	N and NC (parts toward east only), NE
	Western Yan (384–94)	Xianbei (Särbi)	northeast	N and NC (parts toward east only), NE
	Western Qin (385–431)	Xianbei (Sārbi)	northwest	NC (western part only)
	Later Liang (386–403)	Di •Lū	northwest	W (eastern part only)
	Southern Liang (397–414)	Xianbei (Sârbi)	northwest	W (eastern part only)
	Southern Yan (398–410)	Xianbei (Särbi)	northeast	É
	Western Liang (400–21)	Sinitic	northwest	NW
	Xia (407–31)	Xiongnu (Hun) •Liu (changed to Helian Bobo)	north	NC, N
	Northern Yan (407–36)	Sinitic	northeast	NE
	Northern Liang (397–439)	Sinitic founder; Xiongnu (Hun) chancellor for four years then ruler	southeast northwest	NW
	astern Jin 317–420)	Sinitic	north-central	SC, SE, S, SES, FS, FSE, WSW, SWS
So	orthern and outhern Dynasties 20–589)			
	Northern Dynasties			
	Northern Wei (386–534)	Xianbei (Särbi)	north	NC, N, NW, NE, E (part)
	Gaochang (460–640)	Tabgatch and various Turkic groups in later stages	Turfan (Eastern Central Asia)	FFNW
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	Rouran (464–520)	Asin Abar Tabgatch ancestors	far north	FN, NWN, FNWN, FFNW
	Eastern Wei (534–50)	Xianbei (Särbi)	north	NE, E
	Western Wei (535–57)	Xianbei (Sārbi)	north	NC, N, NW
	Northern Qi (550–77)	Xianbei (Sārbi)	north	NE, E

Northern Zhou (557–81) Southern Dynasties	Xianbei (Särbi) (or Särbized Sinitic)	north	NC, N, NW, SW, WSW
Song (420–79)	Sinitic	northeast	SC, E (part), SE, SW,
			WSW, S, SES, FS, FSE
Qi (479–502)	Sinitic	southeast	SC, SE, SW, WSW, S, SES,
Liang (502–57)	Sinitic	southeast	FS, FSE SC, SE, SW, WSW, S, SES,
Chen (557–89)	Sinitic	southeast	FS, FSE SE, S, SES, FS, FSE
*Sui	father most likely	north-central	NC, N
(581–618)	Xianbei (Särbi) or Särbized Sinitid of the Yuwen clan; mother Särbi •Yang	and northeast	(eastern part only), NW, NE, W, SW, SC, SE, WSW, S, SES, FS, FSE
*Tang (618–907)	father most likely Xianbei (Särbi) or Särbized Sinitic; mother Särbi •Li	north-central	NC, N (eastern part only), NW, NE, W, SW, SC, SE, WSW, S, SES, FS, FSE
Zhou (690–704)	Xianbei (Sārbi) •Wu (actually Helan)	northwest (Gansu)	NC, N (eastern part only), NW, NE, W,
31			SW, SC, SE, WSW, S, SES, FS, FSE
	Mohe (Tungusic or perhaps [less likely] Amuric) •Li	northeast (Manchuria)	NE, FNE
Nanzhao (748–84) (878–937)	Tibeto-Burman •Zan	far southwest (Yunnan)	SWS
Yan (756–63)	Turko-Sogdian •An (from Parthian name Arsacid)	northeast (Manchuria)	NE
	Tibetan	far southwest (Tibet)	FSW, FFSW, FFW, FW

