

The Mining Industry in Alabama - Fourth District, 2007

Represented in Congress by Robert Aderholt (R), Alabama's Fourth District is home to 53 mining operations and provided direct employment to 2,189 mine operators and contractors in the district.

Mining industry jobs in Alabama's Fourth District are high paying. The average mining industry wage in Alabama was \$57,945 in 2007 compared to an average wage of \$37,492 for the state. The mining industry generated a payroll of \$140.8 million in the Alabama's Fourth district. Personal income and payroll taxes from mining and related industry payrolls in the Fourth District totaled \$156.3 million.

American mining generates the critical raw materials necessary for the foundation of our economy. From the minerals and materials used in housing, automobiles, and computers, to the mined coal and uranium that generates more than half of our nation's electricity.

In Alabama's Fourth District, the mining community supports 9,857 jobs.

Mining and Related Industry Employment and Payroll

		Payroll
	<u>Employment</u>	<u>(\$ mill.)</u>
Mining	2,189	\$140.8
Coal	I,698	\$116.9
Metal	n/a	\$n/a
Nonmetallic	492	\$23.9
Supplier Industries	55	\$2.7
Mining Support Services	53	\$2.5
Mining Equipment and Supplies	**	**
Construction Equipment*	**	**
Mining Dependent Industries	7,613	\$359.1
Coal-fired Power Plants	342	\$30.5
Primary Metals	1,352	\$81.1
Fabricated Metal Products	5,197	\$215.0
Inorganic Chemicals and Fertilizers	46	\$2.6
Nonmetallic Mineral Products	676	\$29.9
Total	9,857	\$502.6

Personal Income and Payroll Taxes Generated from Total Payroll

Federal Personal	State & Local Personal	
Income Tax	Income Tax	FICA
<u>(\$ mill)</u>	<u>(\$ mill)</u>	<u>(\$ mill)</u>
\$69.4	\$13.8	\$73.I

Sources: MSHA (2007), BLS (2007), Harris Infosource (2008), IRS (2005), EIA (2007) and Moore Economics analysis

*Nationally, about 40% of the equipment produced by the construction equipment industry is used in surface mines. Because not enough information was available at the congressional district level, data for the total construction equipment industry is presented.

