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## MINERAL PRODUCTION IN IOWA IN 1925

1923

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Products	Unit	Quantity	Value
Cement	Bbl. of 376 lb.	5,570,675	\$10,351,971
Clay products			7,033,924
Coal	short tons	5,710,735	20,517,000
Gypsum	short tons	566,724	5,368,532
Mineral waters	gallons	258,831	8,907
Natural gas	M cubic feet	80	172
Sand and gravel	short tons	3,597,160	2,181,881
Stone and lime	short tons	611,866	775,134
Stone and time	SHOTE COILS	011,000	770,104
			\$46,237,521
	1924		
Cement	Bbl. of 376 lb.	4,881,613	\$ 8,811,587
Clay products			5,719,694
Coal	short ton	5,468,450	18,097,000
Gypsum	short ton	640,953	5,657,339
Mineral waters	no census	010,000	) 0,001,000
Natural gas	M. cu. ft.	575	300
Sand and gravel	short ton	2,427,626	1,473,066
Stone and lime	short ton	610,408	739,632
Stone and time		010,400	l
	*	<u> </u>	\$40,470,971
	1925		•
Cement	Bbl. of 376 lb.	4,856,849	\$ 8,674,563
Clay products			5,726,239
Coal	short tons	4,714,843	14,807,000
Gypsum	short tons	702,661	6,734,271
Natural gas	M cubic feet	200	100
Sand and gravel		3,297,785	1,546,900
Stone and lime	short tons	808,288	904,669
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	,		\$38,393,742

The suggestion made in the report for 1924 that indications pointed toward a continued downward trend in mineral production during the succeeding year was in part justified by events as the total value of the output during 1925 was less than that for 1924, as were the values and quantities of cement and coal sold. However, the other major mineral products showed an increase in both quantity and value of output. Because of this the decrease for 1925 was much less than that for 1924 be-

<sup>\*</sup> Figures compiled by the Iowa Geological Survey in cooperation with the United States Bureau of Mines and the Bureau of the Census. Acknowledgment is made of the use of tables and other data published by these organizations.

low the output of 1923, as the latter diminution amounted to \$5,766,550, while the drop in 1925 was \$2,077,229.

Preliminary figures for mineral production in the United States show that, unlike Iowa, the country as a whole experienced a revival of favorable conditions, for while production in 1924 had fallen off 11 per cent as compared with 1923, the year 1925 saw a rise of 7 per cent over the preceding year, or stated in figures of value, a change from \$5,305,800,000 in 1924 to \$5,696,000,000 in 1925. The total value of metallic products in 1925 was \$1,380,100,000. Nonmetallic mineral products other than fuels produced in 1925 were valued at \$1,293,900,000 while the output of mineral fuels—coal, petroleum, natural gas and natural-gas gasoline, in 1925 had an aggregate value of \$3,016,000,000. Final figures for 1925 were not available when this report was written, but the summary statement shows that in 1924 Iowa ranked as twenty-fourth state and produced 0.87 per cent of the total value of mineral production in that year.

#### CEMENT

Shipments of portland cement were somewhat less in 1925 than in the preceding year and the value was slightly lower also. Evidently the manufacturers cut their production sharply during 1925 to dispose of some of the large surplus remaining on hand at the close of 1924. Figures for the United States show that Iowa was the only state in which production was less in 1925 than in 1924. In Iowa the decrease was 17 per cent while in other states the increase ranged from 2 per cent in Illinois to 35 per cent in Washington. In the matter of shipments also Iowa dropped 1 per cent below the figures for 1924, while Illinois dropped 3 per cent. Other states increased their shipments from 4 per cent for Pennsylvania to 39 per cent for Washington. Twelve states have four or more factories each while seventeen others have two or less each. Wisconsin began producing and shipping in June, 1924, while South Dakota began producing in December, 1924, and shipping January, 1925. The commercial district which includes eastern Missouri, Iowa, Minnesota and South Dakota has eleven plants. In 1924 the production was 14,822,738 barrels and in 1925 it was 14,571,751 or 2 per cent less, while the shipments in 1924 were 13,984,167 barrels, valued at \$24,757,538 and in 1925 they were 14,477,932 barrels, with a value

of \$25,317,292, an increase in quantity of 4 per cent. The average factory value per barrel was \$1.77 in 1924 and \$1.75 in 1925.

The appended table shows the production of cement in Iowa during the past three years.

Production of	Cement	in Iowa,	1923	to	1925	

	1923	1924	1925
Production, bbls.	5,732,470	5,624,466	4,648,145
Stock, Dec. 31, bbls,	952,242	1,695,093	1,479,670
Shipments, bbls.	5,570,675	4,881,613	4,856,849
Shipments, value	\$10,351,971	\$8,811,587	\$8,674,563
Average factory price per bbl.	\$1.86	\$1.81	\$1.79
Consumption, bbls.	3,624,857	3,144,001	2,704,872
Consumption per capita, bbl.	1.46	1.26	1:08
Surplus production	1,945,818	1,737,612	2,151,977
Annual finished cement	, ,	1 ' '	' '
capacity of plants, bbls.	6,875,000	6,685,000	6,935,000
Daily clinker capacity, bbls.	19,308	20,300	20,603
Number rotary kilns	28	28	28

The producing companies remained the same as in previous years except that the Gilmore factory was sold on October 7 to the Northwestern States Company. The list of producers in 1925 and 1926 was as follows:

