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INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION OF THE REPUBLIC OF UZBEKISTAN

FOR JANUARY 2021

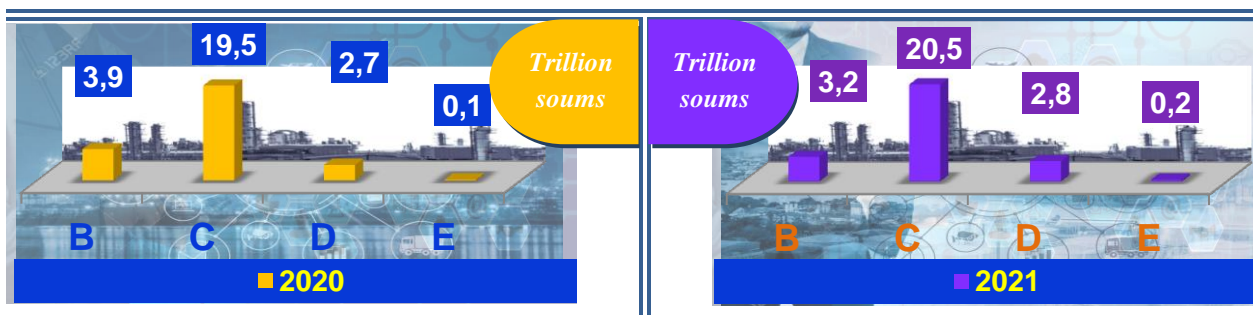
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Industrial production of the Republic of Uzbekistan

for January 2021

According to preliminary data, in January 2021, enterprises of the republic produced industrial products worth 26.8 trillion soums, the index of physical volume* of industrial production by the same period in 2020 amounted to 98.8%.

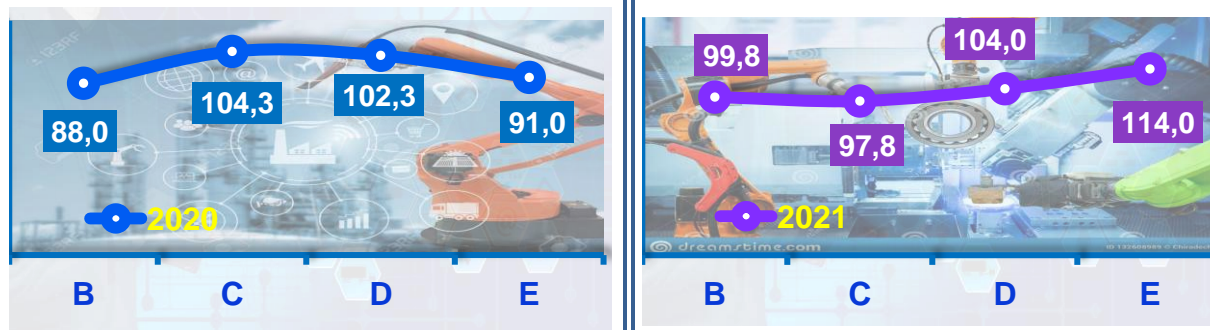
In the structure of production, the largest share falls on manufacturing enterprises (20.5%).



B – Mining and quarrying, C – manufacturing industry, D – electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning, E – water supply, sewerage, waste collection and disposal.

Industrial production by main types of economic activity,

Physical Volume Index* in %

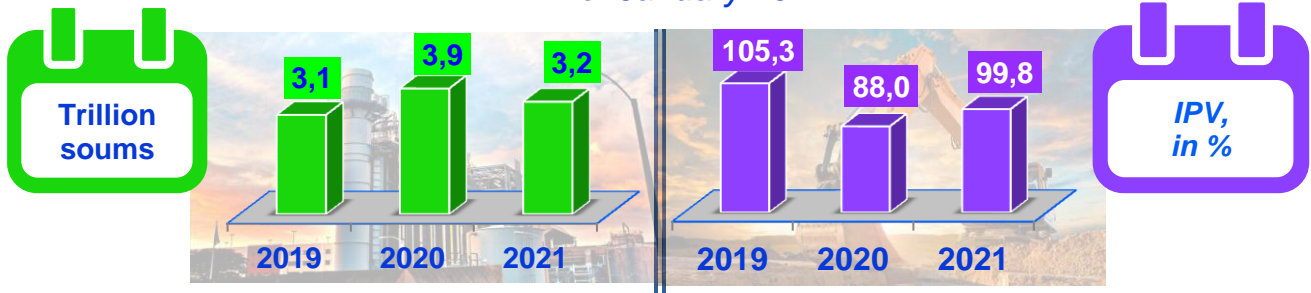


The main factors behind the decline in the physical volume of industrial production were its decrease in mining and quarrying enterprises - by 0.2%, in the manufacturing industry - by 2.2%. At the same time, there is an increase in production at power supply, gas, steam and air conditioning enterprises - by 4.0%, in water supply, sewerage, waste collection and disposal by 14.0%.

* *The index of the physical volume of industrial production is a relative indicator that characterizes the change in the mass of products (works, services) in the compared periods.*

Mining and quarrying

for January 2021



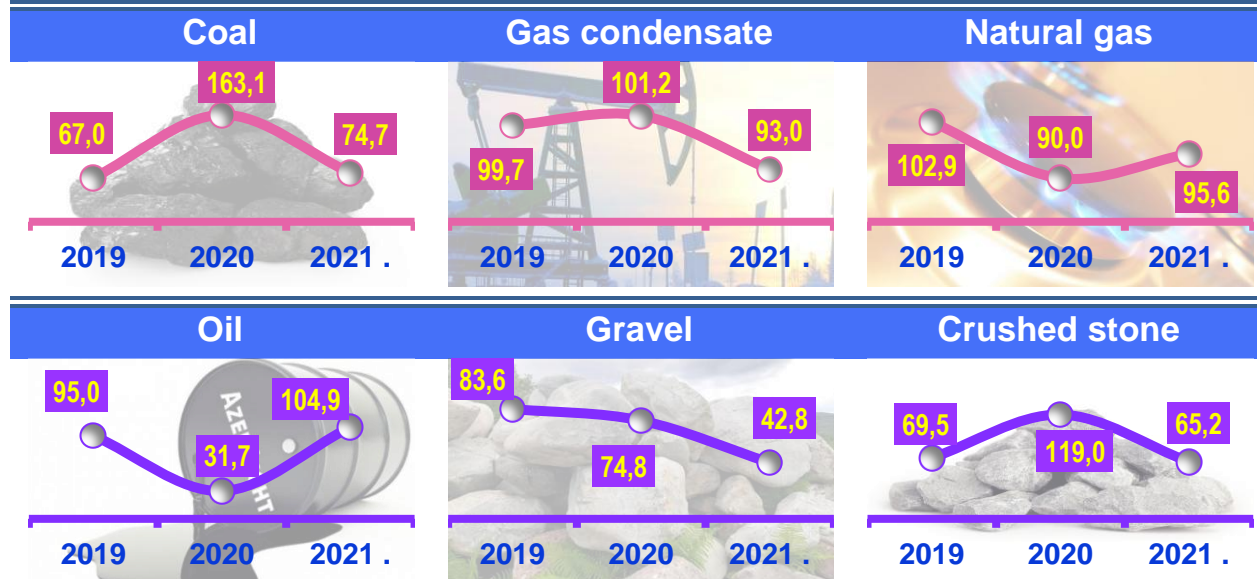
The volume of products produced by mining and quarrying enterprises in January 2021 amounted to 3.2 trillion soums, or 12.0% of the total industry.

Share for the period from the beginning of the year, in %



Industrial production by large mining and quarrying enterprises

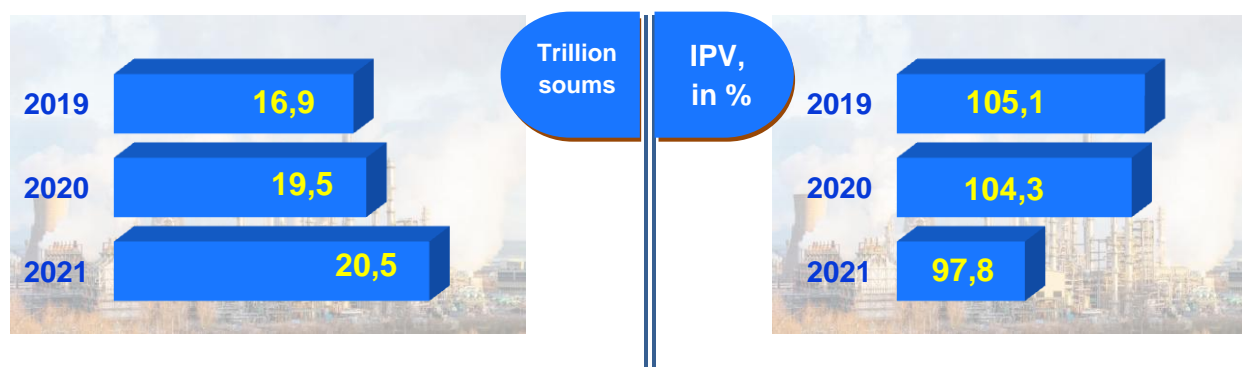
To the previous year, in %



**Industrial production by large mining
and quarrying enterprises**

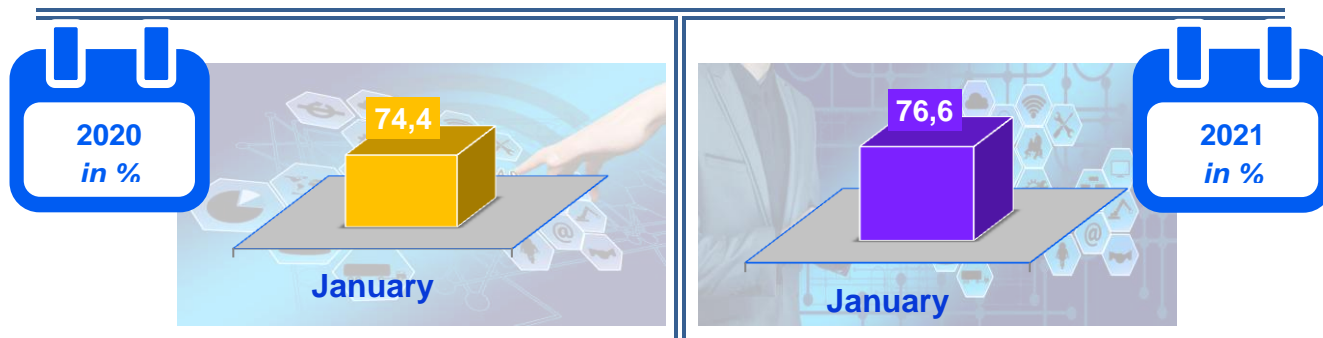
Products	January 2020	January 2021	difference +/-
Coal, <i>thousand tons</i>	384,9	287,7	-97,2
Oil, <i>thousand tons</i>	56,9	59,7	2,8
Natural gas, <i>million cubic meters</i>	4997,4	4779,7	-217,7
Gas condensate, <i>thousand tons</i>	137,2	127,6	-9,6
Crushed stone, <i>thousand tons</i>	82328,0	53714,2	-28613,8
Gravel, <i>ths. tons</i>	12709,0	5443,2	-7265,8
Kaolin, <i>ths. tons</i>	2415,0	8869,4	-6454,4

