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1. Pravda of 11 January 1950 contains the official announcement of the election to the Supreme Soviet to be held on 12 March 1950. Since each population group of 300,000 in the Soviet Union is represented by one delegate, the number of election districts can be taken as a basis for a rough estimate of the 16 Union Republics (see Annex 1) and the 21 military districts (see Annex 2).

2. Paragraph 24 of the election directives reads as follows: "According to Paragraph 34 of the constitution the election to the Supreme Soviet is exercised by the citizens of the USSR within election districts which are established for every 300,000 of the population. One delegate to the Soviet of the Union is elected by each election district."

Paragraph 32 reads: "Military units of not less than 50 and not more than 3000 men eligible to vote form independent election groups. These election groups belong to that election district in which the military unit concerned is stationed."

3. There have been 671 election districts established. This number would correspond to a total population of 201,300,000. (Present estimate of this project: about 196,000,000). With population figures probably rounded up or off for each election district, this figure does not, however, offer a sound basis for manpower calculation. It must also be remembered that, except for some minor changes according to the postwar development, the Soviet Government is apparently still using population figures taken from the 1939 census.

Annex 1 and 2 may be helpful in determining the relative strength of the various republics and military districts. A comparison of the population figures of the 1950 election districts with those of the February 1946 election districts (entered into Annexes 1 and 2) indicates some interesting changes, such as:

- Increase of the Russian population in the Kaliningrad Oblast (East Prussia)
- Increase of the population in the 3 military districts of the Far East by about 1,000,000
- Increase within the Kazakh-SSR and the Armenian SSR.

Annexes: Lists of population figures according to election districts.

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Population of the Union Republics of the USSR according to Election Districts.

Republic	Component ASSR and/or Oblasts and Krai	Number of Election Districts for every 300,000 of population	Total Population According to 1950 Election Districts	Comparative Figures of 1940 Election
RSFSR	Oblasts and Krai	344	103,200,000	97,800,000
	Tannu-Tuva	1	300,000	150,000
	Bashkir ASSR	10	3,000,000	3,000,000
	Buryat-Mongol ASSR	2	600,000	600,000
	Dagestan ASSR	3	900,000	900,000
	Kabardin ASSR	1	300,000	300,000
	Komi ASSR	1	300,000	450,000
	Lari ASSR	2	600,000	600,000
	Mordov ASSR	4	1,200,000	1,200,000
	North-Osetian ASSR	1	300,000	450,000
	Tatar ASSR	10	3,000,000	2,850,000
	Udmurt ASSR	4	1,200,000	1,200,000
	Chuvash ASSR	4	1,200,000	1,050,000
	Yakutsk ASSR	1	300,000	450,000
	Total RSFSR		116,400,000	111,000,000

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Population of the USSR Military Districts according to Election Districts for the Election to the Soviet of the Union on 12 March 1950

Military District	Composition	Number of Election Districts	Total Population according to 1950 Election Districts	Comparative Figures of 1946 Election																																																																																																				
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Republic	Component USSR and/or Oblasts and Krai	Number of election districts for every 300,000 of population	Total population according to 1950 election districts	Comparative figures of 1950 election
Ukrainian SSR	25 Oblasts	136	40,800,000	40,800,000
White Russian SSR	12 Oblasts	31	9,300,000	9,300,000
Uzbek SSR	-	20	6,000,000	6,000,000
Kazakh SSR	-	22	6,600,000	6,600,000
Georgian "	-	12	3,600,000	3,600,000
Azerbaijani SSR	-	11	3,300,000	3,300,000
Lithuanian SSR	-	10	3,000,000	3,000,000
Czechoslovakian SSR	-	9	2,700,000	2,700,000
Latvian SSR	-	7	2,100,000	2,100,000
Kirgiz SSR	-	5	1,500,000	1,500,000
Tadzhik SSR	-	5	1,500,000	1,500,000
Armenian SSR	-	5	1,500,000	1,200,000
Turkmen SSR	-	4	1,200,000	1,200,000
Estonian "	-	4	1,200,000	1,200,000
Karelo-Finnish SSR	-	2	600,000	600,000
Total			144,900,000	144,000,000
Total of RSFSR			116,400,000	111,000,000
			201,300,000	195,000,000

