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BELORUSSIAN SSR TOPS SECOND-QUARTER PLAN

The Statistics Administration Belorussian SSR reports that the second-quarter 1950 gross-production plan was fulfilled 105 percent by industry within the Belorussian SSR, including 101 percent by Union industry and 106 percent by Union-Republic, Republic, local and cooperative industry.

The gross production output in the second quarter 1950 increased 30 percent over the second quarter 1949. Individual oblasts of the Belorussian SSR fulfilled the gross-production plan as follows:

	<u>Percent</u>
Baranovichi Oblast	107
Bobruysk Oblast	107
Brest Oblast	109
Vitebsk Oblast	102
Gomel' Oblast	102
Grodno Oblast	108
Minsk Oblast (without city of Minsk)	111
City of Minsk	105
Mogilev Oblast	105
Molodechno Oblast	106
Pinsk Oblast	111
Poles'ye Oblast	105
Polotsk Oblast	104

While exceeding the gross-production plan, some oblasts failed to meet the plan for quantitative production of the items indicated: Baranovichi Oblast -- knit underwear and outerwear, and vegetable oil; Bobruysk -- tiles, bricks, butter; Brest -- bricks, tiles, meat, and raw alcohol; Vitebsk -- electric power, tiles, hauling of timber, and meat; Gomel' -- agricultural machines, hosiery, and soap; Grodno -- butter, and tiles; Minsk (without city of Minsk) -- tiles, and furniture; city of Minsk -- bicycles and footwear; Mogilev -- cast-iron pipes, paper, and leather goods; Molodechno -- bricks, lime, and cardboard; Pinsk -- lumber and raw alcohol; Poles'ye -- butter and carts; Polotsk -- bricks, carts, and hauling of timber.

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The second-quarter gross-production plan was fulfilled as follows by individual ministries and administrations:

	<u>2d Qu 50</u> <u>Plan in %</u>	<u>2d Qu 50 in %</u> <u>of 2d Qu 49</u>
Ministry of Construction Materials Industry Belorussian SSR	112	125
Ministry of Timber and Paper Industry Belorussian SSR	110	125
Ministry of Light Industry Belorussian SSR	100.9	130
Ministry of Meat and Dairy Industry Belorussian SSR	95	124
Ministry of Food Industry Belorussian SSR	108	124
Including:		
Republic enterprises	108	125
Rayon enterprises	110	110
Ministry of Local Industry Belorussian SSR	109	116
Including:		
Republic enterprises	110	137
Oblast and rayon enterprises	109	97
Ministry of Local Fuel Industry Belorussian SSR	114	136
Main Administration of Fish Industry, Council of Ministers Belorussian SSR	106	110
Ministry of Automobile Transport Belorussian SSR	99.5	120
Ministry of Housing and Civilian Construction Belorussian SSR	121	125
Main Power Administration, Council of Ministers Belorussian SSR	99.9	131
Main Administration of Industrial Construction, Council of Ministers Belorussian SSR	105	97
Main Administration for Reconstruction of the City of Minsk, Council of Ministers Belorussian SSR	122	136
Administration of Industrial Cooperatives, Council of Ministers Belorussian SSR	102	114
Belorussian Union of Invalids' Cooperatives	106	118

The following ministries, while exceeding the gross-production plan, failed to meet the second-quarter plan for the items indicated: Ministry of Construction Materials Industry Belorussian SSR -- tiles; Ministry of Timber and Paper Industry Belorussian SSR -- paper and logging; Ministry of Light Industry Belorussian SSR -- flax fiber, leather goods, footwear, knit outerwear, and hosiery; Ministry of Food Industry Belorussian SSR -- starch, nonalcoholic beverages, canned goods, and vegetable oil; Ministry of Local Fuel Industry Belorussian SSR -- peat briquettes.

The Ministry of Local Industry Belorussian SSR, Administration of Industrial Cooperatives under the Council of Ministers Belorussian SSR, and the Belorussian Union of Invalids' Cooperatives did not meet the second-quarter plan for quantitative production of the majority of products.

