

Economy of the North



- The Industrial North:
- The North developed many different trades and businesses.
- The North became more industrial and urban.
- This led to the development of factories, mills, and cities.
- Northern manufacturing developed a capitalist, market economy
 - Businesses raised money from investors
- Immigrants came to the North for jobs in the cities and factories.



Hi-lite:

The main parts of the economy of the North.

Transportation in the North



- The North had big improvements in transportation.
- Northerners improved roads, expanded trains, and used fast ships on rivers and canals.
- Ships and trains used steam power.
- North moved goods and people quickly.



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Hi-lite:
Improvements in transportation
in the North?

Northern Society

- Many Northerners were still farmers.
- By the 1850s, more and more people were moving to cities and living an urban life.
- Northerners developed a middle class and a working class of people.
- North experienced big waves of immigration



Hi-lite:

What classes of people did the North develop?

The Economy of the South

- The Agrarian South:
- Southerners depended on agriculture.
- A small part of the population owned large plantations.
- Plantations relied on slave labor. Cotton became “King” after the invention of the Cotton Gin.
- Most southerners were small (yeoman) farmers.



Hi-lite:

What made cotton king?

Transportation of the South

- River travel was the main form of transportation in the South.
- Southerners built some rail lines.
- Port cities grew along the Southern rivers.



Hi-lite:

What was the main form of transportation in the South?

Southern Society

- A small group of wealthy plantation owners dominated Southern life.
- The majority of white southerners worked small farms and did not own slaves.
- Most African-Americans were slaves, but there was a small population of free black people.



Hi-lite:
What group dominated
southern life?