Hawkeye Portland Cement Co., Des Moines; office 806 Hubbell Building, Des Moines Lehigh Portland Cement Co., Mason City; office Young Bldg., Allentown, Pa. Northwestern States Portland Cement Co., Gilmore City and Mason City; office First National Bank Bldg., Mason City

Pyramid Portland Cement Co., Valley Junction; office 508 Insurance Exchange, Des

#### CLAY WARES

The value of clay wares produced in 1925 was somewhat greater than the output of the preceding year, although it fell considerably short of the value for 1923. The increase in 1925 was due chiefly to the larger volume of brick and sewer pipe which was sold. The sales of most other classes of ware were somewhat below those for the preceding year. Hollow building tile of various kinds was the leading product and sewer pipe was second with drain tile a close third. Thirty-seven counties have clay wares plants and among these Cerro Gordo maintains the lead it has held for many years, Webster is second, Polk third, Dallas fourth and Woodbury fifth. The production of various wares in recent years was as follows:

•		Plants		Quantity Value			Quantity Value			
Class	1923	1924	1925	1923	1924	1925	1923	1924	1925	
Common brick	52	51	42	thous. 72,558	thous. 62,070	thous. 73,004	\$ 921,853	\$ 737,898	\$ 855,305	
Vitrified brick	4	4	1	31,523		,	513,684		d184,939	
Face brick	22	19	19	29,426	23,785	,	593,791	451,136	536,545	
Hollow bld, tilea	44	37	44	tons 297,253	$tons \ 243.712$	tons 275,781	2,197,515	1,740,296	1,802,145	
Hollow bld. tileb	8	16	8	26,073			195,006		316,116	
Drain tile	54	• 54	48	173,678	147,499	119,993	1,508,836			
Sewer pipe Other products <sup>e</sup>	5	5	15	54,828	52,998	67,035	865,676 237,563	793,840 154,379	929,294 1 <b>7</b> 5,937	
	64	69	67				7,033,924	5,719,694	5,726,239	

a Includes partition, load-bearing, etc. b Includes floor, arch, silo, etc. c Includes flue lining, pottery, raw clay, miscellaneous wares. d Includes wall coping and roofing tile.

Iowa ranks as the twenty-third state in value of common brick sold, fifteenth in value of face brick, fifth in value of hollow building ware, second in value of drain tile and eighth in value of sewer pipe. For many years Iowa led in the making of drain tile, but drain tile is distinctly an agricultural material, much of Iowa's farm land has been drained and agricultural conditions of late have not been conducive to the purchase of tile. Hence Ohio now stands first in making of this ware with an output valued at \$1,344,847 compared with Iowa's output of \$925,958. Indiana is third with a production valued at \$827,518 and Illinois ranks fourth with an output of \$707,859. The other states are all considerably behind these four.

The output of various classes of clay wares in the United States in 1925 was as follows:

Class	Quantity	Value
Common brick, M Vitrified brick for paving, M other uses, M Face brick, M Fancy brick, M Enameled brick, M Terra cotta, tons Hollow building tile, tons. Roofing tiles, squares. Other tile, square feet. Drain tile, tons. Sewer pipe, tons. Stove lining, tons. Flue lining, tons. Wall coping, tons.	7,565,819 448,492 90,609 2,474,690 1,701 16,931 152,441 4,228,286 289,956 74,656,401 660,673 2,138,672 25,852 182,267 37,124	\$88,607,199 10,350,093 1,525,604 45,427,625 50,279 1,507,659 19,138,690 29,274,545 5,155,301 21,968,508 4,960,423 30,420,828 656,139 2,480,327 381,367
Fire brick, M	656,918	41,163,701 3,482,236 8,426,249
Total except pottery		314,976,773 112,018,500

The following list gives the output of different wares by counties or by groups of counties which have less than three producers each. Statistics are given in as much detail as possible without revealing the production of individual operators. Counties are grouped according to geographic proximity as much as possible.

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	No. Pro- ducers		brick and on brick(1)	Holle	ow ware	Drai	n tile	Other products(2)		
Counties	———	thous.	value	tons	value	tons	value	value	value	
Allamakee (1), Fayette (1), Floyd (1), Grundy (1) Appanoose (1), Marion (1),	4	6,759	\$ 90,354	18,059	\$132,152	(a)			\$ 222,506	
Wapello (2)		12,467	142,959	12,488	72,919	4,557	\$ 25,593		241,471	
Audubon (2), Guthrie (1)	3	198	2,807						22,088	
Benton (1), Tama (3)	4	2,709	39,408	152	1,395	1,516	13,779		54,582	
Boone (1), Hamilton (1), Hardin (1), Story (2), Wright (1)	6	5,301	70,647	1,786	11,000	2,727	26,834	\$ 23,307(5) (10)	131,788	
Cerro Gordo	3	4,975	72,833						1,426,230	
Dallas	3	4,272	74,138		378,790				526,868	
Dubuque (1), Jackson (1), Johnson (2), Jones (1), Scott (1)	6	785	12,165	,	(c)	1,561	, 		49,824	
Henry (1), Lee (1), Wash-	4	148	2,380	276	1,997	2,619	17,587		21,964	
ington (2)	3	110	1,614	1,741	13,042			(8)(d)	27,917	
Jefferson (1), Keokuk (3),	_		·	ĺ	·	•	,		,	
Mahaska (2)		3,168	49,921	5,232	31,874	9,334		198,618(5)(7)(8)	355,170	
Polk	6	25,613	378,810	18,911	121,242	5,399	47,802	360,853(5)(6)	908,707	
Sac (1), Union (1), Warren (1), Woodbury (2) Webster	5 8	32,541 4,595	403,507 50,561	21,779 31,479	135,389 245,986			684,840(5)(7)(8)(10)	562,941 1,169,403	
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Totals	67	103,658	\$1,391,850	319,011	\$2,118,261	119,993	\$925,958	\$1,290,170	\$5,726,239	