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North Caucasus	Rostov	9		
	Krasnodar Krai	10		
	Stavropol Krai	6		
	Astrakhan	2		
	Stalin, rad	6	12,000,000	11,800,000
	Grozny	2		
	Dagestan ASSR	3		
	Kabardin ASSR	1		
North Ossetian ASSR	1			
Transcaucasus	Georgian SSR	12		
	Armenian SSR	5		
	Azerbaijan SSR	11	8,400,000	8,100,000
Odessa	Odessa	6		
	Izmail	2		
	Nikolaev	2	5,700,000	5,700,000
	Moldavian SSR	9		
Tauric	Crimea	4		
	Kherson	2	3,000,000	1,650,000 **
	Zaporozhe	5		
Turkestan	Uzbek SSR	20		
	Tadzhik SSR	5		
	Turkmen SSR	4	15,900,000	15,300,000
	Kirgiz SSR	5		
	Kazakh SSR	19		
(with the exception of the election Districts Aktyubinsk, Gurev, and Uralsk)				
Ural	Sverdlovsk	10		
	Molotov	8		
	Kirov	8	9,300,000	9,150,000
	Komi ASSR	1		
	Udmurt ASSR	4		
South-Ural	Chelyabinsk	7		
	Kurgan	3		
	Chkalov	6		
	Bashkir ASSR	10	8,700,000	8,700,000
	Kazakh SSR	3		
(Election Districts Aktyubinsk, Gurev and Uralsk)				
White-Sea	Murmansk	2		
	Karelo-Finnish SSR	2	1,200,000	1,050,000
Belorussian	Baranovichi	3		
	Dobruisk	3		
	Brest	3		
	Vitebsk	3		
	Gomel	3		
	Grodno	3	9,600,000	9,300,000
	Minsk	3		
	Mogilev	3		
	Molodechno	2		
	Pinsk	2		
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Volga	Saratov	8		
	Kuibyshev	6		
	Penza	5		
	Ulyanovsk	4	12,900,000	12,750,000
	Tatar ASSR	10		
	Mari ASSR	2		
	Mordov ASSR	4		
	Chuvash ASSR	4		
West-Siberia	Omsk	6		
	Novosibirsk	7		
	Kemerovo	8		
	Altai Krai	9	10,500,000	9,450,000
	Tomsk	2		
	Tyumen	3		
East-Siberia	Krasnoyarsk Krai	7		
	Irkutsk	4		
	Yakutsk ASSR	1	4,200,000	4,500,000
	Buryat-Mongol ASSR	1		
	Tannu-Tuva aut. Oblast	1		
Transbaikal-Amur	Chita	4		
	Amur	3	2,100,000	2,400,000 ***
Far East	Khabarovsk	5		
	Sakhalin	3	2,400,000	750,000 ***
Maritime	Maritime Krai	4	1,200,000	1,500,000 ***

* The population of the Baltic MD in the area of Kaliningrad increased by 300,000.

** The decrease in the population figures in the Kiev MD is caused by the fact that this project now assumes the Zaporozhe Oblast as belonging to the Tauric MD. For this reason the population of this oblast was included in that of the Tauric MD, which increased its population by 1,500,000.

*** Changes in population figures for the three military districts in the Far East, as compared with 1946 figures, are caused by administrative changes such as the establishment of the Amur Oblast and the incorporation in the Khabarovsk Krai of the northern part of the Maritime Krai (including Sovietskaya Gavan). The Far East MD may now include Khabarovsk Krai, Sakhalin Oblast and the Kuril Islands. Sovietskaya Gavan, being the terminus of the northern route of the Transsiberian railroad, is considered the main sea base of the Far East MD. Other changes in population figures may also have been caused by the forced settlement on Sakhalin and the Kuril Islands of people from the East Siberian MD.

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