

History, traditions and modern status of horse breeding of Russia

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Kazaks



Breed “Vyatka”



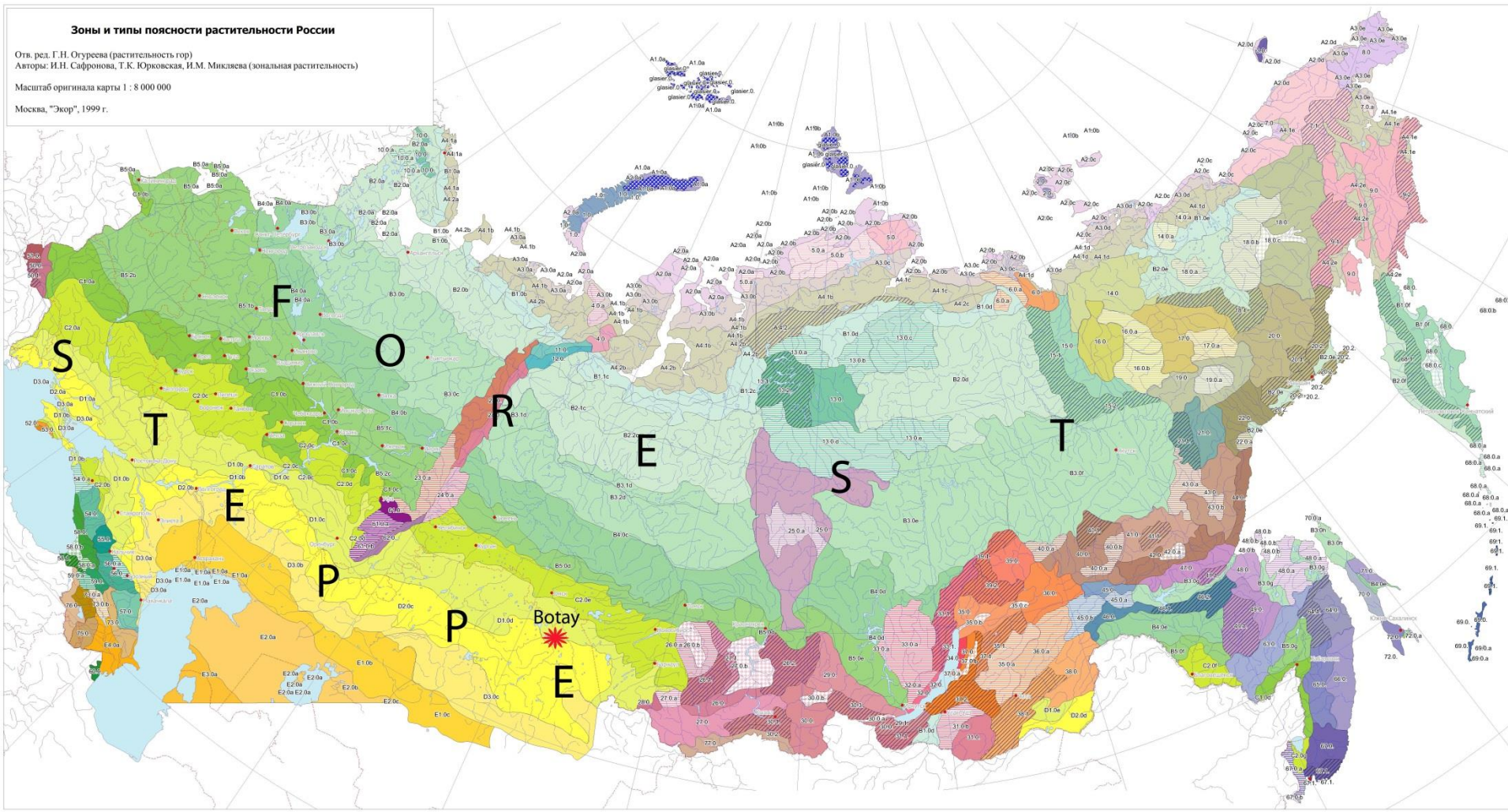
Yakutian horses



The famous Orlov trotter “Krepysh”.