<sup>(</sup>a) Included with hollow ware.
(b) Included with brick.
(c) Included with other products.
(d) Included with drain tile. Amounts and values of these items are included with state totals for classes to which they belong.
(1) Includes: Common brick, 73,004,000, value, \$855,305; Face brick, 20,654,000, value, \$536,545.
(2) Includes: (5) Sewer pipe, 5 producers, 67,035 tons, value, \$929,294;
(6) Vitrified brick and (8) roofing tile and other, unspecified, products, 7 producers, \$264,398;
(7) Flue lining, 3 producers, 5,306 tons, value, \$57,630; Wall coping, 3 producers, 1,087 tons, \$15,946;
(9 and 10) Earthenware and raw clay sold, 4 producers, value, \$22,602.

The list given herewith shows the operators who reported production in 1925 to the Bureau of the Census, together with the kinds of clay ware which they produced, according to the following schedule: 1, common brick; 2, face brick; 3, fancy brick; 4, building tile; 5, vitrified brick; 6, drain tile; 7, sewerpipe; 8, other products; 9, pottery; 10, raw clay sold.

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Allamakee County
  Postville Mfg. Co., Postville, office Min-
    neapolis, Minn.
Appanoose County
  Centerville, Centerville Brick Co., 1
Audubon County
  Audubon, Audubon Brick & Tile Works,
    1, 4, 6
  Kimballton,
                Crystal
                         Springs
    Works, 1, 3, 6
Benton County
 *Atkins, Rinderknecht Bros.
  Belle Plaine, Buckeye Clay Products
    Co., 4, 5
  Garrison, Garrison Brick & Tile Works,
    1, 4, 6
Black Hawk County
  Waterloo, Art Novelty Pottery (Wil-
    liam Raab), 9
 *Waterloo, Waterloo Granite Brick Co., 1
Boone County
  Boone, Boone Brick, Tile & Paving
    Co., office Des Moines, 1, 2, 5
Buena Vista County
  Linn Grove, Linn Grove Brick & Tile
    Co., 1, 4, 6
 *Sioux Rapids, Sioux Rapids Drain Tile
    Works, 1, 4, 6
Cedar County
  *Tipton, Tipton Brick & Tile Works, 1,
    4, 6
Cerro Gordo County
  Mason City, Mason City Brick & Tile
    Company, 1, 2, 4, 6
  Mason City, National Clay Works, 1,
    2, 4, 6
  Mason City, North Iowa Brick & Tile
    Co., 4, 6
Clayton County
  Clayton, Clayton Brick and Tile Co.,
Dallas County
  Adel, Adel Clay Products Co., 1, 2, 4, 6
  Redfield, Redfield Brick & Tile Company, 1, 4, 6
  Van Meter, Platt Company, Inc., 1, 4, 6
Dubuque County
 *Dubuque, Frank Beutin, 1
 *Dubuque, Clayton Brick & Tile Co., 1,
  Dubuque, John L. Heim & Son, 1
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Fayette County
  Clermont, Clermont Brick & Sand Co.,
    1, 2, 4
Floyd County
  Rockford, Rockford Brick & Tile Com-
pany, 1, 2, 4, 6
Franklin County
 *Sheffield, Sheffield Brick & Tile Co., 1,
 *Sheffield, Smith Brick & Tile Co., 1, 4,
Grundy County
  *Reinbeck, Gethmann Brick Co., office
    Gladbrook, 2
Guthrie County
  Glendon, Glendon Brick & Tile Co.
     (Robert Goodwin, Jr.) office Menlo,
Hamilton County
  Webster City, National Sewer Pipe Co.,
       Also has clay pit at Nevada, Story
         Co., 10
 *Webster City, Therm-A-Jug Co., 9
Hardin County
  Eldora, Eldora Sand Co., 10
 *Eldora, Estate of Henry L. Huff, 10
Henry County
  Winfield, Winfield Brick & Tile Works
     (J. E. Pierce), 1, 4, 6
Howard County
  *Cresco, (Cresco Brick & Tile Works)
C. A. Marshall, 1, 4, 6
Jackson County
  Bellevue, Bellevue Clay Products Com-
    pany, 1, 4, 6, 9
Jasper County
  Lynnville, Lynnville Brick &
Works (C. H. Newby), 4, 6
  Newton, Newton Clay Products Co., 1,
    4, 6
Jefferson County
  *Batavia, Batavia Brick and Tile Co.,
    1, 4, 6
  Packwood, S. F. Steigleder & Son, 6
Johnson County
  Iowa City, Ferd. Goss Brick Yard, 1
  Tiffin, Tiffin Tile Company, 1, 6
Jones County
  Monticello,
               Monticello Clay Works
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(Frank D'Autremont), 6