Production of the chief types of industrial goods in the second quarter 1950, as compared with the second quarter 1949, was as follows:

	<u>2d Qu 50</u> <u>Plan in %</u>	<u>2d Qu 50 in %</u> <u>of 2d Qu 49</u>
Rolled Metal (Ministry of Local Industry Belorussian SSR)	100.9	125
Electric power	97	126

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Including:		
"Belorusenergo" (Belorussian Power)	97	125
Main Power Administration, Council of		
Ministers Belorussian SSR	102	128
Gang saws (Ministry of Local Industry		
Belorussian SSR)	109	152
Cast-iron pipes (Ministry of Local Industry		
Belorussian SSR)	94	110
Nails	115	125
Including:		
Ministry of Local Industry Belorussian SSR	100.6	108
Administration of Industrial Cooperatives,		
Council of Ministers Belorussian SSR	157	176
Cement (Union enterprises of Ministry of		
Construction Materials Industry)	104	153
Window glass (Union enterprises of Ministry		
of Construction Materials Industry)	100	85
Bricks	94	147
Including:		
Ministry of Construction Materials Industry		
Belorussian SSR	107	133
Ministry of Local Industry Belorussian SSR	62	172
Administration of Industrial Cooperatives,		
Council of Ministers Belorussian SSR	110	200
Tiles	37	153
Including:		
Ministry of Construction Materials Industry		
Belorussian SSR	72	121
Lime	104	141
Including:		
Ministry of Construction Materials Industry		
Belorussian SSR	111	126
Ministry of Local Industry Belorussian SSR	90	187
Peat extraction	114	118
Including:		
Ministry of Local Fuel Industry Belorussian SSR	110	123
Administration of Industrial Cooperatives,		
Council of Ministers Belorussian SSR	103	103
Hauling of commercial timber and firewood	120	105
Including Ministry of Timber and Paper		
Industry Belorussian SSR	127	104
Lumber	102	117
Including:		
Ministry of Timber and Paper Industry		
Belorussian SSR	113	128
Ministry of Local Industry Belorussian SSR	95	101
Matches (Ministry of Timber and Paper Industry		
Belorussian SSR)	106	150
Plywood	100.4	134
Including Ministry of Timber and Paper		
Industry Belorussian SSR	101	133
Paper	85	118
Including Ministry of Timber and Paper		
Industry Belorussian SSR	62	103
Linen fabric	102	83
Including Union enterprises of the Ministry		
of Light Industry	104	81
Woolen fabric	104	138
Including Ministry of Light Industry		
Belorussian SSR	113	144
Hosiery	89	181
Including Ministry of Light Industry		
Belorussian SSR	68	200

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Knit underwear	101	158
Including Ministry of Light Industry Belorussian SSR	101	239
Knit outerwear	95	186
Including Ministry of Light Industry Belorussian SSR	93	209
Footwear	100.4	150
Including Ministry of Light Industry Belorussian SSR	95	158
Administration of Industrial Cooperatives, Council of Ministers Belorussian SSR	133	128
Fish catch (Main Administration of Fish Industry, Council of Ministers Belorussian SSR)	94	115
Meat (Ministry of Meat and Dairy Industry Belorussian SSR)	97	130
Butter (Ministry of Meat and Dairy Industry Belorussian SSR)	94	104
Confectionery	107	132
Including Ministry of Food Industry Belorussian SSR	111	135
Macaroni Products (Ministry of Food Industry Belorussian SSR)	102	201
Raw alcohol	122	63
Including Ministry of Food Industry Belorussian SSR	123	60
Vegetable oil	91	174
Including Ministry of Food Industry Belorussian SSR	94	188
Canned meat (Ministry of Meat and Dairy Industry Belorussian SSR)	127	340
Soap	77	174
Including Union enterprises of the Ministry of Food Industry	80	178

Construction projects within the Belorussian SSR completed 99.6 percent of the second-quarter plan for centralized capital construction, including 102.6 percent for Union projects and 96.8 percent for republic projects. The volume of centralized capital construction in the second quarter 1950 increased 23 percent over the same period of 1949, including 19 percent for Union construction projects and 27 percent for republic projects.

The second-quarter plan for capital construction was fulfilled by the following ministries and departments: Timber and Paper Industry Belorussian SSR, Light Industry Belorussian SSR, Local Fuel Industry Belorussian SSR, Land Development Belorussian SSR, Education Belorussian SSR, Health Belorussian SSR, Communal Economy Belorussian SSR (housing construction), Trade Belorussian SSR, Cinematography Belorussian SSR, Administration of Arts under the Council of Ministers Belorussian SSR, Committee on Cultural and Educational Institutions under the Council of Ministers Belorussian SSR, Committee on Construction for Administration ~~Purpose~~ of Local Soviets and on Capital Construction for the Needs of "Glavpromstroy" under the Council of Ministers Belorussian SSR, and the Ministry of Housing and Civilian Construction Belorussian SSR.

