

# Internet Maps in Current Affairs

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# Some Internet Maps Worldwide

- I'm curious about Kazakhstan where I had a recent project
- Ten years ago its capital was moved from Almaty near the SE border to central Astana
- Today ethnic unrest in W Chinese Xinjiang province centres around its capital Urumqi
- How close is it to large centres in Kazakhstan?
- And how easy is it to find out on-line?

# Chinese Google Maps

The screenshot shows the Chinese version of Google Maps in a Windows Internet Explorer browser. The address bar displays the URL <http://ditu.google.cn/>. The page title is "新疆维吾尔自治区乌鲁木齐市至almaty, kazakhstana - Google 地图 - Windows Internet Explorer".

The search bar contains the text "新疆维吾尔自治区乌鲁木齐...". Below the search bar, the Google Maps logo is visible with the text "Google 地图" and "谷歌 中国". A search button labeled "搜索地图" and a link "显示搜索选项" are present.

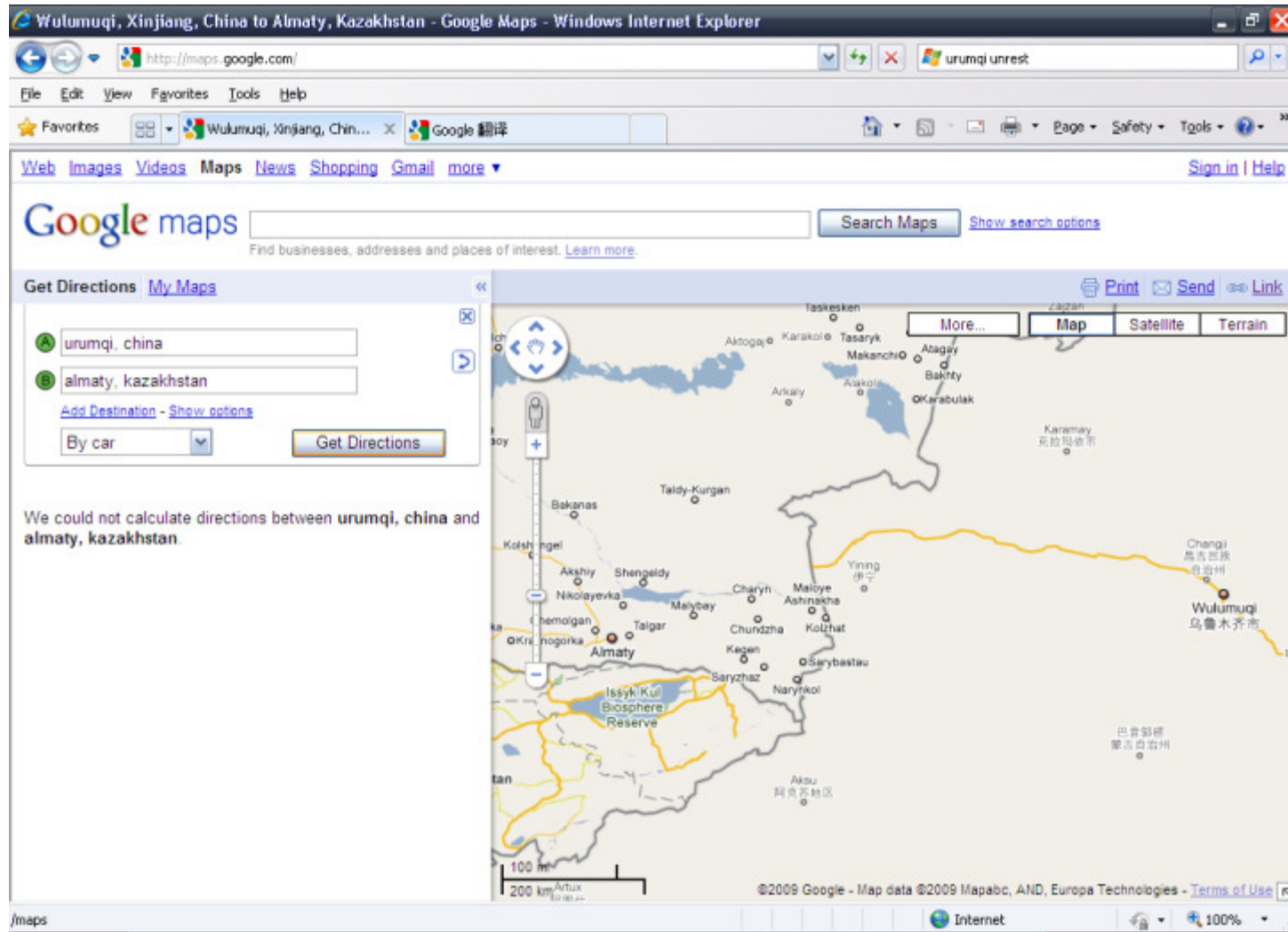
The "搜索路线" (Search Route) sidebar on the left shows two points:

