**Effects of Railroads on Growth**

Railroads facilitated the growth of small towns to cities.

**Growth in Virginia’s Cities**

Virginia began to grow in many areas after the Civil War and Reconstruction. Cities grew with people, businesses, and factories.

**Railroad Centers**

Railroad centers stimulated the growth of factories where clothing, furniture, and other useful items were made.

**Growth in Virginia’s Railroads**

Railroads were a key to the expansion of business, agriculture, and industry.

The railroad brought new jobs and people to areas of Virginia.