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Preface

This preface describes the audience for, organization of, and conventions used in this guide. It also describes related documentation and tells how to access electronic documentation.

Audience

This guide is intended for service technicians who have no experience installing routers but whose goal is to connect routers to networks as quickly as possible.

Organization

This guide is organized as follows:

- [Chapter 1, “Product Overview”](#)—Describes the Cisco 837 and SOHO 97 routers and their features.
- [Chapter 2, “Installation”](#)—Provides information on preinstallation, mounting, connecting, and configuring of the router, and verification of router connections.
- [Chapter 3, “Troubleshooting”](#)—Describes problems with the router and how to identify and solve them.
- [Appendix A, “Specifications and Cables”](#)—Provides Cisco part numbers for cables that you can order and contains port connector pinouts and specifications for cables that you might need to provide.

Conventions

This section describes the conventions used in this guide.



Note

Means *reader take note*. Notes contain helpful suggestions or references to additional information and material.



Caution

This symbol means *reader be careful*. In this situation, you might do something that could result in equipment damage or loss of data.



Warning

This warning symbol means danger. You are in a situation that could cause bodily injury. Before you work on any equipment, be aware of the hazards involved with electrical circuitry and be familiar with the standard practices for preventing accidents.

Waarschuwing

Dit waarschuwingssymbool betekent gevaar. U verkeert in een situatie die lichamelijk letsel kan veroorzaken. Voordat u aan enige apparatuur gaat werken, dient u zich bewust te zijn van de bij elektrische schakelingen betrokken risico's en dient u op de hoogte te zijn van standaard maatregelen om ongelukken te voorkomen.

Varoitus

Tämä varoitusmerkki merkitsee vaaraa. Olet tilanteessa, joka voi johtaa ruumiinvammaan. Ennen kuin työskentelet minkään laitteiston parissa, ota selvää sähkökytkentöihin liittyvistä vaaroista ja tavanomaisista onnettomuuksien ehkäisykeinoista.

Attention

Ce symbole d'avertissement indique un danger. Vous vous trouvez dans une situation pouvant causer des blessures ou des dommages corporels. Avant de travailler sur un équipement, soyez conscient des dangers posés par les circuits électriques et familiarisez-vous avec les procédures couramment utilisées pour éviter les accidents.

Warnung	Dieses Warnsymbol bedeutet Gefahr. Sie befinden sich in einer Situation, die zu einer Körperverletzung führen könnte. Bevor Sie mit der Arbeit an irgendeinem Gerät beginnen, seien Sie sich der mit elektrischen Stromkreisen verbundenen Gefahren und der Standardpraktiken zur Vermeidung von Unfällen bewußt.
Avvertenza	Questo simbolo di avvertenza indica un pericolo. La situazione potrebbe causare infortuni alle persone. Prima di lavorare su qualsiasi apparecchiatura, occorre conoscere i pericoli relativi ai circuiti elettrici ed essere al corrente delle pratiche standard per la prevenzione di incidenti.
Advarsel	Dette varselsymbolet betyr fare. Du befinner deg i en situasjon som kan føre til personskade. Før du utfører arbeid på utstyr, må du være oppmerksom på de faremomentene som elektriske kretser innebærer, samt gjøre deg kjent med vanlig praksis når det gjelder å unngå ulykker.
Aviso	Este símbolo de aviso indica perigo. Encontra-se numa situação que lhe poderá causar danos físicos. Antes de começar a trabalhar com qualquer equipamento, familiarize-se com os perigos relacionados com circuitos eléctricos, e com quaisquer práticas comuns que possam prevenir possíveis acidentes.
¡Atención!	Este símbolo de aviso significa peligro. Existe riesgo para su integridad física. Antes de manipular cualquier equipo, considerar los riesgos que entraña la corriente eléctrica y familiarizarse con los procedimientos estándar de prevención de accidentes.
Varning!	Denna varningssymbol signalerar fara. Du befinner dig i en situation som kan leda till personskada. Innan du utför arbete på någon utrustning måste du vara medveten om farorna med elkretsar och känna till vanligt förfarande för att förebygga skador.

Related Documentation

In addition to this *Cisco 837 Routers and SOHO 97 Hardware Installation Guide*, the documentation for the Cisco 837 and SOHO 97 routers includes the following:

- *Cisco 837 Router and SOHO 97 Router Cabling and Setup Quick Start Guide*
- *Cisco 800 Series Routers Software Configuration Guide*
- *Upgrading Memory in Cisco 800 Series Routers*
- *Regulatory Compliance and Safety Information for Cisco 800 Series and SOHO Series Routers*

You might also need to refer to the following documents:

- Cisco IOS Release 12.0 Quality of Service Solutions Configuration Guide
- Cisco IOS Security Configuration Guide, Release 12.0

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Cisco documentation and additional literature are available on Cisco.com. Cisco also provides several ways to obtain technical assistance and other technical resources. These sections explain how to obtain technical information from Cisco Systems.

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You can access the most current Cisco documentation at this URL:

<http://www.cisco.com/univercd/home/home.htm>

You can access the Cisco website at this URL:

<http://www.cisco.com>

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http://www.cisco.com/public/countries_languages.shtml

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<http://www.cisco.com/en/US/partner/ordering/>

Cisco Marketplace:

<http://www.cisco.com/go/marketplace/>

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- Obtain assistance with security incidents that involve Cisco products.
- Register to receive security information from Cisco.

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http://www.cisco.com/en/US/products/products_psirt_rss_feed.html

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- Nonemergencies—psirt@cisco.com

**Tip**

We encourage you to use Pretty Good Privacy (PGP) or a compatible product to encrypt any sensitive information that you send to Cisco. PSIRT can work from encrypted information that is compatible with PGP versions 2.x through 8.x.

Never use a revoked or an expired encryption key. The correct public key to use in your correspondence with PSIRT is the one that has the most recent creation date in this public key server list:

<http://pgp.mit.edu:11371/pks/lookup?search=psirt%40cisco.com&op=index&export=on>

In an emergency, you can also reach PSIRT by telephone:

- 1 877 228-7302
- 1 408 525-6532

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<http://tools.cisco.com/RPF/register/register.do>

**Note**

Use the Cisco Product Identification (CPI) tool to locate your product serial number before submitting a web or phone request for service. You can access the CPI tool from the Cisco Technical Support Website by clicking the **Tools & Resources** link under Documentation & Tools. Choose **Cisco Product Identification Tool** from the Alphabetical Index drop-down list, or click the **Cisco Product Identification Tool** link under Alerts & RMAs. The CPI tool offers three search options: by product ID or model name; by tree view; or for certain products, by copying and pasting **show** command output. Search results show an illustration of your product with the serial number label location highlighted. Locate the serial number label on your product and record the information before placing a service call.

