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High-speed train collision in Spain kills at least 21

At least 21 people have been killed and dozens injured in a major train collision in southern Spain, the country's deadliest rail crash in more than a decade. A Madrid-bound train derailed near Adamuz, close to Córdoba, crossed onto the opposite track and collided with an oncoming train. Around 400 passengers and staff were on board both trains. At least 24 people, including four children, were seriously injured. The crash occurred shortly after departure from Málaga. Authorities have launched an investigation, describing the incident as highly unusual, while rescue teams faced difficulties due to severe damage to the carriages.

Vietnam's Communist Party congress meets to pick new leaders

Vietnam's ruling Communist Party is holding its five-yearly congress to choose new leaders and set key economic targets for the fast-growing country. The meeting will decide the party's top post, general secretary, with incumbent To Lam seen as the leading contender after launching ambitious reforms since August 2024. Despite being Southeast Asia's fastest-growing economy and a major export manufacturing hub, Vietnam faces challenges including corruption scandals and uncertainty from US tariffs under President Donald Trump. While exports to the US remain strong, sustaining foreign investment and achieving the government's ambitious 10% growth target for 2026 will be critical to the party's legitimacy.

China hits growth goal after exports boom defied US tariffs

China said its economy grew by 5% last year, meeting Beijing's official target, helped by a record trade surplus. However, growth slowed to 4.5% in the final quarter of 2025, highlighting ongoing weaknesses. Economists describe a "two-speed economy", where manufacturing and exports support growth while domestic spending remains weak and the property sector continues to struggle. Some analysts have questioned the reliability of the official data, suggesting growth may be overstated. Separately, China recorded its lowest number of births since 1949, with the population shrinking for a fourth consecutive year, deepening the country's demographic and economic challenges.



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