Outlines of the presentation

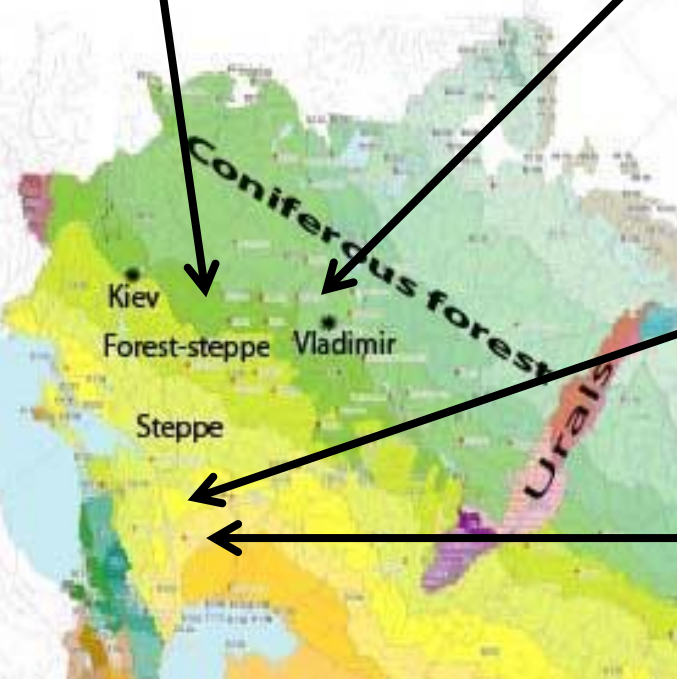
- Environmental conditions determined development of Horse Breeding in Russia
- Specific historical features of Horse Breeding and horse



Horse breeding In Russia meets a variety of environmental conditions



Broad-leaf forest



Archeological findings in settlements of the Balt people. III – II BC (After Tsalkin, 1962)

Cows - 39,
goats, sheep - 31,
pigs - 49,
horses - 49,
moose - 23.