Submitting a Service Request

Using the online TAC Service Request Tool is the fastest way to open S3 and S4 service requests. (S3 and S4 service requests are those in which your network is minimally impaired or for which you require product information.) After you describe your situation, the TAC Service Request Tool provides recommended solutions. If your issue is not resolved using the recommended resources, your service request is assigned to a Cisco TAC engineer. The TAC Service Request Tool is located at this URL:

<http://www.cisco.com/techsupport/servicerequest>

For S1 or S2 service requests or if you do not have Internet access, contact the Cisco TAC by telephone. (S1 or S2 service requests are those in which your production network is down or severely degraded.) Cisco TAC engineers are assigned immediately to S1 and S2 service requests to help keep your business operations running smoothly.

To open a service request by telephone, use one of the following numbers:

Asia-Pacific: +61 2 8446 7411 (Australia: 1 800 805 227)

EMEA: +32 2 704 55 55

USA: 1 800 553-2447

For a complete list of Cisco TAC contacts, go to this URL:

<http://www.cisco.com/techsupport/contacts>

Definitions of Service Request Severity

To ensure that all service requests are reported in a standard format, Cisco has established severity definitions.

Severity 1 (S1)—Your network is “down,” or there is a critical impact to your business operations. You and Cisco will commit all necessary resources around the clock to resolve the situation.

Severity 2 (S2)—Operation of an existing network is severely degraded, or significant aspects of your business operation are negatively affected by inadequate performance of Cisco products. You and Cisco will commit full-time resources during normal business hours to resolve the situation.

Severity 3 (S3)—Operational performance of your network is impaired, but most business operations remain functional. You and Cisco will commit resources during normal business hours to restore service to satisfactory levels.

Severity 4 (S4)—You require information or assistance with Cisco product capabilities, installation, or configuration. There is little or no effect on your business operations.

Obtaining Additional Publications and Information

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<http://www.cisco.com/en/US/learning/index.html>



Product Overview

The Cisco 837 and SOHO 97 routers are asymmetric digital subscriber line (ADSL)–over–plain old telephone service (POTS) routing devices. They have an integrated 4-port Ethernet switch for the LAN and an ADSL physical interface for the WAN, allowing the routers to connect a corporate telecommuter or small office to corporate LANs and the Internet.

The routers support high-speed encryption, the 10/100BASE-T switch, and dial backup functionality via the auxiliary console port. The autosensing function in these routers eliminates the need for a crossover cable and allows the router to detect medium dependent interface in normal mode (MDI) or medium dependent interface in crossover mode (MDIX) in any other PC or hub with a straight-through cable or a crossover cable. The routers are capable of bridging and multiprotocol routing between LAN and WAN ports.

The dial backup feature allows the user to connect an analog modem to the console port as a backup link to the WAN in case the ADSL service goes down. This feature gives the Cisco 837 and SOHO 97 routers a high level of performance and security.

The Cisco 837 router is designed with both hardware-based and software-based encryption, while the SOHO 97 router supports only software-based encryption. The Cisco 837 routers support the addition of Flash memory or DRAM, either as a factory upgrade or a field-installed option. SOHO 97 routers have a fixed memory configuration.

Features

Table 1-1 summarizes the features of the Cisco 837 and SOHO 97 routers.

Table 1-1 Feature Summary for Cisco 837 and SOHO 97 Routers

Feature	Description
10/100BASE-T Ethernet switch	Provides connection to 10BASE-T (10-Mbps) or 100BASE-T (100-Mbps) Ethernet networks. Compatible with 10/100-Mbps devices.
ADSL port	Provides connection to ADSL network. Does not support auto-switch function.
Flash memory	8 MB of Flash memory; up to 16 MB of expandable Flash memory on the Flash module.
Synchronous dynamic RAM (SDRAM)	32 MB of SDRAM on board.
Ease of installation	Color-coded ports and cables reduce the chance of error.
Cisco IOS software	Supports Cisco IOS software.
LAN interface	Fully compliant with IEEE 802.3 and IEEE 802.3u. Automatic MDI/MDIX crossover function eliminates the need for crossover cables.
Cisco Router Web Setup	Provides a web-based software tool for basic configurations.
Console port	Provides connection to terminal or PC for troubleshooting and for software configuration using a command-line interface. This port is configured as a data communication equipment (DCE) port with the hardware handshake.
Dying gasp	Provides dying gasp function. If the router is about to lose power, this function detects the situation and sends a signal to warn the digital subscriber line access multiplexers (DSLAM) about the impending line drop.

Table 1-1 Feature Summary for Cisco 837 and SOHO 97 Routers (continued)

Feature	Description
Wall-mounting feature	Brackets on the router bottom provide for mounting the router on a wall or vertical surface.
IPSec Hardware Accelerator	Only the Cisco 837 router supports this feature. The Hifn 7902 security processor implements symmetric key encryption, public key encryption, authentication, and data compression in hardware. Algorithms implemented by the processor include Data Encryption Standard (DES) and Triple DES (3DES); Secure Hash Algorithm (SHA-1), Message Digest 5 (MD5), Hash-based Message Authentication Code (HMAC); and Lempel-Ziv-Stac (LZS) compression and Microsoft Point-to-Point Compression (MPPC).

Router Overview

The following section shows the front and back panels of the Cisco 837 router and the SOHO 97 router. The Cisco 837 router and the SOHO 97 router each have four Ethernet ports.

Front Panels

Figure 1-1 and Figure 1-2 show the front panels of the Cisco 837 and SOHO 97 routers.

Figure 1-1 Cisco 837 Front Panel

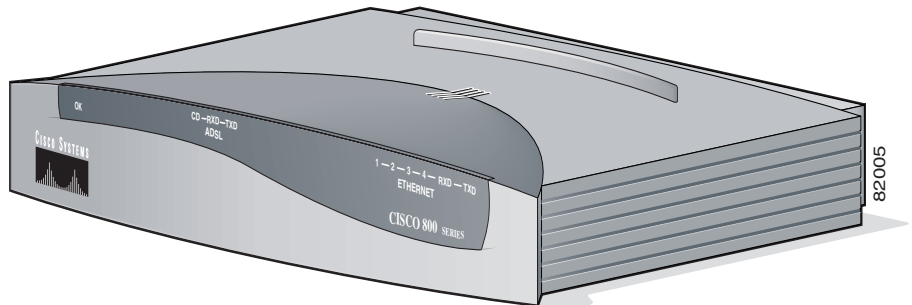
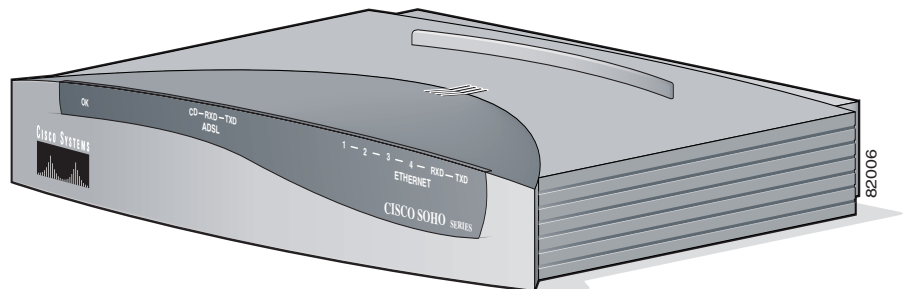


