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The Architecture of Economy: Resource Management in the Royal Palace G of Ebla

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Abstract

Agriculture and livestock are the pillars of Ebla economy, not only from the perspective of income (accumulation of goods) but also for what concerns the outcome (exchange, exportation, and distribution of goods). The amounts registered in the administrative texts allow for the reconstruction of the fiscal capacity of the kingdom of Ebla, encompassing not only transactions but also salaries for the people and personnel who were directly involved in the management of the state affairs of the ancient city and its territory. In this respect, the paper will focus on the system of production, on the one hand, and the origin of both processed goods and raw materials that were then registed, stored and processed in Ebla or in other centres under the economic and/or political control of Ebla, on the other hand. The research aims at analyzing the architecture of the economy, from the places of production to the ones of storage and distribution, mapping the movements of goods and products according to needs and convenience.

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