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30 years of independence  
of Kazakhstan

Kazakhstan gained independence in 1991 on December 16th. Independence Day is one of the most important national holidays in Kazakhstan. It is celebrated annually on December 16th. Over the years of Independence, Kazakhstan has become a prosperous, developing country known in the international arena. 2021 is declared by the President as the Year of the 30th Anniversary of Independence. Over the years of independence, Kazakhstan has become a full member of the United Nations, as well as a member of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe, the Shanghai Cooperation Organization, the Commonwealth of Independent States, the Eurasian Economic Union, the Security Treaty Organization and other organizations.



# what has changed in Kazakhstan during the years of independence?

1 On July 6, 1994, a decision was made to move the capital. In 1997, the capital of the country was moved from Almaty to Akmola. In a short time, a modern city was built, in which international economic and political events take place, such as the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe, negotiations to resolve the situation in Syria, the first congress of world and traditional religions, the international specialized exhibition EXPO-2017.



2 Kazakhstan is among the safest countries in the nuclear safety rating. More than 40 years later, it was on this day that a decree was issued to close the landfill. During this time, 500 explosions were made, which caused damage to the health and lives of thousands of people.

3 One of the main successes of Kazakhstan is the construction of the capital - the city of Nur-Sultan. In a short time, a modern city appeared, which has become the hallmark of the country. Already in 1999, the capital of Kazakhstan achieved world recognition. The city was awarded the UNESCO City of Peace award. This award is awarded to new cities of the planet that have achieved great results in socio-economic, political and cultural development in a short time.

4 During the period of Independence, Kazakhstan has attracted more than \$ 300 billion of foreign investment. The largest investors are the Netherlands, USA, Switzerland, France, Great Britain, Russia, Italy, Japan, Belgium and Canada.

5 Great attention is paid to sports in Kazakhstan at the suggestion of the First President of the country. For 28 years, Kazakhstani athletes have won over 60 Olympic awards. Among the successful Kazakhstani athletes are Gennady Golovkin, Dmitry Balandin, Eldos Smetov, Olga Rypakova, Alexander Vinokurov, Zarina Diyas, Elizabeth Tursynbaeva and many others. The main sporting event of the country during the period of Independence was the holding of the Asian Winter Games in 2011. Representatives of about 30 countries took part in them.



# Kazakhstan in the world arena

At the moment, Kazakhstan has become a major player in international politics, which is due to its good geographical position on the border of two parts of the world, Europe and Asia. Kazakhstan has established diplomatic relations with 130 states and the European Union. Kazakhstan is a member of many organizations, for example; UN Development Program, UN Industrial Development Organization, International Labor Organization and so on. And all these organizations play a big role in the economy of Kazakhstan.

