

Mining Works...

...for our environment

Nevada Land Directly Affected by Mining
1/10 of 1%

The Nevada mining industry utilizes the free market economy and makes it work for the benefit of all the State. It creates jobs, pays taxes and produces true wealth. Direct mining employment now exceeds 13,500 jobs. And the average annual earnings are the highest in the State at \$36,200 a year.

For every job created by mining, another 2 additional jobs are established Statewide in the non-mining sector.

Nevada residents benefited by having an increased State output of \$3.3 billion in 1991 including direct and indirect impacts. The total industry contributed \$849 million to Nevadans' personal incomes. And through in-State purchases of goods and services, additional millions have been added to the economy.

The mines, while investing over \$5 billion in the past five years, do more than just provide incomes. They pay taxes. In 1991, the net proceeds of mines tax, general fund portions and sales and use taxes amounted to \$69,169,000. These taxes continue to support public facilities, educational and health programs and the many services required of a rapidly-growing Nevada.



...for our future

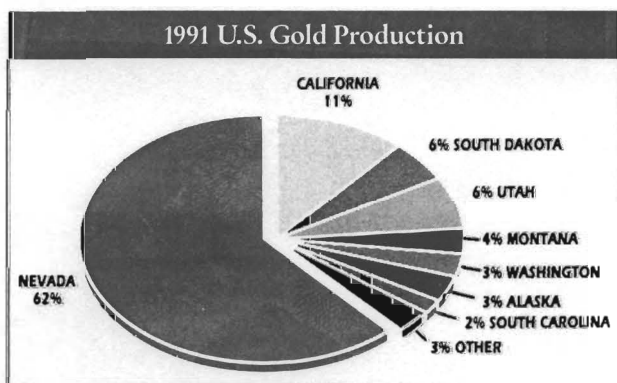
Nevada's mines have served as a valuable economic resource for over 100 years. And the mineral industry will continue to be a strong component in Nevada's future. As it was an integral part of the Comstock era in the mid-1800's, it is now even more of a vital industry for the 1990's.



New mineral resources are vital to provide the basic needs of future generations.

The demands in the U.S. for minerals have grown in diversity and quantity. With less than 5 percent of the world's population and 7 percent of its total land mass, our nation consumes a quarter of the entire globe's mineral production. Demands will continue to grow. Even now it is necessary to produce 40,000 pounds of new minerals each year for each American.

...for a better economy



Source: The Economics Institute

Nevada leads the nation in gold mining with over 62 percent of the nation's gold production and 11 percent of the world production. In addition, Nevada also leads the nation in the production of silver, barite, and magnesite.

1991

Gold produced	5.7 million ounces
Silver produced	184 million ounces
Total value of all mineral production	\$2.375 billion
Direct employment	13,500 jobs
Average annual earnings	\$36,200 / year
Total income paid to mining employees	\$500,000,000
Indirect employment	40,000 jobs
State and local taxes paid by mining	\$69.17 million

If it isn't grown, It must be mined.