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# **Bentley Wishes You a Happy Chinese New Year**

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**This year is the year of the dog**



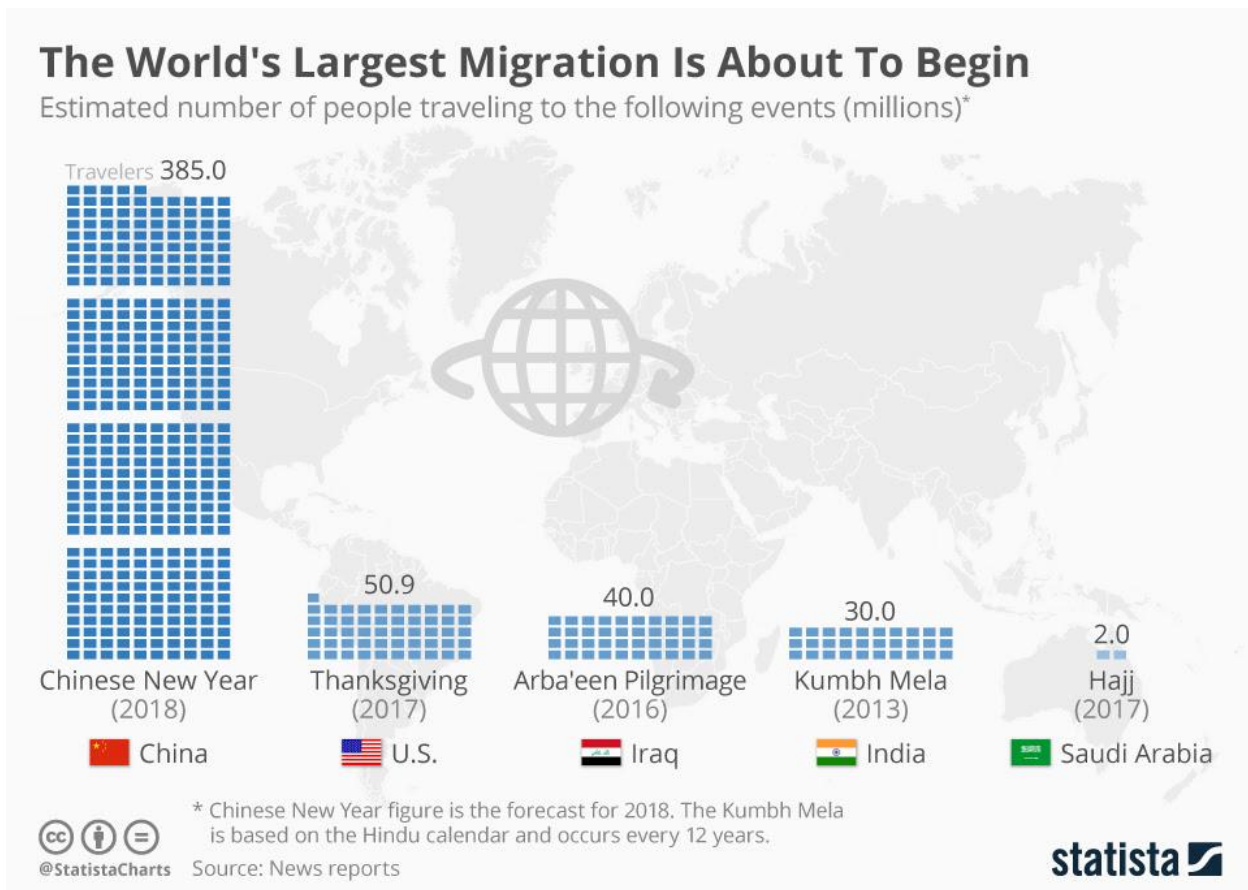
# The World's Largest Migration Is About To Begin

by [Niall McCarthy](#), Feb 14, 2018

<https://www.statista.com/chart/12916/the-worlds-largest-migration-is-about-to-begin/>

This Friday, China is going to celebrate its new year, kicking off one of the planet's great migrations.

Also known as Spring Festival or Lunar New Year, [Statista's Niall McCarthy notes](#) that this the event sees hundreds of millions of people leave their cities in order to visit their families in more rural parts of the country. **In fact, practically all of China takes holiday at once, making the new year the biggest human event on earth.**



You will find more infographics at [Statista](#)

**This year, the number traveling to welcome the Year of the Dog will be approximately 385 million, marking a 12 percent increase on 2017 according to China News.**

**Comparing China's largest annual migration with North America's is a good way to gauge its sheer size.**

Thanksgiving 2017 saw 50.9 million travelers negotiate long tailbacks on the interstate and overcrowded airports. **Even though Thanksgiving is a major travel event, China's new year is still seven times bigger,** with its massive population making a big difference of course.

Known as "chunyun", the annual new year migration in China also **easily surpasses the world's biggest pilgrimages in scale with Arba'een and the Hajj not even coming close.**

# Enjoy the New Year!

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