



The Mining Industry in Alabama - Sixth District, 2007

Represented in Congress by Spencer Bachus (R), Alabama's Sixth District is home to 73 mining operations and provided direct employment to 5,998 mine operators and contractors in the district.

Mining industry jobs in Alabama's Sixth 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 \$358.8 million in the Alabama's Sixth district. Personal income and payroll taxes from mining and related industry payrolls in the Sixth District totaled \$218.3 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 Sixth District, the mining community supports 12,952 jobs.

Mining and Related Industry Employment and Payroll

	<u>Employment</u>	<u>Payroll</u> (\$ mill.)
Mining	5,998	\$358.8
Coal	3,329	\$229.2
Metal	36	\$1.4
Nonmetallic	2,632	\$128.2
Supplier Industries	208	\$10.3
Mining Support Services	43	\$1.9
Mining Equipment and Supplies	n/a	\$n/a
Construction Equipment*	165	\$8.4
Mining Dependent Industries	6,746	\$333.0
Coal-fired Power Plants	620	\$55.3
Primary Metals	911	\$54.6
Fabricated Metal Products	2,693	\$111.4
Inorganic Chemicals and Fertilizers	n/a	\$n/a
Nonmetallic Mineral Products	2,522	\$111.7
Total	12,952	\$702.0

Personal Income and Payroll Taxes Generated from Total Payroll

Federal Personal Income Tax	State & Local Personal Income Tax	FICA
(\$ mill)	(\$ mill)	(\$ mill)
\$97.0	\$19.3	\$102.0

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.

** fewer than 5 employees.