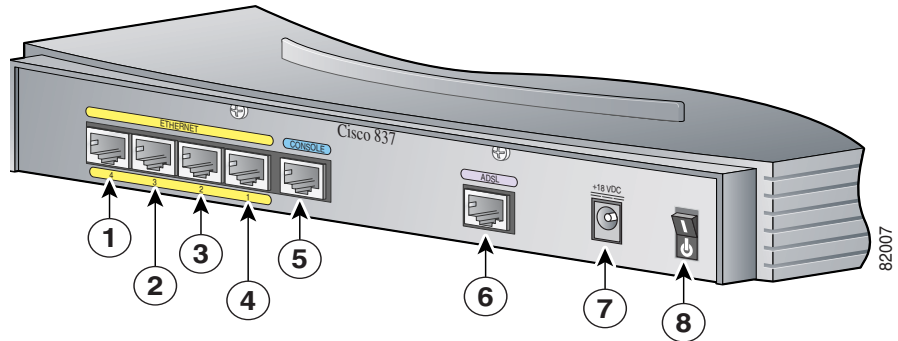
Figure 1-2 SOHO 97 Front Panel



Back Panel

Figure 1-3 shows the back panel of the Cisco 837 router. The back panel of the SOHO 97 router looks the same as the back panel of the Cisco 837 router.

Figure 1-3 Cisco 837 Back Panel



1	Ethernet port 4 connects to Ethernet network device	5	Console port connects to PC or terminal
2	Ethernet port 3 connects to Ethernet network device	6	ADSL port connects to external wall jack
3	Ethernet port 2 connects to Ethernet network device	7	Input jack connects to desktop power supply
4	Ethernet port 1 connects to Ethernet network device	8	Power on/off button

LED Functions

Table 1-2 summarizes the functions of the LEDs on the Cisco 837 router and the SOHO 97 router.

Table 1-2 Functions of LEDs on the Cisco 837 Router and SOHO 97 Router

LED	Color	Function
PWR_OK	Green	On when DC power is being supplied to the router. The light blinks if an error occurs during boot-up.
ADSL_CD	Green	On when the ADSL carrier detects status and connects to Digital Subscriber Line Access Multiplexer (DSLAM) successfully.
ADSL_RxD	Green	Blinks when the ADSL receives data.
ADSL_TxD	Green	Blinks when the ADSL transmits data. Off when no data is being uploaded.
E1 Status	Green	On when Ethernet 1 connects to the Ethernet interface successfully. Blinks when Ethernet 1 receives or sends data, or when data passes through Ethernet 1.
E2 Status	Green	On when Ethernet 2 connects to the Ethernet interface successfully. Blinks when Ethernet 2 receives or sends data, or when data passes through Ethernet 2.
E3 Status	Green	On when Ethernet 3 connects to the Ethernet interface successfully. Blinks when Ethernet 3 receives or sends data, or when data passes through Ethernet 3.
E4 Status	Green	On when Ethernet 4 connects to the Ethernet interface successfully. Blinks when Ethernet 4 receives or sends data, or when data passes through Ethernet 4.
LAN_RxD	Green	Blinks when the LAN port receives data from the WAN port.
LAN_TxD	Green	Blinks when the LAN port transmits data to the WAN port.



Installation

This chapter provides information on the following topics:

- [Preparing for Installation](#)
- [Preventing Damage to the Router](#)
- [Mounting the Router](#)
- [Installing the Router](#)
- [Using the Router LEDs to Check Links](#)

Preparing for Installation

This section provides information on safety, mounting of the router, and unpacking of the router box.

Safety

This section provides safety warnings and electrostatic and router damage information for the Cisco 837 and SOHO 97 routers.

Warnings

Before installing the router, read the following warnings:



Warning

Only trained and qualified personnel should be allowed to install or replace this equipment.



Warning

Read the installation instructions before you connect the system to its power source.



Warning

Before working on a system that has a standby/off switch, turn the power to standby and unplug the power cord.



Warning

Before working on equipment that is connected to power lines, remove jewelry (including rings, necklaces, and watches). Metal objects will heat up when connected to power and ground and can cause serious burns or weld the metal object to the terminals.

**Warning**

To avoid electric shock, do not connect safety extra-low voltage (SELV) circuits to telephone-network voltage (TNV) circuits. LAN ports contain SELV circuits, and WAN ports contain TNV circuits. Some LAN and WAN ports both use RJ-45 connectors. Use caution when connecting cables.

**Warning**

Ultimate disposal of this product should be handled according to all national laws and regulations.

**Warning**

If the symbol of suitability with an overlaid cross (ⓧ) appears above a port, you must not connect the port to a public network that follows the European Union standards. Connecting the port to this type of public network can cause severe injury or damage your router.

**Warning**

This equipment is not designed for making emergency telephony calls when the power fails. Alternative arrangements should be made for access to emergency services. Access to emergency services can be affected by any call-barring function of this equipment.

**Warning**

To reduce the risk of fire, use only No.26 AWG or larger telecommunication line cord.

**Warning**

This equipment contains a ring signal generator (ringer), which is a source of hazardous voltage. Do not touch the RJ-11 (phone) port wires (conductors), the conductors of a cable connected to the RJ-11 port, or the associated circuit-board when the ringer is active. The ringer is activated by an incoming call.

**Warning**

During this procedure, wear grounding wrist straps to avoid ESD damage to the card. Do not directly touch the backplane with your hand or any metal tool, or you could shock yourself.

Preventing Electrostatic Discharge Damage

Electrostatic discharge (ESD) is a transfer of electrostatic charge between bodies of different electrostatic potentials, such as an operator and a piece of electrical equipment. It occurs when electronic components are improperly handled, and it can damage equipment and impair electrical circuitry. Electrostatic discharge is more likely to occur with the combination of synthetic fibers and dry atmosphere.

Always use the following ESD-prevention procedures when removing and replacing components:

Step 1 Wear an ESD-preventive wrist strap that you provide, ensuring that it makes good skin contact.



Caution To properly guard against ESD damage and shocks, the wrist strap and cord must operate effectively. Always observe the warnings in the “[Warnings](#)” section on page 2-2.

Step 2 Do not touch any exposed contact pins or connector shells of interface ports that do not have a cable attached. If cables are connected at one end only, do not touch the exposed pins at the unconnected end of the cable.



Note This device is intended only for use in residential and commercial environments.



Caution Periodically check the resistance value of the antistatic strap, which should be between 1 and 10 megohms (Mohms).

Unpacking the Box

Table 2-1 lists the items that come with your router. All these items are in the accessory kit that is inside the box that your router came in. If any of the items is missing or damaged, contact your customer service representative.