Manufacturing industry

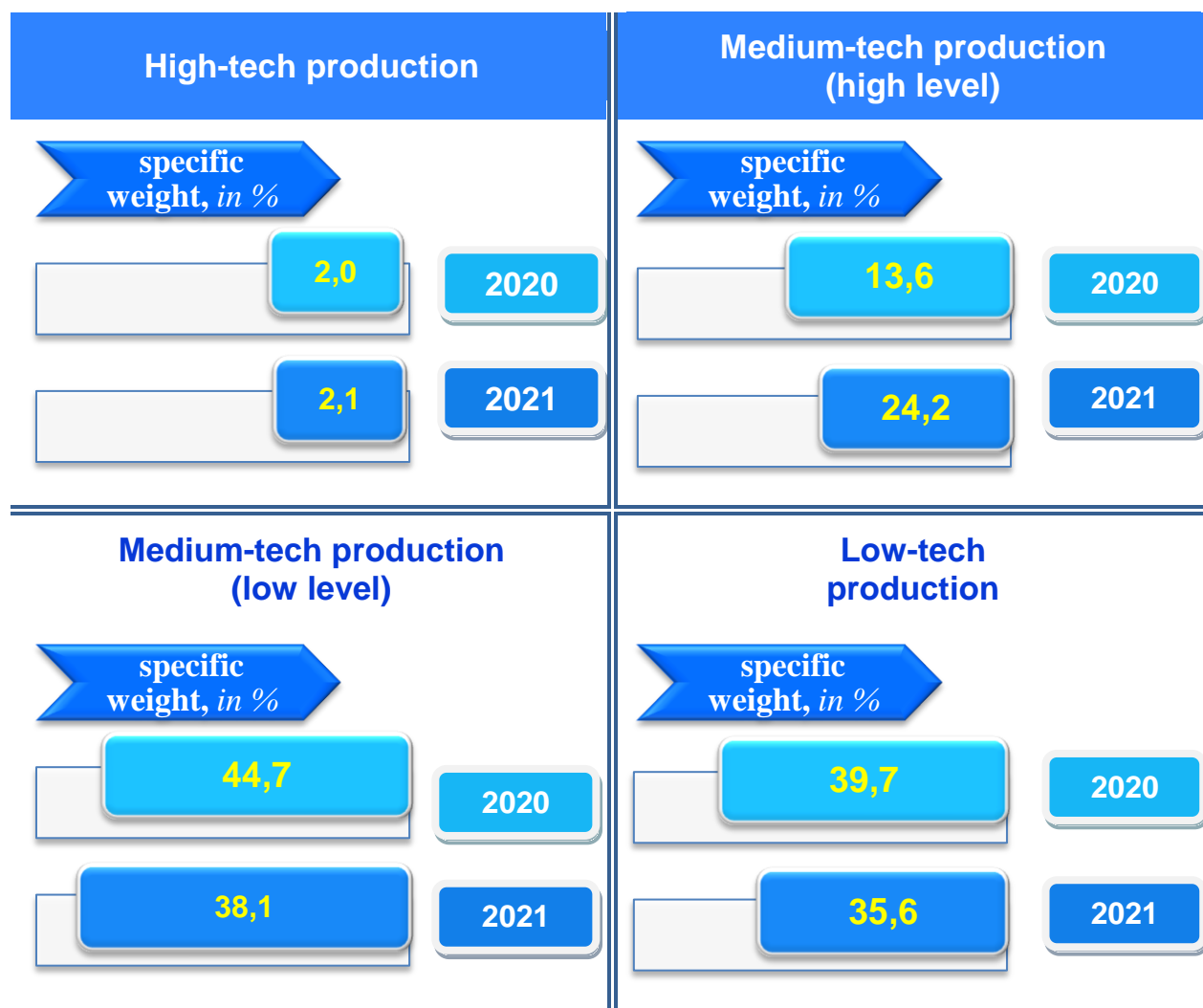


Manufacturing enterprises in January 2021 produced goods worth 20.5 trillion soums, or 76.5% of the total industry.

Share for the period from the beginning of the year, in %



In the structure of the manufacturing industry, the share of high-tech industries amounted to 2.0% (2.1% in January 2020), medium-high-tech - 13.6% (24.2%), medium-low-tech - 44.7% (38.1%) and low-tech - 39.7% (35.6%).

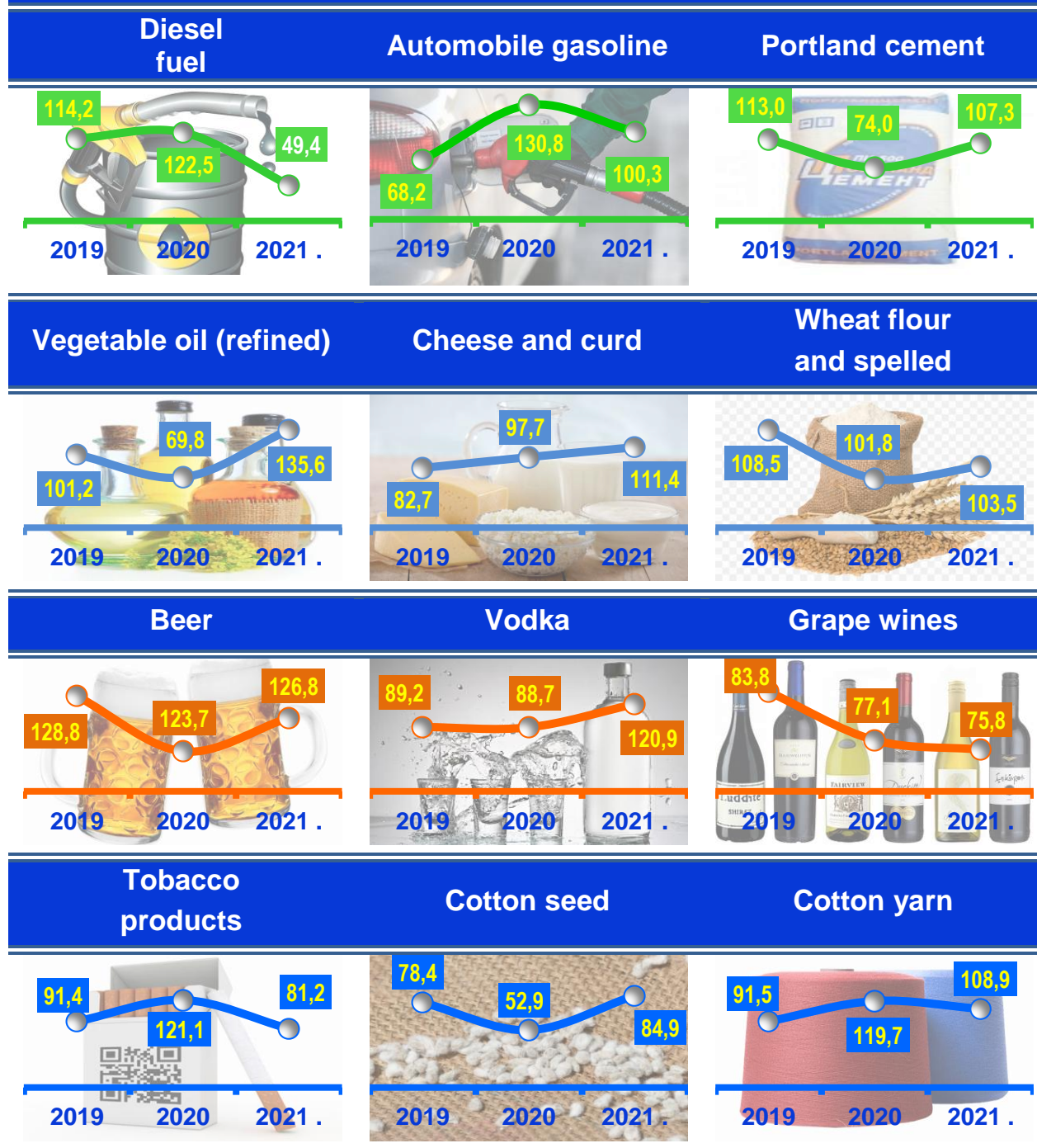


In the manufacturing industry, the share of enterprises for the production, repair, assembly of machinery and equipment, the production of cars, trailers, semi-trailers and other finished products amounted to 9.1% (the physical volume index reached 61.2% by January 2020), the metallurgical industry - 33.3% (103.9%), enterprises for the production of textile, clothing and leather products - 20.1% (110.7%), for the production of food, drinks and tobacco products - 17.5% (106.6 %), enterprises for the production of chemical products, rubber and plastic products - 9.5% (95.9%).

Manufacturing of industrial products by large manufacturing enterprises

In January 2021, the republic produced 93.9 thousand tons of motor gasoline (compared to the corresponding period of 2020, a decrease of 6.1%), 39.8 thousand tons of cotton yarn (an increase of 8.9%), 144.2 thousand tons of soft wheat and spelled flour (3.5%) and 10.9 million liters of beer (26.8%).

To the previous year, in %

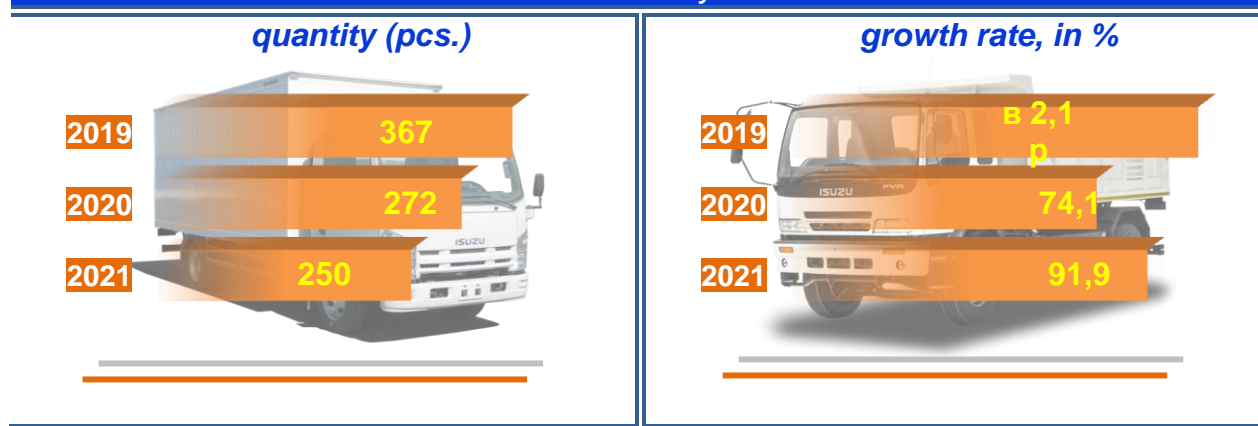


Manufacturing of industrial products
by large manufacturing enterprises

Products	January 2020	January 2021	difference +/-
Passenger cars, pcs.	22000	5235	-16 765
Trucks, pcs.	272,0	250,0	-22
Automotive engines, thousand units	19,8	1,9	-17,9
Flour from soft wheat and spelled, thousand tons	139,3	144,2	4,9
Cotton fiber, thousand tons	66,1	59,8	-6,3
Vegetable oil (refined), thousand tons	12,6	17,0	4,4

In January 2021, 250 trucks were produced in the republic (by the corresponding period of 2019, the volume of production decreased by 8.1%).

