

The investment in industry increased rapidly. Among the investment of state-owned and other types of units, the total investment in industry was 37.65 billion yuan, up by 36.9 percent. Of which, the investment in technical updating and transformation was 23.98 billion yuan, increased by 44 percent. The mining and quarrying investment mainly engaged in coal mining, ferrous metals mining and nonferrous metal was 743 million yuan, up by 38.7 percent; the manufacturing investment mainly engaged in metallurgy and engineering industry was 26.15 billion yuan, up by 55.3 percent. With the development of the pillar industry and predominant corporation, the progress of industrialization developed by fast speed.

The newly increased annual production capacity in 2003 through capital construction projects included: the capacity of power generating sets 1.95 million kws, the electric substation equipment (equal or larger than 110 thousand v) 3.09 million volt-ampere, the long distance cable was 173 kms, the program controlling exchange 500 thousand lines, the facility of mobile communication base 428 sign paths; new trunk railways put into operation 101.3 kms; newly constructed highways 834.69 kms, including 216.12 kms of express highways; the capacity of daily city tap water supply 419 thousand tons; the capacity of daily disposal sewer 10 thousand tons; the length of extending city road 540.56 kms.

V. Transportation, Post and Telecommunication s

The transportation developed steadily. In 2003, total volume of cargo transported by various means was 136.82 billion ton-kilometers, up by 11.7 percent over the previous year. Of which, the cargo transportation by railways was 78.32 billion ton-kilometers, increased by 7.0 percent; by highways, 46.06 billion ton-kilometers, up by 29.4 percent; by waterways, 12.24 billion ton-kilometers, down by 9.7 percent; and by airways, 0.133 billion ton-kilometers, up 24.2 percent. The volume of passenger transportation was 82.78 billion person-kilometers, an increase of 0.4 percent. Of which, passengers carried by railways were 43.00 billion person-kilometers, up by 0.9 percent; by highways, 38.22 billion person-kilometers, down by 0.7 percent; by waterways 0.243 billion person-kilometers, down by 24.1 percent; by airways, 1.31 billion person-kilometers, up by 24.0 percent. The total conversion of the passenger-kilometers and freight ton-kilometers were 183.81 billion ton-kilometers, up by 8.7 percent.

The posts and telecommunication developed quickly. The business transactions of postal and telecommunication services in 2003 totaled 22.01 billion yuan, up by 21.2 percent over the previous year. Of this total, postal services accounted for 2.12 billion yuan, up by 5.3 percent; telecommunication services accounted for 19.90 billion yuan, up by 21.7 percent. By the end of 2003, total capacity of office exchanges reached 10.99 million gates, including 492.3 thousand new-installed exchanges; telephone subscribers numbered 9.53 million, up 20.2 percent; mobile telephone users numbered 7.92 million, up 32.3 percent; internet services users reached 2.13 million, up 68.3 percent. There were 26.3 telephones per 100 persons in this province. Of which, there were 14.4 telephone subscribers per 100 persons, up 2.4 percentage points higher over the previous year; and 11.9 mobile telephone users per 100 persons, up 2.9 percentage points higher over the previous year.

VI. Domestic Trade

The sales flourished in commodity marketings. In 2003, the total retail sales of consumer goods reached