Table 2-1 Router Box Contents

• Power cord (black)
• Desktop power supply
• ADSL cable (lavender)
• Console cable, RJ-45-to-DB-9 (light blue)
• Async modem cable for dial backup and remote management, RJ-45-to-DB-25 (light blue) (ORDERED SEPARATELY)
• Ethernet cable (yellow)
• Product documentation

To prepare for installation, follow these steps:

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| Step 1 | Obtain the ADSL line. |
| Step 2 | Remove the yellow Ethernet cable, light blue console cable, lavender ADSL cable, and product documentation from the Open Me First bag. Remove the desktop power supply and the black power cord from the accessory kit. Gather the Ethernet devices to be connected to the router: hub, server, workstation, or PC. |
| Step 3 | If you plan to connect an analog telephone or fax machine, gather these devices. You must also provide the telephone cable to connect each device. |
| Step 4 | If you plan to configure the software using a terminal or a PC connected to the router, provide the terminal or PC. |
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**Note**

An optional cable used for connecting a Cisco 837 router's console port to an async modem is available for dial backup and remote management. (The SOHO 97 router does not need this cable.) This SOHO/800 Series Router Modem Cable needs to be ordered separately. Contact your router vendor to order this cable.

Preventing Damage to the Router

Follow these guidelines when connecting devices to your router:

- Connect the color-coded cables supplied by Cisco Systems to the color-coded ports on the back panel.
- If you must supply your own cable, see [Appendix A, “Specifications and Cables,”](#) for cabling specifications. If this appendix does not provide specifications for a particular cable, we strongly recommend that you order the cable from Cisco Systems.
- If the symbol of suitability (⚡) appears above a port, you can connect the port directly to a public network that follows the European Union standards.

**Warning**

If the symbol of suitability with an overlaid cross (⚡) appears above a port, you must not connect the port to a public network that follows the European Union standards. Connecting the port to this type of public network can cause severe injury or damage to your router.

Mounting the Router

You can mount the router on one of the following surfaces:

- Table or other horizontal surface
- Wall or other vertical surface

Mounting on a Table

Place the router firmly on a table, and perform the procedure given in the [“Installing the Router” section on page 2-10](#).

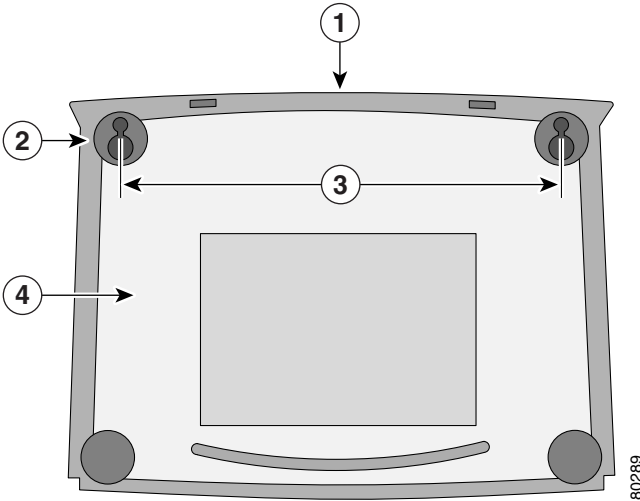
**Caution**

Do not cover or obstruct the router vents, which are located on the sides of the router. If the vents are covered or obstructed, overheating could occur and cause damage to the router.

Mounting on a Wall

You can mount the router on a wall or other vertical surface by using the molded mounting brackets on the bottom of the router and two number-six, 3/4-in. (M3.5 x 20 mm) screws. You must provide the screws. [Figure 2-1](#) shows the mounting brackets.

Figure 2-1 Wall-Mounting Brackets (Bottom of Router)



1	Front panel of router	3	Distance between two mounting brackets (7 5/8 in. or 19.35 cm)
2	Mounting bracket	4	Bottom of router



Caution

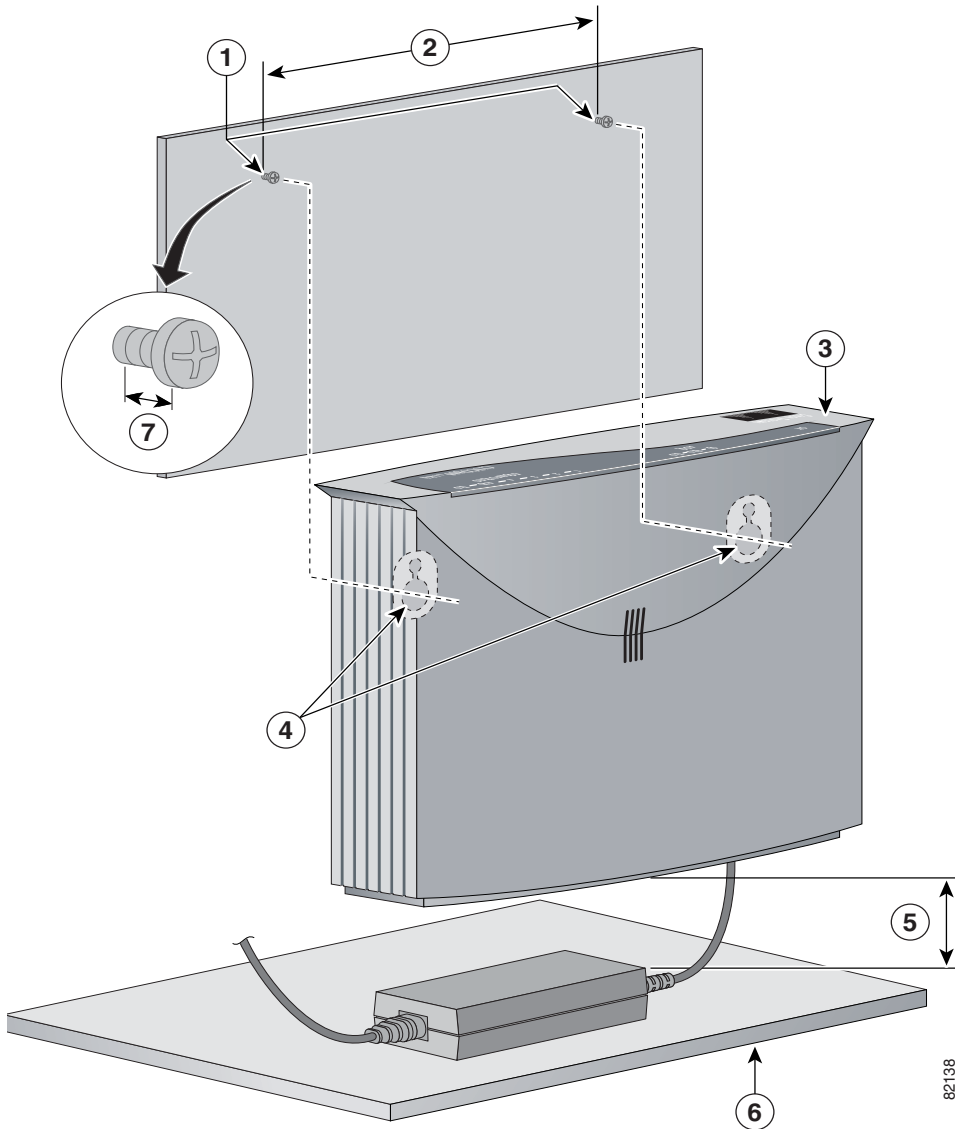
If you are mounting the router on drywall, use two hollow-wall anchors (1/8-in. with 5/16-in. drill bit, or M3 with 8-mm drill bit) to secure the screws. If the screws are not properly anchored, the strain of the network cable connections could pull the router from the wall.

