

# AGGREGATES MATTER

*...in the San Diego -  
Carlsbad Region*

AGGREGATES AND CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY EMPOWERS  
LOCAL RESIDENTS, BUSINESSES AND GOVERNMENT



**\$18.1 BILLION**  
Total Economic Output  
In The Region



**\$6 BILLION**  
Earned By Workers Annually  
Average Wage: \$55,664

**\$480 MILLION**  
Economic Impact From  
Aggregate Alone



## ESSENTIAL. BENEFICIAL. SUSTAINABLE.

In the **San Diego-Carlsbad Region** the aggregates and construction industry are leading drivers of the regional economy, creating well-paying jobs for residents, generating revenue for local jurisdictions and providing essential benefits to all.

The aggregates sector supplies sand, gravel and crushed stone for local construction. Millions of tons of aggregates are required to build and maintain our infrastructure, including roads, homes, buildings, schools and public works.

The direct and indirect impacts of this sector, while not often publicly reported, are enormous.

### **Real economic impacts.**

The aggregates and construction industry generates **\$18.1 billion** in total economic output in the **San Diego-Carlsbad Region**. That's 5.1% of the region's total economic output and the fourth highest output among all regions in California. **San Diego-Carlsbad Region's**

per capita impact is **\$5,498**. Aggregates alone provide **\$480 million** in economic impact which is **\$146** per capita.

### **Real impact on jobs and wages.**

Aggregate and construction workers in the **San Diego-Carlsbad Region** earn **\$6 billion** annually. Average income is **\$55,664** which is well above average wages for the region.

Every job created in the **aggregates and construction industries** results in another **1.40 jobs** in other industries.

### **Real impact on government revenue.**

Industry employers pay nearly half a billion dollars (**\$494M**) to federal, state and local taxes, providing local government essential revenue to repair roads, develop schools and improve public services.

### **Real local benefits.**

A ready supply of affordable, local construction materials increases the likelihood of building and **reduces the cost of new development of affordable housing in the San Diego-Carlsbad Region**. It also helps reduce consumer costs, road wear and tear, and traffic congestion as well as lowering emissions and greenhouse gases.

The value of the aforementioned benefits for local residents, businesses and government agencies is unmeasurable but certainly essential to the local economy.

### **Real need for local aggregates.**

Ensuring an adequate local supply of high-quality building materials for the **San Diego-Carlsbad Region's** future is critical to maintaining the massive economic impacts and quality of life we enjoy. **And essential to facilitate future employment growth and the billions of dollars coming for major transportation infrastructure improvements approved by voters.**

# CAL CIMA

California Construction And  
Industrial Materials Association

455 Capitol Mall Suite 210  
Sacramento, CA 95814  
**(916) 554-1000**

[www.CalCIMA.org](http://www.CalCIMA.org)  
[www.AggregatesMatter.com](http://www.AggregatesMatter.com)