

## **Mining in New York State**

New York State is in the top 30% of states that mine minerals. This helps New York State's economy. The mining industry increases the number of jobs. Mineral mining is important for producing construction materials. Examples of materials include blacktop and concrete. The most common material mined is limestone. Other minerals that are important to New York State's mining industry are salt, talc, and zinc. These minerals are used to produce sandpaper, wallboard, brick, glass and industrial abrasives. The total value of mineral mining in New York is 1.5 billion dollars.

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