The following requirements must be met when you mount the router:

- Because the LEDs are used as status and problem indicators, the LEDs on the front panel must face upward and must be easily visible.
- The back panel must face down to reduce strain on the cable connections.
- The power supply must rest on a horizontal surface, such as the floor or a table. If the power supply is not supported, strain on the power supply cable could cause it to disconnect from the connector on the router back panel.

To mount the router, follow the steps given after [Figure 2-2](#).

Figure 2-2 Mounting Router on a Wall



1	Two number-six, 3/4-in. screws	5	Maximum distance between the router and the power supply (6 ft [1.8 m])
2	Distance between the two screws (7 5/8 in. [19.35 cm])	6	Horizontal surface for placing the power supply.
3	Cisco 837 router	7	Distance between the screw and the wall (1/8 in. [0.32 cm]).
4	Mounting brackets		

Perform the following steps to mount the router on the wall:

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- Step 1** Secure two screws 7 5/8 inches (19.35 cm) apart into a wall and 1/8 inch (0.32 cm) from the wall.
- Step 2** Hang the router on the screws as shown in Figure 2-3.
- Step 3** Place the power supply on a horizontal surface.
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Installing the Router

To install the router, you need to perform the following tasks in the following order:

1. Connect the Ethernet devices to the router.
2. Connect the ADSL line.
3. Connect a terminal or PC to the router for software configuration using the command-line interface (CLI) or for troubleshooting.
4. Connect the router to the power source.
5. Verify the links, using the router LEDs.

Connecting Ethernet Devices

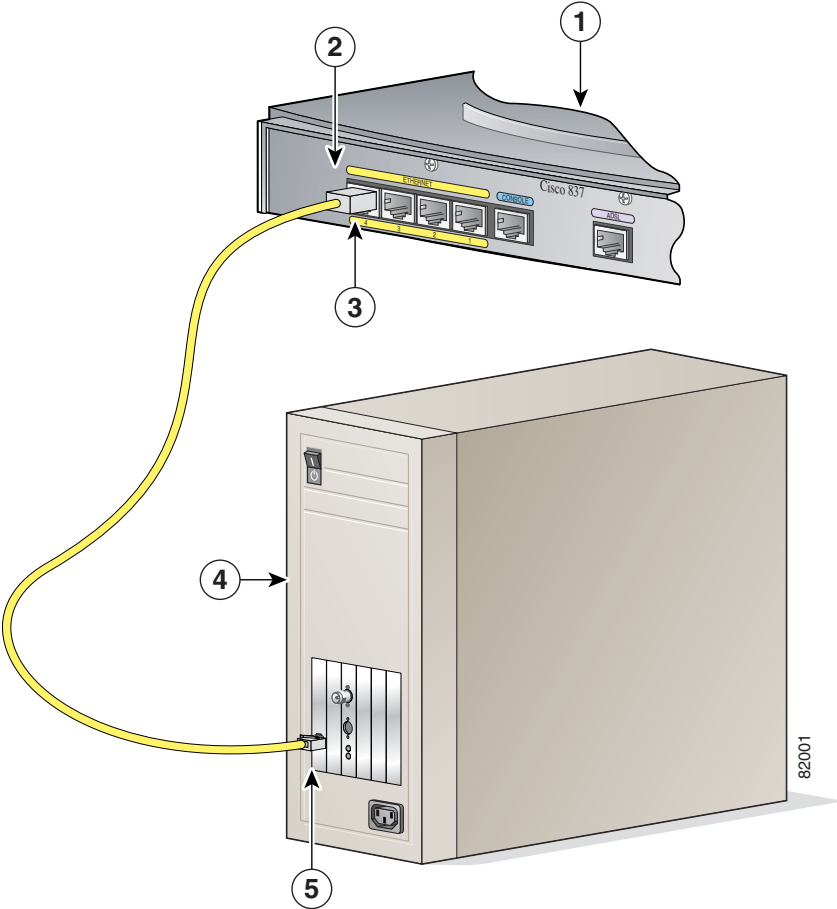
You can use a cable to connect an Ethernet device to the router's LAN port.

Connecting a Server, PC, or Workstation

Follow the steps given after [Figure 2-3](#) to connect the router to a PC with an Ethernet network interface card (NIC) installed, or to connect a server or workstation to the router. ([Figure 2-3](#) shows a Cisco 837 router, but it also applies to a SOHO 97 router. The procedure applies to both the Cisco 837 router and the SOHO 97 router.)

The Ethernet port on the Cisco 837 router and the SOHO 97 router supports the auto-crossover function, whose autosensing ability allows the router to connect automatically to the hub or PC.

Figure 2-3 Connecting a Server, PC, or Workstation to the Router



1	Cisco 837 router	4	PC
2	Yellow Ethernet cable	5	RJ-45 port on the network interface card (NIC)
3	Ethernet port 4		

Perform the following steps to connect the PC to Ethernet port 4 (or to port 1, 2, or 3) on the router:

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- Step 1** Connect one end of the yellow Ethernet cable to Ethernet port 4 on the router.
- Step 2** Connect the other end of the yellow Ethernet cable to the RJ-45 port on the NIC of the PC, server, or workstation.
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**Note**

Leave the PCs that you connect to the router turned off until after you complete router installation.

You can connect additional servers, PCs, or workstations to Ethernet ports 1, 2, and 3.

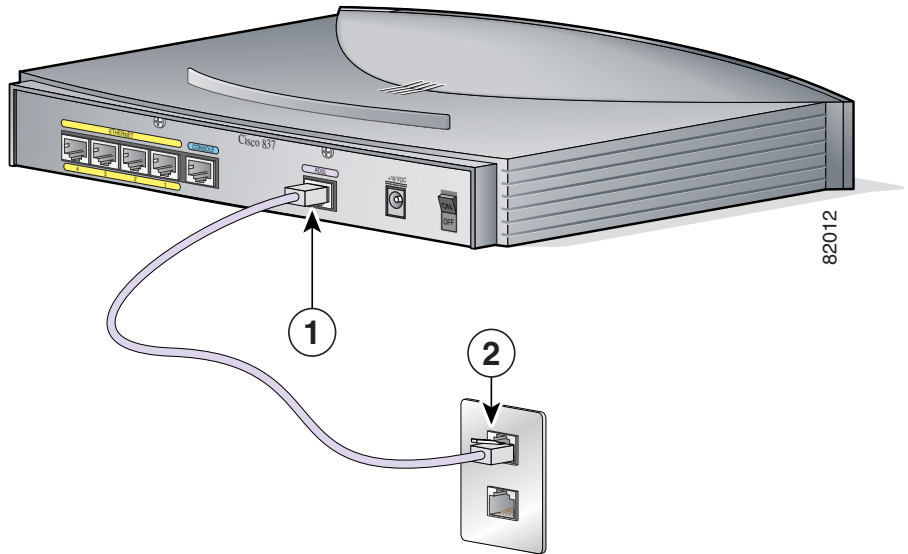
To verify the connection, check that the Ethernet 1 LED is on after you complete the router installation.

