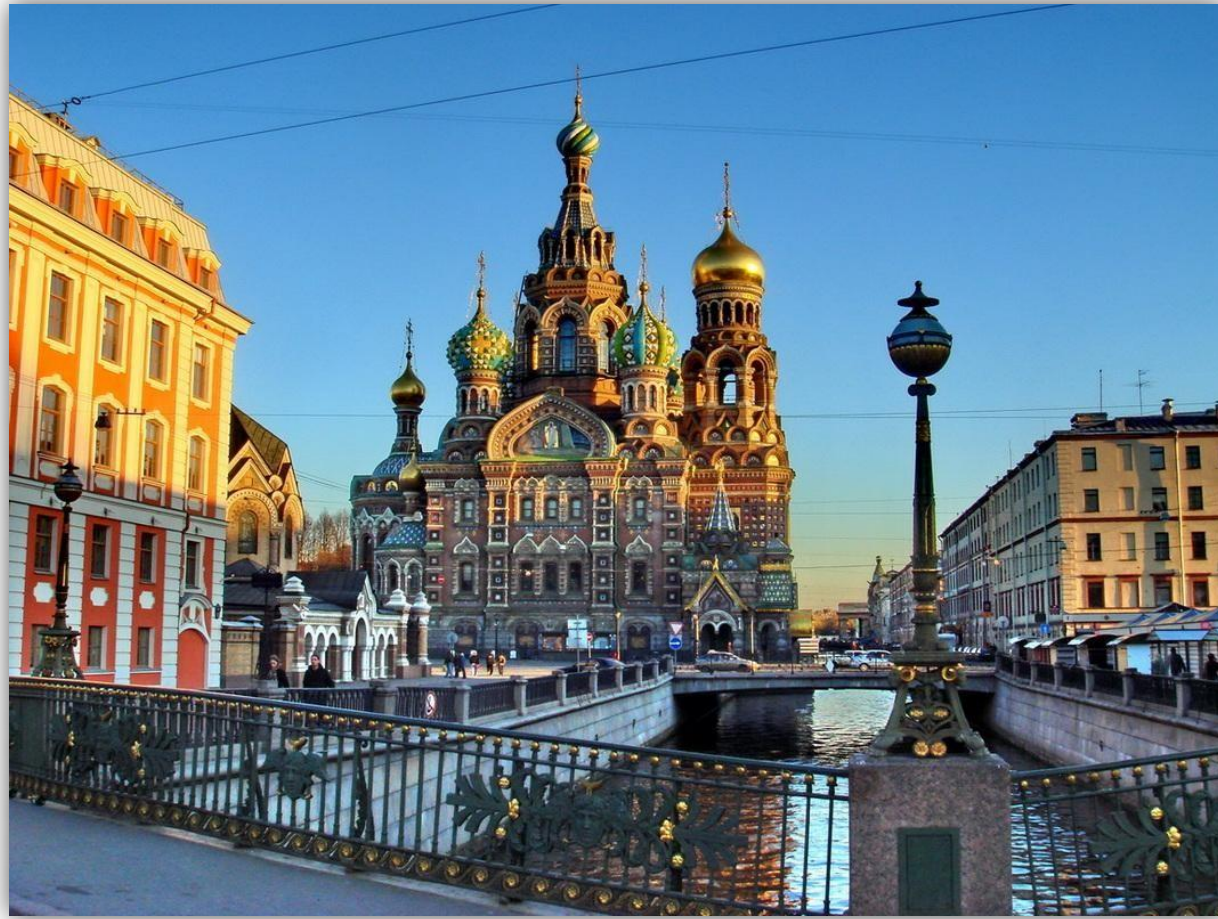


# Saint Petersburg



# Location

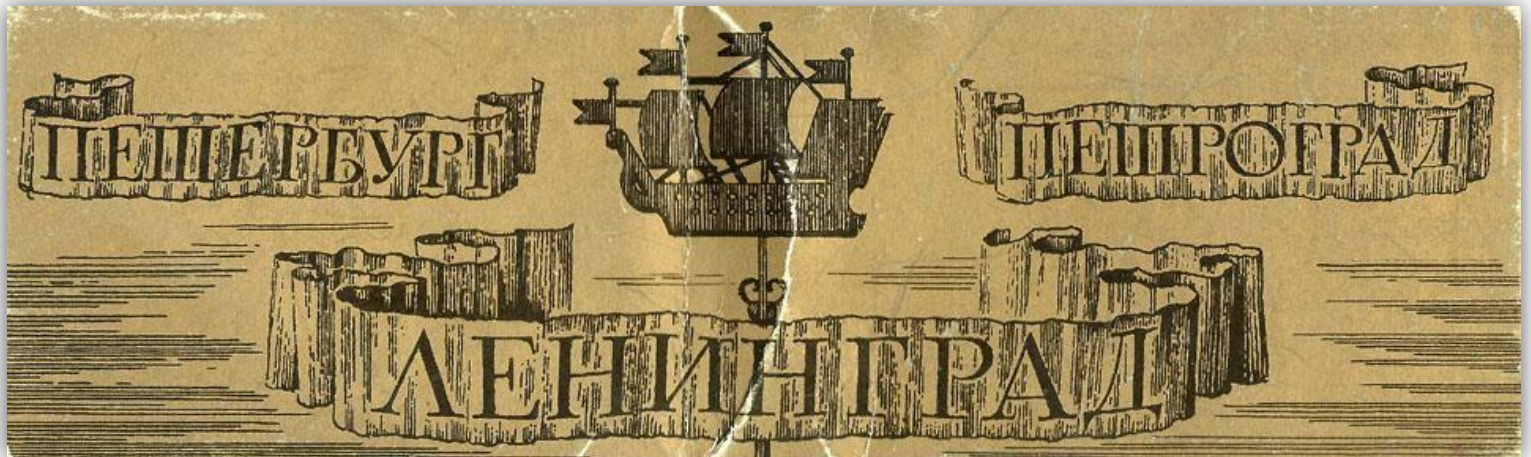
Saint Petersburg is the second largest city in Russia.

It is located on the Neva River at the head of the Gulf of Finland on the Baltic Sea.



# The name of the city

In 1914 the name of the city was changed from *Saint Petersburg* to *Petrograd*, in 1924 to *Leningrad*, and in 1991, back to *Saint Petersburg*.



# History

**Saint Petersburg was founded by Tsar Peter the Great on May 27 1703.**

**Between 1713-1728 and 1732-1918, Saint Petersburg was the imperial capital of Russia.**



**Peter the Great**

## 2<sup>nd</sup> largest city

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It is Russia's 2<sup>nd</sup> largest city after Moscow with 5 million inhabitants (2012).

Saint Petersburg is a major European cultural center, and also an important Russian port on the Baltic Sea.



# Cultural centre

The Historic Centre of Saint Petersburg and Related Groups of Monuments constitute a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Saint Petersburg is also home to The Hermitage, one of the largest art museums in the world.



The Hermitage

# Economy

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**Saint Petersburg is a major trade gateway, financial and industrial centre of Russia specialising in oil and gas trade, shipbuilding yards, aerospace industry, radio and electronics, software and computers and many other businesses.**



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**The Saint Petersburg International Economic Forum is a major Russian investment forum**

# Economy



**Icebreaker Moscow during the final stage of construction on the Baltic Shipyard**



**The Saint Petersburg docks at dawn**



# Climate

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**Saint Petersburg has a humid continental climate. Distinct moderating influence of the Baltic Sea cyclones result in warm, humid and short summers and long, cold wet winters.**



# Climate

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The average maximum temperature in July is 23 °C. A winter minimum of -43 °C was recorded in 1883. The average annual temperature is 5.8 °C.

The Neva River within the city limits usually freezes up in November-December and break-up occurs in April.



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