Keokuk County Tama County Hedrick, Hedrick Tile Works, 1, 4, 6 Dysart, Dysart Brick & Tile Company, Keota, Iowa Clay Products Co., office 1, 6 Washington, 1, 4, 6 Gladbrook, The Gethmann Brick Co., 2 \*Richland, Iowa Clay Products Co., of-Also has plant at Reinbeck, Grundy fice Washington, 1, 4, 6 Co., 2 \*What Cheer, Nelson Bros. & Sundberg, Gladbrook, Gladbrook Press Brick & Tile Co., 1, 2, 6 1, 9 What Cheer, What Cheer Clay Products \*Tama, Tama Brick & Tile Co., 1, 4, 6 Co., 4, 6, 7, 8 Union County Lee County Creston, Creston Brick & Tile Works, Fort Madison, Julius Reichelt, 1 1, 2, 4, 6 Mahaska County Wapello County New Sharon, Peter Meyer, 1, 6, 8 Eldon, Iowa Clay Products Co., office \*New Sharon, Cecil Bros., 1, 4, 6 Washington, 1, 4, 6 Oskaloosa, Standard Clay Products Co., Ottumwa, Morey Clay Products Co., 1, 1, 2 2, 4, 6 Marion County \*Ottumwa, Ostdeik Brick Works, 1, 4, 6 Harvey, Standard Clay Products Co., office Oskaloosa, 4, 6 Warren County Carlisle, Carlisle Clay Products Co., Inc., 4, 6 Knoxville, Knox Clay Products Co., Inc., 1, 4, 6 Washington County Kalona, Kalona Clay Co., Inc., 1, 4, 6 Muscatine County \*Muscatine, Charles Stark, clay pipes Washington, Washington Brick & Tile Palo Alto County Works, 1, 4, 6 \*Graettinger, Graettinger Tile Works, 6 Webster County Polk County Clayworks, Johnson Clay Works, Inc., Des Moines, The Capital Clay Com-1, 2, 4 Fort Dodge, Bradshaw & Company, 1, pany, 1, 2 Des Moines, Des Moines Clay Company, 2, 4, 6 (2 plants), 1, 2, 4 Des Moines, Des Moines Brick & Tile \*Fort Dodge, Coats Mfg. Co., 4 Fort Dodge, Fort Dodge Brick & Tile Co., 4, 6, 10 Co., 1, 4 Des Moines, Flint Brick Company, 1, 5 Fort Dodge, Plymouth Clay Products Co., 6, 7, 8
Fort Dodge, Vincent Clay Products Co., Des Moines, Goodwin Tile & Brick Co., Des Moines, Iowa Pipe & Tile Co., 6, 7, 4, 6 Lehigh, Lehigh Sewer Pipe & Tile Poweshiek County Co., office Fort Dodge, 6, 7, 8 Lehigh, George F. Drain, 10 Grinnell, Grinnell Clay Products Co., 1, 4, 6 Otho, Kalo Brick & Tile Company, of-Sac County fice Ft. Dodge, 1, 2, 4, 5, 6 Auburn, Auburn Brick & Tile Com-Woodbury County \*Correctionville, Woodbury County Tile pany, 4, 6 Scott County Plant. 6 LeClaire, W. E. Martin & Sons, Inc., 1, Sergeant Bluff, Ballou Brick Company, office Kansas City, Mo., 1, 2 \*Pleasant Valley, Martin & Sons, 1, 4, 6 \*Sioux City, Lehigh Sewer Pipe & Tile Story County Co., 6, 7 Sioux City, Sioux City Brick & Tile Maxwell, Maxwell Brick and Tile Co., Co., 1, 2, 8 1, 2, 4, 6 Nevada, Nevada Brick & Tile Works, \*Sioux City, Sioux City Crockery Co., 9 1, 4, 6 Wright County Nevada, National Sewer Pipe Co. (T. Goldfield, Goldfield Brick & Tile Works, J. Lyman), 10 1, 4, 6

Coal production in Iowa continued the downward trend which was noticeable in the industry in the two preceding years. While

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<sup>\*</sup> Added from Bulletin 16 of the Iowa Bureau of Labor, 1925.

the tonnage raised in 1925 was larger than that of 1921 or of 1922, still it was smaller than that of 1923 or of 1924. The value at the mines of the 1925 output was smaller than that of any year since 1916. One reason for the prevailing condition seems to be the increasing use of the higher priced but cleaner coals from states farther east, some of which are operating on a non-union basis.

Conditions somewhat similar to those affecting Iowa in recent years seem to have been prevalent over the country as a whole, if one may judge from the figures given below.

	Iowa		United States*				
Year	tons	value	Year	tons	value		
1916	7,260,800	\$13,530,383	1916	502,519,682	\$ 665,116,077		
1917	8,965,830	21,096,408	1917	551,790,563	1,249,272,837		
1918	8,192,195	24,703,237	1918	579,385,820	1,491,809,940		
1919	5,624,692	17,352,620	1919	465,860,058	1,160,616,013		
1920	7,813,916	30,793,847	1920	568,666,683	2,129,933,000		
1921	4,531,392	17,256,800	1921	415,921,950	1,199,938,000		
1922	4,335,161	16,119,000	1922	422,268,099	1,274,820,000		
1923	5,710,735	20,517,000	1923	564,564,662	1,514,621,000		
1924	5,468,450	18,097,000	1924	483,686,538	1,062,626,000		
1925	4,714,843.	14,807,000	1925	522,967,000	1,046,000,000		

Production of Coal in Iowa and the United States

As an indication of the methods used in recovering Iowa coal the following tables will be of interest.