**Production of trucks,
for January 2021**

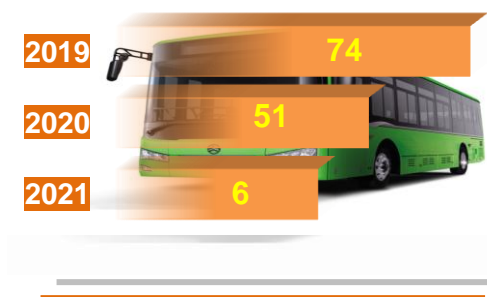


Manufacturing of industrial products by large manufacturing enterprises

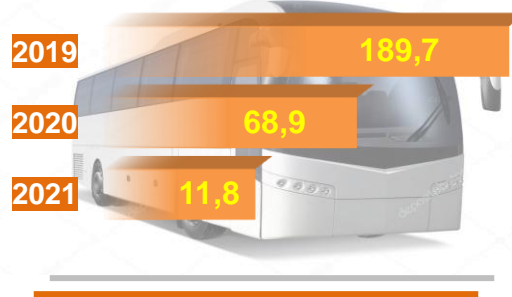
In January 2021, 6 pieces of buses were produced in the republic (by the corresponding period of 2020, a decrease in production by 88.2% was noted).

Bus production, for January 2021

quantity (pcs.)



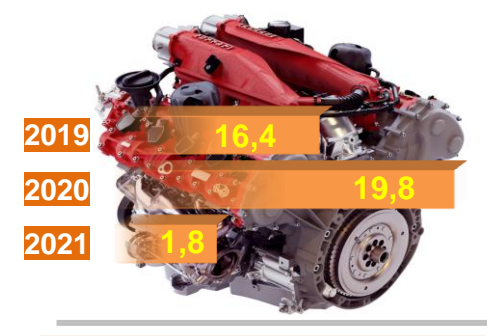
growth rate, in %



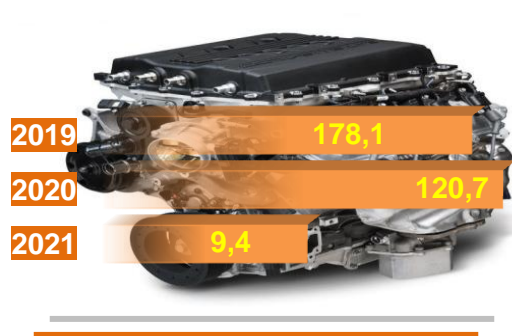
In January 2021, 1.9 thousand automobile engines were produced in the republic (a decrease of 90.6% compared to the corresponding period of 2020).

Manufacture of automobile engines, for January 2021

quantity (thousand pcs.)



growth rate, in %

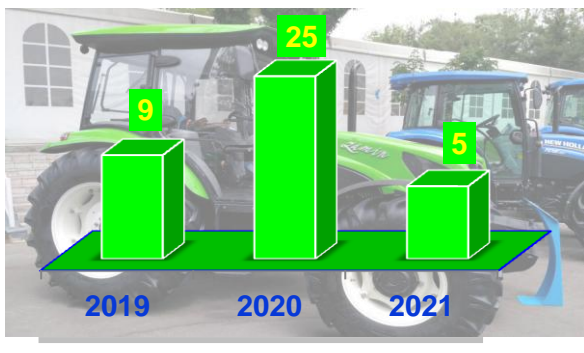


Manufacturing of industrial products by large manufacturing enterprises

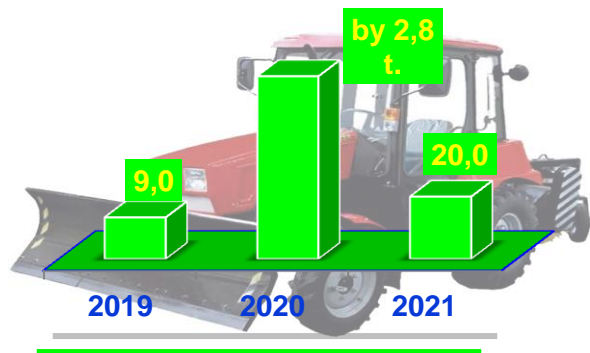
In January 2021, 5 tractors were produced in the republic (by January 2020, the volume of production decreased by 80.0%).

Tractor manufacturing, for January 2021

quantity (pcs.)



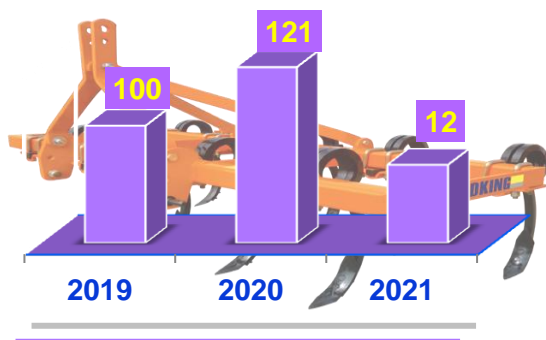
growth rate, in %



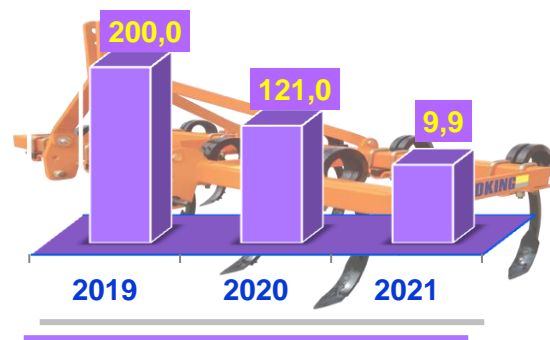
In January 2021, 12 pieces of rippers and cultivators were produced in the republic (by the corresponding period of 2020, a decrease in production by 90.1% was recorded).

Production of rippers and cultivators, for January 2021

quantity (pcs.)

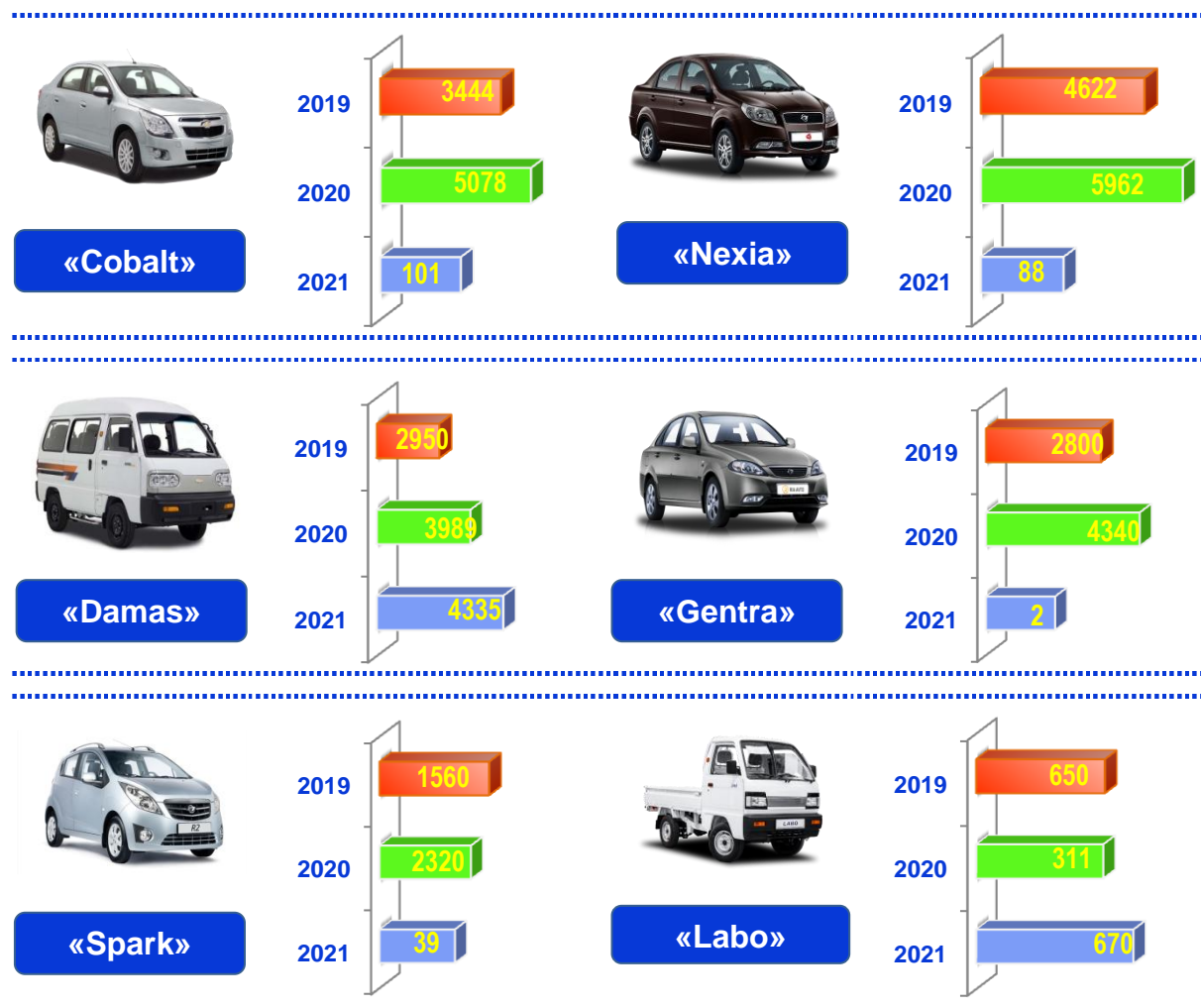


growth rate, in %



In the automotive industry in January 2021, 101 Cobalt cars were produced (growth rates compared to the same period in 2020 were 2.0%), 88 - Nexia (1.5%), 2 - Gentra (%), 4335 - Damas (108.7%), 39 - Spark (1.7%) and 670 - Labo (2.2 times).

Car production in the Republic of Uzbekistan
for January, pcs.

