

EVERY YEAR

40,633 pounds of new minerals must be provided for every person in the United States to make the things we use daily

9,924 lbs.

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

7,345 lbs.

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

675 lbs.

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

256 lbs.

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

384 lbs.

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

182 lbs.

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

155 lbs.

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

26 lbs.

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

12 lbs.

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

12 lbs.

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

6 lbs.

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

34 lbs.

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

6 lbs.

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

624 lbs.

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

23 lbs.

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

Including These Energy Fuels

- 958 gallons of Petroleum
- 4,206 lbs. of Coal
- 97,988 cu. ft. of Natural Gas
- 0.13 lb. of Uranium

To generate the energy each person uses in one year—

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