

Great Lakes Industrial Region of U.S.A.

Great Lakes Industrial Region

- ✓ Growth engine of North America
- ✓ 107 million population
- ✓ Great lakes manufacturing trends point to
 - Manufacturers leveraging technology,
 - Geographic advantages, and
 - An experienced **workforce** to drive growth
- \checkmark in the region, the nation, and around the globe.
- ✓ The 6 U.S. States

Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, And Wisconsin

that make up the great lakes region are an economic powerhouse.

- 30% of US-Canada economic activity takes place here
- More than 1/2 of US-Canada border trade happens
- > Over **200 million tons of cargo** are shipped annually
- The Great Lakes region is a hotbed for innovation with both sides of the border receiving healthy amount of research and development funding
- The area is home to some of the world's leading educational institutions in 2015-16, 18 of the top 100 universities in the world could be found in the Great Lakes region
- \$278 billion in bilateral US-Canadian trade (2015) in the Great Lakes area

more than the region trades with Mexico, China, UK, Germany and Japan combined



Geography

- ✓ Lake **Superior**, Lake **Michigan**, Lake **Huron**, Lake **Erie**, and Lake **Ontario**, form the <u>Great Lakes</u>,
- The largest group of freshwater lakes in the world: about 20% of all the earth's fresh water
- Several other minor lakes and rivers are also included in the Great Lakes region including the Niagra River, Detroit River, St. Lawrence River, St. Marys River, and the Georgian Bay.
- ✓ There are 35,000 islands estimated to be located on the Great Lakes, created by glacial activity.







The Formation of The Great Lakes

- ✓ The Great Lakes Basin (the Great Lakes and the surrounding area) began to form about 2 billion years ago almost two-thirds the age of the earth.
- ✓ About **2 million years ago**, it was **glaciers that advanced** over and back across the land.
- ✓ The glaciers were upwards of 6,500 feet thick and further depressed the Great Lakes Basin.
- ✓ When the glaciers finally retreated and melted approximately 15,000 years ago, massive quantities of water were left behind.

It is these glacier waters that form the Great Lakes today

- Many glacial features are still visible on the Great Lakes Basin today in the form of "glacial drift," groups of sand, silt, clay and other unorganized debris deposited by a glacier.
- ✓ Moraines, till plains, drumlins, and eskers are some of the most common features that remain.

The Industrial Great Lakes

- ✓ Today, 200 million tons a year are transported using this waterway.
- Major cargoes include iron ore (and other mine products), iron and steel, agriculture, and manufactured goods.
- ✓ The Great Lakes Basin also is home to 25%, and 7% of Canadian and U.S. agricultural production, respectively.
- Cargo ships are aided by the system of canals and locks built on and between the lakes and rivers of the Great Lakes Basin. The two major sets of locks and canals are:

1) **The Great Lakes Seaway,** consisting of the Welland Canal and the Soo Locks, allowing ships to pass by the Niagra Falls and the rapids of the St. Marys River.

2) **The St. Lawrence Seaway**, extending from Montreal to Lake Erie, connecting the Great Lakes to the Atlantic Ocean.

There are around **65 ports** located on Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Seaway system. 15 are international and include: Burns Harbor at Portage, Detroit, Duluth-Superior, Hamilton, Lorain, Milwaukee, Montreal, Ogdensburg, Oswego, Quebec, Sept-Iles, Thunder Bay, Toledo, Toronto, Valleyfield, and Port Windsor.

The Economy

- The value of the extensive **forests** and **fertile land** in the region was soon realized, and lumbering and agriculture became important.
- Large coalfields and deposits of iron, copper, salt, limestone, and other minerals were found along or near the extensive shorelines.
- The combination of these vast resources with a plentiful water supply naturally favored the development of huge industries and large metropolitan areas around the Great Lakes.
- Major **urbanized areas** include a band that extends from

<u>Milwaukee</u>, Wisconsin, through <u>Chicago</u> and around southern Lake Michigan; a band that stretches southward from <u>Detroit</u>, Michigan, and then continues along the southern shore of Lake Erie; and the Toronto-Hamilton area on the northern shore of <u>Lake Ontario</u>.



