

## Sumerian Kings list

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After the kingship descended from heaven, the kingship was in Eridug. In Eridug, Alulim became king, he ruled for 28800 years. Alalġar ruled for 36000 years. 2 kings, they ruled for 64800 years. Then Eridug fell and the kingship was taken to Bad-tibira. In Bad-tibira, En-men-lu-ana ruled for 43200 years. En-men-gal-ana ruled for 28800 years. Dumuzid, the shepherd, ruled for 36000 years. 3 kings, they ruled for 108000 years. Then Bad-tibira fell and the kingship was taken to Larag. In Larag, En-sipad-zid-ana ruled for 28800 years. 1 king, he ruled for 28800 years. Then Larag fell and the kingship was taken to Zimbir. In Zimbir, En-men-dur-ana became king, he ruled for 21000 years. 1 king, he ruled for 21000 years. Then Zimbir fell and the kingship was taken to Šuruppag. In Šuruppag, Ubara-Tutu became king, he ruled for 18600 years. 1 king, he ruled for 18600 years. In 5 cities 8 kings, they ruled for 241200 years. Then the flood swept over.

After the flood had swept over, and the kingship had descended from heaven, the kingship was in Kiš. In Kiš, Ğušur became king, he ruled for 1200 years. Kullassina-bēl ruled for 900 years. Nanġišlišma ruled for 670 years. En-taraġ-ana ruled for 420 years ....., 3 months, and 3 1/2 days. Babum ..... ruled for 300 years. Puannum ruled for 840 years. Kalibum ruled for 960 years. Kalūmum ruled for 900 years. Zuqāqīp ruled for 900 years. Atab ruled for 600 years. Mašda, the son of Atab, ruled for 840 years. Arwium, the son of Mašda, ruled for 720 years. Etana, the shepherd, who ascended to heaven and consolidated all the foreign countries, became king, he ruled for 1500 years. Baliġ, the son of Etana, ruled for 400 years. En-me-nuna ruled for 660 years. Melem-Kiš, the son of En-me-nuna, ruled for 900 years. 1560 are the years of the dynasty of En-me-nuna. Barsal-nuna, the son of En-me-nuna, ruled for 1200 years. Zamug, the son of Barsal-nuna, ruled for 140 years. Tizqār, the son of Zamug, ruled for 305 years. Ilku ruled for 900 years. Iltasadum ruled for 1200 years. En-me-barage-si, who made the land of Elam submit, became king, he ruled for 900 years. Aga, the son of En-me-barage-si, ruled for 625 years. 1525 are the years of the dynasty of En-me-barage-si. 23 kings, they ruled for 24510 years, 3 months, and 3 1/2 days. Then Kiš was defeated and the kingship was taken to E-ana.

In E-ana, Meš-ki-aġ-gašer, the son of Utu, became lord and king, he ruled for 324 years. Meš-ki-aġ-gašer entered the sea and disappeared. Enmerkar, the son of Meš-ki-aġ-gašer, the king of Unug, who built Unug, became king, he ruled for 420 years. 745 are the years of the dynasty of Meš-ki-aġ-gašer. Lugalbanda, the shepherd, ruled for 1200 years. Dumuzid, the fisherman whose city was Kuara, ruled for 110 years. He captured En-me-barage-si single-handed. Gilgameš, whose father was a phantom, the lord of Kulaba, ruled for 126 years. Ur-Nungal, the son of Gilgameš, ruled for 30 years. Udul-kalama, the son of Ur-Nungal, ruled for 15 years. Lā-ba'šum ruled for 9 years. En-nun-taraġ-ana ruled for 8 years. Meš-ġe, the smith, ruled for 36 years. Melem-ana ruled for 900 years. Lugal-kitun ruled for 420 years. 12 kings, they ruled for 2310 years. Then Unug was defeated and the kingship was taken to Urim.

In Urim, Meš-Ane-pada became king, he ruled for 80 years. Meš-ki-aġ-nuna, the son of Meš-Ane-pada, became king, he ruled for 36 years. Elulu ruled for 25 years. Balulu ruled for 36 years. 4} kings, they ruled for 171 years. Then Urim was defeated and the kingship was taken to Awan.