Five Dynasties and Ten Wu (902–37)	Kingdoms (907–79) Sinitic	southeast	E (southern part only), SC, S
Later Liang	Sinitic	east	NC, NE, E,
(907–23) Wu Yue	Sinitic	southeast	SE
(907–78) Later Tang (923–36)	Shatuo (West Turk) •Li	north-central	NC, N, NE, SC (eastern
Later Jin (936–46)	Shatuo (West Turk) •Shi	north-central (?)	part only), E NC, N, NE, SC (eastern
Later Han (947–50)	Shatuo (West Turk) •Liu	north-central	part only), E NC, N, NE, SC (eastern
Later Zhou (951–60)	Sinitic	north-central	part only), E NC (eastern part only), N, NE, SC
Southern Tang (937–75)	Sinitic	southeast	(eastern part only), E E (southern part only), SC, S
Chu (927–51)	Sinitic	south-central	SC, S
Min (909–45)	Sinitic	southeast	FSE
Southern Han (917–71)	Sinitic	far south	FS
Former Shu (907–25)	Sinitic	south-central	SW, WSW
Later Shu	Sinitic	southwest	SW, WSW
(934–65) Jingnan (Nanping) (924–63)	Sinitic	north-central	SC (southwest quadrant
Northern Han (951–79)	Shatuo (West Turk) •Liu	north-central	only) NC (eastern part only)
Qidan	Khitan	northeast	NE NE
(907–15) Yutian (912–40)	Khotanese •Li	Khotan (Eastern Central Asia)	FFNW
Eastern Dan (926–36)	Khitan	northeast	NE
Liao (916–1125)	Khitan	northeast	N (northern part only), E, FNE, FN, NWN, FNWN FFNWN

Dali (938–1254)	Bai(zi) (Tibeto- Burman or Mon- Khmer or Tai) •Duan	far southwest	WSW, FWSW SWS
*Northern Song (960–1127)	Sinitic	northeast	NC, E, SW (eastern part only), SC, SE, WSW (eastern part only), S, SES,
Western Xia (1032–1227)	Tangut •Li, Zhao	northwest	FS, FSE N, NW
Jin (1115–1234)	Jurchen (Tungusic)	northeast	FNE, NE, E, NC
Qi (1130–37)	Sinitic (swearing allegiance to the Jurchens)	north-central	NC
Western Liao (1124–1216)	Khitan	northeast	FFNWN, FFNW, FFW, FW, FNW
Southern Song (1127-1279)	Sinitic	northeast / southeast	SW (eastern part only), SC, SE, S, SES, FS, FSE
Mongolia (1206–71)	Mongol	far north	FN, NWN
*Yuan (1271–1388)	Mongol	north and far north Only the lands of the Empire of the Great Khan. The Mongols' other empires that	N, FN, FNE, NWN, NW, NE, FNW, FW, W, NC, E, FFW, FFSW, FSW, SW, SC, SE,
	Đ	stretched all the way across Asia and into Russia are not included here.	WSW, S, SES, SWS, FS, FSE
*Ming (1368–1644)	Sinitic	east	NC, NE, E, NW, SW, SC, SE, WSW, S, SES, SWS, FS, FSE
Later Jin (1616–43)	Manchu (Tungusic)	northeast	NÉ, FNE
*Qing (1644–1911)		northeast The Manchus pushed the boundaries of the EEAH farther than any other dynasty in history.	NE, FNE, E, N, NC, FN, SC, SE, NWN, FNWN, FFNWN, NW, FNW,

		The Republic of China and the People's Republic of China have lost some of the territories acquired by the Manchus, but have managed to hold on to most of them.	FFNW, W, FW, FFW, FFSW, FSW, SW, WSW, S, SES, FS, FSE, SWS
Southern Ming (1644–62)	Sinitic	far southeast	S, SE, FSE, FS, SW, FSW, FFSW
Taiping Tianguo (1851–64)	Sinitic	far south	SC, SE
	f the Qin	(i.e., Chinese) Imperial Tradition	
*Republic (1911–49)	Sinitic	far south	FFNWN, FN, FNE, FFNW, FNW, NW, N, NE, FFW, FW, W, NC, E, FFSW, FSW, SW, SC, SE, WSW, S, SES, SWS, FS, FSE
*People's Republic (1949–)	Sinitic	south	FFNWN, FN, FNE, FFNW, FNW, NW, N, NE, FFW, FW, W, NC, E, FFSW, FSW, SW, SC, SE, WSW, S, SES, SWS, FS, FSE

^{*} unifying dynasty

• founder surname (to show that Sinitic surnames do not always indicate Sinitic ethnicity)

At different times, the Southern Ming regime had capitals in Nanjing (Jiangsu), Shaoxing (Zhejiang), Fuzhou (Fujian), Zhaoqing (Guangdong), Wuzhou (Guangxi), Kunming (Yunnan), and Burma.