change, a real increase of 7.1 percent. The expenditure of urban households for transportation & telecommunication, education culture & recreation, medicine and medical services were 596.04 yuan, 883.56 yuan and 343.68 yuan, increased by 16.8 percent, 23.7 percent and 4.6 percent individually. The Engel coefficient of urban households was 35.6 percent. In 2002, the annual per capita net income of rural households was 2397.16 yuan, increased 97.7 yuan, up by 4.3 percent, if excluding the element of the price's change, a real increase of 5 percent. The annual per capita disposable incomes of rural households was 2363.2 yuan in 2002, increased 98.5 yuan and an increase of 4.3 percent. Among the peasants' net incomes, the incomes from salary reached 914.3 yuan, increased 74.2 yuan; the net incomes from the first industry was 949 yuan, an decrease of 24 yuan, and from the second and the third industry were 427.8 yuan, increased 28.9 yuan; the net incomes from transfer and property were 74.2 yuan, an increase of 17.4 yuan. The per capita consumption expenditures of rural households was 2068.74 yuan, increased 78.42 yuan, a growth of 3.9 percent, if considering the element of the price's change, a real growth of 4.5 percent. The rural resident's per capital housing areas reached 34.03 square meters and more 1.16 square meters than last year, the percentage of brick-wood and concrete structure accounted to 93.9 percent, rose 0.3 percentage points.

Social security system was further consolidated. By the end of 2002, 3.13 million staff and workers in urban areas participated in the basic pension programs, including 1.26 million taff and workers from corporation, an increase of 6.1 percent; the basic health programs involved 3.98 million people, a growth of 13.3 percent; 3.27 million people participated in unemployment insurance programs. A provincal total of 1.41 million urban residents received payment the minimum income relife from government.

## Note:

- 1. All figures in the Communique are preliminary statistics.
- Figures in value terms on Gross Domestic Product and Value-added of various sectors quoted in the Communique are at current prices, whereas growth rates are calculated at comparable prices.