

# EVERY YEAR

# 39,660 pounds of new minerals must be provided for every person in the United States to make the things we use daily

**9,551 lbs.**

**Stone** used to make roads, buildings, bridges, landscaping, numerous chemical and construction uses

**7,064 lbs.**

**Sand & Gravel** used to make concrete, asphalt, roads, blocks & bricks

**638 lbs.**

**Cement** used to make roads, sidewalks, bridges, buildings, schools, houses

**270 lbs.**

**Iron Ore** used to make steel—buildings, cars, trucks, planes, trains, other construction, containers

**477 lbs.**

**Salt** used in various chemicals, highway deicing, food & agriculture

**194 lbs.**

**Phosphate Rock** used to make fertilizers to grow food, animal feed supplements

**152 lbs.**

**Clays** used to make floor & wall tile, dinnerware, kitty litter, bricks & cement, paper

**62 lbs.**

**Aluminum (Bauxite)** used to make buildings, beverage containers, autos, airplanes

**12 lbs.**

**Copper** used in buildings, electrical & electronic parts, plumbing, transportation

**11 lbs.**

**Lead** 75% used for transportation—batteries, electrical, communications

**7 lbs.**

**Zinc** used to make metals rust resistant, various metals & alloys, paint, rubber, skin creams, health care, and nutrition

**35 lbs.**

**Soda Ash** used to make all kinds of glass, in powdered detergents, medicines, as a food additive, photography, water treatment

**4 lbs.**

**Manganese** used to make almost all steel for construction, machinery, transportation

**471 lbs.**

**Other Nonmetals** used in glass, chemicals, soaps, paper, computers, cell phones, etc.

**20 lbs.**

**Other Metals** used in electronics, TV & video equipment, recreation equipment, etc.

## Including These Energy Fuels

- 925 gallons of Petroleum
- 89,847 cu. ft. of Natural Gas
- 4,988 lbs. of Coal
- 0.2 lb. of Uranium

To generate the energy each person uses in one year—

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