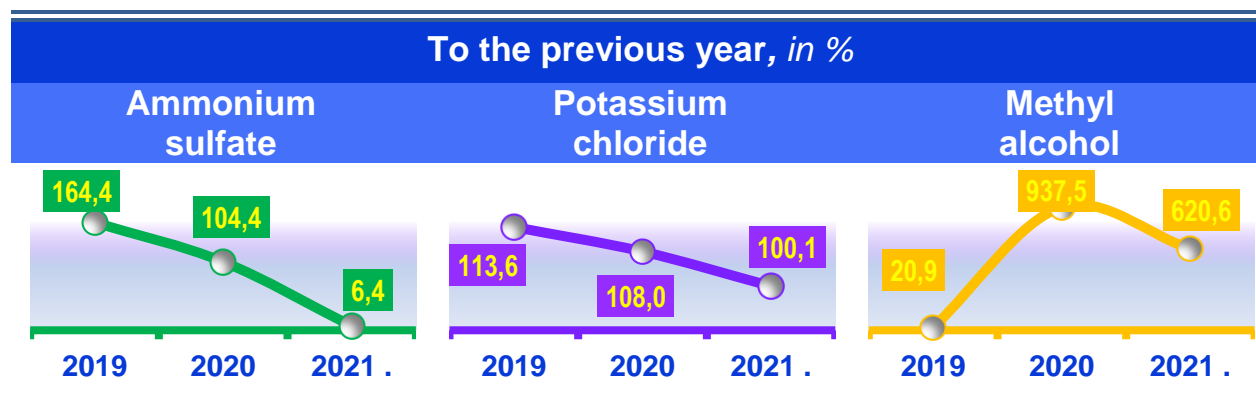


**Production by large manufacturing enterprises
of certain types of products**

Product	January 2020	January 2021	difference +/-
Paints and varnishes based on acrylic or vinyl polymers, tons	834,8	840,0	5,2
Portland cement, thsd pc.	521,1	559,3	38,2
Tobacco products, mln pc.	1035,3	840,6	-194,7
Diesel fuel, thousand tons	100,0	49,5	-50,5
Motor gasoline, thousand tons	93,6	93,9	-0,3

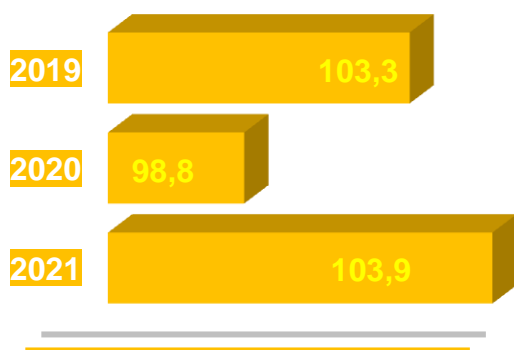
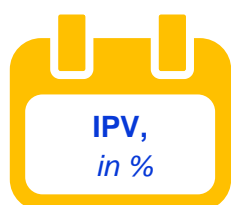
The overhaul of technological equipment made it possible to increase the capacity utilization of chemical enterprises and exceed the production figures of the previous year for the production of methyl alcohol (by 6.2 times by January 2020) and caustic soda (by 2.5 times).

At the same time, there is a decrease in the production of ammonium sulfate (93.6% against January 2020), paints and varnishes based on acrylic or vinyl polymers (100.6%).



Metallurgical industry

for January 2021



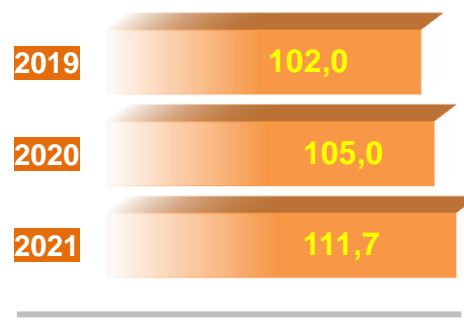
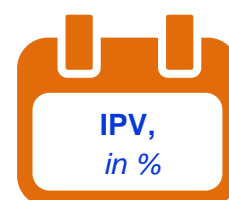
If in January 2020 the share of the metallurgical industry in the structure of the manufacturing industry was 24.6%, and the volume index decreased by 1.2%, then in January 2021 the share of the industry in the manufacturing industry amounted to 33.3%, the volume index increased by 3.9%, the production volume amounted to 6 820.2 billion soums.

Manufacture of other non-metallic mineral products

for January 2021

In January 2020, the share of production of other non-metallic mineral products in the structure of the manufacturing industry amounted to 3.8%, while the physical volume index, in relation to the same period of 2019, increased by 5.0%.

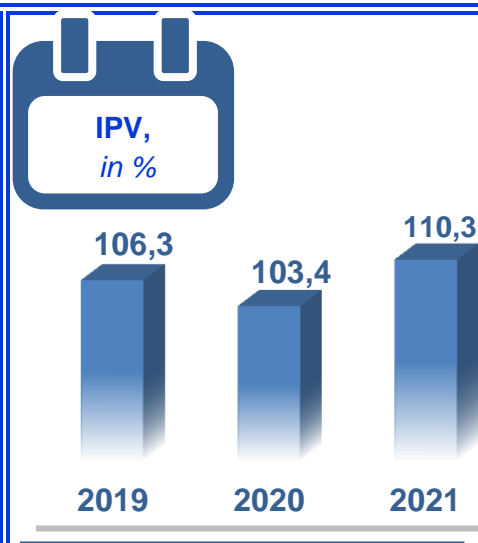
In January 2021, the share of other non-metallic mineral products amounted to 4.5%, the index of physical production increased by 11.7%, and the volume of production amounted to 916.7 billion soums.



Food production

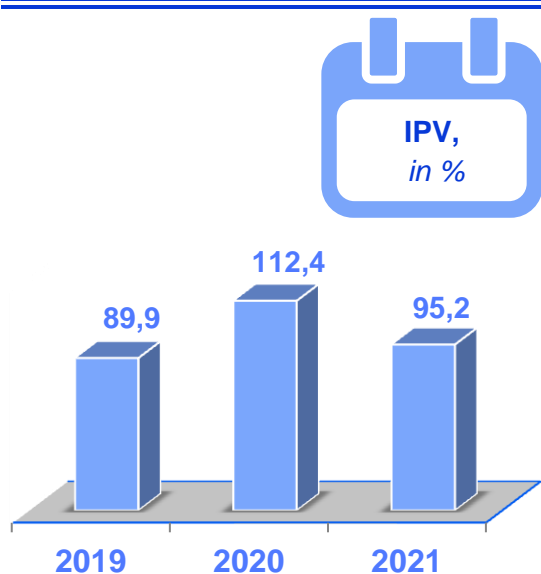
for January 2021

If in January 2020 the share of food production in the manufacturing industry amounted to 12.7%, and the physical volume index, in relation to 2019, reached 103.4%, then in January 2021 the share of food products amounted to 14.6%, the index of physical volume increased by 10.3%, the total volume of production amounted to 2 995.9 billion soums.



Beverage production

for January 2021



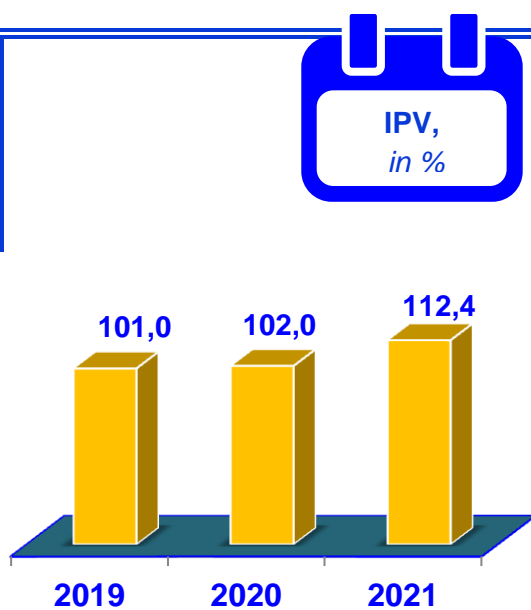
At the end of January 2020, the share of beverage production in the structure of the manufacturing industry amounted to 2.1%, while the volume index, in relation to the same period in 2019, increased by 12.4%.

In January 2021, the share of beverage production amounted to 2.0%, the physical volume index was 95.2%, and the production volume amounted to 409.5 billion soums.

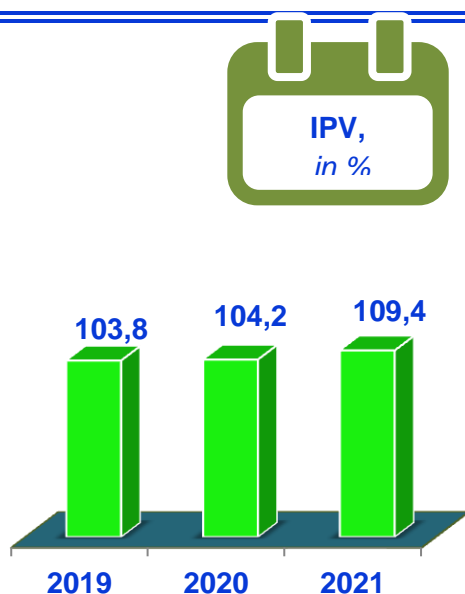
Manufacture of textiles for January 2021

At the end of January 2020, the share of textile production in the structure of the manufacturing industry amounted to 14.2%, while the physical volume index, in relation to the same period in 2019, increased by 2.0%.

In January 2021, the share of textile production amounted to 16.4%, the index of the physical volume of their production increased by 12.4%, and the production volume amounted to 3 354.6 billion soums.



Manufacture of wearing apparel for January 2021

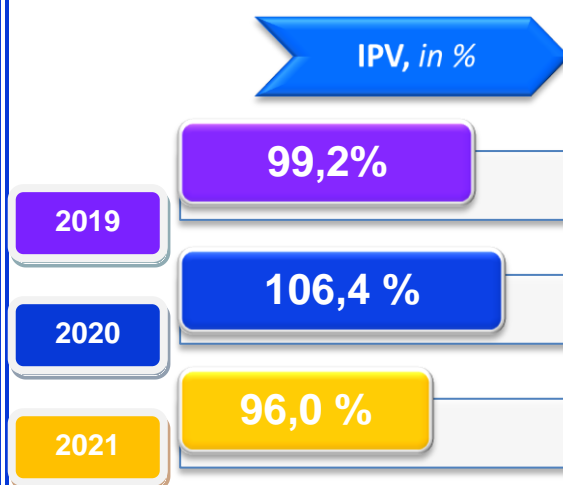


If in January 2020 the share of clothing production in the structure of the manufacturing industry was 3.0%, and the physical volume index increased by 4.2%, then in January 2021 the share of the industry in the manufacturing industry was 3.3%, the physical volume increased by 9.4%, while production volume amounted to 680.9 billion soums.