In fact if it were a country, it would be the <u>3rd</u> <u>largest in the</u> world by GDP





Resources

- The ranges around Lake Superior—such as the Mesabi in Minnesota and the Marquette in Michigan—are a major source of iron ore for the United States.
- Peak production occurred in 1953, when almost 100 million net tons were produced.
- ✓ The large deposits of rich ores have since been depleted, but low-grade taconite ores are now efficiently processed into iron-ore pellets.
- Lake Superior's Keweenaw Peninsula was once a major source of copper; sources outside of the lakes are now relatively more important.
- ✓ **Hydroelectric** generating stations exist on the St. Marys, Niagara, and St. Lawrence rivers.
- ✓ Numerous coal- and nuclear-powered generating plants around the lakes utilize lake water for cooling.

Industrial Regions

- 8 major Industrial Regions of USA and Southern Canada are
- 1. Southern New England
- 2. Mid-Atlantic States
- 3. Pittsburgh-Lake Erie Region
- 4. Detroit Industrial Region

- 5. Lake Michigan Region
- 6. Southern Appalachian Region
- 7. Eastern Texas
- 8. Pacific Coastal Region

1. Pittsburgh-Lake Erie Region:

- The industry spreads northward up to <u>Shenango valley to Sharon</u>, up the Beaver-Mahoning valley to Youngstown and into Canton, Massillon, and other eastern Ohio towns.
- It also spreads down the Ohio River to Weirton, Steubenville, wheeling Huntington, Ashland, Ironton and Portsmouth and up the Miami valley to Middletown.
- > This is the region having greatest concentration of ferrous industries.
- This region accounts about 1/4th of ferrous and ferro-alloy products of the country.
- > The famous **Youngstown-Pittsburgh-Johnstown iron and steel triangle** is located in the region.
- The other steel-producing areas are: Wheeling, Cleveland, Louisville, Rookford, Flint, Steubenville and Detroit

1. Pittsburgh-Lake Erie Region:...

The other manufacturing centres engaged in diversified manufacturing activities are:

Chicago, Anderson, Midland, Iowa, St. Louis, Minneapolis

- Most of the iron and steel towns are spun in the vicinity of Pittsburgh, such as Mckeesport, Braddock, Carnegie, Homestead and Johnstown.
- > **Pittsburgh** also has the **largest glass industry** in the United States.
- Johntown, to the east of Pittsburgh, has a coal, iron and steel industry.
- Most of the ore comes from Lake Superior
- Cleveland, on Lake Erie, is noted for iron goods, electrical engineering and machineries.

2. Detroit Industrial Region:

- This is the greatest automobile manufacturing region of the USA, centered at **Detroit**.
- The city was at first a centre for wagon and carriage-making which later led to the assembly of automobiles in the region.
- > It is the **headquarters of several giant motor corporations** including

Ford, Chrysler, and General Motors

- Other locational advantages were the large market for cars in the Midwest, where other forms of transport, e.g., railways, were relatively poorly developed in the early 20th century; and the ease of transporting steel from Pittsburgh via Lake Erie.
- The automobile industry extends to many other towns around Detroit, e.g., Lansing, Flint, Jackson, Pontiac, Dearborn and Toledo
- Car assembly is linked with other branches of manufacture such as

tyre-making, electrical wires, glass, batteries, paints, polishes, alloyed steel, spare parts and components.

Other industries: motor vehicles, machinery, fabricated metals, machine tools and electronics.