Connecting an ADSL Line

The procedure for connecting an ADSL line depends on the router and, in some cases, on the location. [Figure 2-4](#) shows how to connect the ADSL line to a cable wall jack. Follow the steps given after [Figure 2-4](#) to connect the ADSL line to a cable wall jack. ([Figure 2-4](#) depicts a Cisco 837 router, but it also applies to the SOHO 97 router. The connection procedure applies to both the Cisco 837 router and the SOHO 97 router.)

**Warning**

Do not work on the system or connect or disconnect cables during periods of lightning activity.

Figure 2-4 Connecting an ADSL Line to a Wall Jack

1	ADSL port	2	End of the RJ-11 cable that connects to the wall jack
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Perform the following steps to connect the ADSL line to the router and a cable wall jack:

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- Step 1** Connect one end of the ADSL cable line to the ADSL port on the router.
- Step 2** Connect the other end of the RJ-11 cable to the wall jack.
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Connecting a Terminal or PC to the Router's Console Port (Optional)

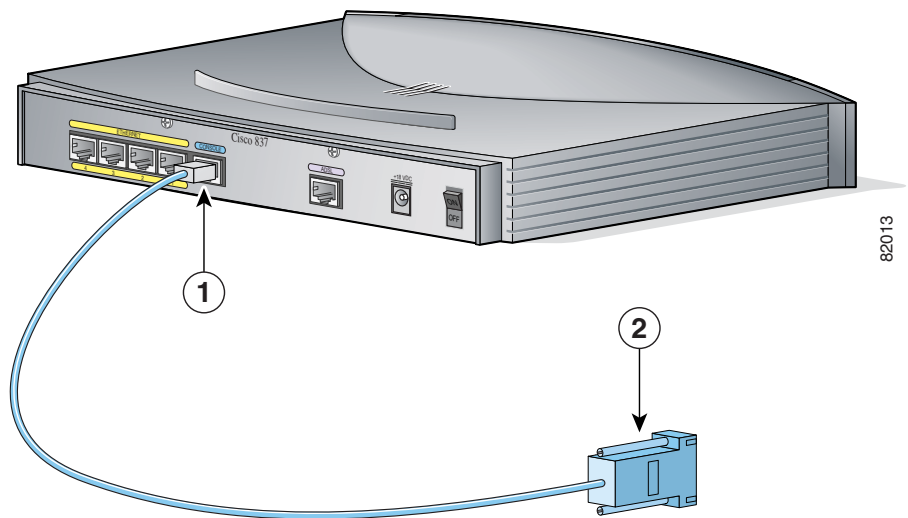
You can connect either a terminal or a PC to the router's console port. You can use the terminal or PC for configuring the software via the command-line interface (CLI) or for troubleshooting. To connect a terminal or PC, follow the steps given after [Figure 2-5](#). ([Figure 2-5](#) shows a Cisco 837, but it also applies to the SOHO 97 router. The connection procedure applies to both the Cisco 837 router and the SOHO 97 router.)



Note

Unless you are an experienced network administrator, it is recommended that you use the Cisco Router Web Setup software to configure the router. Use of this software is described in the [“Using Cisco Router Web Setup to Configure the Router”](#) section on page 2-21.

Figure 2-5 Connecting a Terminal or PC to the Router's Console Port



1	Console port on the router	2	DB-9 connector
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Perform the following steps to connect the router's console port to a terminal or PC:

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- Step 1** Connect the RJ-45 connector on one end of the light blue cable to the console port on the router.
- Step 2** Connect the DB-9 connector on the other end of the cable to the terminal or PC.
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If you have experience configuring Cisco routers and prefer to use the CLI, refer to the *Cisco 800 Series Routers Software Configuration Guide* for instructions on configuring the router.

Connecting the AC Adapter

To connect the power supply, follow the steps given after [Figure 2-6](#). ([Figure 2-6](#) depicts a Cisco 837 router, but it also applies to the SOHO 97 router. The connection procedure applies to both the Cisco 837 router and the SOHO 97 router.)



Warning

The device is designed to work with TN power systems.



Warning

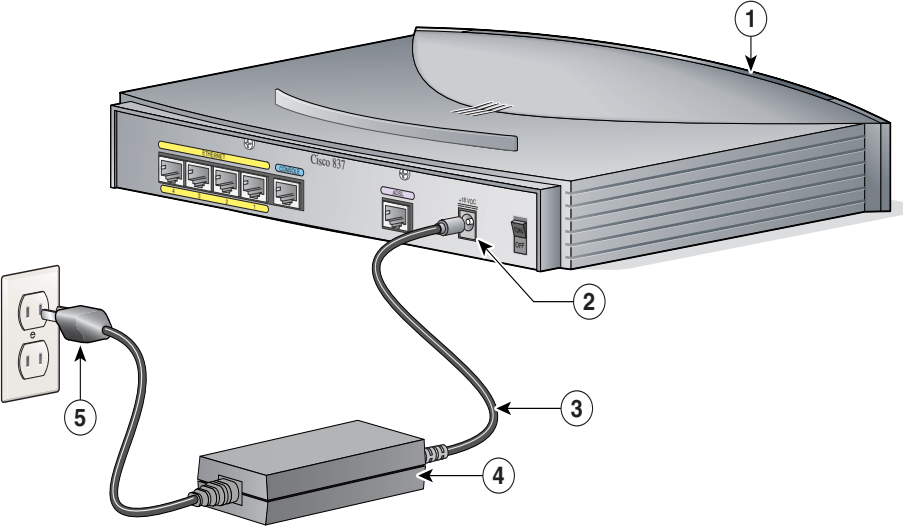
This product relies on the building's installation for short-circuit (overcurrent) protection. Ensure that a fuse or circuit breaker no larger than 120 VAC, 15A U.S. (240 VAC, 16A international) is used on the phase conductors (all current-carrying conductors).



Warning

This equipment is intended to be grounded. Ensure that the host is connected to earth ground during normal use.

Figure 2-6 Connecting the AC Adapter



1	Cisco 837 router	4	Desktop power supply
2	Router input jack	5	Power cord plug
3	Power cord		

Perform the following steps to connect the router to the AC adapter:

- Step 1** Connect one end the power supply cable to the router's input jack.
- Step 2** Connect the other end of the power supply cable to the desktop power adapter.
- Step 3** Plug the power cord of the desktop power adapter into an electrical outlet.



Note

Be sure to use the power supply that was shipped with your router. Although you may be able to connect another Cisco power supply to your router, that power supply may not provide all the features that are provided by the power supply that shipped with your router.

