

THE MINERAL INDUSTRY OF ICELAND

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TABLE 1
ICELAND: PRODUCTION OF MINERAL COMMODITIES 1/

(Metric tons unless otherwise specified)

Commodity	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995 e/		
Aluminum metal, primary 2/	89,100	89,500	94,500 r/	99,294	100,000		
Cement, hydraulic 3/	106,174	99,803	85,531 r/	80,856	81,514 4/		
Diatomite	23,100	19,900	18,000 r/ e/	24,566 e/	24,000		
Ferrosilicon	50,300	51,700	67,400 r/	66,003	66,000		
Nitrogen, N content of ammonia	8,920	8,710	8,700 e/	8,966 e/	8,800		
Pumice and related volcanic material:							
Pumice	33,400	33,500	45,000 r/ e/	23,000 e/	30,000		
Scoria	389	462	500 e/	500 e/	500		
Salt e/	3,000	4,210 4/	4,500	4,500	4,000		
Sand:							
Basaltic		cubic meters	50	--	--	300	300
Calcareous, shell		do.	106,000	85,800	81,300 r/	81,451	82,000
Sand and gravel		thousand cubic meters	3,660	3,660	3,600 e/	3,600 e/	3,600
Silica dust 5/	10,700	10,200	10,000 e/	13,871 e/	14,000		
Stone, crushed:							
Basaltic	117,000	109,000	100,000 e/	114,000 e/	110,000		
Rhyolite		cubic meters	23,000	18,200	16,500 r/	16,552	16,000

e/ Estimated. r/ Revised.

1/ Table includes data available through Mar. 1996.

2/ Ingot and rolling billet production.

3/ Sales.

4/ Reported figure.

5/ Byproduct of ferrosilicon.

TABLE 2
ICELAND: STRUCTURE OF THE MINERAL INDUSTRY FOR 1995

(Thousand metric tons)

Commodity	Major operating companies and major equity owners	Location of main facilities	Annual capacity
Aluminum	ISAL (Alusuisse-Lonza Holding Ltd 100%)	Straumsvik	100
Cement	Sementsverksmidja Rikisins (Government 100%)	Akranes	115
Diatomite	Kisilidjan hf (Government 98%)	Myvatnssveit	27
Fertilizer	Aburdarverksmidja Rikisins (Government 100%)	Gufunes	60
Ferrosilicon	Islenska jarblendifelagid hf (Government 55% and Elkem A/S 30%)	Plant at Grundartangi	72
Pumice	Eldber hf (Jardenfnaidnadir hf 51%)	Mount Hekla	210
Do.	Pumice Products Ltd (BM Valla Ltd 100%)	do.	32
Salt	Icelandic Salt Co (Akzo NV of Netherlands 58%)	Plant at Svartsengi	5