

South Carolina's Mining Industry Facts

Employment^{1/} – Total State Mining Industry1,630

Number of Mining Permits 545

Annual Wages

Mining Industry Average^{2/}\$38,894

Total State Average (Private Sector).....\$29,255

Facts about Mining in South Carolina

South Carolina produces nearly 1% of the U.S., total nonfuel mineral production value.

Portland cement, crushed stone, and masonry cement were the State's leading nonfuel minerals.

Annual Production Value

Cement:

Masonry\$ 43,700,000
Portland.....211,000,000

Clays:

Common2,790,000
Fire.....W
Kaolin20,600,000

Gemstones..... 1,000

Sand & Gravel:

Construction.....40,500,000
Industrial.....18,600,000

Stone:

Crushed.....180,000,000
Dimension.....W

Others *13,500,000

Total**\$531,000,000**

Coal Consumption (short tons)

Electric Utilities14,382,000
Industrial.....2,052,000
Residential/Commercial.....n/a

Value of Nonfuel Mineral Production Per Capita.....\$113.00

Per capital nonfuel mineral value reflects the amount of nonfuel minerals produced per person in the state. The value is calculated by dividing the total value of nonfuel mineral production by the total state population (2001 U.S. Census Bureau Data).

Mining's Impact on South Carolina's Economy ** (millions)

Direct Economic Gain.....\$450.1
Direct Personal Income Gain 122.9
Direct Business Income Gain In-state..... 144.7

Direct Business Income Gain from other states	139.9
State & Local Government Revenue Gain	42.7
Direct Contribution to Federal Government Revenue.....	47.3
Total Combined Direct & Indirect Gain.....	\$5,274.9

Note: Data may not add to totals because of rounding

- ^{1/} Includes employees of all mining sectors, contractors and office workers.
- ^{2/} Includes coal.
- * Combined values of gold, lime, mica (crude), silver and vermiculite and values indicated by the symbol W.
- ** Data provided by the Western Economic Analysis Center's study, *Mining and the American Economy, 1999* (1998 data).

Sources: U.S. Geological Survey, *Mineral Industry Survey 2001*; DOE/EIA, *Coal Industry Annual 2001*; Bureau of Labor Statistics, *Average Annual Pay Report 2001*.