

Industry, Mine & Trade at a Glance

Having the largest economic share of the country, the Industry, Mine, and Trade section of Iran has a vast interaction with other social, economic and political parts of the society. Hence, getting familiar with the current conditions, plans, and policies of the section could provide the addresses with a vivid picture of the position and capability of economy of the country. The vast connection of the section with other ones such as the financial and banking ones, exchange, production, distribution, employment, import, export, relation between the consumers and the producers and other sections as well as its effects and impressions, indicates the high importance of the Industry, Mine, and Trade section of the country.

Industry, Mine, and Trade in Iran at a glance by summary statistic:

Industry

Specification of industry sector:

Industrial plants which have production license: 87000 units

Employment of industrial sector: approximately 3400000 people

Industrial competitiveness index (UNIDO report): The 67th rank in 2012 (among 142 countries)

Table 1. Production Capacity of the Some Selected Industries

| Selected Goods | Unit | Current Capacity | Selected Goods | Unit | Current Capacity |
|---------------------------|----------------------|------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|------------------|
| Petrochemical | Million tons | 58 | Tires & Tubes | Thousand tons | 360 |
| Medicine | Billion numbers | 50 | Industrial equipment | Thousand tons | 850 |
| Cement | Million tons | 80 | Refrigerator | Million numbers | 2.4 |
| Ceramic & tile | Million square meter | 500 | Washing machine | Million number | 1.7 |
| Automobile | Million numbers | 1.9 | Water air conditioner | Million numbers | 2.2 |
| Iron ore | Million tons | 66 | Acrylic Fiber | Thousand tons | 40 |
| Raw Steel | Million tons | 24 | Polyester fiber | Thousand tons | 240 |
| Aluminum ingot | Thousand tons | 460 | Cotton yarn | Thousand ton | 240 |
| Copper cathode | Thousand tons | 255 | Polyester yarn | Thousand tons | 300 |
| LED & LCD | Million numbers | 2.3 | Machine- made carpet | Million square meter | 100 |

Table 2. Share and Global Ranking of Some Industrial Products

| Name | Year | Share (%) | Rank |
|-----------------------|-------------|------------------|-------------|
| Automobile | 2014 | 1.2 | 18 |
| Steel | 2014 | 1 | 14 |
| Aluminum ingot | 2013 | 0.63 | 22 |
| Cement | 2014 | 1.8 | 4 |
| Copper | 2014 | 1.04 | 16 |
| Lead | 2013 | 0.72 | 16 |
| Zinc | 2013 | 0.96 | 16 |

Mine

Specifications of the Mining sector:

Active Mines: 5400 units (except for 3500 sand mines).

Employment of Mine sector: approximately 130000 people.

Active Mine Reserve: approximately 43 billion tons.

About 7% of the country area has been explored.

Rank of 10 in the world in terms of variety of minerals (with 68 types)

Some information about the global share and ranking in producing minerals is as follow:

Table 3. Ranking and share of producing some minerals

| Name | Year | Share (%) | Rank |
|--------------------|-------------|------------------|-------------|
| Iron Ore | 2014 | 1.4 | 9 |
| Bauxite | 2013 | 0.27 | 17 |
| Barite | 2013 | 3.2 | 8 |
| Bentonite | 2013 | 2.4 | 9 |
| Coking Coal | 2013 | 0.1 | 17 |
| Kaolin | 2013 | 2.6 | 11 |
| Perlite | 2013 | 1.9 | 6 |

Trade

Specifications of domestic trade sector:

The number of guild units: approximately 3 million

The number of distribution firms: 85 ones across country and 550 ones across provinces

The storage capacity of goods: 24 million tons

Employment of guilds: approximately 6 million people

Rank of 21 in the market size (based on 2014 report)

Table 4. Share and Rank in the World Trade

| Topic | Product type | Value (Billion USD) | | Iran Share (%) | Ranking | |
|--------|--------------|---------------------|-------|----------------|---------------------|--------------|
| | | World | Iran | | Number of Countries | Rank of Iran |
| Export | Goods | 18682 | 64.2 | 0.34 | 229 | 51 |
| | Services | 4972 | 8.94 | 0.18 | 152 | 60 |
| Import | Goods | 18791 | 55.7 | 0.29 | 228 | 50 |
| | Services | 4799 | 14.87 | 0.31 | 152 | 49 |