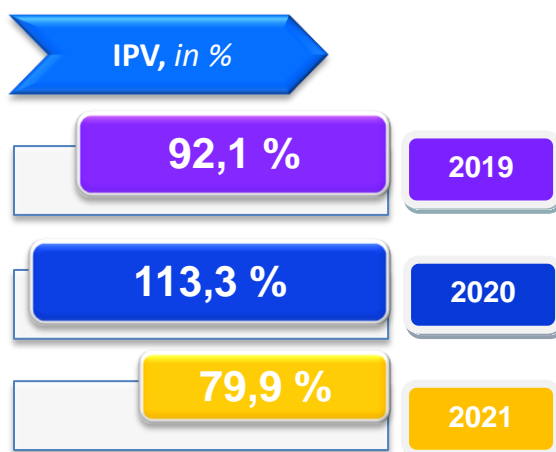
Chemical production for January 2021

In January 2020, the share of chemical production in the structure of the manufacturing industry was 7.8%, while the physical volume index, in relation to the same period in 2019, increased by 6.4%.

In January 2021, the share of chemical products amounted to 8.0%, the index of physical production volume decreased by 4.0%, and the production volume amounted to 1 644.3 billion soums.



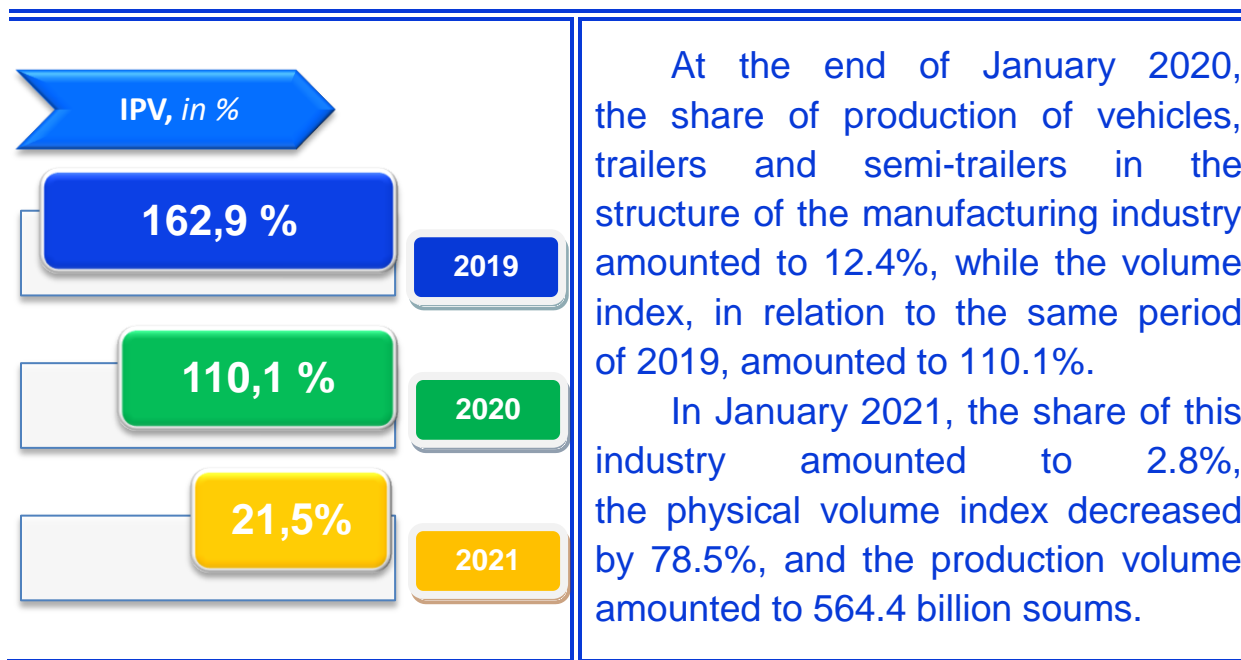
Production of coke and refined petroleum products for January 2021



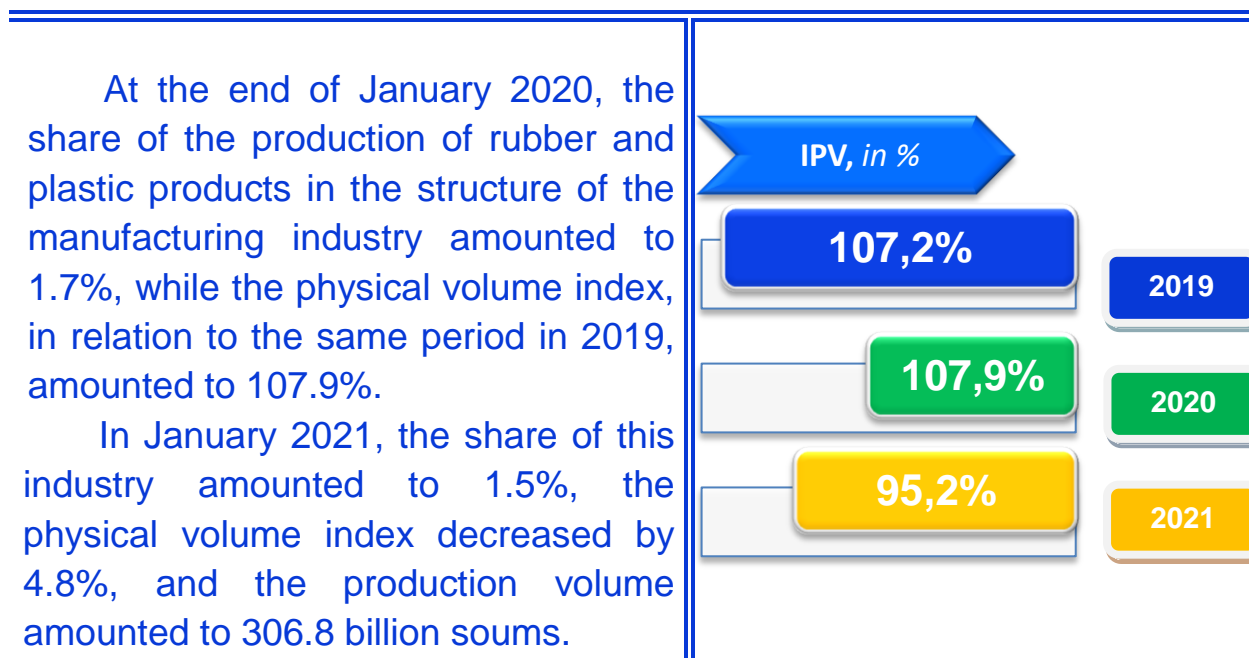
At the end of January 2020, the share of coke and product production in the structure of the manufacturing industry amounted to 5.8%, while the physical volume index, in relation to the same period in 2019, increased by 13.3%.

In January 2021, the share of coke and product production amounted to 3.3%, the physical volume index also decreased by 20.1%, and the production volume amounted to 673.4 billion soums.

Manufacture of motor vehicles, trailers and semi-trailers
for January 2021

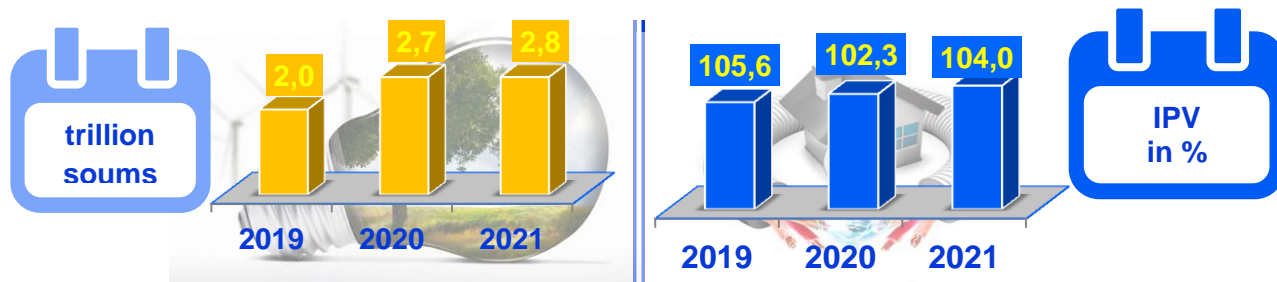


Manufacture of rubber and plastic products
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Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning

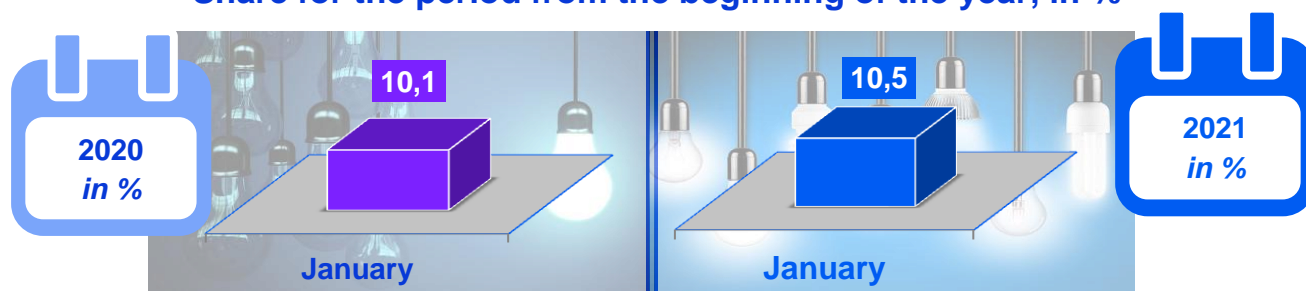
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The volume of products produced by the enterprises of electricity supply, gas supply, steam and air conditioning amounted to 2.8 trillion soums (10.5% of the total industry).

The index of the physical volume of the industry, compared to the corresponding period of 2020, increased by 4.0%.

Share for the period from the beginning of the year, in %



Production by large enterprises of power supply, gas, steam and air conditioning of certain types of industrial products

Product name	January 2020	January 2021	difference +/-
Electricity, million kW / h	6062,9	6427,7	364,8
Heat energy, thousand Gcal	3715,0	3681,9	-33,1
Gas from underground coal gasification, thousand cubic meters	25674,0	26379,0	705

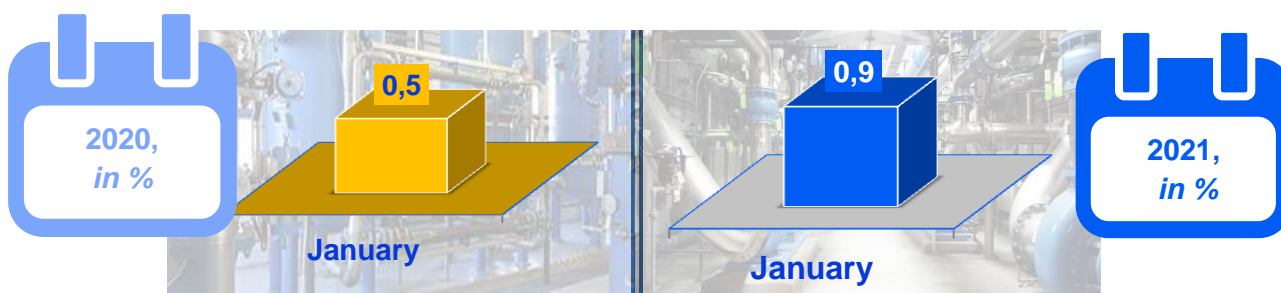
Water supply, sewerage, waste collection and disposal

for January 2021



The volume of products produced by enterprises of water supply, sewerage, waste collection and disposal amounted to 0.9 trillion soums (0.9% of the total industry).