Coal mined in Iowa in 1925 was produced as follows:

•	tons	per cent
Mined by hand	901,839	19.1
Shot off solid	2,780,633	59.0
Machine cut	922,405	19.6
Strip pits		
Not specified	109,737	2.3
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	4,714,843	

An article in the August, 1927, Coal Age by H. O. Rogers of the U. S. Bureau of Mines gave the results of a study of underground haulage as practiced over the United States in 1924. During that year 7,361 soft coal deep mines used 36,352 animals and 14,723 locomotives in addition to 649 rope haulage units. These latter included only haulage on the bottom and not hoists. A total of 3,585 mines reported the use of some type of underground locomotive and these mines produced 88 per cent of the

<sup>\*</sup> Bituminous coal only. Figures for 1925 are estimates.

coal mined. The other 3,776 mines produced 12 per cent of the total output. The following data refer to Iowa.

Mines using locomotives and Total mines 2  animals 26 Animals used 365 Rope haulage units 365	Mines using animals only	228	Per cent total production	48.4
Tons produced 2,715,190 Tons produced 105,8 Per cent total production 49.7 Per cent total production 2 Mines using locomotives and animals 26 Animals used 5 Animals used 62 Locomotives used 62 Locomotives used 5,468,4 The 66 locomotives are classified as follows:  Storage battery, with trolley 4 Electric trolley 58	Animals used	614	Mines using locomotives only	2
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Storage battery without trolley 2 Gasoline 2	Storage battery, with trolley	. 4	Electric trolley	58
	Storage battery without trolley	. 2	Gasoline	2

Production methods are shown also by the following table:

Mines using electric locomotives	28	Mines using no	electric locomo-	
Locomotives used	64	tives		228
Tons produced2,830	,912	Tons produc	ed2	,637,538
Per cent of production	51.8	Per cent of p	roduction	48.2

The accompanying table giving detailed figures of production in the different counties shows that twenty-three counties produced coal in 1925 and that among these Marion was the leader, Monroe was second, losing the position held for so many years, Polk was third, Appanoose fourth and Lucas fifth. The number of mines reporting was 208, although it may be noted that the State Mine Inspectors' report, which may be somewhat more complete, as the inspectors are on the ground, lists 354 mines as being active in 1925. The same document reports 4,833,631 tons as being the production during this year, or 118,788 tons more than the figures compiled by the Bureau of Mines. The state inspectors also report a total of 11,241 men employed as against the number 10,167 reported to the federal bureau.

Statistics of coal production in Iowa in 1925

	No. pro- ducers	Loaded at mines for shipment	Sold to local trade	Used at mine	Total	production	Average value per ton	Numb Under-	per of em	ployees	Average number
Counties	ž P	tons	tons	tons	tons	value	at mine		Surface	- Total	of days worked
Adams	54	466,491 325,836 363,810	4,881 74,022 43,097 9,826	4,507 5,023 1,527	4,881 545,020 373,956 375,163	\$ 19,000 1,860,000 1,481,000 1,178,000	\$3.89 3.41 3.96 3.14	21 2,491 785 758	4 198 63 65	25 2,689 848 823	155 96 171 154
Davis (1), Lucas (2) Greene (1), Story		503,289	10,953	(a)	514,242	1,545,500	4.15,3.00	547	60	607	70, 216.
(1), Webster (1) Guthrie Jasper	3 4 8	(b)	12,122 $4,053$ $37,795$	(b) 3,539	12,122 4,053 41,334	36,000 16,000 140,000	1.89, 3.21, 3.65 3.95 3.39	$     \begin{array}{r}       43 \\       22 \\       203     \end{array} $	$\begin{array}{c} 4\\4\\34\end{array}$	$   \begin{array}{r}     47 \\     26 \\     237   \end{array} $	120, 150, 192 131 70(c)
Jefferson (1), Van Buren (2) Keokuk	5	(b)	6,743 6,882	(b)	6,743 6,882	16,000 21,000	2.84,2.21 3.05	19 21	2 2	$\begin{array}{c} 21 \\ 23 \end{array}$	179, 123 145
Mahaska Marion Monroe		(b) 898,191 765,105	43,430 30,126 24,393	513 19,632 24,869	43,943 947,949 814,367	131,000 2,811,000 2,393,000	2.98 2.97 2.94	106 914 1,293	12 86 100	118 1,000 1,393	152 233 188
Page (2), Tay- lor (3) Polk Wapello	19 18	(b) 322,586 (b)	33,611 336,266 60,580	(b) 12,020 (b)	33,611 670,872 60,580	146,000 2,179,000 193,000	4.26, 4.57 3.25 3.19	99 1,511 123	11 120 21	110 1,631 144	245,160 $139$ $146$
Warren Wayne	. 3	64,540 (b)	159,656 29,201	5,728 (b)	229,924 29,201	566,000 75,000	2.46 2.57	279 100	34 10	313 110	204 128
Totals	193	3,711,654	905,840	97,349	4,714,843	\$14,807,000		9,337	830	10,167	153

<sup>(</sup>a) Included in Loaded at mines; (b) Included in Local trade; (c) This low figure was due to the very short time of operation of the Colfax Consolidated mines. Other mines operated from 150 to 225 days.

