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Definition: **Dushanbe** from *Philip's Encyclopedia*

(Dusanbe) Capital of Tajikistan, at the foot of the Gissar Mountains, Central Asia. Founded in the 1920s, it was known as Stalinabad from 1929-61. An industrial, trade and transport centre, it is the site of Tadjik University and Academy of Sciences. Industries: cotton milling, engineering, leather goods, food processing. Pop. (2002 est.) 580,800.



Image from:

[Dushanbe lies at the foot of mountains in the... in *World and Its Peoples: Middle East, Western Asia, and Northern Africa*](#)

Summary Article: **Dushanbe**

From *The Hutchinson Unabridged Encyclopedia with Atlas and Weather Guide*

Capital of Tajikistan, situated in the Gissar Valley 160 km/100 mi north of the Afghan frontier; population (2000) 522,000. Dushanbe is a road, rail, and air centre. Long-established industries include cotton and silk mills, tanneries, meat-packing factories, and printing works, while factories producing refrigerators, electric cables and automatic looms have been established relatively recently. It is the seat of Tajik State university (1948) and the Takik Academy of Sciences (1951), and has medical, agricultural and teacher-training colleges.

In 1990–91 antigovernment rioting in Dushanbe led to a curfew and a state of emergency being imposed; further antigovernment protests followed in early 1992 in which 100 people died. In August 1992 protesters stormed the presidential palace, forcing President Nabyev's resignation.

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