

# **Construction Aggregates**

System definition and reporting

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Sand for use in hydraulic fracturing operations at a processing plant in Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin in 2011. AP Photo/Steve Karnowski), Author provided

# The Aggregates Industry





Modified from UNPG White Paper (2016). Quarries & Aggregates by 2030 http://www.uepg.eu/uploads/Modules/Publications/unpg\_livre-blanc\_gb.pdf

## Value of the industry





Ridley, J. (2013). Ore deposit geology. Cambridge, UK, Cambridge University Press. 398. BIR Study on the Environmental Benefits of Recycling, 2009 http://www.bir.org/industry/





## Economy-wide material flows





Wiedenhofer, D., Steinberger, J. K., Eisenmenger, N. and Haas, W. (2015). Maintenance and Expansion: Modeling Material Stocks and Flows for Residential Buildings and Transportation Networks in the EU25.

# Mineral Information – Norwegian Stakeholders



### **Einvironmental Agency**

- Environmental monitoring
- Protected landscapes
- Waste landfills

#### **National agencies**

- (JBV, SW, NVE)
- Procurement & resource use
- Material testing
- Technology development

#### Industry

- Production statistics
- Employment statistics
- Resources & reserves
- Certification + licensing

### **Mapping authority**

- Topographic maps
- Land use maps
- Settlement maps
- Landscape change



## **Directorate of Mining**

### Production statistics

- Resources and reserves
- Licensing and taxation
- Mining life cycle + safetv

### SSB Statistical Office

- Export statistics
- Population statistics
- Waste statistics
- Sustainability indicators

### **NGU Geological Survey**

#### • Resources and reserves

- Geoheritage and geoenvironm.
- Quality assessm. + ranking
- Resource management

Land-use planning

37%

Counties

Resource-use planning

Maps

- Waste planning
- Licensing and taxation

### Research

### Material Flow Models

- Resource Management
- Sustainability Concepts
- BAT (Best Available Technology)

# Primary and secondary data availability





## Primary aggregates - data coverage



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Resources																																						
Reserves																																						
Exploration																																						

Pfleiderer *et al.*, EuroGeoSurveys-Mineral Resources Expert Group © EuroGeo Reserves of aggregates – status, mapping and exploration in the EU, Nov. 17, 2017, Tallinn, Estonia

data from European Minerals Yearbook (Minerals4EU, 2014) © EuroGeographics for the administrative boundaries (2014)

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Exploration

statistical data

data available

but exploration

believed to exis

available no statistical

known or

exploration no information



- 1. What is reported to whom by whom
- 2. How to improve the **MFA system definition**
- 3. Possible measures to **improve the data**
- 4. How is **data aggregated** (company/country)
- 5. Estimates for non-reporting
- 6. Recommendations for **better transparency**



Extraction of minerals

- concession required
- operation and restoration plan required

Every extractive operation with more than 500m<sup>3</sup> requires notification to DMF according to the mineral law §42.

Every extractive operation totalling more than 10'000m<sup>3</sup> in situ as well as every extraction of natural stone requires a concession according to §43.

Q: How much is exempt of reporting?

Ryen, I. A. (2016). <u>Forvaltning av mineralressurser</u>. Plan- og byggesakskonferanse 17.11.2016, Tromsø, The Directorate of Mining with the Commissioner of Mines at Svalbard.

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### Inconsistency/challenge

The terms "production", "shipment", and "sold production" are used inconsistently.  $\rightarrow$  This can lead to inconsistent accounting for inventory changes.

## **Design principle**

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## End Use



### Inconsistency/challenge

The term "end use" is relative and has different meanings for different sectors.
→ Wrongly interpreting the end use statistics can result in inconsistencies throughout the material cycles.

## **Design principle**



## Ore



### Inconsistency/challenge

"Ore" can mean "crude ore" or "beneficiated ore" / "concentrate".

 $\rightarrow$  Confusing the two can result in accounting errors at the magnitude of the tailings.

## **Design principle**



# Finished products



## Inconsistency/challenge

The term "finished products" can include products from different production stages. It can be interpreted as the sum of the production of all companies or as the total of finished products in a country or globally.

 $\rightarrow$  Interpreting the numbers wrongly results in double counting to the extent of domestic exchange of intermediate products.





### Inconsistency/challenge

Not all companies may report their production data to the government agency due to different reporting requirements. It is often not transparent whether "production" numbers published by the government agency refer to the reported production only, or whether they include an estimate of the not reported production.

 $\rightarrow$  The difference between reported production and total production can be large.

## **Design principle**





### Inconsistency/challenge

The term "domestic shipment" is not visible in MFAs that use markets.

Domestic shipment, production, import, export, and apparent consumption are all related with each other through mass balances.

→ The conversion formulas provided below only hold under the assumption of no stock change in the markets.