Cows - 34
goats, sheep - 29,
pigs - 20
horses - 31,
moose - 33

Numbers of found animals



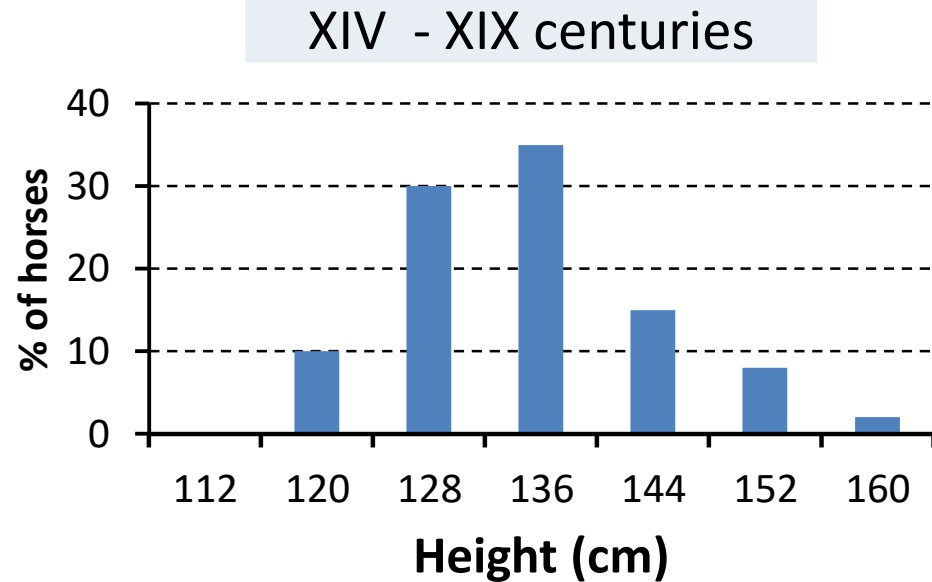
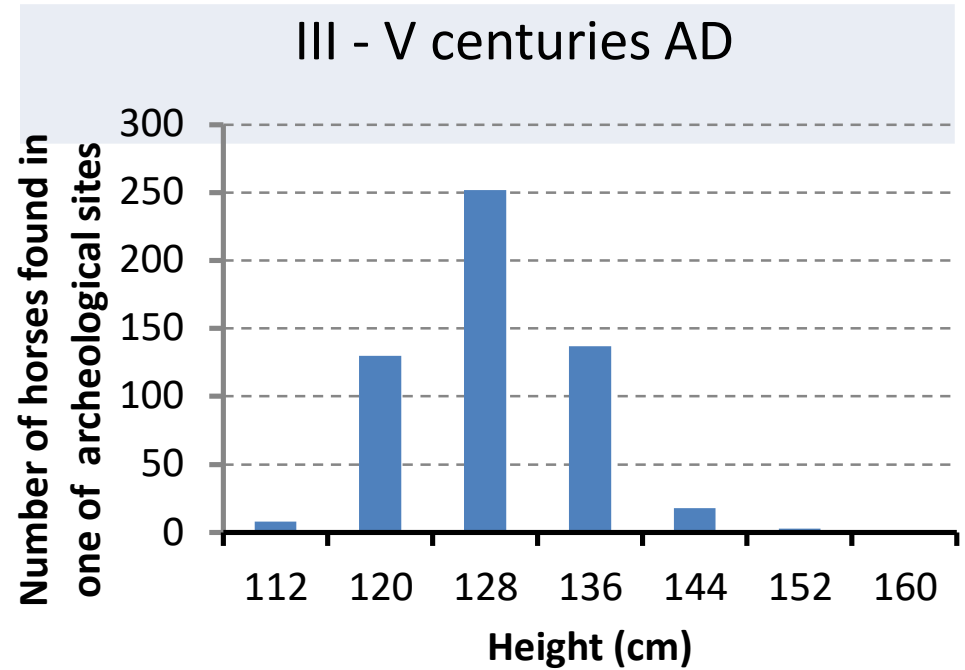
Horse as the main draft power in agriculture



