

**FROM THE HISTORY OF  
KAZAKHSTAN  
TRANSPORT SYSTEM**

- In 1894, the Russian Empire opened a metre gauge railway between Pokrovskaya Sloboda (present day Engels, Russia) and Uralsk, about 130 km of which were within the borders of present day Kazakhstan.





- The first section of the first line specifically built to serve the major cities of Kazakhstan opened in 1904, and it is from the opening of this line that Kazakhstan Railways celebrated their centenary in 2004

- On the dissolution of the Soviet Union, the Kazakhstan administration inherited a railway system of over 15000km, with international connections to Russia, Kyrgyzstan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan and newly completed link with China





- The railway network was privatized in 2001. Extensions and improvements continue to take place.

## ЖЕЛЕЗНЫЕ ДОРОГИ РЕСПУБЛИКИ КАЗАХСТАН



- Founded by the government in 2002 as a joint stock company KTZ's task is to develop, operate, and maintain railway transportation in Kazakhstan. It is headquartered in Astana. Related stock companies own the rolling stock, the hauling equipment, and the passenger transport division. Repair facilities have been privatized. Private companies may own or rent rolling stock that can use the rail system