3. Lake Michigan Region:

- This area lies on the southern shores of Lake Michigan with
 Chicago (second largest city in the United States) as a main
 centre.
- ✓ There are some 10,000 factories in and around Chicago, amongst which the iron and steel plants are the most important.
- The manufacturing industries around Lake Michigan are confined largely to Chicago and Gary where iron ore of the Lake Superior and of north meets coal from the south.
- Railways from the north-west are obliged to pass through it in rounding Lake Michigan to reach the Atlantic

3. Lake Michigan Region:...

- Chicago concentrates on motor vehicles and trucks, cement, chemicals, iron and steel goods, furniture, paper, cereal, baby food and pharmaceuticals.
- ✓ Other industries are based on the agricultural products of the surrounding regions, e.g., meat-packing, grain milling and the making of agricultural implements and machinery.
- ✓ **Gary** is another important for **iron and steel production**.
- Closely associated with the Chicago metropolitan area are such urban centres as Milwankee, Racine and Kenosha with their extensive iron and steel, motor vehicle, beverage, machinery, meat packing, leather and leather goods establishments.



INDUSTRIAL REGIONS

• USA

• Ruhr

- Ukraine
- Japan

Region at a Glance

- Location: Germany, North of *Westphalia* province
- Geographical extension: North South: 65 km ; East-west : 120 km

It is situated in the **middle of the European industrial belt**. (The location of the region makes it well connected to other major European cities and metropolitan areas like the *Randstad*, the *Flemish Diamond* and the *Frankfurt Rhine Main* Region.)

The region is bordered by the rivers:

The *Ruhr* –to the *South*: The *Rhine*- to the *West*, and *Lippe*- to the *North*

Minor Rivers: Emscher, Ennepe, Volme, Wupper

- **Proximity to** West German's only source of **iron ore**
- The largest German industrial region Germany has four major industrial regions :
- **1.** The Rhine Ruhr region
- 2. The Central German region
- **3.** Southern Saxony Region
- 4. The middle Rhine region

- Water source often promoted textile industry, small streams fostered metallurgical industry, and coalfield and iron ores were critical to the great industrial development.
- **Coalfield distribution** substantially contributed to the industrial pattern in the Ruhr area. Coal near the south was **near the surface** and thus very easy to mine. In contrast, coal to the north went deeper under the ground and was hard to obtain, but it contained more volatile components and thus had more usage than the southern coal.
- The fact that mining the **northern coal of high quality** needed more refined and developed technology induced the northward stride of the industrial center point in the Ruhr area throughout the nineteenth century.
- Geologically, the region is defined by coal-bearing layers from the upper Carboniferous period. The coal seams reach the surface in a strip along the river Ruhr and dip downward from the river to the north. Beneath the Lippe, the coal seams lie at a depth of 600 to 800 metres (2,000 to 2,600 feet). The thickness of the coal layers ranges from one to three metres (three to ten feet). This geological feature played a decisive role in the development of coal mining in the Ruhr.
- The coal mines of the region are considered to be **one of the largest coal mines in the world**. The **coal belt** to the east and west of Ruhr river extends **65 km in length** and **16 km in width**.

- Marked by large concentration of cities it is the largest metropolitan region in Germany with over 10 million inhabitants.
- Industrial region is dotted with Iron and steel works, Locomotives, Chemical plants and factories for manufacturing equipment for mines and steel mills.
- *Dinsburg* is the *leading Rhine port* and the **largest inland port** of Europe.
- Natural resources such as coal, iron ore and limestone enabled the iron and steel industry to flourish in the Ruhr.
- The **chemical** and **textile** industries also grew due to **good transport links** and available workforce.
- The area developed industrially in the **1930s and 1940s** to supply arms for Germany.





- It has extensive high-grade deposits of coking coal. Estimated <u>reserves- 42 billion</u> <u>tonnes</u> of coal.
- The region accounts for roughly 15% of the GDP of the German economy, which would place it as the 4th largest GDP of metropolitan area in the European Union and the 16th largest GDP in the world.
- It is one of the world's 10 largest economic regions.
- Iron and steel manufacturing has concentrated in the Rhine—Ruhr Valley because of proximity to large coalfields. Access to iron and steel production stimulated the location of other heavy-metal industries, such as locomotives, machinery, and armaments.

