

Ningbo Municipal Government Work Report 2024

Striving towards a modern coastal metropolis
建设现代化滨海大都市



Ningbo's Achievements in 2023

The year 2023 is the inaugural year of implementing the guiding principles of the 20th CPC National Congress and the 20th year since the implementation of the Double-Eight Strategy. It stands as a pivotal period characterized by economic resurgence and advancement, following three years dedicated to the prevention and control of COVID-19.

In 2023, Ningbo's GDP grew by around 6%, maintaining its consistent contribution of 20% to Zhejiang province.

Ningbo's general public budget revenue reached 178.58 billion yuan, up by 6.3%.

In 2023, per capita disposable income surpassed 80,000 yuan in Ningbo's urban area and 48,000 yuan in its rural area. The income gap had been narrowed to 1.67:1, a continuous reduction for the 20th year.

The added value for enterprises at or above designated size grew by over 6.5% in 2023. Ten Ningbo-based enterprises were shortlisted in China's top 500 companies, and twenty were named as the top 500 private businesses in China. The city ranks 4th among the top 100 Chinese cities of advanced manufacturing.

In 2023, Ningbo's foreign trade capacity climbed to the 4th position nationally.

Ningbo Zhoushan Port has ranked 1st globally in terms of cargo throughput for 15 consecutive years.

Ningbo Lishe International Airport set new records in passenger traffic, cargo and mail throughput, and number of flights in 2023.

The city's business environment ranks among the top in major Chinese cities for the 5th consecutive year.

Ningbo successfully completed the torch relay and held the sailing and beach volleyball competitions of the 19th Asian Games Hangzhou. Ningbo athletes achieved historical highs in terms of gold medals, total medals, and number of contestants.

The city made significant progress in urban planning of important areas including the Cuiping Mountain Central Park and Sanjiangkou Core Area.

Ningbo was recognized as a qualified

pilot city for the national city-level social governance modernization campaign of 2023.

The satisfaction index for Ningbo's public services ranks second nationwide. The city has been awarded the title "Safe City of Zhejiang" for the 17th consecutive year.

In 2023, Ningbo was named China's Happiest City for the 14th time.

Eight Highlights

In 2023, Ningbo accomplished significant achievements in the following eight key areas:

1. Boosted confidence and stabilized growth, leading to sustained and promising economic recovery;
2. Strengthened innovation in S&T, generating new development momentum;
3. Expanded industrial clusters, significantly boosting industrial transformation and upgrading;
4. Deepened reform and opening-up, fully unleashing development vitality;
5. Expedited efforts to become a modern metropolis, effectively improving municipal service quality;
6. Advanced rural revitalization, taking a leading role in building harmonious and beautiful rural communities;
7. Endeavored to improve its urban and ecological environment;
8. Enhanced public services in seven key areas, further improving the citizens' well-being.

2024 Targets & Tasks

Major Socio-economic Targets in 2024

- Local GDP growth of around 6%.
- Growth of general public budget revenue and the per capita disposable income of urban and rural residents on par with economic growth.
- Continued reduction of the urban-rural income gap.
- Fixed asset investment growth of around 10%.
- Total consumer goods retail sales growth of 6.5%.
- Sustaining Ningbo's share of self-operated imports and exports within the national total.
- Maintaining CPI rise at around 3%.

Creating 200,000 new urban jobs and maintaining the registered urban unemployment rate below 3.5%.

Meeting the energy and environmental targets set by provincial authorities.

Ten Major Tasks in 2024

1. Ningbo aims to become a demonstration zone for innovative industrialization, enhancing the city's industrial competitiveness.

- Strengthening advanced manufacturing clusters
- Enhancing the integration of the digital and real economy
- Integrating the advanced manufacturing and modern service industries
- Fostering leading enterprises

2. Ningbo aims to transform into a more innovative city, with an emphasis on enhancing S&T self-reliance and competence.

- Elevating the capacity of S&T innovation platforms
- Perfecting the innovation ecosystem
- Propelling industry-education integration
- Optimizing talent attraction and cultivation measures

3. Ningbo aims to optimize the business environment through reforms that render government services more comprehensive and refined.

- Reforming government services by providing customizable added value
- Stimulating the private sector
- Accelerating reforms in key areas

4. Ningbo aims to become a hub in the dual-circulation dynamics and remains resolute in advancing higher-level opening-up.

- Improving inter-city connectivity
- Fostering an open economy at a higher level
- Enhancing regional cooperation and exchanges
- Becoming an international consumption center city

5. Ningbo aims to redouble efforts to expand effective investment, providing better support for projects.

- Boosting project support
- Intensifying investment attraction
- Optimizing resource planning

6. Ningbo aims to further the "Thousand Village Demonstration, Ten Thousand Village Renovation Initiative", accelerating comprehensive rural revitalization.

- Empowering the rural industry
- Promoting rural prosperity
- Advancing the countryside aesthetic improvement campaign

7. Ningbo aims to promote urban renewal and enhancement to boost the city's comprehensive carrying capacity.

- Perfecting urban planning for high-quality development
- Enhancing city connectivity
- Coordinating urban renewal and development
- Conducting landscape upgrades
- Refining municipal governance

8. Ningbo aims to increase its resilience, striking a more optimal balance between development and security.

- Accelerating green & low carbon development
- Improving industrial and residential safety
- Improving public safety

9. Ningbo aims to foster a dynamic port culture to empower its citizens and urban development.

- Establishing Ningbo as a showcase of China's civility
- Developing iconic locations of cultural significance
- Enriching the supply of high-quality cultural resources
- Launching the "Culture+" Project

10. Ningbo aims to improve public services in seven key areas to become a pioneer of common prosperity in China.

- Boosting the income of low-income earners and expanding the size of the middle-income group
- Modernizing healthcare
- Improving education quality
- Refining public services for senior citizens and pre-school children
- Strengthening social security services