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Social-economic profile For investment promotion



Soroca District

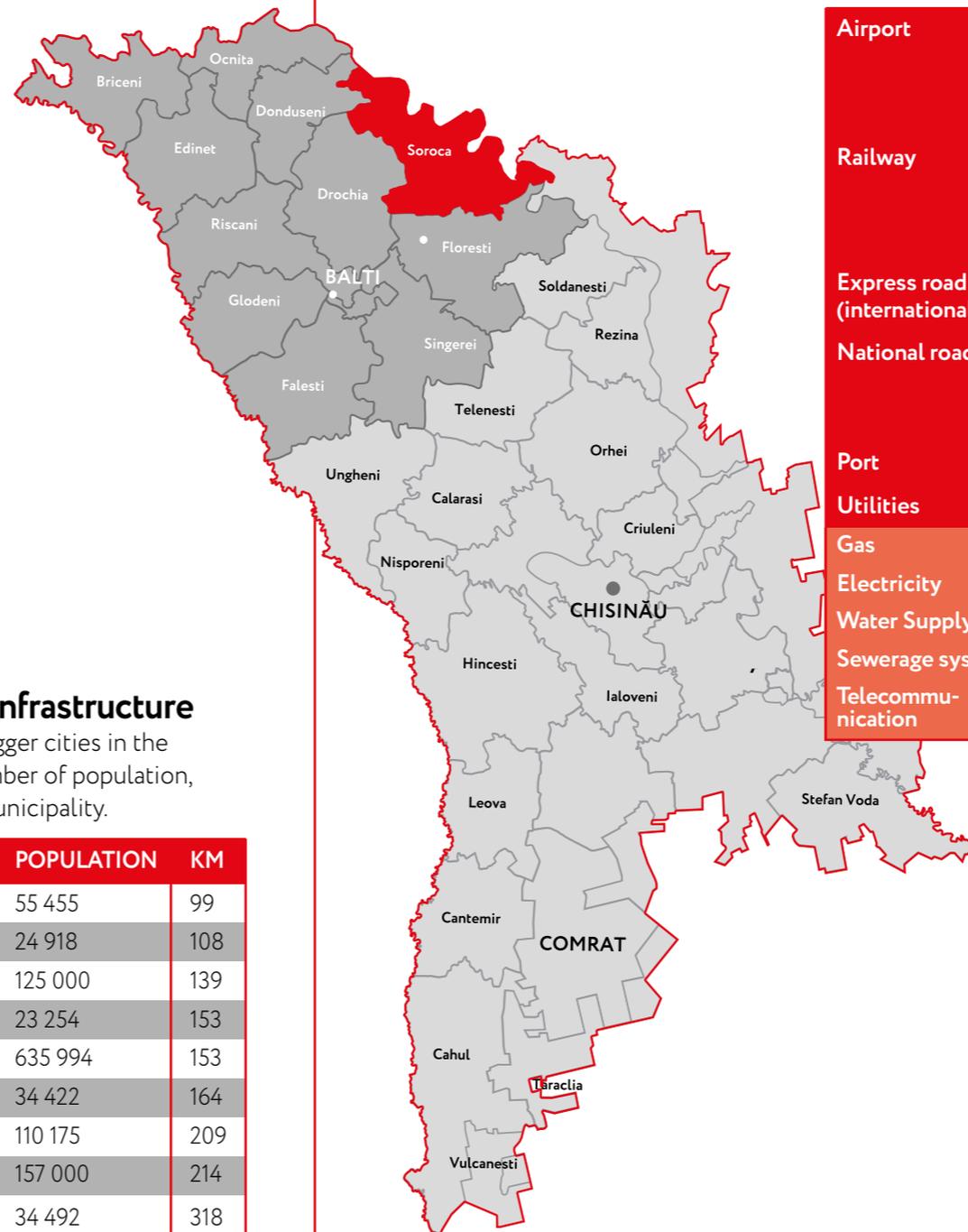


Coordinates (City Hall)	47° 57' 48"N, 27° 49' 50"E
District center	Soroca
Bordering districts	North-East – Ukraine; South – Florești; West – Drochia; North-west – Dondușeni;
Administrative Units	68 settlements, divided into 34 administrative-territorial units of level I: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 municipality Soroca; • 22 communes with 33 villages in composition; • 12 villages, which do not belong to any commune.
Resident population, 2018, regional share %	99 416 (10,2 %)
Present population, 1 January 2021, inhabitants	90 983
Land area total: area in km ² , regional share %	1 042,99 (representing 10.41 % of the total area of NDR)
Agricultural land	633,34
Localities lands	109,23
Forest Reserves (Forest lands and intended for environmental protection)	87,11
Industrial settlements and other uses (Land for industry, transport, communications and other special purposes)	10,47
Area covered by water	16,27
Rezerve fund	186,57
Natural resources	Aquatic resources: Rivers: The Nistru river (East) and tributaries Răut (63,3 km), Camenca (20.4 km), Serna (19.3 km) and Solnet (17 km). The surface waters occupy a total of 404 ha. Solid mineral resources used for construction purposes: the only one granite quarry in the Republic of Moldova, also the granite deposit (56 million tons), sand, gypsum resources, grit, cretaceous limestone. Soils: typical, cambric chernozems of the Balti Hilly Plain steppe, and grey forest soils.
Google map link	Map

Transport infrastructure

Proximity to bigger cities in the country by number of population, from Soroca municipality.