Major Industries

- **Iron and Steel**
- slides by Urmi **Heavy Engineering**
- **Machines**
- Chemicals

- **Textiles** Automobiles
 - **Locomotives**

Major Industrial Centres

- Major : Dusseldorf, Essen & Cologne are by far the largest economic centers.
- Other major economic centers are **Bonn** and **Dortmund**.
- Other Centres:

Barmen, Bochum, Dinslaken, Duisburg, Elberfeld, Gelsenkirchen, Hagen, Hamm, Hattingen, Hörde, Krefeld, Müheim/ Ruhr, Oberhausen, Recklinghausen, Remscheid, Ruhrort, Solingen, Sprockhövel, Wesel, Wetter, Witten

- The main industrial area lies to the north of Ruhr river from <u>Duisberg to Dortmund.</u>
- Essen, Bochum, Gelsenkirchen, Dusseldorf, Duisberg and Dortmund are major spots producing Heavy engineering, rail engines, trains, automobiles, machines, cranes, bulldozer, steel products.
- Hagen, Remscheid and Solingen are famous for the manufacturing of scientific instruments and armaments.
- Mülheim, Ruhrort, and Duisburg thrived as port cities due to their suitable positions near the Rhine and the Ruhr

- It is neighbored by regions engaged in **Textiles**, **Machines** and **Metallic** industries in the *south-west* and *north-west*.
- Heavy engineering industries are situated in iron and steel producing areas.
 (Dusseldorf, Bochum, Dortmund, Duisburg, Essen, Hagen, Oberhausen)
- Chemical industries are associated with coking coal regions. (Essen, Dortmund, Bochum, Duisburg, Gelsenkirchen & Recklinghausen)
- Textile industries are established in the southern and western part of the region in Wuppertal, Seizberg, Reader Colonge, Monchengladbach, Dormagen & Krefeld areas.



Major Centres In Brief

Dortmund:

- The favorable situation of the town in the center of the **Westphalian coal basin** and extensive beds of iron ore in the vicinity, made it the leading industrial city in the region
- Improved transportation system gave further advantage to the location of the town. The Köln-Mindener Railroad opened in 1847 to connect Düsseldorf, Duisburg, Oberhausen, Dortmund, Hamm, and Minden. The Bergisch-Märkische Railroad was soon built and went through Düsseldorf, Elberfeld, Hagen, Witten, and Dortmund.
- In 1877, as the importance of overseas ore increased, plan for the canal construction from Dortmund to the river Ems was suggested and was executed within 10 years.
- With two flourishing steel works, *Dortmunder Union* and *Hoesch*, Dortmund showed relatively varied industrial structure in comparison with Essen and Bochum.

Duisburg:

• Throughout the nineteenth century, diverse industries were set up and flourished in Duisburg and aided its industrial growth.

Düsseldorf:

- It is one of the **most important steel-using centers**.
- **Riverside location** and **favorable railroad connection** functioned as advantages.
- It is the major **banking center** of the Westphalian coal and iron trade
- It has cotton spinning, weaving, calico printing, yarn-spinning, dyeing and other various industries as well as iron industries.
- With Duisburg, it functioned as the western hub of transportation of the Ruhr area.

Essen:

- Abundance of coking coal of high economic value in the Essen basin.
- It is a **center of steelmaking and steel-using**.
- Situated at the **center of the railway network**, it has access to various Westphalian iron and coal fields. **The large iron and coal fields of the Essen basin has contributed to Essen's great prosperity**.

