XV. DOMESTIC TRADE

Information on all indicators for economic units in state and cooperative sectors as well as for firms belonging to political and religious organizations have been compiled by regular comprehensive statistical surveys of units dealing with trade activity. Data on private sector calculated on the basis of estimates are included too.

Data on persons employed in domestic trade, average wages and salaries, procurement of agricultural products cover only state and cooperative enterprises. Due to the structural changes in trade the number of these enterprises decrease continuously.

The storehouses for building materials, coal and firewood, without their area, are included in the number of shops for non-food.

Retail turnover includes sales of goods to households by retail trade, public catering, canteens, industrial enterprises and receipts of workshops rendering different industrial services, such as repair of cloths, shoes and others.

Sales to ministries, organizations and firms of goods, for current repair and other needs, by retail trade and public catering are included in retail turnover as well.

Data on catering turnover include sales to households by canteens belonging to different institutions, organizations and firms(excluding the canteens of rest houses) as well as the sales by pavilions run by catering establishments. Data on sales in public catering, by commodity groups in 1992 (table 11) include also the trade margin realized by trade establishments.

Since 1992 tobacco products are included in the turnover of foods and respectively are excluded from the turnover of non-foods.

The index numbers of turnover are calculated on the basis of the previous year prices. These are chain indices and are comparable with those for preceding years in respect of coverage.

The structure of retail turnover(table 6) is calculated on the basis of 1980 prices.

Per capita sales (table 12) are estimated using annual average population.

Data on commodity circulation show how many days the goods are held as inventories in trade enterprises from the moment they enter the inventories up to their realization.

Under procurement of agricultural products (table 15) are shown the quantities purchased directly from the producers (agricultural enterprises and private farms) for further sale, processing and export.

The agricultural products exported directly by the producers as well as products sold through the shops belonging to agricultural enterprises are excluded.