CITY NAME	POPULATION	KM
Râbnîța	55 455	99
Orhei	24 918	108
Bălți	125 000	139
Dubăsari	23 254	153
Chișinău	635 994	153
Ungheni	34 422	164
Tighina	110 175	209
Tiraspol	157 000	214
Cahul	34 492	318



Proximity to key transport routes, airports, and ports (distance from Soroca municipality, km)

Airport	1 70 km Bălți-Leadoveni International Airport , Râșcani (commercial cargo and chartered services) 2 45 km Free International Airport Mărculești , Florești (cargo) 3 165 km Chișinău International Airport (passenger/cargo)
Railway	No access to the railway station in the district. The closest stations are: 1. 42 km - Florești Railway stations; 2. 44 km - Drochia Railway stations;
Express road (international)	M2 – the Ring Road of Chișinău municipality Route: Chișinău-Orhei-Soroca- Cosăuți border with Ukraine
National roads	1 R7: Soroca – Drochia – Costești; 2 R6: Chișinău – Orhei – Bălți; 3 R14: R6 – Codrul Nou – Soroca – Unguri – border with Ukraine
Port	371 km Free International Giurgiulești Port
Utilities	
Gas	YES
Electricity	YES
Water Supply	YES
Sewerage system	YES
Telecommunication	YES

Distance to border crossing points, km

Type of BCP	Location	Distance, km	Border Crossing Point
Railway Crossing Points	North	82	Ocnița - Sokireanî (Ukraine)
	North	138	Larga (Briceni) - Kelmenți (Ukraine)
	North-East	57	Vălcineț - Mohyliv - Podilskyi (Ukraine)
	South	372	Giurgiulești - Reni (Ukraine)
	South	371	Giurgiulești - Galați (România)
	West	157	Ungheni - Iași (România)
	North-West	156	Criva - Mamaliga (Ukraine)
Road Crossing Points	North	57	Otaci - Mohyliv - Podilskyi (Ukraine)
	North	82	Ocnița - Sokireanî (Ukraine)
	North	138	Larga (Briceni) - Kelmenți (Ukraine)
	North	122	Briceni-Rossoșanî (Ukraine)
	South-East	244	Pervomaisc - Kuciurgan (Ukraine)
	South-East	281	Tudora - Starokazacie (Ukraine)
	South	372	Giurgiulești - Reni (Ukraine)
	South	371	Giurgiulești - Galați (România)
	West	103	Costești - Stâncă (Romania)
	West	141	Sculeni - Sculeni (Romania)
	West	208	Leușeni - Albița (Romania)
North-East	156	Criva - Mamaliga (Ukraine)	



Greenfield and brownfield locations. Short descriptions.

Free Economic Zones

Free Economic Zones

The Subzone Soroca a part of FEZ "Ungheni-Business" consists of two delimited areas, both located on the outskirts of the city on the ring road:

1. The Brownfield represents an unfinished construction (production building 19,000 m² on a land plot of 3,02 ha). It is connected to gas and electricity, having water and sewerage connection points in close proximity. The Brownfield is privately owned, situated on Cosăuțului 41 street, in Soroca.
2. The Greenfield, consisting of 2 land plots (10 and 7,6 ha), 1 km away from the Brownfield. It is a public property of Soroca municipality.

Immediate access to National Road M2 connecting Soroca district with capital Chișinău and leading up north to the road customs checkpoint with Ukraine (Otaci – Mogilev-Podolsky).

SUBZONE Soroca

Address: Str. Cosăuțului nr.41, Soroca, district Soroca

Total Area of the Subzone: 20,62 ha, 3 plots

Free available area: 20,62 ha

Investment Type: Greenfield and Brownfield

Legal status: Private and public property

Main Resident: -

Activities to be conducted: The industrial and logistic real estate development projects.

The others closest FEZ:

1. **45 km - The Mărculești Free International Airport Special Status Area (MFIA)** - airport with a dual-purpose airfield (military and civil) passenger and freight international transportation, is situated in Florești having a total area of 265 ha. The status of FEZ was established in 2008 for a period of 25 years.
Possible use (Destination): Providing ground handling services and air transport; wholesale trade, except for goods excluded from the civil circuit; industrial production of goods; processing agri-food production; sorting, packaging, marking and other similar operations with goods transited through the Free Airport.
Residents: State Enterprise "Mărculești International Airport", "Malaga Maintenance Centre", „Aim Air”, "Valan International Cargo Charter" Joint Venture LLC, „Aim Helicopter Plant”, „Aim Handling”, „Tehavia”, „Aeroport Service”, "Alanar-Grup".
2. **59 km - The free economic zone "Otaci-Business** from Otaci (Ocnița) was established in 1999 for a period of 25 years, on a 32,17ha area, consisting of 2 subzones, with 12 residents. The production potential is currently used only at the level of 10-30%.
Possible use (Destination): production of plastic packaging and the manufacture of garments, furniture manufacturing, foreign trade, wood and sand processing, biofuel production, etc.
Residents: ISC Steel Suct Structuri (manufacture of metal structures and carpentry for construction), AIK Petroleum (wholesale of solid, liquid and gaseous fuels and derived products), Trade Log (storage activities), SRL ZERATUS PRIM (Manufacture of crude oil products), UZINA EXPERIMENTALA SA REZONANTA (manufacture of builders' carpentry and joinery), BP RAFINARIE (wholesale of solid, liquid and gaseous fuels and derived products), SRL TERMOLEMN (sawmills and planing of wood), SRL ECOCHIM-GRUP (manufacture of other basic organic chemicals).
3. **69 km - Free Economic Zone Bălți (www.zelb.md) was established in 2010 for a period of 25 years. It hosts 78 residents in 18 subzones with a total area of circa 286,42 ha**, namely:
 1. Bălți Municipality (3 subzones – 104,9 ha);
 2. Strășeni Municipality (5 subzones – 56,5 ha);
 3. Căușeni City (8,5 ha);
 4. Orhei Municipality (8,0 ha);
 5. Cahul Municipality (2 subzones – 40,4 ha);
 6. Ștefan-Vodă City (8,9 ha);
 7. Cimișlia City (20,0 ha);
 8. Albinețul Vechi the Village (1,5 ha);
 9. Rezina City (8,7 ha);
 10. Chișinău Municipality (2 subzones – 18,0 ha);
 11. Pârâta village, Dubăsari district (11,02 ha).

The FEZ "Bălți" hosts relevant residents: such as Dräxlmaier Automotive, Gebauer & Griller, SEBN Sumitomo Electric Bordnetze, Sammy Cablaggi / Kablem, and Coroplast Harness Technology.



4. **154 km - Free Economic Zone Ungheni** – was created in 2002 for a 42 years period, consists 12 subzones with a total area of 145,2 ha (public and private owned) in:
1. Ungheni Municipality (4 subzones – 49,57 ha);
 2. Zagarancea village (2 subzones – 14,60 ha);
 3. Soroca Municipality (2 subzones – 20,62 ha);
 4. Hîncești Municipality (1,99 ha);
 5. Nisporeni city (2 subzones – 26,11 ha);
 6. Călărași City, Tuzara village (32,27 ha).
- Possible use (Destination):** industrial production; sorting, packing, marking and other similar operations with goods in transit; foreign trade; other auxiliary activities, such as utilities, warehousing, construction, catering, etc.
- Residents:** Lear Corporation (production of covers for cars, Netherlands), Cabling Integration System (manufacture of electronic cables, France), Euro Yarns LTD (manufacture of synthetic fibers, Belgium), Sarco Engineering (services on construction and repair), local companies from textile industry (Covoare-Ungheni, Filatura Ungheni, Alpha Omega Confexim, Carpeta MD, Covoare-Lux, Moldabela Trade etc).

Industrial Parks

No Industrial Parks in the district.
The closest ones:

1. **72 km- Industrial park „Răut”** is located in Bălți.
Destination (possible use): machinery and equipment production, electrical and electronic equipment manufacture;
2. **50 km - Industrial park “Bioenergagro”** is situated in Tarigrad, Drochia District.
Destination (possible use): gas production from biomass;
3. **102 km “Edinet” Industrial Park** – situated in Edineț,
Destination (possible use): Production and storage.

Business incubators

Name: Business Incubator Soroca
Location: Soroca, str. M. Kogălniceanu, 9
Founded: 2009
Total area: 1773,2 m²
Free available area: 120 m² – production area, 25 m² – administrative area
Infrastructure: electricity, gas, water supply, waste water sewage, internet, offices, conference room,
Total Beneficiaries: 62
Residents: 21, including 5 start-ups, 9 companies administered by young people, 15 by women.
Jobs: 95, including 38 women, 32 young people
Graduates: 42
Occupation rate of the surface: 89 %
Turnover 2020: 0,69 M EUR
The closest one: 80 km - **Business incubator Sângerei.**

Multifunctional Platforms

No

Other relevant locations

- Investments opportunities.
1. Brownfield – **villa „Oleinicov”** (former tuberculosis dispensary) located in residential zone of Soroca municipality, Decebal str., 40 (2-storey building).
 2. Brownfield – former special school for minors located in Soloneț village in the residential zone with a surface of 14.7ha, including, 7 building with one storey each (administrative, nursery, sports hall, library, kitchen, pumping station, power station, disinfection block); 3 buildings 2 storey each (learning block, the mansion of the boyar/landowner;), 2 buildings 3 storey each (training centre/laboratories, school dormitory), also a park for walk of about 2.0 ha.

Why to invest, investment incentives

Soroca is one of the three main economic growth poles of NDR by **no. of employees (2nd), by total turnover (4th), by no. of exporters (2nd), by total exported value (3rd), by no. of foreign investor (2nd) and their total turnover (4th);**

Almost **100k resident population** (Soroca is the 2nd biggest cities in NDR and Top 10 in the country), **63% of working age;**

The Soroca is the 2nd **most urbanized district** in NDR, with **38k urban inhabitants;**

Key transport infrastructure in place (good road connectivity inside the district, Soroca is the only district having naval border crossing points from the NDR), the district is placed 3rd by quantity of transported goods.

