

# MINING IN CONNECTICUT

Connecticut's mining industry is important to the state's economy. It ranked forty-fourth nationally in total nonfuel mineral production value in 2000. The value of nonfuel minerals in 2000 was \$112 million. The industry employed 900 workers, with an average annual income of \$58,464. Connecticut's combined direct and indirect economic gain from the mining industry was \$6.4 billion (1998 data).

America's mining industry directly employed nearly 300,000 employees in 2000, who labored to produce minerals with a total value of over \$57 billion. Ninety percent of the total impact of mining on the economy of the United States was in the form of indirect personal, business and government income. More than half of the mining industries direct contributions to the national economy went to other businesses to pay for the products and services used in the search for and production of minerals.

## FACTS ABOUT CONNECTICUT'S MINING INDUSTRY

The State accounts for less than one percent of the total U.S. nonfuel mineral production value. Crushed stone and construction sand and gravel are Connecticut's leading nonfuel minerals.

<b>Employment <sup>1/</sup></b>		<b>Annual Production Value</b>	
<b>Total State Industry</b>	<b>900</b>	Clays:	
		Common	\$183,000
<b>Number of Mines</b>		Gemstones	\$6,000
<b>Nonfuel Minerals</b>	<b>90</b>	Sand and Gravel:	
		Construction	46,900,000
<b>Annual Wages</b>		Stone:	
Mining Industry Average <sup>2/</sup>	<b>\$58,464</b>	Crushed	65,300,000
Total State Average		<b>Total</b>	<b>\$112,389,000</b>
(Private Sector)	<b>\$46,020</b>		
<b>Coal Consumption (short tons)</b>		<b>Mining's Impact on Connecticut's Economy <sup>3/</sup></b>	
Electric Utilities	-	<b>(millions)</b>	
Industrial	<b>W</b>	Direct Economic Gain	\$267.3
Residential/Commercial	<b>4,000</b>	Direct Personal Income Gain	54.9
		Direct Business Income Gain	
		In-state	31.3
		Direct Business Income Gain	
		from Other States	173.6
<b>Value of Nonfuel Mineral</b>		State and Local Government	
<b>Production Per Capita</b>	<b>\$33</b>	Revenue Gain	7.5
Per capita nonfuel mineral value reflects the amount		Direct Contribution to Federal	
of nonfuel minerals produced per person in the state.		Government Revenue	6.7
The value is calculated by dividing the total value of		<b>Total Combined Direct and</b>	
nonfuel mineral production by the total state population.		<b>Indirect Gain</b>	<b>\$6,426.4</b>
(2000 U.S. Census Bureau data).			

**Note:** Data may not add to totals because of independent rounding.

1/ Includes employees of all mining sectors, oil and gas extraction (where applicable), contractors and office workers.

2/ Includes coal, oil and gas extraction.

3/ Data provided by the Western Economic Analysis Center's study, *Mining and the American Economy, 1999* (1998 data).

W Withheld to avoid disclosing company proprietary data.

**Sources:** U.S. Geological Survey, Mineral Industry Surveys, 2000; DOE/EIA Coal Industry Annual 2000; Bureau of Labor Statistics, Average Annual Pay Report 2000 and U.S. Department of Labor, MSHA, Mine Injuries and Worktime Quarterly 2000.