Artist : I. Pchelko



Artist: A. Venetsianov



Tsalkin, 1956

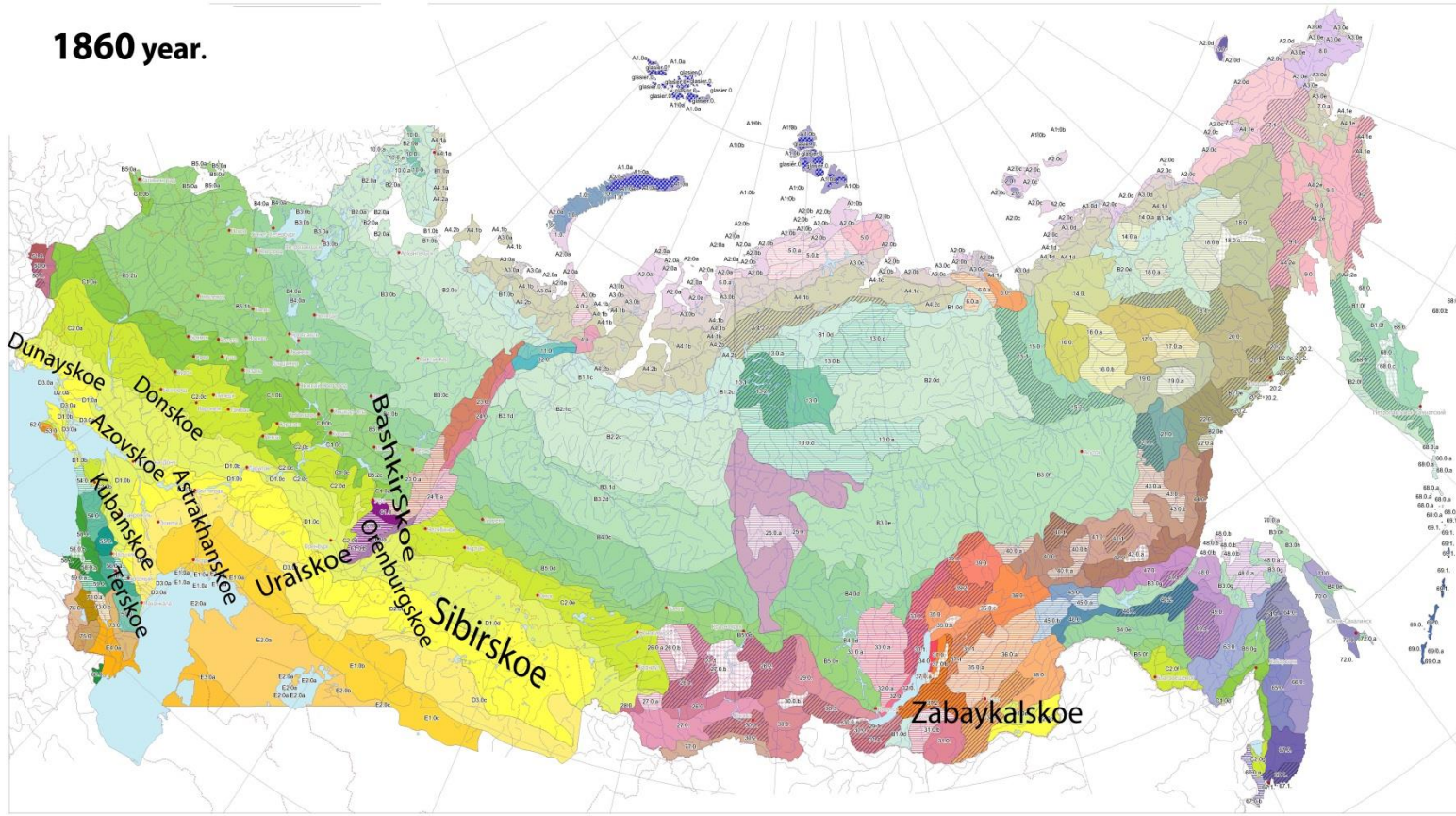
Cavalry as the main way of horse using.

Kazaks

Initially, kazaks were independent armed inhabitants of the periphery of Russia and Poland. Later, kazaks became irregular cavalry of Russia. In 1853, 41,800 officers and 2,274,500 kazaks

Kazak armies of Russian Empire

1860 year.