### The list of operators was as given below.

Adams County Joe Aukeny, Villisca John G. Henton, Carbon, R.F.D. 1 Jones Coal Co., Carbon Lockwood Coal Co., Corning Pleasant Valley Coal Co., Nodaway Smith & Robinson, Carbon Appanoose County Acken Coal Co., Mystic Anchor Coal Mining Co., Ridgeway Appanoose Coal & Fuel Co., Mystic Appanoose County Coal Co., Centerville Armstrong Coal Co., Commerce Bldg., Kansas City, Mo. Barrett Coal Co., Mystic Beggs Coal Co., Mystic Bradshaw Coal Co., Dean Brand Coal Co., Plano Brazil Coal Co., Brazil Caldwell Coal Co., Exline Frank Casale, Centerville Center Coal Co., Centerville Centerville Block Coal Co., Centerville Citizens Coal Co., Centerville Clarke Coal Co., Centerville Diamond Block Coal Co., Mystic Domestic Coal Co., Cincinnati Duff Coal Co., Mystic Egypt Coal Co., Mystic Empire Coal Co., Centerville Fairlawn Coal Co., Centerville Fenton Coal Co., Plano, R.R. 1 Fowler & Wilson Coal Co., Centerville Friendship Coal Co., Cincinnati Garfield Coal Co., Mystic Helman Bros. Coal Co., Plano High Test Coal Co., Centerville C. P. Houser, Seymour Hunt Bros. Coal Co., Mystic Iowa Block Coal Co., Exline Johnson Kelly, Centerville O. A. Koontz, Centerville Liberty Coal Co., Mystic Little Walnut Coal Co., Mystic Allen Long Coal Co., Centerville W. W. Lowe, Brazil Maddalozzi Coal Co., Mystic McConville Coal Co., Centerville Monitor Coal Co., Centerville Mystic Coal Co., Mystic New Oriental Coal & Mining Co., Centerville New Phoenix Coal Co., Brazil North Hill Coal Co., Centerville Numa Coal Co., Numa Peacock Coal Co., Brazil Prospect Coal Co., Exline Raney Coal Co., R.R. 2, Centerville Rathbun Coal Co., Rathbun Rock Valley Coal Co., Centerville

Rosebrook Coal Co., Centerville Ryals-Yagzy Coal Co., Des Moines E. Scritchfield, Cincinnati Service Coal Co., Mystic Sleeth Coal Co., Coal City South Side Coal Co., Centerville Sunshine Coal Co., Mystic Star Coal Co., Centerville Swanson Coal Co., Centerville, R.R. 2 Thistle Coal Co., Centerville J. A. Truby, Mystic Wakefield Coal Co., Brazil White Oak Coal Co., Exline Winifred Coal Co., Mystic Boone County Boone Coal Co., Boone S. O. Currier Coal Co., Pilot Mound W. D. Johnson Coal Co., Boone Madrid Coal Co., Equitable Bldg., Des Moines Richard May Coal Co., Lehigh Ogden Coal Co., Boone Chas. Otis Coal Co., Boone Scandia Coal Co., 606 Grand Ave., Des Moines Dallas County Dallas Coal Co., Liberty Bldg., Des Moines Dallas Products Co., Madrid Norwood-White Coal Co., 408 6th Ave., Des Moines Radiant Coal Mining Co., 907 So. Surety Bldg., Des Moines Scandia Coal Co., 606 Grand Ave., Des Moines Shuler Coal Co., 802 So. Surety Bldg., Des Moines Davis County Henderson and Goodwin Coal Co., Floris Lunsford Bros. Coal Co., Bloomfield Greene County Buckeye Coal Co., Rippey Keystone Coal Co., Rippey Riverside Coal Co., Rippey Guthrie County J. E. Lewis Coal Co., Yale Love Coal Co., Panora Mallon Coal Co., Guthrie Center John Mansell Coal Co., Guthrie Center W. H. Scott, Guthrie Center, R. R. 5 H. M. Sipe Coal Co., Guthrie Center Jasper County Colfax Consolidated Coal Co., Colfax Jeffreys & Binder Coal Co., Newton McKeevers Coal Co., Colfax T. J. Morris Coal Co., Colfax D. E. Norris Coal Co., Prairie City Prairie City Coal Co., Prairie City Howard Sheeter Coal Co., Monroe

Sunny Brook Coal Co., Colfax William White Coal Co., Prairie City Jefferson County R. B. Cross, Birmingham, R.R. 2 C. S. Henness, Fairfield Keokuk County Big Four Coal Co., What Cheer Carson Bros., What Cheer Newcomb Bros. Coal Co., What Cheer O. W. Olive Coal Co., Delta Lucas County Central Iowa Fuel Co., 1219 So. Surety Bldg., Des Moines Lucas Coal Co., Lucas Mahaska County Adams Coal Co., Oskaloosa Adey & Leibris, Givin Chas. Ahrweiler, Oskaloosa Rosser Davis Coal Co., Beacon Dixon Coal Co., Oskalogsa Edwards Bros. Coal Co., Beacon A. M. Ellis Coal Co., Givin Evans & Hasselman Coal Co., Eddyville Equality Coal Co., Albia Frehn and Cons Coal Co., Oskaloosa R. H. Furnald Coal Co., Oskaloosa Steve Gasper & Steve Gergley, Lakonta Givin Coal Co., Givin Hynick Coal Co., Givin, R.R. 1 Jones & Mathis Coal Co., Givin Lanning Coal Co., Oskaloosa Lee Coal Co., What Cheer Thomas Lewis, Givin Matrison & Morris, Oskaloosa Nelson Bros., Oskaloosa O'Brien & Allen, Beacon Roberts Bros. Coal Co., Oskaloosa Snook & Sons Coal Co., Oskaloosa Swanson & Hohn Coal Co., Oskaloosa Sweitzer Coal Co., Eddyville O. R. Thompson Coal Co., Givin, R.F.D. White Bros., Rose Hill Williams Coal Co., New Sharon Woodward & Boggs Coal Co., Oskaloosa Marion County Perry Brown Coal Co., Knoxville Geo. L. Burt Coal Co., Knoxville Consolidated Ind. Coal Co., 139 West Van Buren St., Chicago, Illinois Dunreath Coal Co., Des Moines Chas. Fortner Coal Co., Flagler Gold Goose Coal & Mining Co., Albia Hayes Bros. Coal Co., Knoxville Holland Coal Co., Des Moines Horse Shoe Coal Co., Bussey C. C. Kendall Coal Co., Marysville Knox Coal Co., Knoxville Walter McElrea, Dallas McKenzie Bros. & Cook Coal Co., Har-Miller Coal Co., Knoxville Mulkey & Thomas, Knoxville

