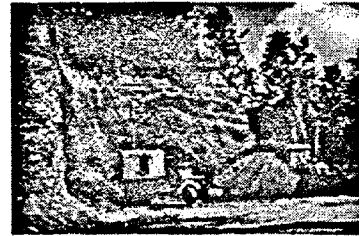


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New York State ranks in or near the top third of the states in the value of its mineral production. New York's mineral resources make a substantial contribution to the state's total economy. Almost 90 percent of the mining in New York involves the excavation of sand, gravel, and limestone. These minerals are often processed through screens and crushers and used in concrete, blacktop, roadfill, and other construction projects.



While sand, gravel and limestone are valuable construction aggregates, New York also has important reserves of salt, garnet, emery, gypsum, talc, zinc, and wollastonite. New York's minerals are used to produce such things as sandpaper, wallboard, paint pigment, ceramics, brick, glass and industrial abrasives.

Where Mining Occurs

Mining occurs in every county except Bronx, Kings, New York, Queens and Richmond.

- [Statewide map of mines](#)

Leading Mineral Commodities Produced in New York State in Terms of Value

1. crushed stone
2. limestone
3. salt
4. construction sand & gravel
5. zinc

Value of Non-Fuel Mineral Production in New York State (1996) -- \$1.5 billion

National Ranking in Terms of Non-Fuel Production -- 15th

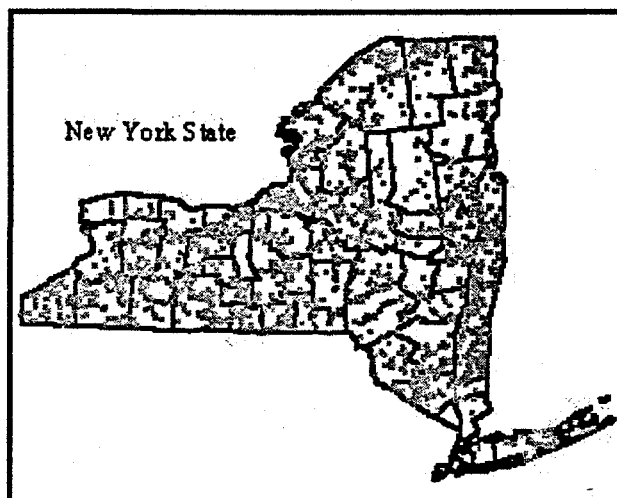
- New York is the only state in the country producing emery and wollastonite.
- New York ranks second in the output of garnet, synthetic graphite, and zinc.
- New York ranks third in the production of salt; fourth in crude talc.
- New York ranks seventh in the production of construction sand and gravel.

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Sand and Gravel Mines in New York



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