In Awan, ..... became king, he ruled for ..... years. ..... ruled for ..... years. ..... ruled for 36 years. 3 kings, they ruled for 356 years. Then Awan was defeated and the kingship was taken to Kiš.

In Kiš, Susuda, the fuller, became king, he ruled for 201. Dadasig ruled for 81 years. Mamagal, the boatman, ruled for 420 years. Kalbum, the son of Magalgal, ruled for 132 years. Tuge ruled for 360 years.

Men-nuna, the son of Tuge, ruled for 180 years. .... ruled for 290 years. Lugalġu ruled for 420 years. 8 kings they ruled for 3792 years. Then Kiš was defeated and the kingship was taken to Ĥamazi.

In Ĥamazi, Hadaniš became king; he ruled for 360 years. 1 king, he ruled for 360 years. Then Ĥamazi was defeated and the kingship was returned a second time to Unug.

In Unug, En-šag-kuš-ana became king, he ruled for 60 years. Lugal-kiniše-dudu ruled for 120 years. Argandea ruled for 7 years. 3 kings, they ruled for 187 years. Then Unug was destroyed and the kingship was taken to Urim.

In Urim, Nanni became king, he ruled for 120 years. Meš-ki-aġ-Nanna, the son of Nanni, ruled for 48 years. ...., the son of ....., ruled for 2 years. 3 kings, they ruled 578 years. Then Urim was defeated and the kingship was taken to Adab.

In Adab, Lugal-Ane-mundu became king, he ruled for 90 years. 1 king, he ruled for 90 years. Then Adab was destroyed and the kingship was taken to Mari.

In Mari, Anbu became king, he ruled for 90 years. Anba, the son of Anbu, ruled for 7 years. Bazi, the leatherworker, ruled for 30 years. Zizi, the fuller, ruled for 20 years. Limer, the *gudug* priest, ruled for 30 years. Šarrum-īter ruled for 7 years. 6 kings, they ruled for 184 years. Then Mari was defeated and the kingship was taken to Kiš.

In Kiš, Kug-Bau, the woman tavern-keeper, who made firm the foundations of Kiš, became king, she ruled for 100 years. 1 king, she ruled for 100 years. Then Kiš was defeated and the kingship was taken to Akšak.

In Akšak, Unzi became king, he ruled for 30 years. Undalulu ruled for 12 years. Urur ruled for 6 years. Puzur-Niraġ ruled for 20 years. Išu-II ruled for 24 years. Šu-Suen, the son of Išu-II, ruled for 24 years. 6 kings, they ruled for 116 years. Then Akšak was defeated and the kingship was taken to Kiš.

In Kiš, Puzur-Suen, the son of Kug-Bau, became king, he ruled for 25 years. Ur-Zababa, the son of Puzur-Suen, ruled for 400 years. 131 are the years of the dynasty of Kug-Bau. Zimudar (Ziġu-iake) ruled for 30 years. Usi-watar, the son of Zimudar (Ziġu-iake), ruled for 7 years. Eštar-muti ruled for 17 years. Išme-Šamaš ruled for 11 years. Šu-ilīšu ruled for 15 years. Nanniya, the jeweller, ruled for 7 years. 7 kings, they ruled for 491 years. Then the reign of Kiš was abolished and the kingship was returned a third time to Unug.

In Unug, Lugal-zage-si became king he ruled for 34 years. 1 king, he ruled for 34 years. Then the reign of Unug was abolished and the kingship was taken to Agade.

In Agade, Sargon, whose father was a gardener, the cupbearer of Ur-Zababa, became king, the king of Agade, under whom Agade was built. He ruled for 56 years. Rīmuš, the son of Sargon, ruled for 15 years. Man-ištiššu, the older brother of Rīmuš, the son of Sargon, ruled for 7 years. Narām-Suen, the son of Man-ištiššu, ruled for 56 years. Šar-kali-šarrī, the son of Narām-Suen, ruled for 24 years. 157 are the years of the dynasty of Sargon. Then who was the king? Who indeed was the king? Irgigi was king, Imi was king, Nanûm was king, Ilulu was king, and the 4 of them ruled for only 3 years. Dudu ruled for 21 years. Šu-Durul, the son of Dudu, ruled for 18 years. 11 kings, they ruled for 181 years. Then the reign of Agade was abolished and the kingship was taken to Unug.