Pershing Coal Co., 6th Fl. Ins. Exch. Bldg., Des Moines Red Rock Coal Co., Des Moines Success Coal Co., Otley Vanceunebrak Bros. Coal Co., Knoxville Vernon Coal Co., Dallas Monroe County Air Line Coal Co., Albia Albia Coal Co., Ottumwa Central Coal Co., Oskaloosa Lockman Coal & Mining Co., Lockman DeRoss Coal & Mining Co., Albia Graham Coal Co., Avery Hocking Coal Co., Hocking Lovilia Coal Co., Lovilia Maple Coal Co., 803 So. Surety Bldg., Des Moines Smoky Hollow Coal Co., Albia Superior Coal Co., Gillespie, Ill. Page County Evans Coal Co., Clarinda Pearson Coal Co., Clarinda Polk County Acme Coal Mining Co., Des Moines Adelphi Coal & Mining Co., 2300 East 24th St., Des Moines, Iowa Beck Coal & Mining Co., 507 6th Ave., Des Moines Bennett Bros. Coal Co., 427 Grand Ave., Des Moines Bloomfield Coal & Mining Co., 513 E. Grand Ave., Des Moines Clover Leaf Coal Co., Des Moines Commerce Coal Co., Commerce Des Moines Coal Co., 910 Grand Ave., Des Moines Des Moines Ice & Fuel Co., 100 Maple St., Des Moines Diamond Joe Coal Co., Runnells Eagle Fuel Co., 716 Grand Ave., Des Moines Economy Coal Co., 418 Hubbell Bldg., Des Moines Flint Brick & Coal Co., 411 8th St., Des Moines Independent Coal Co., Des Moines Moore Coal Co., Des Moines Norwood-White Coal Co., 408 6th Ave., Des Moines Saylor Coal Co., 606 Grand Ave., Des Moines, Iowa Urbandale Coal Co., 804 11th St., Des Moines Story County Summit Coal Co., Ames, Iowa Taylor County Bean Coal Co., New Market New Market Coal Co., New Market Richardson Coal Co., Gravity Van Buren County J. Daniels & Sons, Douds Hugh Findlay Coal Co., Douds

James Tweedy Coal Co., Mount Zion J. H. Logan, Mount Zion . Wapello County Charles Akers Coal Co., Ottumwa Best Coal Co., Ottumwa, R.F.D. Brooke Coal Co., Ottumwa, R.F.D. R. E. Cooper, Ottumwa J. W. Dawson Coal Co., Kirksville W. O. Donaldson Coal Co., Ottumwa Arthur Gardner Coal Co., Ottumwa Genochio & Peterson Coal Co., Ottumwa Gibbs Bros. Coal Co., R.F.D., Ottumwa Glendale Coal Co., 1317 Castle St., Ot-Glenn Bros. Coal Co., R.F.D., Ottumwa Hartwig Bros. Coal Co., Eldon Haseltine Coal Co., Ottumwa Jones & Rowley, Blakesburg, R.R. 3. Louis Kellar Coal Co., Eldon Lone Star Coal Co., Eldon Mat Mier Coal Co., 914 E. 4th St., Ottumwa.

Mier Coal Co., R.R. 8, Ottumwa Monohan Coal Co., Ottumwa Richard Reese Coal Co., Ottumwa Rutledge Coal Co., R.R. 3, Ottumwa George Simmer Coal Co., Ottumwa Simpson Bros. & Howard, Ottumwa Union Coal Co., Ottumwa Warren County Des Moines Ice & Fuel Co., 100 Maple St., Des Moines Great Western Coal Co., 201 Equitable Bldg., Des Moines Indian Valley Gloss Coal Co., 606 Observatory Bldg., Des Moines Wayne County L. E. Bennett, R.R. 2, Promise City Peter Ripper, Harvard Rissler & Yocum, Promise City Seymour Coal Co., Seymour Violet Valley Coal Co., Seymour Webster County

Geo. Marcy Coal Co., Lehigh

#### **GYPSUM**

The gypsum industry in Iowa showed a gratifying advance during 1925 and maintained the record it has held for several years—of increasing its production over that of each preceding year. This increased production was shared by all but one of the operating concerns and it was spread over practically every phase of the industry, from the quantity mined to the quantities and values of the various finished products. The following table gives data for the past two years and shows the growing output from Iowa mills.