TRANSPORTATION

- Canals and rivers such as the Rhine are used for **transport and power**. The Rhine River is Europe's most important inland waterway.
- Transport networks in the Rhine-Ruhr region are **dense** and **effective**.
- **Dusseldorf** has the **highest highway and rail density** in Europe. \checkmark
- **Dortmund** is home to the **largest canal port in Europe**, and **Duisburg** is the **largest inland river** \checkmark **port** in Europe
- The area has *four international commercial airports*, and multiple smaller aerodromes for general \checkmark by aviation
 - **1. Düsseldorf Airport**
 - 2.Cologne Bonn Airport
 - 3. Dortmund Airport &
 - 4. Weeze Airport
- North Rhine-Westphalia has the *densest network of Autobahns* in Germany. \checkmark
- **Duisburg Port**(Duisport) and **Dortmund Port** are **large industrial inland ports** and serve as hubs along the Rhine and the German inland water transport system \checkmark
- Well developed **Public transportation** network \checkmark

Factors Associated with the Development of The Ruhr Industrial Region: A Summary

- 1. Ruhr basin has the **largest reserves of coking coal** in the Europe. (Four in Germany: Ruhr, Sarr, Saxony & Silesia)
- 2. It is situated in the middle of the European industrial belt.
- **3. Densest, effective** and **cheap inland** (rivers and canals) **waterways** is the key transportation factor.

Sea ports provide the international market outlet for the region.

- 4. The region has fertile lands for **agriculture** in the **north** and **dense forest** in the **south** providing great opportunity to obtain **raw materials** from them.
- 5. Iron-ore is imported from Sweden, Lorraine, Spain, Algeria, Tunisia, etc.
- 6. Cotton, wool and raw fiber is also exported.
- 7. Technology: **Deep-cast coal mining** and **shaft mining** promoted the northward progression of the mining industry and brought light to the northern cities.



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Industrial Region: Ukraine

Location: East of Europe,

It lies to the north-west of **Black Sea**, with **Russia** to the East, **Belarus** to the north, Poland to the north-west, Slovakia & Hungary to the west, and Romania to the mi sharma south-west.

Population: 42.5 million

- The industrial setup **started after 1870**
- It is a renowned Iron & Steel producing region
- It lies in <u>close proximity to oil producing centres</u> : **Baku, Grozny, Maykop**, etc.
- It is the densest populous region of Erstwhile U.S.S.R. (availability of skilled labour and large market)


Region at a Glance

- Ukraine was the biggest coal and metallurgical base of Erstwhile U.S.S.R. along with major source of its food supply.
- Ukraine is relatively rich in natural resources, particularly in mineral deposits.
 Although oil and natural gas reserves in the country are largely exhausted, it has other important energy sources, such as coal, hydroelectricity and nuclear fuel raw materials.
- Coal from Donets field & Iron-ore from Kryvyi Rog has made possible the development of a large ferrous metallurgical industry in the Ukraine
- Natural resources:

Iron ore, Coal, Manganese, Natural Gas, Oil, Salt Sulphur, Graphite, Titanium, Magnesium, Kaolin, Nickel, Mercury, Timber and abundance of arable land

The large part of the Ukraine's chemical industry is engaged in the manufacture of fertilizers due to availability of salts and phosphate.

Region at a Glance...

Energy:

The energy demand of the region is fulfilled by **electric stations** built under the **five year plan.** However, Ukraine <u>imports most energy supplies</u>, especially *oil* and *natural gas.* It also depends largely on Russia for its energy supplier.

25% of the natural gas in Ukraine comes from internal sources
35% comes from Russia

40 % from **Central Asia** through transit routes that Russia controls.

Region at a Glance...

Transportation:

Of particular importance for Ukraine's economy was the construction of **railroads** during the **1870s and 1880s**.

It brought many benefits through **low-cost transportation**. Cheaper coal from the **Donbass** and **iron ore** from the **Krivi Rog Iron-ore Basin** led to phenomenal growth in ferrous metallurgy and related industries. (*Raw-material*)

Cheaper transport also stimulated **exports of grain**, other agricultural products and various **industrial products (sugar, spirits, coal, rails)**.

Railroad expansion gave impetus to industries <u>ancillary to railroad construction</u>.

Rail transport in Ukraine connects all major **urban areas**, **port facilities** and **industrial centres** with neighboring countries.

The heaviest concentration of railway track is the Donbass region.