Share for the period from the beginning of the year, in %

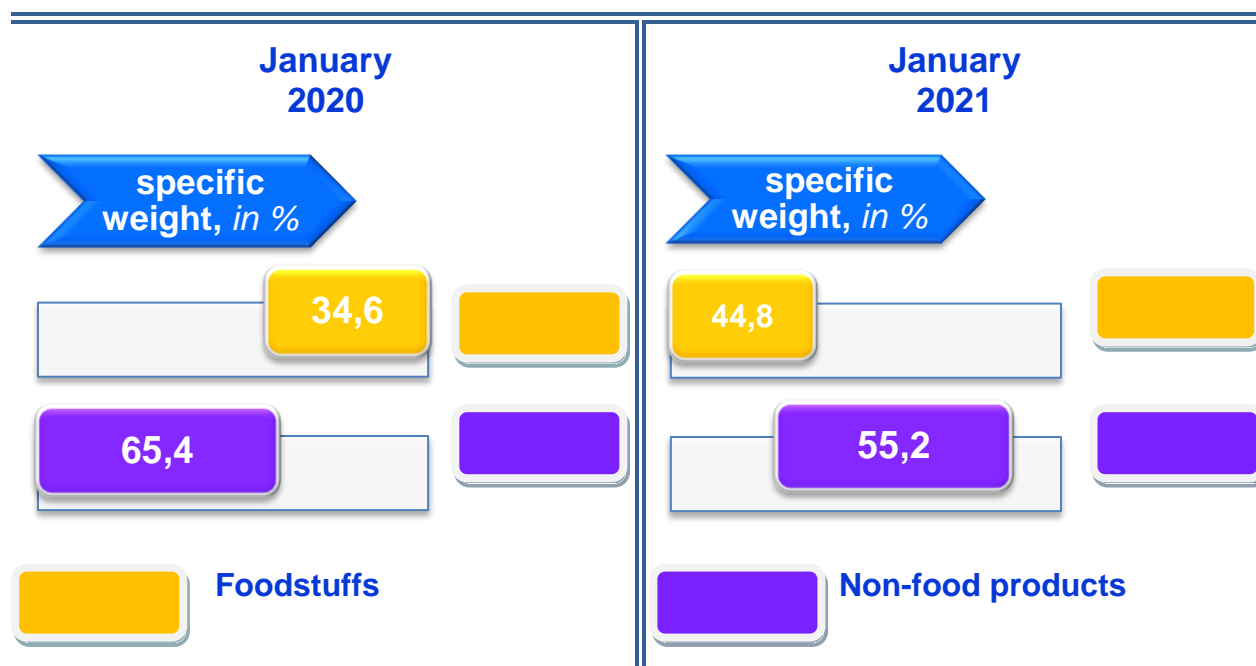


Product	January 2020	January 2021	difference +/-
Services for the removal, transportation and treatment of wastewater, <i>billion soums</i>	13,2	20,7	7,5
Services for the emptying, cleaning and treatment of cesspools, sedimentation tanks and septic tanks, <i>mln. soums</i>	30,8	40,7	9,9
Textile waste, <i>tons</i>	1206,2	1187,2	-19

Compared to the corresponding period of 2020, there was an increase in services for the emptying, cleaning and treatment of cesspools, sedimentation tanks and septic tanks by 32.0%, as well as services for the removal, transportation of wastewater and their treatment by 57.0%. reduction of production of textile waste by 1.6%.

Consumer goods manufacturing

As a result of measures taken to expand the range and stimulate the production of finished products, the production of consumer goods amounted to 6.7 trillion soums and, in comparison with the corresponding period of 2020, the growth rate was 84.0%, the share in the total volume of industry was 25.2%.



In the structure of food production, the production of wine and vodka and beer amounted to 7.4% (8.1% in January 2020).

In the structure of consumer goods production in the republic, the largest share falls on the city of Tashkent (16.7% of the total volume of consumer goods), Tashkent (13.3%), Samarkand (13.4%) and Fergana (7.5%) regions.

The largest growth in the production of consumer goods was recorded in Jizzakh (110.6% compared to the corresponding period of 2020), Bukhara (110.2%), Samarkand (108.5%), Syrdarya (107.2%) regions and the Republic of Karakalpakstan (105.7%), exceeding the national average (84.0%).

**Production volume, structure and growth rates
of consumer goods by region
for January 2021**

Billion soums		Specific weight, %		Growth rate, %	
6735,9		100		84,0	
Republic of Uzbekistan					
Billion soums		Specific weight, %		Growth rate, %	
175,4		2,6		105,7	
Rep. of Karakalpakstan					
Billion soums		Specific weight, %		Growth rate, %	
899,5		13,4		108,5	
Samarkand					
Billion soums		Specific weight, %		Growth rate, %	
477,4		7,1		23,4	
Andijan					
Billion soums		Specific weight, %		Growth rate, %	
120,3		1,8		106,1	
Surkhandarya					
Billion soums		Specific weight, %		Growth rate, %	
503,5		7,5		110,2	
Bukhara					
Billion soums		Specific weight, %		Growth rate, %	
205,3		3,0		107,2	
Syrdarya					
Billion soums		Specific weight, %		Growth rate, %	
155,1		2,3		110,6	
Jizzakh					
Billion soums		Specific weight, %		Growth rate, %	
897,9		13,3		104,9	
Tashkent					
Billion soums		Specific weight, %		Growth rate, %	
314,4		4,7		106,1	
Kashkadarya					
Billion soums		Specific weight, %		Growth rate, %	
502,0		7,5		86,3	
Fergana					
Billion soums		Specific weight, %		Growth rate, %	
255,9		3,8		100,6	
Navoi					
Billion soums		Specific weight, %		Growth rate, %	
459,9		6,8		107,0	
Khorezm					
Billion soums		Specific weight, %		Growth rate, %	
394,6		5,9		105,4	
Namangan					
Billion soums		Specific weight, %		Growth rate, %	
1122,8		16,7		93,4	
Tashkent city					

In the structure of production of non-food products of the republic, the largest share falls on the city of Tashkent (17.0% of the total volume of non-food products), Samarkand (15.6%), Tashkent (11.4%), and Bukhara (9.0%) regions.

The largest growth in the production of non-food products was recorded in Namangan (112.8% compared to the corresponding period of 2020), Bukhara (111.8%), Jizzakh (111.3%) and Surkhandarya (109.4%) regions.

Production volume, structure and growth rates of food products by region

for January 2021
















	Billion soums			Specific weight,%			Growth rate, %				
	3019,3			100			109,0				
Republic of Uzbekistan											
	Billion soums	Specific weight,%	Growth rate, %		Billion soums	Specific weight,%	Growth rate, %		Billion soums	Specific weight,%	Growth rate, %
	120,3	4,0	109,6		320,3	10,6	125,4		Rep. of Karakalpakstan		
	Rep. of Karakalpakstan				Samarkand				Samarkand		
	Billion soums	Specific weight,%	Growth rate, %		Billion soums	Specific weight,%	Growth rate, %		Billion soums	Specific weight,%	Growth rate, %
	176,5	5,8	101,6		64,8	2,1	103,4		Andijan		
	Andijan				Surkhandarya				Surkhandarya		
	Billion soums	Specific weight,%	Growth rate, %		Billion soums	Specific weight,%	Growth rate, %		Billion soums	Specific weight,%	Growth rate, %
	170,1	5,6	107,2		112,9	3,7	119,8		Bukhara		
	Bukhara				Syrdarya				Syrdarya		
	Billion soums	Specific weight,%	Growth rate, %		Billion soums	Specific weight,%	Growth rate, %		Billion soums	Specific weight,%	Growth rate, %
	48,9	1,6	109,3		472,6	15,7	108,2		Jizzakh		
	Jizzakh				Tashkent				Tashkent		
	Billion soums	Specific weight,%	Growth rate, %		Billion soums	Specific weight,%	Growth rate, %		Billion soums	Specific weight,%	Growth rate, %
	201,8	6,7	107,3		232,0	7,7	97,7		Kashkadarya		
	Kashkadarya				Fergana				Fergana		
	Billion soums	Specific weight,%	Growth rate, %		Billion soums	Specific weight,%	Growth rate, %		Billion soums	Specific weight,%	Growth rate, %
	103,4	3,4	105,7		112,7	3,7	105,9		Navoi		
	Navoi				Khorezm				Khorezm		
	Billion soums	Specific weight,%	Growth rate, %		Billion soums	Specific weight,%	Growth rate, %		Billion soums	Specific weight,%	Growth rate, %
	139,3	4,6	94,2		491,7	16,3	86,1		Namangan		
	Namangan				Tashkent city				Tashkent city		