Availability of **key investment and business infrastructure** for manufacturing, Soroca hosts 2 plots with free economic zone status of the FEZ “Ungheni-Business” (20 ha+), also an emerging Business Incubator.

Soroca is recording a high level of investment in fixed assets within the NDR (4th);

Key utilities available all around the district;

Is the **leading NDR district** in the agri-food industry production of cheese and canned fruit and vegetable;

The district hosts the only granite quarry in the Republic of Moldova;

Is home district for **3 colleges** and **1 vocational school;**

Soroca is the cultural capital of NDR, hosting the only one fortress left in jurisdiction of Republic of Moldova out of four major Moldovan border fortifications on the Nistru river.

Soroca LPA is considered by experts (IDIS „Viitorul”) as **one of the most transparent** Local Public Administration, ranking 5th place in in NDR (17th place in the Republic of Moldova).

Business environment

Review of major business actors within the district (both private and public), by turnover and employment

Economic activity in the District

Year	Total enterprises	Total number of employees	Turnover (M EUR)	Profit (M EUR)	Total export (M EUR)	Investments fixed assets (M EUR)	Remuneration fund (M EUR)	Monthly average salary (EUR)
2016	652	8 208	105,91	3,16	0,9	-	15,1	192,3
2017	694	8 829	129,67	6,76	1,33	14,37	17,95	217,1
2018	786	8 023	144,55	7,26	22,61	13,45	20,29	254,7
2019	828	8 111	150,12	8,58	21,59	10,93	23,28	290,7
2020	877	7 370	146,33	6,43	21,27	12,40	-	294,2

Top major foreign private business actors by turnover, 2020

Company Name	Location	Turnover (M EUR)	Field of activity
FABRICA DE BRINZETURI DIN SOROCA	Soroca, str. Stefan cel Mare, 133	13,8	Manufacture of dairy products (including cheese)
CONFEZIONI ANDREA MDV	Soroca, str. Viilor, 15	5,3	Manufacture of made-up textile articles (except apparel and underwear)
ERMO-GRUP	Soroca, str. Ocolirii, 8	1,7	Manufacture of other wearing apparel (excl. Underwear)
MARITAN-SOR	Soroca, str. Independentei, 75	0,9	Manufacture of footwear
UZMOLTEX	Soroca, str. Iasomieii, 5, ap.(of) 3	0,5	Wholesale of textiles
GRAND START	Soroca, str. Cosautului, 4	0,3	Wholesale of wood, construction materials and sanitary equipment
AKSAR COMPANY	Soroca, str. Independentei, 75	0,06	Manufacture of other wearing apparel (excl. Underwear)
MEREX COM	Soroca, Tatarauca Veche	0,05	Cultivation of seeds and stone fruits
MAGPRO ASSETS GROUP	Soroca, str. Independentei, 75	0,04	Rental and operation of own or leased real estate
H.D.M. SERVICE	Soroca, str. Popovici Anatol, 10	0,03	Retail sale not in stores, stalls or markets

Top 10 major local private business actors by turnover, 2020

Company Name	Location	Turnover (M EUR)	Field of activity
ALFA-NISTRU	Soroca, str. Stefan cel Mare, 131	13,6	Manufacture of fruit and vegetable juices
MIALEX-NORD	Soroca, Vasilcau	5,9	Freight transport by road
AVAN-CONST	Soroca, str. Alexandru cel Bun, 43, ap.(of.) 1	4,7	Retail sale of hardware, glass and paint in specialized stores
CARIERA DE GRANIT SI PIETRIS DIN SOROCA	Soroca, str. Cosautului, 4	4,1	Quarrying of ornamental and building stone, limestone, gypsum, chalk and slate
AMG-KERNEL	Soroca, str. Cosautului, 35	3,3	Growing of cereals (except rice), leguminous crops and oil seeds
MAGISTRALA-NISTRU	Soroca, str. Ocolirii, 2/B	3	Road and motorway construction work
SPERANTA 2	Soroca, str. Stroescu V., 86	2,8	Wholesale of beverages
C.V.A.-VIROCAGRO	Soroca, str. Independentei, 36/A	2,8	Wholesale of grain, unmanufactured tobacco, seeds and animal feeds
MPL AGRO	Soroca, Volovita	2,7	Wholesale of grain, unmanufactured tobacco, seeds and animal feeds
GT Osadciuc Victor	or. Soroca str. Ocolirii 5	2,6	Manufacture of oils and fats



Top 10 major business actors by export, 2020

Company Name	Location	Type of property	Total export value (M EUR)	Field of activity
ALFA-NISTRU	Soroca, str. Stefan cel Mare, 131	Private local	9,7	Manufacture of fruit and vegetable juices
FABRICA DE BRINZETURI DIN SOROCA	Soroca, str. Stefan cel Mare, 133	Joint venture	5,9	Manufacture of dairy products (including cheese)
MIALEX-NORD	Soroca, Vasilcau	Private local	1,5	Freight transport by road
AMG-KERNEL	Soroca, str. Cosautului, 35	Private local	1,3	Growing of cereals (except rice), leguminous crops and oil seeds
CONFEZIONI ANDREA MDV	Soroca, str. Viilor, 15	Foreign private	1,0	Manufacture of made-up textile articles (except apparel and underwear)
C.V.A.-VIROCAGRO	Soroca, str. Independentei, 36/A	Private local	0,6	Wholesale of grain, unmanufactured tobacco, seeds and animal feeds
BUCURIA-SATURN	Soroca, Rudi	Private local	0,4	Growing of cereals (except rice), leguminous crops and oil seeds
HIDROINPEX	Soroca, str. Stroescu V., 118/A	Private local	0,3	Manufacture of fluid power equipment
MOBIRA	Soroca, Zastinca	Private local	0,1	Freight transport by road
IU.ROBU	Soroca, str. Stefan cel Mare, 106, ap.(of.) 36	Private local	0,1	Growing of vegetables and melons, roots and tubers