Connecting the Console Port to an Async Modem

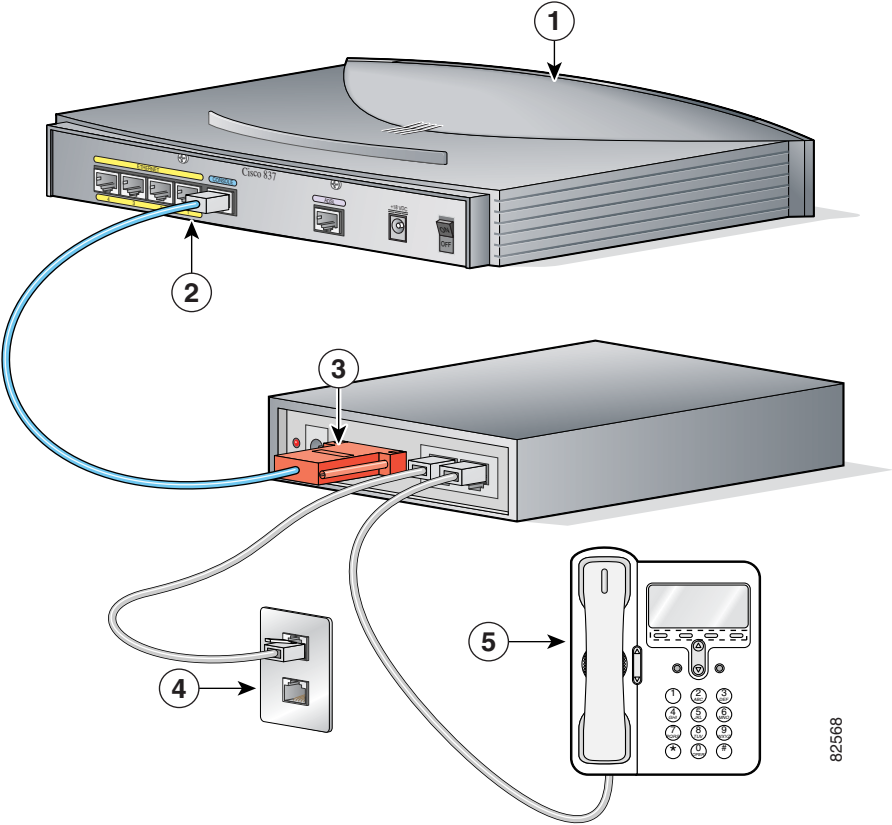
The Cisco 837 router is designed with the dial backup function, allowing you to connect an analog modem to the console port as a backup link to the WAN port in case the ADSL service goes down. The Cisco 837 router supports both the dial backup and remote management features; the SOHO 97 supports only the remote management function.

**Note**

To connect an analog modem to the console port, you will need an optional SOHO/800 Series Router Modem Cable. Contact your router vendor to order this cable.

To connect the Cisco 837 router's console port to an async modem, follow the steps given after [Figure 2-7](#). This procedure applies only to the Cisco 837 router.

Figure 2-7 Connecting the Console Port to an Async Modem



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1	Cisco 837 router	4	Wall jack
2	Console port	5	Telephone
3	Available port on an async modem		

Perform the following steps to connect the Cisco 837 router's console port to an async modem:

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- Step 1** Connect the RJ-45 end of the SOHO/800 Series Router Modem Cable to the Cisco 837 router's console port.
 - Step 2** Connect the DB-25 connector at the other end of the SOHO/800 Series Router Modem Cable to an available port on the async modem.
 - Step 3** Connect one end of the RJ-11 cable to the wall jack.
 - Step 4** Connect the other end of the RJ-11 cable to the telephone line.
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Using the Router LEDs to Check Links

Use the LEDs on the front of the router to check the links between the router and any attached Ethernet devices or telephones. See [Table 1-2 on page 1-6](#) to verify the link status of devices attached to Cisco 837 and SOHO 97 routers.

Configuring the Router

When you finish installing the router, you must configure the router software. First, check the PC configurations to ensure that all the connected PCs will be able to communicate with the router. Then configure the router software, using the web interface.

Checking the PC Configuration

Each PC that is connected to the router must be configured to use TCP/IP and to obtain its IP address automatically. Follow these steps to configure each PC that is running Microsoft Windows NT or Microsoft Windows 95 or 98. If the PC is running a different version of Microsoft Windows, refer to the documentation that came with the PC.

-
- Step 1** Start the PC, and open the Control Panel.

- Step 2** Click the **Network** icon to display the Network window.
- Step 3** Verify that TCP/IP has been added and associated with the Ethernet adapter. TCP/IP is shown as a cable icon in the Configuration window on Microsoft Windows 95 and 98; it is shown as a cable icon in the Protocol window on Microsoft Windows NT. If the icon is not visible, click **Add**, and add the Microsoft TCP/IP protocol.
- Step 4** To verify that the PC is configured to obtain an IP address automatically, click the TCP/IP cable icon, and select the **IP address** tab in the TCP/IP Properties window. Check **Obtain an IP address from a DHCP server** if it is not checked. The IP address and Subnet mask fields should be grayed out.
- Step 5** Click **OK** to accept all changes and exit this window. Then click **OK** in the Network window.
- Step 6** To reboot the PC, click **Yes** if you are prompted.
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For more information on how to configure TCP/IP, refer to the *Cisco Router Web Setup Troubleshooting Guide*, which is available on Cisco.com.

Using Cisco Router Web Setup to Configure the Router

Cisco strongly recommends that inexperienced network administrators use the Cisco Router Web Setup application that has been installed on the router. To use this application, complete the following steps:

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- Step 1** Start, or restart, one of the PCs connected to the router through Ethernet port 1, 2, 3, or 4.
- Step 2** Open a web browser. Make sure that your browser is set to work in online mode.
- In Internet Explorer, click the File menu, and verify that the work offline option is unchecked.
 - In Netscape, the default selection in the File menu is set to work online.
- Step 3** Enter the universal resource locator (URL) **http://10.10.10.1**. The CRWS home page will appear in one or two minutes.

**Tip**

If the CRWS home page does not appear when you enter the URL **http://10.10.10.1**, test the connection between the PC and the router by doing the following:

1. Check that the OK LED on the router is on, and check the cable connection between the router and the PC.
2. If the CRWS home page still does not appear, verify that the web browser's "work offline" option is disabled.
3. If the web page still does not appear, verify that the PC is automatically configured to receive an IP address. Follow the instructions in the *Cisco Router Web Setup Troubleshooting Guide*, which is available on Cisco.com.
4. If the PC is configured to automatically receive an IP address, but the web page still does not appear, select **Start/Run**, type **winipcfg** in the Run window, and examine the address in the IP address field. The address should be in the format 10.10.10.X, in which X is a number that is equal to or greater than 2; for example, 10.10.10.2, or 10.10.10.3. If the IP address is not in this format, verify that an Ethernet adapter name is visible in the Adapter field. If there is no name in the field, return to [Step 3](#) in the "[Checking the PC Configuration](#)" section on page 2-20, and add TCP to the list of protocols. Then return to the "[Using Cisco Router Web Setup to Configure the Router](#)" section on page 2-21, and complete the procedure.