Production of products by enterprises with foreign investment

for January 2021

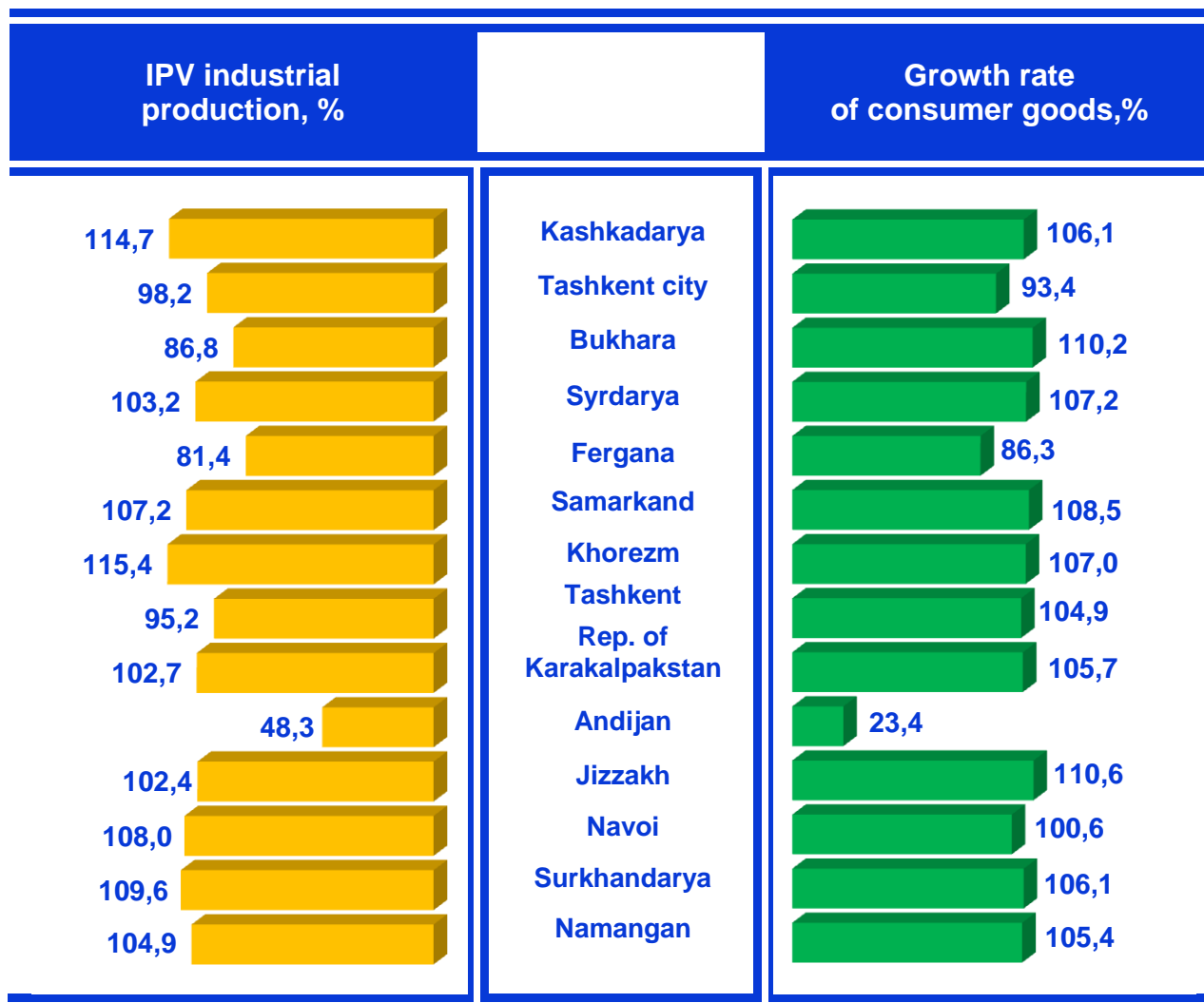
During the reporting period, enterprises with foreign investments produced goods worth 6.3 trillion soums, the share of which in the total production volume was 23.4%.

Industrial production of regions
for January 2021

	Billion soums			Specific weight, %			Growth rate, %		
	26766,6			100			98,8		
Republic of Uzbekistan *									
	Billion soums	Specific weight, %	Growth rate, %		Billion soums	Specific weight, %	Growth rate, %		
	1318,2	4,9	102,7		1257,3	4,7	107,2		
Rep. of Karakalpakstan			Samarkand						
	Billion soums	Specific weight, %	Growth rate, %		Billion soums	Specific weight, %	Growth rate, %		
	881,3	3,3	48,3		381,1	1,4	109,6		
Andijan			Surkhandarya						
	Billion soums	Specific weight, %	Growth rate, %		Billion soums	Specific weight, %	Growth rate, %		
	1274,1	4,8	86,8		732,7	2,7	103,2		
Bukhara			Syrdarya						
	Billion soums	Specific weight, %	Growth rate, %		Billion soums	Specific weight, %	Growth rate, %		
	407,1	1,5	102,4		5093,2	19,0	95,2		
Jizzakh			Tashkent						
	Billion soums	Specific weight, %	Growth rate, %		Billion soums	Specific weight, %	Growth rate, %		
	1443,5	5,4	114,7		1375,5	5,1	81,4		
Kashkadarya			Fergana						
	Billion soums	Specific weight, %	Growth rate, %		Billion soums	Specific weight, %	Growth rate, %		
	5773,9	21,6	108		803,4	3,0	115,4		
Navoi			Khorezm						
	Billion soums	Specific weight, %	Growth rate, %		Billion soums	Specific weight, %	Growth rate, %		
	794,5	3,0	104,9		3949,6	14,8	98,2		
Namangan			Tashkent city						

* including unallocated data by region

**Index of physical volume of industrial production
and growth rates of consumer goods
by regions of the Republic of Uzbekistan, %**

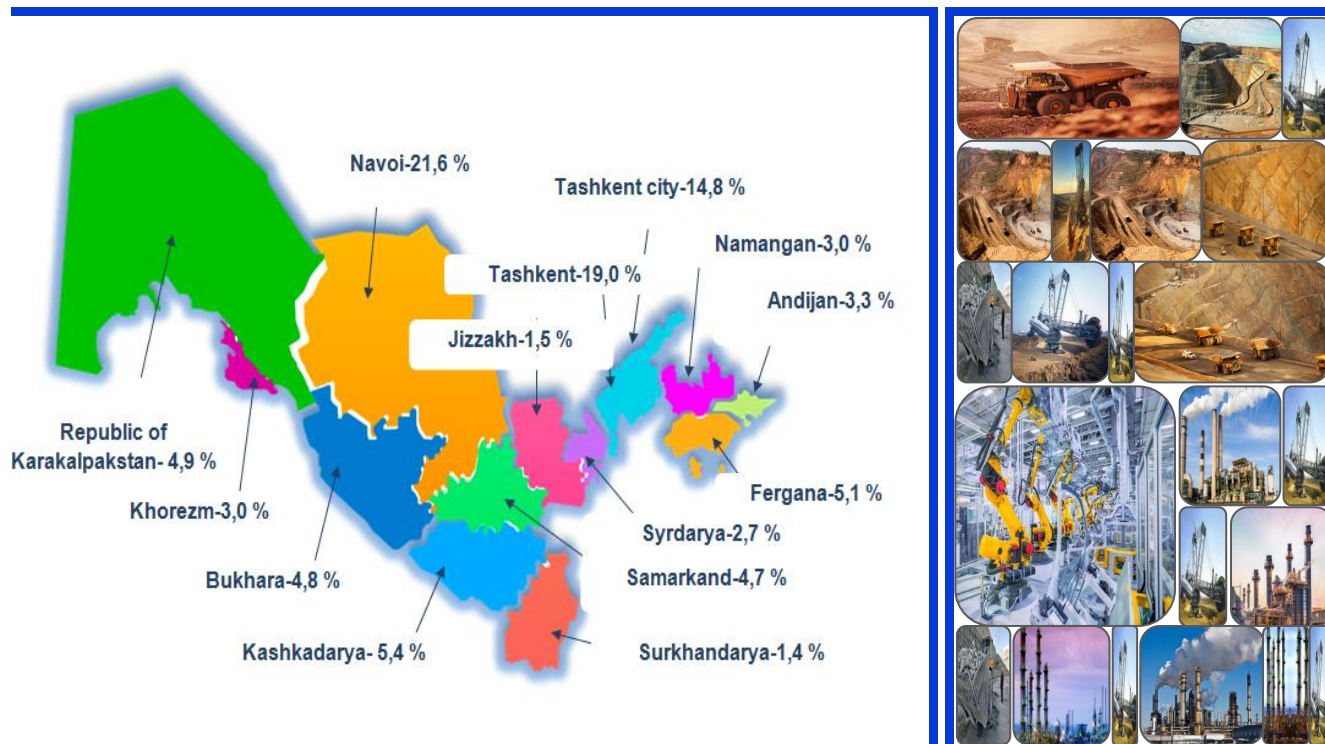


The change in industrial production was significantly influenced by the growth in the index of the physical volume of industrial production in Khorezm (115.4% compared to January 2020), Kashkadarya (114.7%), Surkhandarya (109.6%), Navoi (108.0%), Samarkand (107.2%), Namangan (104.9%), regions and the Republic of Karakalpakstan (102.7%).

The share of industrial products of the regions in the total production of the Republic of Uzbekistan, %

In the structure of industrial output of the republic, the largest share falls on the enterprises of the city of Tashkent (14.8% of the republican volume of industry), Navoi (21.6%), Tashkent (19.0%), Kashkadarya (5.4%) and Fergana (5.1%) regions.

The smallest share of industrial production was recorded at the enterprises of Surkhandarya (1.4%) and Jizzakh (1.5%) regions.



Analysis of the differentiation of industrial output per capita showed an excess of the national average (781.9 thousand soums) in Navoi (5 742.6 thousand soums), Tashkent (1 716.1 thousand soums), Syrdarya (858.3 thousand soums) regions and Tashkent city (1 504.9 thousand soums).

The production of consumer goods per capita in the reporting period in the republic amounted to 196.8 thousand soums, including in the city of Tashkent - 427.8 thousand soums, Tashkent region - 302.5 thousand soums, Bukhara region - 260.2 thousand soums, Navoi region - 254.5 thousand soums.

Industrial and consumer goods production
per capita by region
for January 2021, thousand soums