Dnieper, Sever sky Donets, Dniester, Southern Bug rivers provide cheap water transportation





Major Industrial Areas

- 1. <u>Donbass area:</u>
 - Metallic industries and machine manufacturing industries and large number of their factories
 - Luhansk & Kramatorsk: World known machine industry
 - Volgograd: World known tractor manufacturing
 - Donetsk : Steel, machines and machine tools production
 - Other: Makeyevka, Voroshilov, Voroshilovgrad
 - Production of : heavy industries, railway tracks, steel sheets, iron blocks, bulldozers, cranes, agriculture machinery, etc.

2. Dnieper area:

- Dneprodzerzhinsk,
- Dnipropetrovsk,

- Dneproges,
- Kirovograd

- Zaporozhia,
- Various hydroelectricity power plants have been established by constructing dams on Dnieper river.
- Four major manufacturing centres based on these hydro-power plants are:
 - 1. Dneprodzerzhinsk s
 - 2. Dnipropetrovsk
 - 3. Zaporozhia,
 - 4. Dneproges
- Major industries: Aluminum, Steel, Chemicals, Machine Tools

3. Kryvyi Rog area:
Iron-ore region extended from Kryvyi Rog to Nikolay

Large scale steel mills and cotton textile mills occupies the industrial landscape

 Nikolay & Odessa : Agriculture Machinery, Textiles & Ship Building.

- 4. Azov sea coastal region: (Mariupol)
 - Major centres: Rostov, Zhdanov, Taganrog, Berdyansk, Krasnodar & Kerch Major industries:
 - Steel, Metallurgical, Machines, Equipment, Electric Products, Scientific Instruments, Chemical and Sugar
 - Urmi sharma Rostov, Simferopol & Sevastopol: Ship Building

5. Kiev-Kharkov region:

Centres: Kiev, Kharkov, Lvov, Poltava, Chernigov, Piryatin

- Cotton & Woolen Textiles
- **Electric Products**
- Scientific Instruments
- Chemical

- Sugar
- Watches
- Pesticides
- Medicines

Three minor industrial region:

- Krivi Rog to Voroshilovgrad: It posses maximum number of industries. This eastern portion of the Ukraine has major concentration of industrial setup: 95% iron-steel production and metallurgical products ; 75% cement, chemicals, building material, glass, etc. 1. 2. West of Dnieper river

 - 3. Near Black Sea from Odessa to Kherson

Industries of the region

- Iron & Steel
- **Ferrous Metallurgy** ۲
- **Machine Building**
- **Non-ferrous Metallurgy**
- **Electric Power**
- **The Fuel Industry**
- **The Chemical Industry**
- **The Petrochemical Industry**
- **The Metalworking Industry**
- **The Lumber Industry**
- **The Woodworking Industry**
- **The Paper Industry**

- **The Construction Industry**
- **The Building-materials** Industry
 - **The Glass Industry**
 - **Light Industry**
- **The Food Industry**
- w Urmi Sharm **The Microbiological Industry**
 - **The Medical Technology** Industry
 - **Flour Milling**
 - The Mixed-feed Industry And
 - **The Printing Industry**



Industrial Regions

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Geography

Location:

- An island nation
- Area: 3,77,801 sq. km (*11.5% of India*)

(Rajasthan is 10.4% of India: 3,42,239 sq. km)

- Consists of 6,852 islands
- Four main island in **north to south** sequence is :
 - Hokkaido 1.
 - Honshu 2.
 - Kyushu 3.
 - Shikoku 4.
- Tides by Urmi Sharma It is surrounded by **Sea of Japan** (East Sea) in the **west**, **Sea of Okhotsk** in the **north-west** and **North Pacific Ocean** in **the south-east**.
- **Neighboring countries**: North & South Korea, China
- It is situated on the 'Pacific ring of fire' with more than 50 active volcanoes
- The country is prone to large number of **frequent earthquakes**





Topography:

- **75 %** mountainous region
- 16 % plain area (mainly in the form of coastal plains)
- 70 % area of Japan is covered with **dense forest**