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- Step 4** If you have no special configuration requirements, click the **Router Setup** link on the home page, and then click **Easy Setup**. (This may appear as **Quick Setup**.) Then, enter the username and password provided to you by your Internet service provider, and click **Apply**.
- Step 5** If you need to configure special features such as Network Address Translation (NAT), click the appropriate links on the home page, and complete the configuration screens.
- Step 6** Click the **Password** link on the home page, and set a password for the router.
- Step 7** Click the **Test Connection** link on the home page, and allow the connection to be tested.

Step 8 Select **Start/Run**, and type **winipcfg** in the Open field of the Run window. When the IP Config window appears, click **Release** to release the PC's IP address. Then click **Renew** to renew the PC's IP address.

Alternatively, open the Run window and enter **ipconfig /release** to release the PC's IP address. Then enter **ipconfig /renew** to renew the IP address of the PC.

Step 9 Open a web browser on the PC, and connect to a website.

The router installation is complete when you have connected to a website.



Troubleshooting

This chapter describes symptoms of problems that could occur with the Cisco 837 or SOHO 97 routers, identifies the likely underlying problems, and provides steps for solving the problems. The problems are grouped as follows:

- [Problems During First Startup](#)
- [Problems After Router Is Running](#)

For more information about problems that could occur with the software, refer to the *Cisco 800 Series Routers Software Configuration Guide*.

Before You Call Your Cisco Reseller

Some of the solutions in this chapter instruct you to contact your Cisco reseller. Before you contact your reseller, make sure that you have the following information available:

- Router model and serial number (on the back panel)
- Maintenance agreement or warranty information
- Date you received the router
- Brief description of the problem
- Brief description of the steps you have taken to solve the problem

Problems During First Startup

Table 3-1 lists problems that could occur the first time you turn on the router.

Table 3-1 Problems During First Startup

Symptom	Problem	Solutions
All LEDs, including OK LED, are off.	No power to router	Perform the following steps: 1. Make sure that the power switch is set to ON. 2. Make sure that all connections to and from the power supply are secure. 3. Make sure that the power outlet has power. 4. If the problem continues, the power supply might be faulty. Contact your Cisco reseller.
No connection to Ethernet device. (Ethernet 1 LED is off.)	A cable-related problem: • Improperly connected cable. • Damaged cable.	Perform the following steps: 1. To make sure that you have cabled the device correctly, see the “Connecting a Terminal or PC to the Router’s Console Port (Optional)” section on page 2-15. 2. Make sure that the connectors at both ends of the cable are securely seated. 3. Make sure that the cable is not physically damaged. If it is damaged, order another cable from Cisco or replace it with a similar cable.
No connection to ADSL link. (The CD LED on the front panel is off for a long time.)	Wrong cable	• To make sure that you are using the correct cable, see Appendix A, “Specifications and Cables.”
No connection to ADSL link. (The CD LED on the front panel is off for a long time.)	Improperly connected cable	• To make sure that you have connected the ADSL cable properly, see the “Connecting an ADSL Line” section on page 2-13. • Make sure that the connectors at both ends of the cable are securely seated.

Problems After Router Is Running

Table 3-2 lists problems that could occur after the router has been up and running.

Table 3-2 Problems After Router Is Running

Symptom	Problem	Solutions
Problems with Ethernet connection. (ETHERNET LED 1, 2, 3, or 4 is off.)	A cable-related problem: • Disconnected cable. • Damaged cable.	Perform the following steps: 1. Make sure that the connectors at both ends of the cable are secure. 2. Make sure that the cable is not physically damaged. If it is damaged, order another cable from Cisco Systems or replace it with a similar cable.
Connection to the ADSL line is intermittent or lost. (The CD LED on the front panel is off.)	A cable-related problem: • Disconnected cable. • Damaged cable.	• Make sure that the connectors are secure at both ends of the cable. • Make sure that the cable is not physically damaged. If it is damaged, order another cable from Cisco Systems or replace it with a similar cable.
Connection to the ADSL line or WAN port is loose. (The CD LED and the ETHERNET LED 1, 2, 3, or 4 on the front panel are off).	Problem with ADSL line or WAN service.	Contact your ADSL line or WAN service provider to determine whether there is a problem with the ADSL or WAN service.



Specifications and Cables

This appendix provides system, port, and cabling specifications for the Cisco 837 and SOHO 97 routers.

System Specifications

[Table A-1](#) outlines the system specifications for the routers.

Table A-1 System Specifications

Description	Design Specification
Physical Dimensions	
Dimensions (H x W x D)	2.0 x 9.7 x 8.5 in. (51 x 246 x 216 mm)
Weight (does not include desktop power supply)	1.48 lb. (0.67 kg)
Environmental Operating Ranges	
Nonoperating temperature	−4 to 149°F (−20 to 65°C)
Nonoperating humidity	5 to 95% relative humidity
Nonoperating altitude	0 to 15,000 ft (4570 m)
Operating temperature	32 to 104°F (0 to 40°C)
Operating humidity	10 to 85% relative humidity
Operating altitude	0 to 10,000 ft (3000 m)

Table A-1 System Specifications (continued)

Description	Design Specification
Router Power	
AC input voltage	100 to 240 VAC
Frequency	50 to 60 Hz
Power consumption	Maximum of 18W
Voltage	18 VDC

For information on regulatory compliance, refer to the *Regulatory Compliance and Safety Information for Cisco 800 Series and SOHO Series Routers* document that shipped with your router.

**Warning**

Ultimate disposal of this product should be handled according to all national laws and regulations.

Port Connector Pinouts

This section provides pinouts for the following connectors:

- Console (for connecting a terminal or PC)—See [Table A-2](#).
- ADSL—See [Table A-3](#).

Table A-2 Console Connector Pinouts (RJ-45)

Pin	Function
1	RTS
2	DTR
3	TXD
4	GND
5	GND
6	RXD

Table A-2 Console Connector Pinouts (RJ-45) (continued)

Pin	Function
7	DSR
8	CTS

The console port is configured as a data communications equipment (DCE) device. The default parameters for the console port are as follows:

- 9600 baud
- Eight data bits
- No parity
- One stop bit

[Table A-3](#) shows ADSL connector pinouts for the Cisco 837 and SOHO 97 routers.

Table A-3 ADSL Connector Pinouts (RJ-11)

Pin	Function
1	Loopback to pin 6
2	Unused
3	Tip
4	Ring
5	Unused
6	Loopback to pin 1

Cabling Specifications

This section provides specifications for the following Ethernet cables, which you might need to provide:

- Straight-through cables
- Crossover cables

This section also provides information on the maximum cable distance that may be used in connecting equipment to the router.

Ethernet Cable Specifications

[Table A-4](#) lists the specifications for straight-through and crossover Ethernet cables.

Table A-4 Ethernet Cable Specifications

Type	Category
10BASE-T	Category 3 or 5
100BASE-T	Category 5 or above

Maximum Cable Distances

[Table A-5](#) provides the maximum distance of Ethernet and telephone cables that you can use to connect equipment to the router.

Table A-5 Maximum Cable Distance

Cable	Maximum Distance
Ethernet and telephone cables	328 ft (100 m)



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