<u>Police arrest 14 for making, selling</u> <u>guns in China</u>

Police in northeast China's Heilongjiang Province have arrested 14 people involved in gun manufacture and sales.

A total of 27 guns have been seized since June 2, when a detained drug user confessed to police that one of his friends, Ren, had a gun, said a police officer with public security bureau of Harbin, capital of Heilongjiang.

Ren was apprehended on the same day with six guns and some parts and tools for making guns.

Ren told the police he started manufacturing guns in 2016.

He bought guns, models and parts from three dealers, made or converted the guns, and then sold to buyers in more than 10 provincial-level regions, including Beijing and Shanghai.

The guns, including assembled ones for military use, were sold online and the gang offered to teach the buyers online how to use them.

Civilian possession of guns is illegal in China.