Population:

- 128 million (2010) (8th most populous nation)
- Density: 340 persons per sq. km (India: 382 persons per sq. km)
- Urban population: Japan has a high population concentration in urban areas (around 91% of it's total population lives in cities.) (*India: 31.16%*)
 - 25% population is engaged in **Industrial sector**
 - 70% in Service sector
 - Only **5% of labor force** working in **agricultural sector**

Percentage of Population Engaged in Various Economic Activities



Economic overview:

- It is world known as an **industrial** and **developed** country.
- The first country of Asia to develop to the levels of European countries in technological advancements.
- Th economy is mainly **market oriented** and **manufacturing** based. The industrial landscape has a long tradition of development in Japan.
- It is the third-largest in the world by nominal GDP

(USA > China > Japan > Germany > India) and the world's second largest developed economy (*after USA*). (*source: IMF outlook October, 2018*)

Economic overview...

- The traditional handicrafts and textile industry marks the first industrial setup in Japan.
- The traditional handicraft (silk clothes, clay utensils & toys,) industry were in a well-developed status became the base for the industrial development of Japan in 1870.
- The industrial output when extended to large scale production were exported to the international markets and traded for different products.
- Textile industry mainly flourished on <u>large scale with the establishments of the big</u> <u>textile mills.</u>

- The industrial boost was observed during the 2nd World War (1930) where heavy industries in the industrial scenario of Japan evolved.
- Despite its dependence on Iron and coal imports from outside world, Japan accounted for 105.15 million metric tons of the global production of crude steel (2015) in the world, ranking second after China.
- Production of steel is mainly centralized around city ports such as Kobe-Osaka, Himeji and Tokyo-Yokohama to facilitate shipping of exports and importation of raw materials. slides by Umi

Transportation:

- Japan's transport system is highly developed, with road and rail networks covering virtually every part of the country together with extensive air and sea services.
- Shinkansen, or Bullet trains (250-300 km per hour) are the fastest and safest railroad systems in the world.



Major industries:

- Japan has the most diversified manufacturing industry sector with various advanced industries which are exceedingly successful.
- The **manufacturing** accounts for the **24% of the country's GDP**.
- It is the third largest manufacturer of Automobile. (Europe > Japan > USA)
- It has the **largest electronics and goods industries** where it has consistently ranked among the top countries.

Major export industries:

Automobiles (Toyota, Honda, Nissan, Suzuki, Mazda, Mitsubishi, Isuzu, Yamaha, Kawasaki etc.)

Toyota is currently the world largest car maker

- Consumer Electronics, Computers, Semiconductors, Copper, Iron and Steel.
- Japan dominated **shipbuilding** for long earlier (replaced by South Korea in 2004)
- Other industries: **Petrochemicals, Biotechnology & Pharmaceuticals**

Industrial Region: Japan

There are four leading industrial regions of Japan:

- 1. Kwanto region: Tokyo-Yokohama-Kawasaki
- 2. Kinky region or Osaka, Kobe and Kyoto Region
- Nagoya region
 Northern Kyushu Region

Other: Southern Hokkaido & Sendai region





The reasons of rapid industrial growth in Japan are:

- 1. Availability of **hydroelectric power**.
- 2. Coastal location and large ports which helps in import of raw material and also in export.
- Proximity to mainland of Asia providing a ready market. Japan also has a worldwide market for its products.
- 4. Country's large population provides a ready source of **skilled labour**.

5. <u>Technological development</u>

6. Government:

Since World War 2nd the state intervention and control over industries increased. The

iron & steel, **petroleum refinery** and **ship building** were brought under strict control of the government.





Examples of Small and Medium Hydroelectric Power Plants

- 1. Kwanto region (Tokyo-Yokohama Region):
- Situated on the *Honshu island*, Kwanto plains and the eastern coast of Japan comprises the greatest industrial area.
- The raw material, coal and petroleum for the industries are *imported from different* countries.