Top 10 major public institutions by turnover, 2020

Company Name	Location	Turnover (M EUR)	Field of activity
Spitalul Raional Soroca "A.PRISACARI"	Soroca, str. Kogalniceanu Mihail, 1	3,1	Hospital care activities
ACVA-NORD	Soroca, str. Cosautului, 32	2,4	Water capture, treatment and distribution
CENTRUL DE SANATATE SOROCA	Soroca, str. Eminescu Mihai, 16	2,0	General hospital care activities
REGIA APA-CANAL SOROCA	Soroca, str. Uzinelor, 9	0,9	Water capture, treatment and distribution
INTREPRINDEREA PENTRU SILVICULTURA SOROCA	Soroca, str. Stroescu V., 110	0,8	Forestry and other forestry activities
COLEGIUL "MIHAI EMINESCU" DIN SOROCA	Soroca, str. Ion Creanga, 19	0,7	College
Colegiul de Arte "NICOLAE BOTGROS"	Soroca, str. Ștefan cel Mare 39	0,6	Art college
"COLEGIUL TEHNIC AGRICOL DIN SOROCA"	Soroca, str. Calea Baltului, 2	0,5	Agricultural Technical College
SCOALA PROFESIONALA OR. SOROCA	Soroca, str. Ștefan cel Mare și Sfânt 6	0,3	Secondary, technical vocational education
SOROCEANCA	Soroca, str. Calea Baltului, 87	0,2	Catering activities

Dominant branches of industry by total revenues, 2020

Industry branch name	Revenues (M EUR)	No of companies	No of employees
Growing of cereals (except rice), leguminous crops and oil seeds	24,1	119	951
Milk and dairy production	13,8	1	194
Manufacture of fruit and vegetable juices	13,6	1	470
Road freight service	8,3	22	133
Construction of roads and motorways	7,9	6	306
Retail sale in non-specialized stores of food, beverages or tobacco predominating	7,5	118	340
Wholesale of wood, construction materials and sanitary equipment	7,4	17	151
Wholesale of grain, unmanufactured tobacco, seeds and animal feeds	6,4	9	54
Manufacture of made-up textile articles, except apparel	5,3	2	778
Quarrying of ornamental and building stone, limestone, gypsum, chalk and slate	4,2	3	97
Water capture, treatment and distribution	3,4	5	202
Hospital care activities	3,1	1	402
General medical care activities	2,9	12	301
Production of vegetable oils	2,8	4	22
Wholesale of beverages	2,8	4	27
Cultivation of seeds and stone fruits	2,2	45	73
Manufacture of other wearing apparel (excl. Underwear)	1,9	5	425
Retail sale of cosmetic and toilet articles in specialised stores	1,9	2	54
Post-secondary non-tertiary education	1,8	3	242
Operation of gravel and sand pits; mining of clays and kaolin	1,7	5	53

Dominant branches of industry by number of companies, 2020

Industry branch name	No of companies	Turnover (M EUR)
Growing of cereals (except rice), leguminous crops and oil seeds	119	24,1
Retail sale in non-specialized stores of food, beverages or tobacco predominating	118	7,5
Cultivation of seeds and stone fruits	45	2,2
Rental and operation of own or leased real estate	39	0,8
Maintenance and repair of motor vehicles	25	0,2
Beverage serving activities	23	0,4
Road freight service	22	8,3
Raising of other animals	21	0,2
Wholesale of wood, construction materials and sanitary equipment	17	7,4
General medical care activities	12	2,9
Retail trade of motor vehicle parts and accessories	11	0,7
Urban land and suburban passenger transport	11	0,6
Retail sale of clothing in specialised stores	11	0,2
Manufacture of builders ware of plastic	10	0,2
Other retail sale in non-specialised stores	10	0,4
Growing of other tree and bush fruits and nuts	10	0,2
Wholesale of grain, unmanufactured tobacco, seeds and animal feeds	9	6,4
Wholesale of wood, construction materials and sanitary equipment	8	1,6
Construction work for residential and non - residential buildings	8	0,6
Manufacture of footwear	7	1,3