Kazaks



Don kazaks



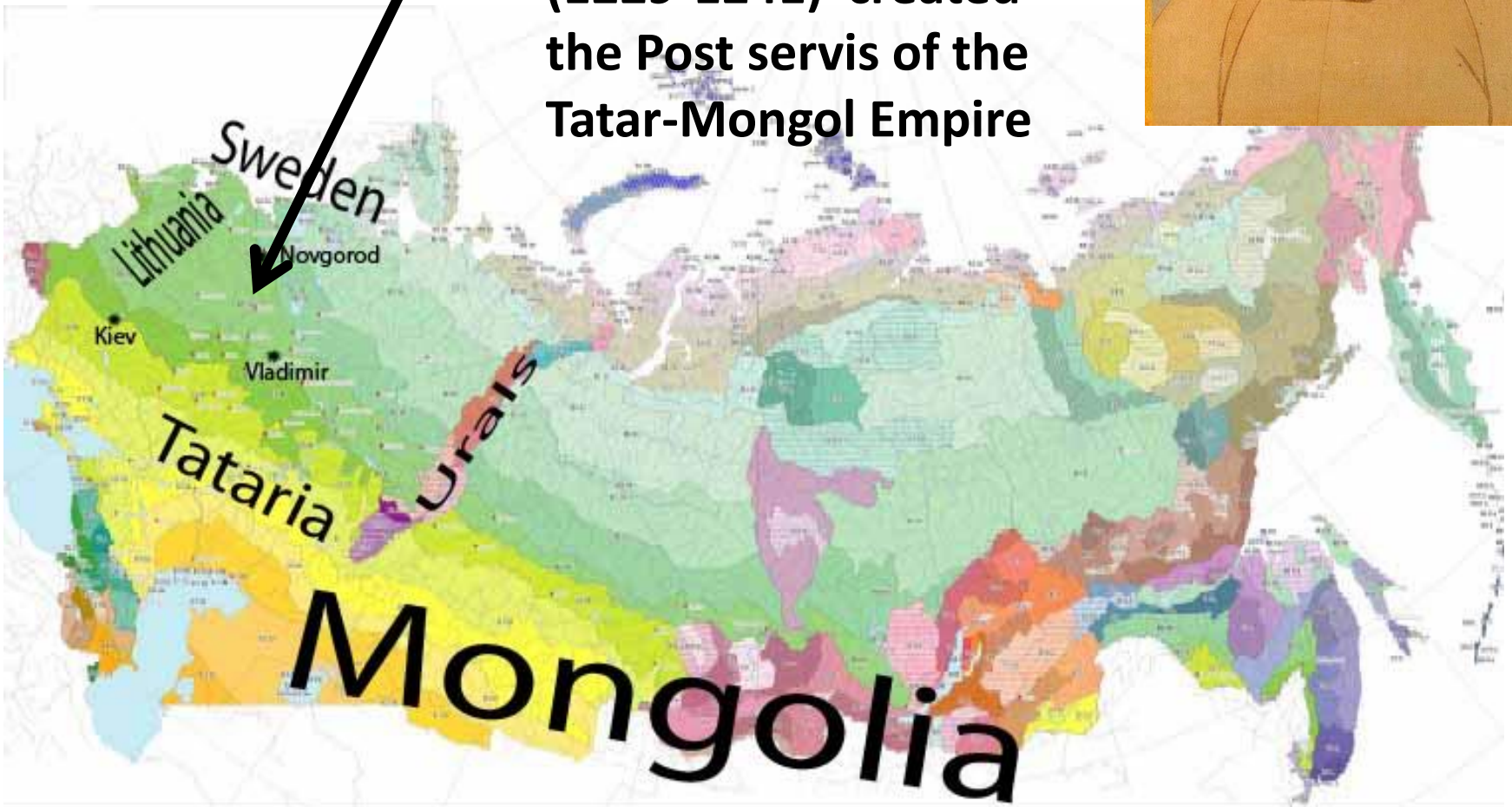
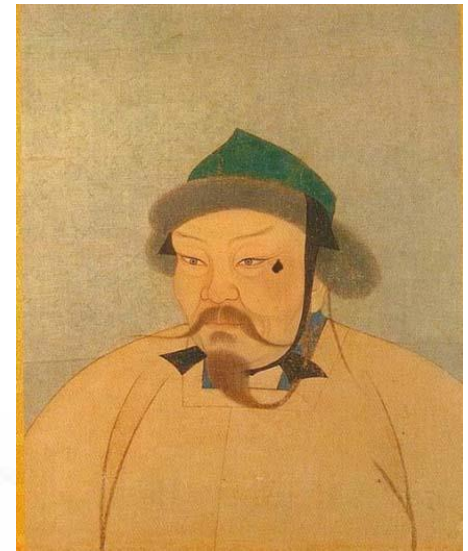
Kazaks in Berlin. 1945



Battle of Borodino. 1812

Russia in XIII – XV

Ögedei – the
Mongolian khan
(1229-1241) created
the Post servis of the
Tatar-Mongol Empire



Post from Baltic Sea to Okhotsk Sea in XVIII century



Post coachmen harnessed three horses



Brave coachman



The Russian “troika”. Reconstruction.



