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HOUSING CONSTRUCTION IN USSR, 1953-1954

[This report contains information from the Soviet press comparing housing construction in 1953 and 1954. Included are figures on individual housing construction, housing construction performed by various ministries, and total housing construction reported by individual cities.

Numbers in parentheses refer to appended sources.]

Individual Housing Construction in USSR

In 1953, workers in the Soviet Union received 700 million rubles in loans for building their own homes. Of the 203,000 homes under construction it was estimated that more than 100,000 of them were in use by February 1954. The total living space of these homes is in excess of 3,500,000 square meters. In 1954, loans totaling one billion rubles will be extended to individuals for housing construction. As a result of this construction, there will be an expected increase of 3,865,000 square meters in living space. (1)

Ministry of Railways USSR

In 1954, the volume of capital investments in housing construction performed by the Ministry of Railways is to increase 25 percent over 1953. In Moscow 16 multistoried buildings with a total of 30,000 square meters of living space are to be built. About 40 million robles have been allotted for housing construction for workers of the Kirov Railroad System, a considerably larger amount than was allotted in 1953. (2). In 1953, workers of the Tashkent Railroad System received twice as much living space as in 1952. In 1954, the volume of construction for housing and for cultural and public services for workers of the Tashkent Railroad System will be twice that of 1953. (3)

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The Council of Ministers USSR allotted 100 million rubles for financing individual rousing construction by railway workers during 1954. Individual builders in the Ministry of Railways are to put 300,000 square meters of living space into

Ministry of Construction Materials Industry USSR

During 1953, 375,000 square meters of living space were built for workers of the construction materials industry. In 1954, residential buildings with a total living space of 400,000 square meters are to be put into use. (4)

Ministry of Coal Industry USSR

"Stalinoshakhtostroy" Combine, Stalinskaya Oblast, Ukrainian SSR, built and put into use 155,000 square meters of living space in 1952 and 190,000 in 1953. In 1954, 21 percent more living space and 10 percent more space for cultural and public services must be put into use than in 1953. (5)

Ministry of State Farms RSFSR

Workers in the Ministry of State Farms RSFSR received about 165,000 square meters of additional living space during 1953. In 1954, twice as much is to be built. (6)

Ministry of Civil and Housing Construction Latvian SSR

In 1954, the Ministry of Civil and Housing Construction Latvian SSR is to double the volume of construction completed in 1953. (7)

Primorskiy Kray

In 1954, more than twice the amount allotted in 1953 has been earmarked for building new homes for workers in Primorskiy Kray. (8)

Alma-Ata

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In 1953, about 40,000 square meters of living space were put into use in Alma-Ata. In 1954, this figure is to increase to more than 60,000 square

Ashkhabad ·

In 1953, 100,000 square meters of living space were to be put into use in Ashkhabad. (10) During the first 11 months of 1953, 85 buildings with a total living space of 12,300 square meters were completed in Ashkhabad. (11) In 1954, 54,000 square meters of living space are to be built and occupied in Ashkhabad. (12)

<u>Baku</u>

In 1953, construction organizations of Baku put 77,000 square meters of living space into use. (13) According to the plan, about 110,000 square meters were to have been built. (14) In 1954, housing construction will increase 30 percent

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During 1953, 60,000 square meters of living space were built in Khar'kov. More than 100,000 square meters are to be built in 1954. (15)

Minsk

In 1953, construction organizations in Minsk were to put into use 110 residential buildings with a total living space of 110,000 square meters. (16) During 11 months of 1953, the workers of Minsk received about 70,000 square meters of living space. (17)

In 1954, 326 residential buildings with a total living space of 268,000 square meters are to be built in Minsk. (18)

Rostov

In 1953, 90 large residential buildings were built and put into use in Rostov. In 1954, more than 100 are to be put into use. (19)

Sumgait

In Sumgait, twice as much living space is to be completed in 1954 as in 1953. (20)

Ust'-Kamenogorsk

Residents of Ust'-Kamenogorsk received more than 25,000 square meters of living space in 1953. (21) In 1954, workers in the metallurgical industry, the power industry, and construction industry in Ust'-Kamenogorsk will receive more than 40,000 square meters of living space. (22)

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