

2017–2018 Minerals Yearbook

SOMALIA

THE MINERAL INDUSTRY OF SOMALIA

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In 2017 and 2018, the production of mineral commodities represented only a minor part of the economy of Somalia (U.S. Central Intelligence Agency, 2019). The legislative framework for the mineral sector in Somalia is provided by Articles 43, 44, and 54 of the Provisional Constitution of the Federal Republic of Somalia. Table 1 is a list of major mineral industry facilities. More-extensive coverage of the mineral industry of Somalia can be found in previous editions of the U.S. Geological Survey Minerals Yearbook, volume III, Area Reports—International—Africa and the Middle East,

which are available at https://www.usgs.gov/centers/nmic/africa-and-middle-east.

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TABLE 1 SOMALIA: STRUCTURE OF THE MINERAL INDUSTRY IN 2018

(Metric tons unless otherwise specified)

| Major operating companies and | | | Annual |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|----------|
| Commodity | major equity owners | Location of main facilities | capacity |
| Beryl ore | African Resources Corporation Inc. | Awdal region | NA |
| Cement | Red Sea Cement Company | Berbera cement plant, ¹ Berbera, Woqooyi Galbeed region | 200,000 |
| Gemstones | Artisanal miners | Various locations | NA |
| Salt | Primarily small-scale miners | do. | NA |
| Stone, granite and marble | Berbera Marble and Granite Factory | Berbera, Woqooyi Galbeed | NA |
| | | region | |

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¹Not operating at the end of 2018.