Iron-ore from: **Philippines**, **Malaysia**, **Indonesia**, **India & Australia Coal: Australia** and **USA**

Petroleum and **Natural Gas: South-west Asia** and **Indonesia**

Food demand of the region is also met by large imports.

- It is formed by the *conurbation of three chief cities*
 - 1. Tokyo
 - 2. Kawasaki
 - 3. Yokohama



Tokyo:

- The capital of the country and the most urbanized city in the world (2019)(38 million) (Delhi NCR: 3rd Largest 28 million)
- It is favorably **situated in the middle of a small fertile plain known as** *Kwanto plain*
- Carries on many artistic industries.
- It is noted for electrical engineering such as transistors, radio television sets, washing machines, refrigerators and computers.
- It also ranks high in blast furnaces, steel mills, machines and tools, chemicals, refineries, shipbuilding, airplane, factories of consumer goods, electrical machinery, textile and canning industries, etc.

Yokohama:

- It is a **port city** where **manufacturing has been overshadowed by trade**.
- One reason for the slower development of industry has been restricted area of level land suitable for the expansion of factory sites.
- It has Precision Engineering, Shipbuilding, Oil Refining, Petrochemicals and Port Industries.

Kawasaki:

 Its Heavy Industries Ltd. is Japan's top manufacturer of industrial robots. Though about 90 per cent of robots it makes at present are arc welders for sale to car manufacturers. It will be placing heavier emphasis from now on to the output of robots for other purposes, such as spray painting and assembling.





Shipbuilding

Oil Refining



- 2. Kinky region or Osaka, Kobe and Kyoto Region:
- In the Hanshin or Kinki region (Honshu island) are three of the Japan's six great cities
 - Osaka, Kobe and Kyoto.
- *Osaka* and *Kobe* are the **great deep-water ports**.
- The manufacturing structure of the Hanshin region is one of great diversity. (*Textiles* & *Shipbuilding*)
- Until recently at least, textiles lead all other industries.
 The cotton industry is carried on chiefly at Osaka and other towns in the fertile plain that borders the northern shore of the inland sea.
- Osaka is the greatest cotton-textile town and is generally known as the Manchester of Japan.
- The naturally **dense population** makes **labour cheap**, and affords a **good market**.

- The Osaka-Kobe industrial region
 is as smoky, noisy and unattractive
 in appearance as are most regions
 of heavy industry.
- Kobe is the busiest port of Japan.
 It concentrates on Shipbuilding,
 Oil Refining, Petrochemical
 Industries Including Synthetic
 Textile and Rubber
 Manufacture.
- Kyoto is also known as the "City of small workshops"





3. The Nagoya Industrial Region:

- Nagoya and Takayama are the major textile centres.
- Nagoya also process local silk, imported cotton and Synthetic Fibres;
 Engineering Industries, including all kinds of Machinery,
 Automobiles, Locomotives and Aircraft.
- Textile, including silk reeling, cotton spinning, cotton weaving and wool weaving lead all other industries.
- Much of Nagoya's woolen industry is relatively new and Australian wool is chiefly used.
- It is also one of the **country's foremost aircraft manufacturing centres.**

4. Northern Kyushu Region:

- This industrial region is located close to the south-western limit of the general manufacturing belt in northern Kyushu.
- Credited with **50 % steel production** of Japan.

It the chief steel supply centre for industrial regions of Japan

- *Chikuho* coalfield is situated in close proximity of this heavy industrial centre.
- Textiles are not an important element of the industrial structure of this region;
 of first importance are the heavy industries, especially iron and steel
 manufacturing.
- Other industries: Ship Building, Cement, Chemicals, Glass, etc.
- Yumata, Kokura, Moji, Fukuoka are the industrial centre of this region.

Outside the above four major industrial regions there are several scattered industrial towns-

Iron and steel: Muroran

Oil refining is important: Akita and Niligata

Engineering: Hiroshima

Shipbuilding: **Kure**

Textiles: Okayama

Hakodate and Sapporo in Hokkaido