

# **Research and Policy Development in Lifelong Learning in China**

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# 1. The background of lifelong learning in China

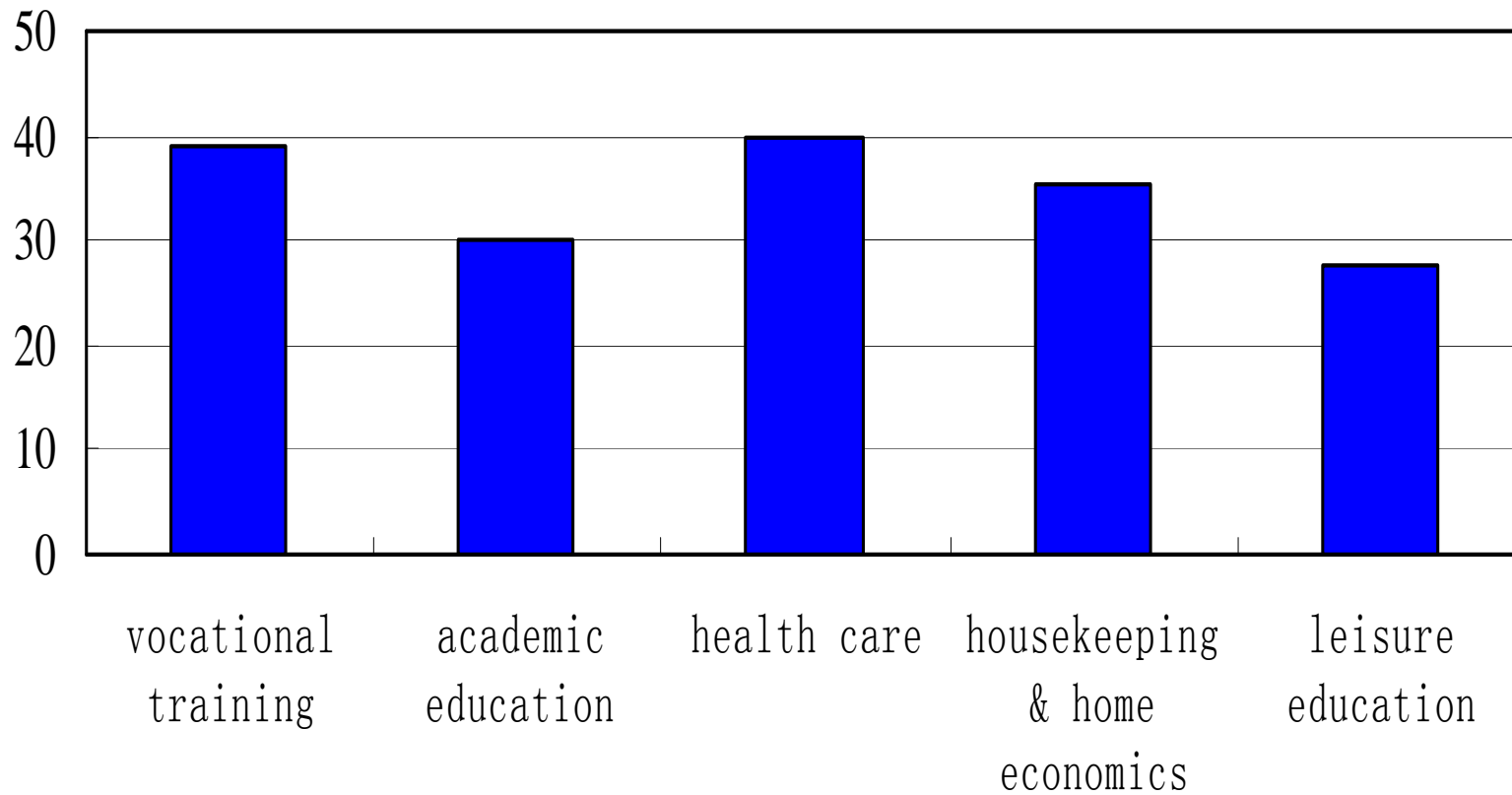
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- Lifelong learning is an important way to cope with the knowledge economy and the rapid development of science and technology.
  - Lifelong learning is the need of development of human resources and building a strong country of human resources in china.
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- Lifelong learning is a key factor for change of economy growth mode and industries structure shift.
  - Lifelong learning is an important way to meet the diverse learning needs of citizens and build a harmonious society.
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## A survey of lifelong learning needs on 50,000 community residents in Shanghai

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## 2. Lifelong learning policy development in China

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- 1993 –1999: The concept of “lifelong education” is formally brought forward
  - 1999-2009: from idea to practice  
some specific policies and measures to building a lifelong learning system and a learning society were put forward in a series of policy and documents
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## 2. Lifelong learning policy development in China

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- ❑ Reforming school education with the idea of lifelong education
  - ❑ Developing continuing education and training
  - ❑ To actively promote community education, learning organization, learning city construction
  - ❑ Make full use of modern information technology, strenuously develop modern distance education
  - ❑ Explore the establishment of lifelong education system that various types of education could connection and integration each other
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# Reforming school education with the idea of lifelong education

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- Basic Education Curriculum Reform Program
  - The openness of Colleges and University
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# Developing continuing education and training

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- ❑ For 30 years, adult secondary school graduates accumulated 18.77 million
  - ❑ adult higher education graduates accumulated more than 23.42 million
  - ❑ In 2007, the enrollment students increased to 4.61 million from 161 million in 1998.
  - ❑ To the end of 2007, the enrollment students through the higher education self-study examination system accumulated more than 5,000 million, graduates reached more than 800 million.
  - ❑ For 30 years, farmers have received training reached 1.142744 billion
  - ❑ The workers the overall training participation rate is 45% in 2007.
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# To actively promote community education, learning organization, learning city construction

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- By 2007, community education experimental zone at national level has 114
  - About 25.61 million community residents have participated in training in 65 national experimental zone, accounting for 50.3% of community residents in 2007
  - Three level community education management system was formed at district, street and neighborhood committees level
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# Make full use of modern information technology, strenuously develop modern distance education

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- ❑ In 2007, the enrollment students of higher academic education of Radio and Television University reached nearly 300 million
  - ❑ students registered in Networking College of University more were 110 million
  - ❑ Web-based Education Digital Learning Resource Center is building
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Explore the establishment of lifelong education system that various types of education could connection and integration each other

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- ❑ The like between general education and vocational education
  - ❑ Credit transfer between different educational institutions
  - ❑ Transfer of formal, non-formal and informal learning outcome
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# perspective of developing lifelong learning policy in China

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- ❑ Establish and Improve Public Administration Institutions that Fit a Lifelong Learning System and a Learning Society
  - ❑ Integrate and Open up all Kinds of Educational Resources
  - ❑ Vigorously Promote the Construction of IT Application in Education to build the national public service platform for lifelong learning
  - ❑ Establish Systems of Education and Training Investment and Learning Support to meet the People's Lifelong Learning Needs
  - ❑ The establishment of lifelong education system all forms of education could connection and communication
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