

A new bridge over the Huaijiang Gorge in Guizhou Province, southwest China, has officially opened to traffic, becoming the tallest bridge in the world. According to *Xinhua* News Agency, the structure rises 625 meters above the Beipanjiang River.

The new bridge is nearly nine times taller than the iconic Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco. Construction took three years, with the total length reaching 2,890 meters and the main span stretching 1,420 meters.

Local authorities note that this is the largest suspension bridge built on steel truss beams in a mountainous region. The previous record-holder was another bridge over the Beipanjiang River, located about 100 kilometers away, with a height of 565.4 meters.

Thanks to the new bridge, travel time across the gorge has been dramatically reduced—from nearly two hours to just two minutes.

Guizhou Province is known as the “Land of Bridges,” with over 30,000 such structures. Three of the world’s tallest bridges are located here, and nearly half of the top 100 highest bridges globally are found in Guizhou.