TOP 10 employers, 2020

Company Name	Location	Type of property	No of employees	Field of activity
CONFEZIONI ANDREA MDV	Soroca, str. Viilor, 15	Foreign private	768	Manufacture of made-up textile articles (except apparel and underwear)
ALFA-NISTRU	Soroca, str. Stefan cel Mare, 131	Private local	470	Manufacture of fruit and vegetable juices
Spitalul Raional Soroca "A.PRISACARI"	Soroca, str. Kogalniceanu Mihail, 1	Public	402	Hospital care activities
ERMO-GRUP	Soroca, str. Ocolirii, 8	Joint Venture	373	Manufacture of other wearing apparel (excl. Underwear)
MARITAN-SOR	Soroca, str. Independentei, 75	Foreign private	237	Manufacture of footwear
DRUMURI-SOROCA	Soroca, str. Budde Feofania, 27	Mixed property (public and private)	196	Construction of roads and motorways
FABRICA DE BRINZETURI DIN SOROCA	Soroca, str. Stefan cel Mare, 133	Joint Venture	194	Milk and dairy producer
INTREPRINDEREA PENTRU SILVICULTURA SOROCA	Soroca, str. Stroescu V., 110	Public	193	Forestry and other forestry activities
CENTRUL DE SANATATE SOROCA	Soroca, str. Eminescu Mihai, 16	Public	170	General hospital care activities
AMG-KERNEL	Soroca, str. Cosautului, 35	Private local	147	Growing of cereals (except rice), leguminous crops and oil seeds

Number of employed persons by type of entities (public / private)

Year	No of companies		No of employees	
	PUBLIC	PRIVATE	PUBLIC	PRIVATE
2016	23	592	1167	6 417
2017	25	624	1404	6 975
2018	23	708	1345	6 277
2019	31	737	1603	6 112
2020	32	844	1520	5 654

Information on the economical historical background, lost or almost lost industries but with potential to be rehabilitated, past specializations etc.

The main industrial enterprises historically are concentrated in the light industry, processing and machine building. In the food industry, the fields of processing of fruits and vegetables, milk, meat products and tobacco can be highlighted. In the Soviet period, the Soroca became an important industrial center for northern Moldova. The first factory for cloth production "Fabrica de confectii imbracaminte Nr. 4" started the production in 1952. Later in 1960 the production was changed to manufacturing of childrens clothes, about 1800 people were employed. Strong competences have been developed in the machine building industry in different subsectors: In 1950 the factory "Электробытприбор" (Electrical appliances), later in 1980 was renamed in "Uzina de producer a utilajului tehnologic". The company was specialized in production of mold for plastic and aluminum injection. The production was stopped in 1995. About 800-1000 people were employed. In 1954 started the production plant to produce metal household goods. In 1980 was privatized and renamed in SA "Monolit". About 2000 people were employed.

Production of main industrial products

Industrial products	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Canned vegetables and fruits, tons	5 272	6 688,6	5 707,3	5 312,7	7 354,7
Caught milk, yogurt, kefir, sour cream and other fermented products, tons	6 247,9	5 041,8	4 469,9	4 222,9	4 053,4
Vegetable and fruit juices, thousand liters	7 620,4	5 872,5	9 919,6	11 086,9	3 433,9
Milk and cream with a fat content of up to 6%, tons	3 112,5	2 548,7	2 914,1	2 693,7	2 779,7
Cheese and greasy cheese, tons	1 423,3	1 699,7	1 710,2	1 696,6	2 053,3
Bread and bakery products, tons	1 626,1	1 776,8	1 716,9	1 674,5	1 599,7
Processed and preserved fruits, tons	32,9	115,3	261,1	506,3	566,3
Gravel, pebbles, boulders and flint, thousands of tons	346,5	334,3	323,6	366,8	528,8
Sausages, tons	401,6	376	342,5	322,4	334
Ready-made forage for animals, tons	554,6	344,3	349	381,3	301,4
Flour, tons	324,5	774,9	1 011,8	399,1	220,1
Sand, a thousand tons	122,6	137,1	130,6	131,1	165,2

Available resources of agricultural production (yearly harvest in tons)

Agricultural crops	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Sugar beet	59 455,7	69 625,2	56 618,3	35 085,4	31 171,3
Wheat - total (winter and spring)	51 340,7	45 283,6	39 166	44 521,6	30 786,9
Sunflower	25 262,8	27 153,4	29 026,1	33 036	24 521,2
Grain maize	22 292,9	25 876	46 180	49 500,4	15 272,8
Field vegetables	8 111,9	9 302,4	8 176,7	8 932	11 181
Barley - total (winter and spring)	6 977,1	7 275,8	4 365,3	5 784,4	5 315,2
Rape - total (winter and spring)	456,5	2 705,3	4 100,2	2 050,1	3 402,6
Leguminous crops - total	1 542,9	2 109,8	1 137	1 261,3	1 406,1
Corn for silage, green mass and hay	481,9	802,8	1 110	-	1060
Soy	1 476,5	1 097,4	1 551,6	1 072,5	226,1

Animal livestock, capita at 1st of January

Species of animals	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Rabbits	13 149	12 771	10 639	11 882	10 031
Sheep and goats	11 414	10 026	9 248	10 391	9 527
Swine	9 048	8 726	8 368	7 200	6 893
Families of bee-pieces	4 867	5 528	5 347	5 413	6 355
Cattle	7 929	7 395	6 934	6 291	5 563
..cows	5 796	5 475	4 937	4 507	3 989
Cabaline	1 447	1 265	1 159	1 024	878