Reconstruction of archaic post in Yakutia. Cultural Forum. 2015.



Local horse breeds



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In forested areas local breeds of horses use floodplain habitats

Mezen' River valley



Floodplain of Ob' River



The **usual** temperature during winter --
- 40°C - 67°C.
 Snow – 25 – 30 cm.

Yakutian horses.

Height:

stallions – 135 cm ,

mares - 131 cm

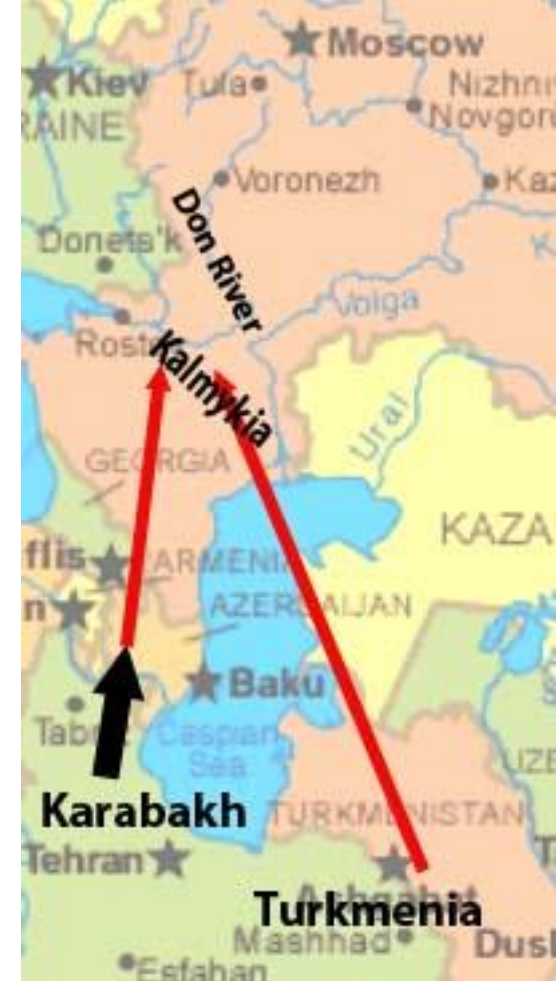
Oblique length:

stallions – 147 cm ,

mares - 145 cm



“Teolog”. Don horse stallion, 8 years



After: Pridorogin 1928



	Stallions	Mares
Height	159,2	156,4
Oblique length	160	159,9



**Earl A. Orlov-
Chesmensky**
Artist: V. Eriksen



Orlov trotters Khrenovskoy Stud farm



From “Velikoe Selo” sight

Bars-1
Gray stallion (1784)

Gray mare № 2

Polkan-1
Gray stallion

Buckskin mare

Smetanka
White Stallion



Bars-1 under control of earl A. Orlov-Chesmensky
Artist : N. Sverchkov

Arabian and English mares participated in the next generation.

50 years of selection. Yearly, 2000 – 3000 horses had been under selection. Selection had **inseverable** aims:
Choppy trot and beautiful horse.