- A: urumqi, china
- B: almaty, kazakhstana

A dropdown menu is set to "驾车" (Driving). A "搜索路线" button is at the bottom of the sidebar. Below the search bar, a yellow box asks "您的意思是不是:" (Do you mean:). A suggestion for "Almaty" is shown with a location pin icon, the text "Almaty, 哈萨克斯坦", and a distance of "863 公里". A note below the suggestion reads: "这些路线仅用于计划目的。您可能会发现实际情况会因道路施工、交通、天气或其他事件，而与地图结果不同，您应该根据实际情况相应调整计划路线。您必须遵守关于您的路线的所有标记或通知。" (These routes are for planning purposes only. You may find that actual conditions will differ from the map results due to road construction, traffic, weather, or other events, so you should adjust your planned routes according to actual conditions. You must follow all markings or notices regarding your routes.)

The main map area shows a route from Urumqi, China to Almaty, Kazakhstan. The map includes various geographical features, city names, and a scale bar. The bottom of the map displays copyright information: "©2009 Google - 地图数据 ©2009 Mapabc, AND, Europa Technologies - 使用条款".

# Default Google maps



# Yahoo! maps

The screenshot shows a Windows Internet Explorer browser window displaying the Yahoo! Maps website. The address bar shows the URL: <http://maps.yahoo.com/#mvt=ms&lat=43.7952&lon=82.218849&zoom=7&q1=urumqi%252C%2520china>. The browser's Favorites bar shows "Yahoo! Maps, Driving Directions, and Traffic".

The main content area features the "YAHOO! LOCAL Maps" logo and a search bar. Below the search bar, there are two input fields for location search:

- Field A:
- Field B:

A "Go" button is located to the right of these fields. Below the search fields, there is a section titled "FIND A BUSINESS ON THE MAP" with a search box containing "Find Restaurants, Hotels..." and a "Search" button.

A yellow error dialog box is overlaid on the map, containing the following text:

**Warning:** We could not find a match for this location anywhere. Please check your spelling or try looking for a different location.

**Tips:**

- Check your spelling
- Enter a new street address, city & state or ZIP
- Report a mapping error [here](#)

An "OK" button is at the bottom right of the dialog box.

The map itself shows a region in Central Asia, with cities like Almaty, Yining, Aksu, Kuytun, Shihezi, Karamay, and Urumqi labeled. A scale bar at the bottom left indicates 150km and 100mi. The copyright notice at the bottom right of the map area reads "© 2009 CE Info Systems, NAVTEQ" and "© 2009 Yahoo! Inc."

At the bottom of the browser window, the status bar shows "Internet" and a zoom level of "100%".

# Bing maps

Bing Maps - Windows Internet Explorer

http://www.bing.com/maps/#3h30cD1wb3Mucjh6MDQScjh5em54xyVjMyUSY3IjZyMlYmNlcWk3MmNrQ2hpbmFFX

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Start: Ürümqi, China  
Save this location · Edit

A-B: 628.7 mi, 12 hr 35 min Add a stop

1	Depart Ürümqi, China on Local road(s) (West)	0.1 mi
2	Turn RIGHT (North) onto Local road(s)	384.9 mi
3	Bear RIGHT (West) onto Local road(s)	17.4 mi
4	Entering Kazakhstan	
5	Road name changes to A353	33.2 mi
6	Turn LEFT (South) onto Local road(s)	30.8 mi
7	Turn LEFT (South) onto Local road(s)	18.0 mi
8	Turn RIGHT (North-West) onto A352	41.6 mi
9	Turn RIGHT (West) onto A351	102.6 mi

Map showing route from Ürümqi, China to Almaty, Kazakhstan. Key locations include Ürümqi, Almaty, Yining, Karamay, and Urumqi. The map includes a scale bar (150 miles) and navigation controls.

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