Investment in long term assets, M EUR

Year	Investments in long term tangible and intangible assets, total	Intangible assets	Tangible assets	..dwellings residential buildings)	..non-residential buildings	..engineering structures	..machinery and equipment	..transport means	..other tangible assets
2017	14,4	0,02	14,4	0,1	5,1	0,9	6,2	1,3	0,7
2018	13,5	0,1	13,3	0,2	3,2	1,7	6,3	0,9	1,1
2019	10,9	0,04	10,9	0,01	1,7	1,5	5,8	1,1	0,9
2020	12,4	0,02	12,4	0,00	1,9	2,3	6,5	0,9	0,7

Transport of good and passengers

Transport type	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Transport of goods, thousand tons	1 279,8	1 280,9	1 512,5	1 558,2	1 899,4
Transport of passengers, thousand passengers	1 584,5	1 502,8	1 308,3	1 290,3	968,1



Total district population by age and gender, inhabitants

District population	2016	2017	2018	Share in total district population, 2018 (%)
TOTAL	100 010	100 038	99 416	
Males	4 8556	48 594	48 316	48,6%
Females	5 1454	51 444	51 100	51,4%
Under working age (0-15)				15,7%
Males	8 152	8 220	8 056	8,1%
Females	7 581	7 678	7 565	7,6%
Of working age (16-56/61)				63,2%
Males	34 084	34 009	33 708	33,9%
Females	30 016	29 646	29 120	29,3%
Over working age (57/62+)				21,1%
Males	6 320	6 365	6 552	6,6%
Females	13 857	14 120	14 415	14,5%

Qualification structure, total NDR, thousand persons

		2019	2020
Active	Level of education - total	271,7	261,5
	Higher	48,4	54,7
	Secondary specialized	45,0	42,0
	Secondary professional	63,4	58,2
	Secondary school	55,8	50,2
	Gymnasium	56,6	54,6
Employed	Primary or no education	2,5	1,8
	Level of education - total	260,1	251,1
	Higher	47,7	53,9
	Secondary specialized	44,3	40,6
	Secondary professional	59,6	55,1
	Secondary school	53,3	48,4
Unemployed	Gymnasium	53,0	51,7
	Primary or no education	2,2	1,4
	Level of education - total	11,6	10,3
	Higher	0,7	0,8
	Secondary specialized	0,7	1,3
	Secondary professional	3,7	3,2
	Secondary school	2,5	1,8
	Gymnasium	3,6	3,0
	Primary or no education	0,4	0,4

Number of employed persons
Employed population by economic activities, 2019-2020

	2019	2020
Economic activities – Total	8 111	7 370
C Manufacturing	3 025	2 716
A Agriculture, forestry and fishing	1 386	1 264
G Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles	1 083	1 003
Q Human health and social work activities	803	742
F Construction	406	367
P Education	329	299
E Water supply; sewerage, waste management and remediation activities	257	244
H Transportation and storage	226	230
B Mining and quarrying	166	150
I Accommodation and food service activities	153	122
L Real estate activities	102	98
J Information and communication	38	35
N Administrative and support service activities	55	35
M Professional, scientific and technical activities	35	28
K Financial and insurance activities	26	25
R Arts, entertainment and recreation	11	5
S Other service activities	8	5
D Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	2	2



Education and number of students by specialties

Vocational School

Institution	Specialization	Number of graduates (May 2021)
Vocational School, from Soroca	Cook – Waiter	16
	Operator for technical support of computers	22
	Seamstress	16
Total		54

There are no Universities in the Soroca district

College

Institution	Specialization	Number of graduates (May 2021)
"Nicolae Botgros" College of Arts, from Soroca	Artistic processing of materials	3
	Instrumental interpretation	9
	Choral conducting	3
	Dance	6
	Stage Directed	5
	Library science and information assistance	6 full-time, 10 part-time
	Tourism	7
Total		49
"Mihai Eminescu" College from Soroca	Social assistance	21
	Administrative and secretarial services	26
	Early childhood education	15
	Pedagogy of primary education	7
	Jurisprudence	26
	Tourism	24
Total		124
Institution "Agricultural Technical College of Soroca"	Agricultural Mechanics	22
	Electrification of agriculture	38
	Electromechanics	21
	Technical operation of Automobile Transport	20
	Total	

Cost of utilities in district center

Utility	Unit value	Cost per unit value (EUR)
Electricity	Kw/h	· 6; 10 kV - 0,09 · 0,4 kV- 0,13
Water & sewerage	m3	· 2,07 · 1,35
Gas	1000 m3	· high pressure 616,4 · medium pressure 632,6 · low pressure 714,4
Telephone landline	Monthly fee/Local unlimited	7,6
Internet		14,71 (20 Mbps)- 353,07 (1Gbps)



