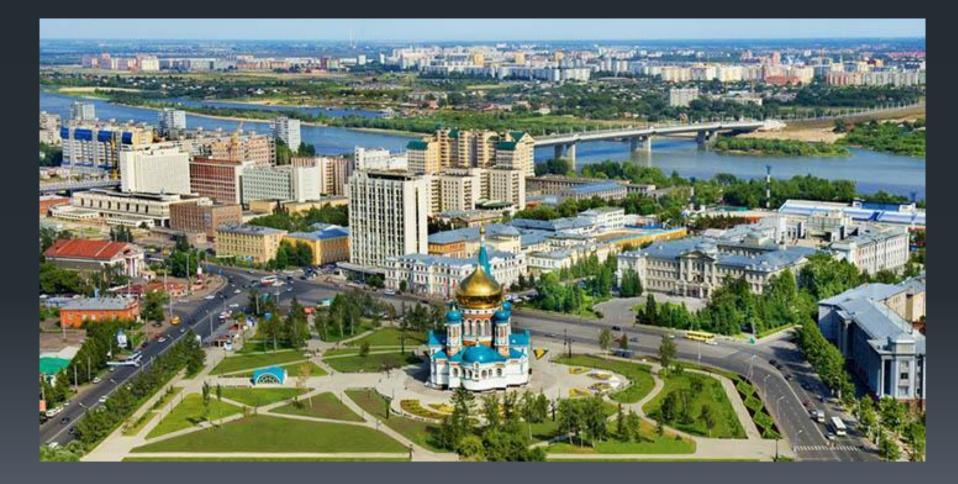
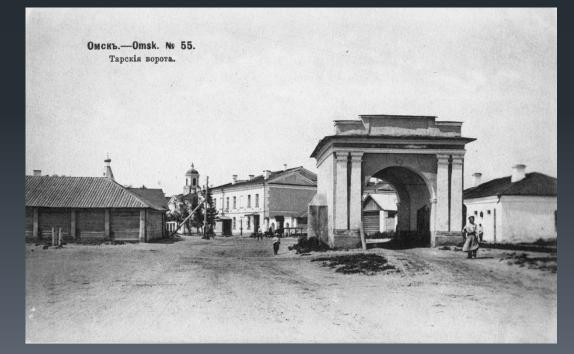
## Omsk - the largest city in Russia, the administrative center of Omsk region.



Omsk is an old Siberian city which is situated on the banks of the Irtysh and Om rivers. It is a big industrial and cultural centre of the Omsk Region. It's the second biggest city in Siberia. It was founded in 1716 by a group of Russian soldiers and Cossacks who were sent by Peter I to Siberia in search of gold but failed to find it Omsk





The city is located in the southern part of the West Siberian Plain, at the confluence of Om and the Irtysh River, in the center of the southern part of the Omsk region



Omsk has a railway station. The first train arrived in our city in 1894. There is a large airport, opened in 1956. Now you can fly to Germany, Moscow and more than 130 cities in Russia. There is a big bus station in Omsk. New and comfortable buses can get you to any part of the Omsk region.





The production of our plants and factories is well-known not only in our city but all over the world. They produce space and aircraft, airplane engines, TV and radio sets, washing-machines, textile, food and so on.

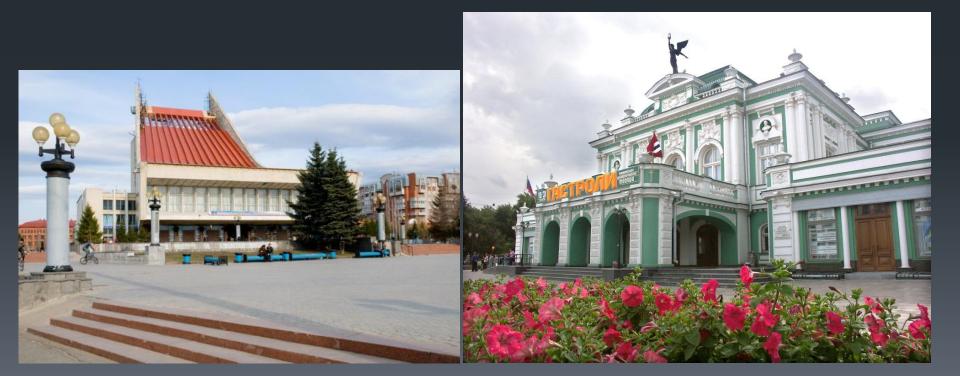




Sport is very popular with the citizens of Omsk. The stadiums with sports grounds, tennis courts and swimming pools provide excellent opportunities for those who go in for sports.



The Drama Theatre, the Musical Theatre, the Theatre Young Spectators, the Fifth Theatre are very popular among the citizens of our city. Our public Pushkin Library is one of the biggest and richest libraries in Russia.



There are many beautiful places of interest in Omsk: the Tara Gates, Luybinsky Avenue, the building of the historical museum, the building of the Drama Theatre, many monuments and squares



Omsk is especially beautiful in summer. Many flowers, trees make it really a garden city. It is also a fountain city too because there are a lot of fountains. People in our city are very kind and open-hearted. We like our city and do everything to make it more

beautiful.



Many outstanding people as Vrubel, Dostoyevsky, Karbyshev, Martynov lived in Omsk for a long time. Now Omsk is a large modern centre with the population of about 2 million people. It occupies a vast territory 460 square km. There are a lot of taxis, buses, trams and trolleybuses in our city. So the traffic is heavy.