The following ministries and departments failed to meet the second-quarter plan for capital construction: Construction Materials Industry Belorussian SSR, Food Industry Belorussian SSR, Meat and Dairy Industry Belorussian SSR, Local Industry Belorussian SSR, Main Administration of Fish Industry under the Council of Ministers Belorussian SSR, Main Power Administration under the Council of Ministers Belorussian SSR, Main Road Administration under the Council of Ministers Belorussian SSR, Ministry of Agriculture Belorussian SSR, State Farms Belorussian SSR, Forestry Belorussian SSR, Social Security Belorussian SSR, Automobile Transport Belorussian SSR, Administration for Utilization of Small Rivers for Transport under the Council of Ministers Belorussian SSR, Administration of Polygraphic Industry, Publishing, and Book Trade under the Council of Ministers Belorussian SSR, Committee on Physical Culture and Sports under the Council of Ministers Belorussian SSR, and the Belorussian Union of Consumers' Cooperatives.

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The second-quarter plan for construction and assembly work by republic contracting organizations was fulfilled as follows:

	<u>2d Qu 50</u> <u>Plan in %</u>	<u>2d Qu 50 in %</u> <u>of 2d Qu 49</u>
Ministry of Housing and Civilian Construction Belorussian SSR	111	121
"Glavminskstroy", Council of Ministers Belorussian SSR	99.9	127
"Glavpromstroy," Council of Ministers Belorussian SSR	111	105

Machine-tractor stations, sovkhozes, and kolkhozes started agricultural work in the spring of 1950 much better equipped than in 1949. The number of tractors (reduced to 15 horsepower) in machine-tractor stations increased by 26 percent, tractor plows by 48 percent, tractor seeders by 160 percent, and cultivators by 56 percent.

During 1950, kolkhozes of the republic increased the sown area for spring crops; planting of flax and root fodder has increased considerably.

Hay harvesting was better organized in 1950. As of 1 July 1950, the mowed area in kolkhozes was 39 percent larger than on 1 July 1949. However, kolkhozes of Mogilev, Vitebsk, and Minsk oblasts are lagging considerably in their hay-mowing operations.

Fodder ensilage by kolkhozes of the republic had made slightly better progress by 1 July 1950 than in the same period of last year. However, many kolkhozes of Bobruysk, Minsk, Brest, Grodno and Molodechno oblasts are very slow in their ensilage work.

In the second quarter 1950, considerable work was done in the republic for the enlargement of small kolkhozes. Before the enlargement was effected the eastern oblasts of the republic had about 10,000 kolkhozes; after consolidation as of 1 July 1950, there remained 5,071 kolkhozes. As a result of the consolidation of small kolkhozes, their management and general economy was improved. More experienced and trained workers were appointed to leading positions in kolkhozes.

During the period of spring field work, a large number of peasant holdings in western oblasts of the republic joined the kolkhozes.

The Ministry of Automobile Transport Belorussian SSR fulfilled the second-quarter plan for freight hauling in tonnage 112 percent, and 105 percent in ton-kilometers. As compared with the same period of last year, freight hauling in tonnage increased 42 percent, and in ton-kilometers 39 percent.

The Administration for Utilization of Small Rivers for Transport, Council of Ministers Belorussian SSR, completed 77 percent of the second-quarter plan for freight hauling in tonnage, 97 percent of the plan for freight hauling in ton-kilometers, and 95 percent of the plan for passenger transport. Compared with the same period of 1949, freight hauling increased 17 percent and passenger transport 30 percent.

Trading organizations of the Belorussian SSR completed 99 percent of the second-quarter plan for retail commodity turnover. Local trading organizations completed 95 percent of the plan, consumers' cooperatives 105 percent, military commissaries 106 percent, Main Administration of Special Foods Stores 110 percent, and Main Administration of Department Stores 104 percent.

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As a result of the reduction of state retail prices on industrial goods and food products in March 1950, retail commodity turnover continued to increase in the second quarter of this year. The total volume of retail commodity turnover in state and cooperative trade in the second quarter 1950 increased considerably over the first-quarter volume. During the second quarter, kolkhozes markets in oblast centers increased their sales of butter, vegetables, eggs, meat, milk, and other products. Prices in kolkhoz markets were lower in the second quarter 1950 than in the second quarter 1949 on pork, veal, butter, and other farm products.

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