Major cultural events

Cultural event	Date	Location	Description	Public holiday, yes/no
New Year	1 January	city/village		yes
Christmas	7-8 January	city/village		yes
"Mărțișor" Music Festival	1 March	city	The festival Mărțișor celebrates the beginning of the spring.	no
International Women's Day	8 March	city/village		yes
Easter	April-May	city/village		yes
Parent's Day	April-May	city/village		yes
Labor Day	1 May	city/village		yes
Victory Day	9 May	city/village		yes
Museum Night	May	city	The program includes ancient dances, opera, and recitals.	no
The Fair of Popular Craftsmen	June	city	The festival aims to promote Moldovan folk traditions.	no
Independence Day	27 August	city	Independence Day is a national holiday in the Republic of Moldova commemorating the Declaration of Independence of the country, on August 27, 1991.	yes
City Day	28 August	city	A public and religious holiday celebrating the patron saint of the city.	yes
National Language Day	31 August	city	The National Language Day is a national holiday celebrating the proclamation of the Romanian Language as the official language of the state, on August 31, 1989.	yes
Moldavian Carpet Festival	September	village	The festival promotes Moldovan culture and treasures - the woven carpet and the national costume.	no
"Unity through Diversity" Festival	October	city	The festival brings together the traditions and folklore of different ethnic groups.	no
Christmas	25 December	city/village		yes

Tourism, leisure and cultural infrastructure

1. Cetatea Sorocii- the fortress is one of the four major Moldovan border fortifications on the Nistru river (the other three being Tighina, Hotin and Cetatea Albă, the last two are now situated in Ukraine).
2. The Zemstvo Administrative Palace (1869- 1875), built in the spirit of the Italian Renaissance, has an exceptional location high on a natural pedestal and has an open view of the Nistru river from the side of M. Eminescu Street.



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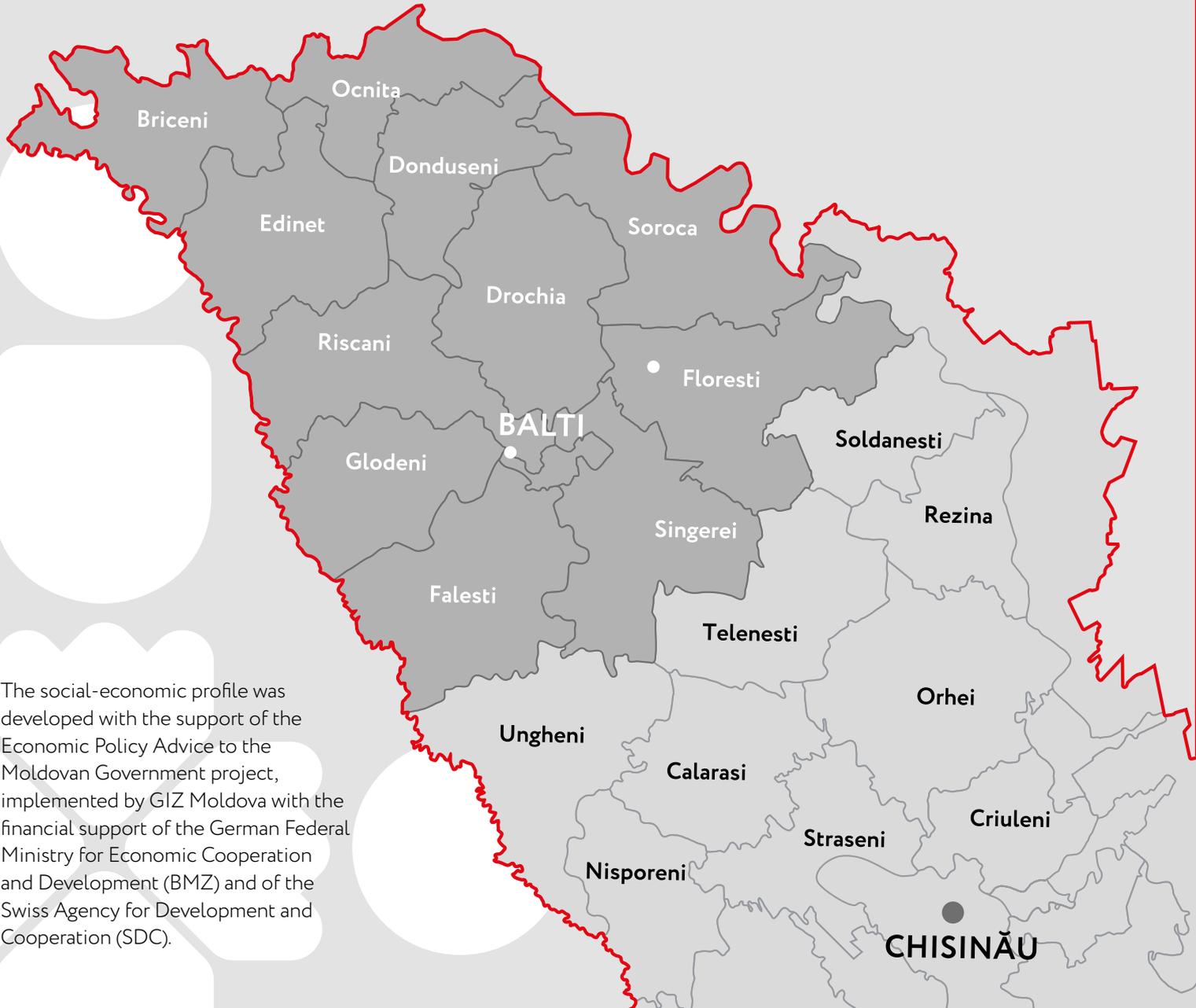


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