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BeiDou Adoption Surges Across China's Consumer Market

More than 98% of China's 133 million mobile phones shipped in H1 2026 supported the BeiDou Navigation Satellite System (BDS), highlighting its expanding commercial adoption. BeiDou was also used by over 14 million shared two-wheelers and nearly 40 million terminals in key industries. China's satellite navigation industry generated 629 billion yuan (about 92.7 billion USD) in 2025, up 9.24% year on year. **(Xinhua)**

China's AI-Powered Creative Software Market Expands

Meitu, a Chinese AI-driven image and design software company, reported revenue of 2.21 billion yuan (about 326 million USD) in H1 2026, up 22.1% year on year. Its core photo, video and design business grew 30.9%, accounting for 80% of revenue, while paid subscribers reached 18.44 million, up 19.7%, reflecting rising demand for AI-powered creative tools. **(Xinhua)**

China Strengthens AI Standards as Industry Integration Deepens

China has formulated nearly 200 key artificial intelligence (AI) standards as the technology becomes increasingly integrated across research, manufacturing, quality inspection and operations. The move highlights efforts to establish a more orderly AI ecosystem as adoption expands across industries. During the 15th Five-Year Plan period (2026-2030), China will also accelerate 6G technology trials and standards development. **(Xinhua)**

China's Intelligent Computing Capacity Reaches 2.45 Million PFLOPS

China's total intelligent computing capacity reached 2.45 million PFLOPS (FP16) by the end of July 2026, according to the National Data Administration. The eight national computing hubs and three computing-power and electricity coordination zones accounted for over 85% of the total. Meanwhile, 1.45 million PFLOPS had been incorporated into the national monitoring and scheduling platform. **(Xinhua)**

China Accelerates AI Computing Infrastructure Investment

China's daily AI token usage has surpassed 500 trillion, up more than 1,000-fold from about 100 billion in early 2024. During the 15th Five-Year Plan period, computing-network construction is expected to attract 4 trillion yuan (about 557 billion USD) in direct investment. Meanwhile, domestic computing ecosystems are expanding, with AI computing centers and "token factories" entering large-scale production. **(CCTV)**