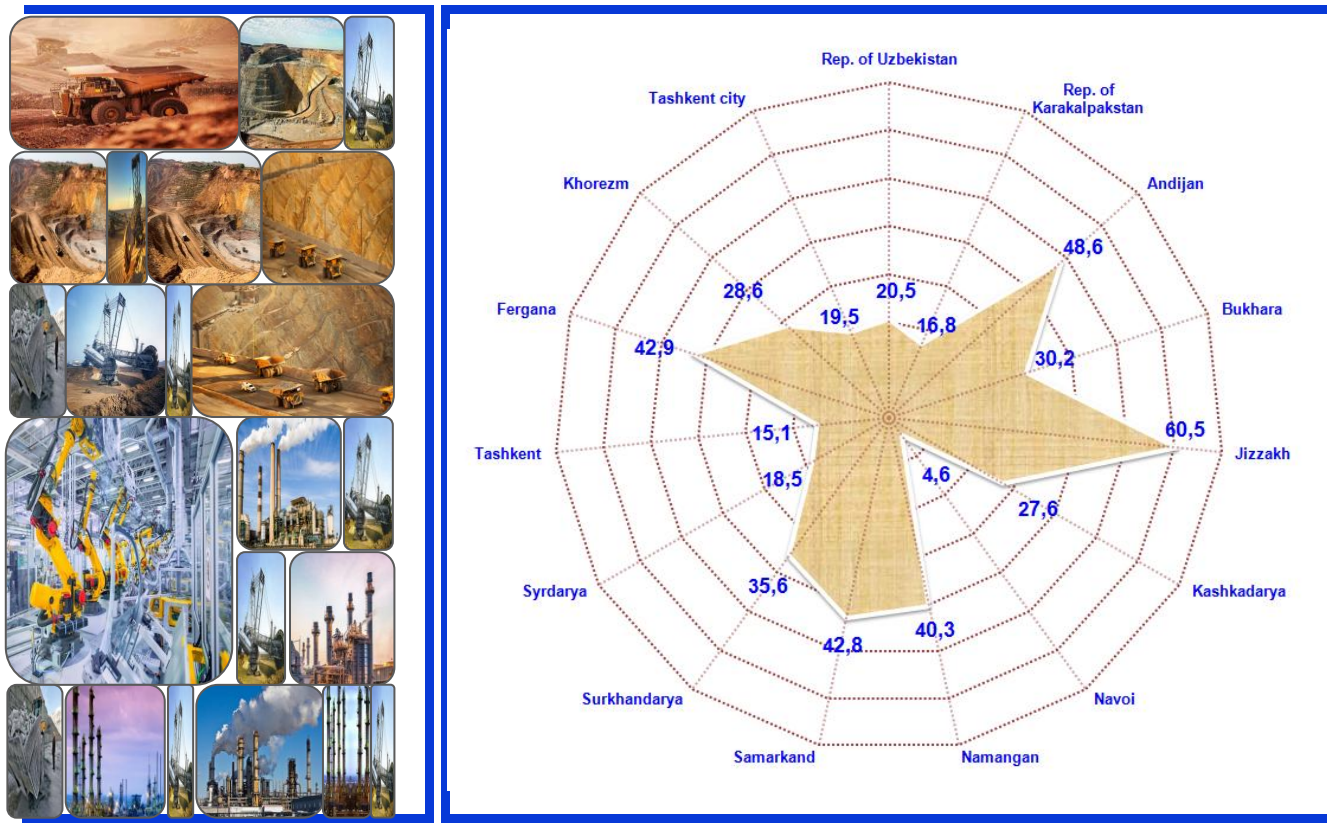
	<i>Industrial products</i>		<i>Consumer goods</i>		
	781,9		196,8		
Republic of Uzbekistan					
	<i>Industrial products</i>	<i>Consumer goods</i>		<i>Industrial products</i>	<i>Consumer goods</i>
	689,8	91,8		321,4	229,9
Rep. of Karakalpakstan		Samarkand			
	<i>Industrial products</i>	<i>Consumer goods</i>		<i>Industrial products</i>	<i>Consumer goods</i>
	279,1	151,2		143,5	45,3
Andijan		Surkhandarya			
	<i>Industrial products</i>	<i>Consumer goods</i>		<i>Industrial products</i>	<i>Consumer goods</i>
	658,3	260,2		858,3	240,5
Bukhara		Syrdarya			
	<i>Industrial products</i>	<i>Consumer goods</i>		<i>Industrial products</i>	<i>Consumer goods</i>
	291,6	111,1		1716,1	302,5
Jizzakh		Tashkent			
	<i>Industrial products</i>	<i>Consumer goods</i>		<i>Industrial products</i>	<i>Consumer goods</i>
	436,4	95,0		363,3	132,6
Kashkadarya		Fergana			
	<i>Industrial products</i>	<i>Consumer goods</i>		<i>Industrial products</i>	<i>Consumer goods</i>
	5742,6	254,5		427,4	244,7
Navoi		Khorezm			
	<i>Industrial products</i>	<i>Consumer goods</i>		<i>Industrial products</i>	<i>Consumer goods</i>
	279,8	139,0		1504,9	427,8
Namangan		Tashkent city			

Small business contribution to industrial production

for January 2021, in %

During the reporting period, small businesses produced goods worth 5.5 trillion soums, the share of which in the total production volume was 20.5%.

In terms of regions, the largest share of small business was observed in Jizzakh region (60.5% of the total industrial volume of the region), Andijan (48.6%), Fergana (42.9%), Samarkand (42.8%), and Surkhandarya (35.6%) regions.

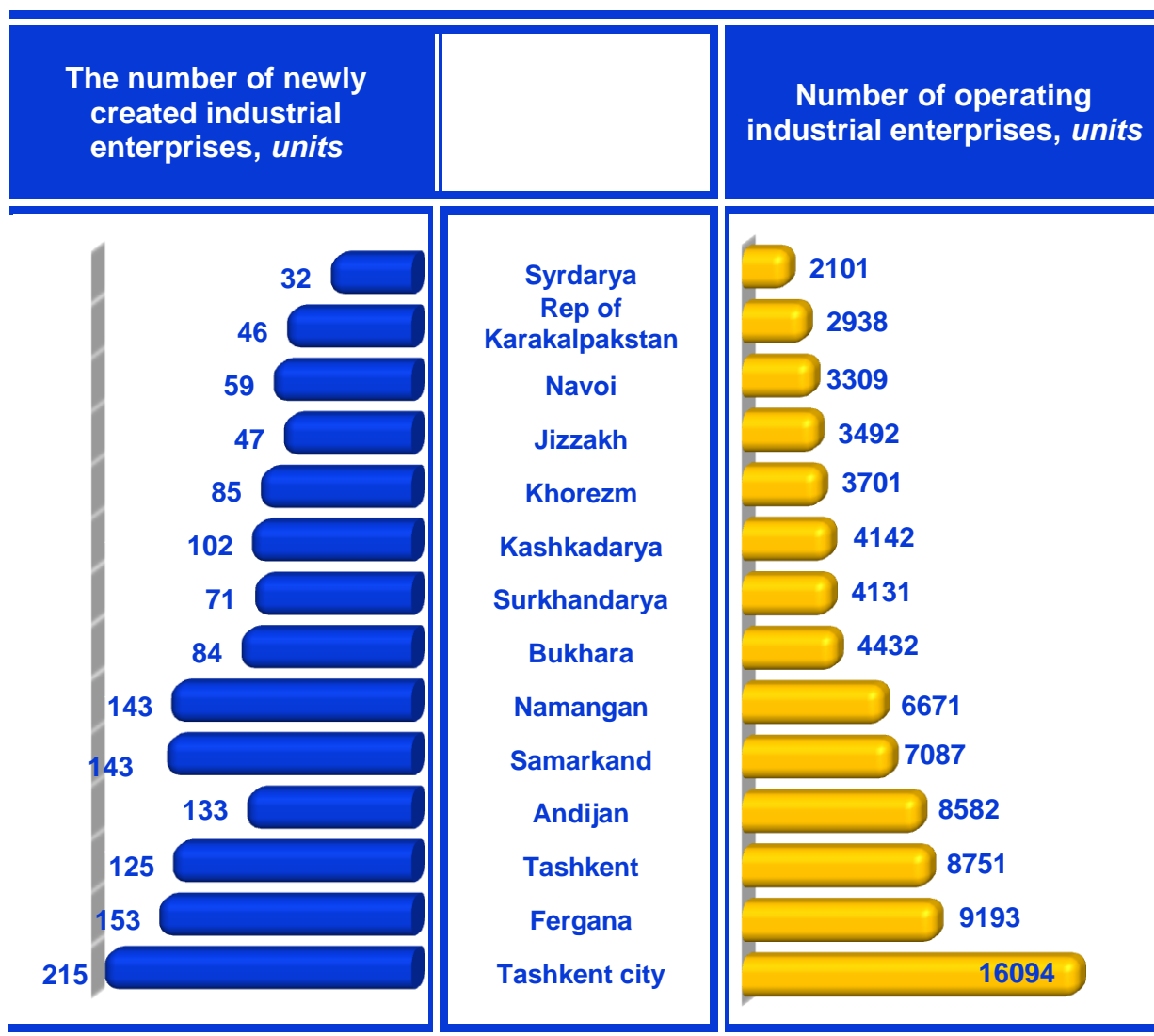


At the same time, the smallest share of small business was noted in Navoi (4.6%), Tashkent (15.1%) and Syrdarya (18.5%) regions, Tashkent city (19.5%), as well as in the Republic of Karakalpakstan (16.8%). Analysis of the structure of industrial production in the context of the regions of the republic showed that the low share of production of small businesses in the total volume of industry is explained by the significant volume of production of large industrial enterprises located in these regions.

Number of operating and newly created industrial enterprises

as of 1 February 2021

Nowadays, 84.6 thousand industrial enterprises operate in the republic, of which 16.1 thousand (19.0% of the total number of operating enterprises) are in Tashkent city, 9.2 thousand (10.9%) are in Fergana, 8.8 thousand (10.3%) - Tashkent, 8.6 thousand (10.1%) - Andijan, 7.1 thousand (8.4%) - Samarkand and 6.7 thousand (7, 9%) - Namangan region.



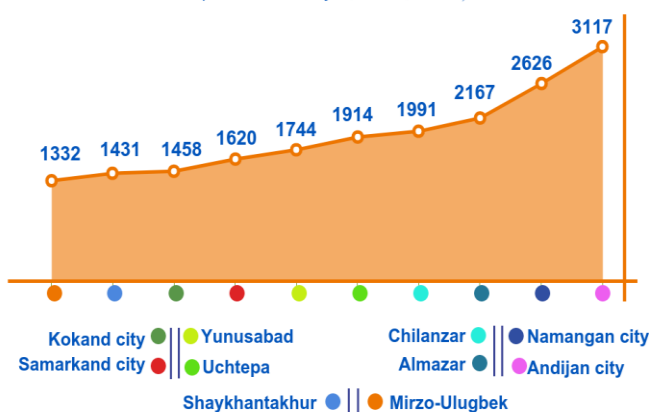
In January 2021, 1438 industrial enterprises were newly created in the republic, of which 153 (10.6% of the total number of newly created ones) are in the Fergana, 143 (9.9%) - Namangan, 143 (9.9%) Samarkand, 133 (9.2%) - Andijan region and 215 (15.0%) - Tashkent city.

Operating industrial enterprises in the context of cities and regions

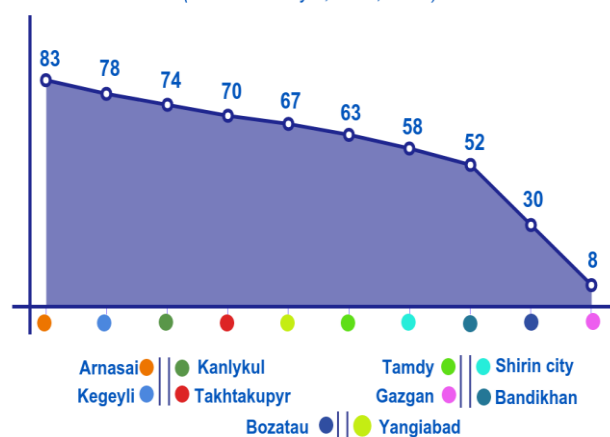
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Nowadays, the largest number of operating industrial enterprises are located in the cities of Andijan (3 117 units), Namangan (2 626 units), Samarkand (1 620 units), Kokand (1 458 units), as well as in the following districts of Tashkent city: Almazar (2 167 units), Chilanzar (1 991 units), Uchtepa (1914 units), Yunusabad (1 744 units), Shaikhantakhur (1 431 units) and Mirzo-Ulugbek (1 332 units).

**Cities and regions of the republic with the greatest
number of industrial enterprises**
(as of February 1, 2021, units)



**Cities and regions of the republic
with the least number of industrial enterprises**
(as of February 1, 2021, units)



As of February 1, 2021, the minimum number of operating industrial enterprises is located in the city of Shirin (58 units), Syrdarya region; Tamdy district (63 units), Navoi region; Arnasai (83 units) and Yangiabad (67 units) districts of Jizzakh region; Kegeili (78 units), Kanlykul (74 units), Takhtakupyr (70 units) and Bozatau (30 units) districts of the Republic of Karakalpakstan; Bandikhan district (52 units) of Surkhandarya region; in the city of Gazgan, Navoi region (8 units).