V.O. Vitt 2003

There are 17 registered horse breeds in Russia (Kalashnikov et al. 2011)

Breed name	Numbers (mares , stallions)	
Russian trotter (Orlov trotter + Standardbred)	2050	85
Thoroughbred	1185	108
Trakehner	940	140
Budyonny	910	114
Orlov trotter	798	91
Russian Heavy Draft	672	174
Don	615	43
2016 year		
Akhal-Teke, Arabian, Hanoverian	~ 200	400 - 200

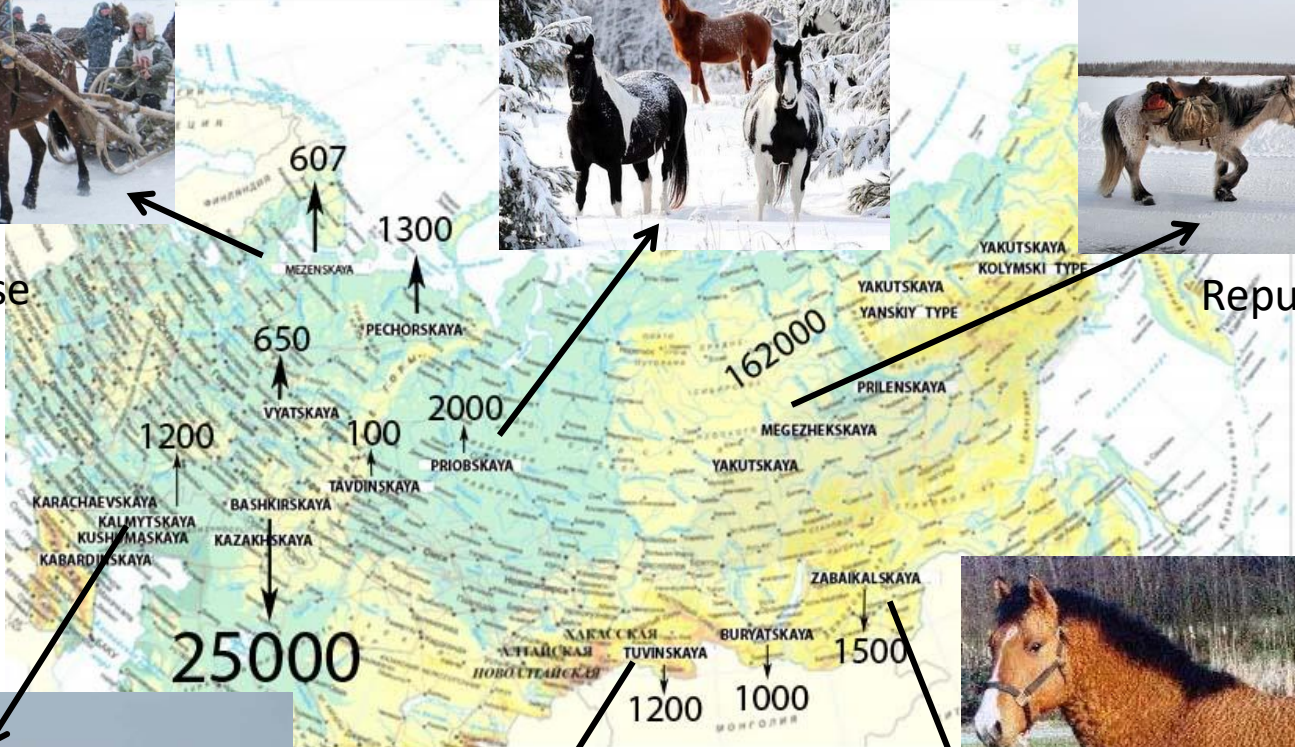
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Mezen horse



Republic Yakutia



Republic Kalmykia



Republic Tuva



Curly horse of Transbaikal

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Horse numbers

Country	Horses	People	Horses/1000 humans
Great Britain	1,000,000	60,393,044	16.6
France	900,000	62,998,773	14.3
Germany	1,000,000	82,437,995	12.1
Russia (2015)	1,374,000	144,600,000	9.5
Russia (1913)	35,000,000	167,700,000	209

Pridorogin 1928; Khadka, 2010;
Knyazev, Timchenko, 2016

Horse dynamics in Russia

(thousands) (Knyazev et al, 2016)

	2001	2014
All Russia	1,611	1,374
European part	950	567
Siberia	518	620
Far East	143	187

Thank you for attention!