In Unug, Ur-niġin became king, he ruled for 30 years. Ur-gigir, the son of Ur-niġin, ruled for 7 years. Kuda ruled for 6 years. Puzur-ilī ruled for 20 years. Ur-Utu, the son of Ur-gigir, ruled for 25 years. 5 kings, they ruled for 43 years. Then the reign of Unug was abolished and the kingship was taken to the land of Gutium.

In the land of Gutium, they had no king, they ruled themselves for 5 years. Then Inkišuš 7 years. Zarlagab ruled for 6 years. Šulme (Yarlagáš) ruled for 6 years. Silulumeš (Silulu) ruled for 7 years. Inimabakeš (Duga) ruled for 6 years. Igešauš ruled for 6 years. Yarlagab ruled for 15 years. Ibate ruled for 3 years. Yarla (Yarlangab) ruled for 3 years. Kurum ..... ruled for 3 years. Apilkin ruled for 3 years. Lā-erabum ruled for 2 years. Irarum ruled for 2 years. Ibranum ruled for 1 year. Ḫablum ruled for 2 years. Puzur-Suen, the son of Ḫablum, ruled for 7 years. Yarlaganda ruled for 7 years. .... ruled for 7 years. Tirigan ruled for 40 days. 21 kings, they ruled for 124 years and 40 days. Then the army of Gutium was defeated and the kingship was taken to Unug.

In Unug, Utu-ḫeḡal became king, he ruled for 427 years, and 15 days. 1 king; he ruled for 427 years, ..... and 15 days. Then Unug was defeated and the kingship was taken to Urim.

In Urim, Ur-Namma became king, he ruled for 18 years. Šulgi, the son of Ur-Namma, ruled for 58 years. Amar-Suena, the son of Šulgi, ruled for 25 years. Šu-Suen, the son of Amar-Suena, ruled for 16 years. Ibbi-Suen, the son of Šu-Suen, ruled for 23 years. 4 kings, they ruled for 108 years. Then the reign of Urim was abolished. The kingship was taken to Isin.

In Isin, Išbi-Erra became king, he ruled 32 years. Šu-ilīšu, the son of Išbi-Erra, ruled for 15 years. Iddin-Dagan, the son of Šu-ilīšu, ruled for 25 years. Išme-Dagan, the son of Iddin-Dagan, ruled for 18 years. Lipit-Eštar, the son of Išme-Dagan (Iddin-Dagan), ruled for 11 years. Ur-Ninurta, the son of Iškur, may he have years of abundance, a good reign, and a sweet life, ruled for 28 years. Būr-Suen, the son of Ur-Ninurta, ruled for 21 years. Lipit-Enlil, the son of Būr-Suen, ruled for 5 years. Erra-imitti ruled for 21 years. Enlil-bāni ruled for 24 years. Zambiya ruled for 3 years. Iter-piša ruled for 4 years. Ur-du-kuga ruled for 4 years. Suen-magir ruled for 11 years. Damiq-ilišu, the son of Suen-magir, ruled for 23 years. 14 kings, they ruled for 203 years and 6 months.

A total of 39 kings ruled for 14409 years, 3 months and 3 1/2 days, 4 times in Kiš. A total of 22 kings ruled for 2610, 6 months and 15 days, 5 times in Unug. A total of 12 kings ruled for 396 years, 3 times in Urim. A total of 3 kings ruled for 356 years, once in Awan. A total of 1 king ruled for 420 years, once in Ḫamazi.

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A total of 12 kings ruled for 197 years, once in Agade. A total of 23 kings ruled for 99 years, once in the army of Gutium. A total of 16 kings ruled for 226 years, once in Isin. There are 11 cities, cities in which the kingship was exercised. A total of 139 kings, who altogether ruled for 28876 years.