Production of Gypsum in 1924 and 1925

	1	.924	19	25
	tons	value	tons	value
Crude gypsum mined	727,385 149,972 1,236	\$ 371,331 8,098	800,167 134,200 6,251	\$ 330,001 51,585
Total sold crude	151,208	379,429	140,451	381,584
as neat plaster as stucco as neat plaster etc. as plaster of Paris as dental plaster, Keene's cement, plate glass works as plaster of plate glass works as placety beard was likely board.	68,280 313,521 1,230 5,503	459,044 2,451,273 11,031 55,626	21,329 380,124 25,837 3,192 4,031	137,903 2,918,414 185,313 37,503 33,221
as plaster board, wall board as partition and other tile for insulating, fire proofing, other purposes	55,486 42,065	1,719,322 549,844	71,754 50,835 5,108	2,332,141 529,581 178,611
Total sold calcined	489,745	5,277,910	562,210	6,352,687
Total sold	640,953	\$5,657,339	702,661	6,734,271

The table shows that there was an increase of 72,782 tons in the crude gypsum raised and that while the amount sold as cement retarder was less in 1925 the amount used as land plaster was larger as was that used raw for other purposes, so that the value of the raw material sold was \$2,155 more in 1925 than in 1924. The total amount of wall plaster sold in 1925 was 427,280 tons, valued at \$3,241,630. This exceeded the sales of the previous year by 44,249 tons and \$320,288. The total output in 1925 was larger than that of 1924 by 61,608 tons and the increased value amounted to \$1,076,932.

One item of interest in the industry was the sale by the Centerville Gypsum Company of anhydrite, the form of gypsum which has no water of crystallization, for poultry grits. Some parts of the Centerville deposit contain a good deal of anhydrite and as this can not be used in making plasters its use as grits and for similar purposes represents a distinct saving.

Towa continued to hold second rank in the gypsum industry in 1925, New York having a long lead and Ohio coming in a close third. In 1924 Michigan's total output exceeded that of Iowa by \$293,483, but in the next year Iowa outstripped Michigan by \$1,286,977. The following table shows the production of the leading states.

	ıts	Mined	Sold c	rude	Sold 'c	alcined	
· ·	Plants	Tons	Tons	Value.	Tons	Value	Total value
Īowa	7	800,167	140,451	\$381,584	562,210	\$6,352,687	\$6,734,271
Kansas	3	166,952					1,009,510
Michigan	5	649,053		391,093		5,056,201	5,447,294
Nevada	6	350,130	31,471	57,073	259,693	1,664,736	1,721,809
New York	10	1,730,254	354,394	1,017,403	1,193,520	15,518,836	16,536,239
Ohio	3	551,479	11,423	32,818	540,504		6,394,132
Oklahoma	4	320,931	*	*	*	<b>*</b>	2,599,463
Texas	6	558,132	*	*	*	*	3,721,954
Others(1)	18	551,204	267,566	816,372	984,076	9,233,946	3,728,901
	62	5,678,302	1,014,135	2,823,229	4,104,735	45,070,344	47,893,573

Production of Gypsum in the United States in 1925

The Hawkeye Gypsum Products Company of Fort Dodge began mining and shipping crude gypsum during 1925. Otherwise the list of producers remained as it has been for some years.

<sup>\*</sup> Included with others.
(1) Includes also Arizona, California, Colorado, Montana, New Mexico, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Virginia, Washington and Wyoming.

Centerville Gypsum Co., Centerville
Beaver Products Co., Fort Dodge; office Buffalo, N. Y.
Universal Gypsum Co., Fort Dodge, two plants; office 1153 Conway Bldg., Chicago
Hawkeye Gypsum Products Co., Fort Dodge
Wasem Plaster Co., Warden Apts., Fort Dodge
Cardiff Gypsum Plaster Co., 903 Central Ave., Fort Dodge
United States Gypsum Co., Fort Dodge; office 205 West Monroe St., Chicago

#### LIMESTONE AND LIME

The limestone industry not only recovered from the decline of the past few years but exceeded in its output that of any year since 1912. The output of stone and lime for that year had the highest value of that for any year of which the Survey has any record, \$998,236. The amount and value of production during the past ten years are shown in the following table.

Year Year valuetonsvaluetons 1916 \$610,534 1921 423,279 \$563,427 1917 709,956 1922 627,443 719,203 580,750 1918 451,840 444,800 1923 611,876 775,134 1919 519,030 567,356 1924 610,408 739,632 620,665 1925 904,669 840,544 808,288 1920

Stone and lime production in Iowa, 1916 to 1925

The lime burning industry shared in the growth shown by the quarrying trade, as its output was larger in both tonnage and value than that of the year before.

The table given below shows the production of the various counties during 1925 and a comparison of the totals for 1924. Scott county was well in the lead, Marshall was second, Dubuque held third place and Black Hawk ranked fourth. As the table shows much the greater part of the output was crushed for road and concrete work.

Limestone and lime production in 1925

	Pro-	Building, Rubble, riprapa		Concrete, road metal		Other uses <sup>b</sup>		Total	
Counties	ducers	tons	value	tons	value	tons	value	tons	value
Allamakee (1), Clayton (1), Mitchell (1)	3	17,180	\$26,100	with ''Buil	ding, etc.	with "Bu	ilding, etc."	17,015	\$26,100
Black Hawk (2), Cerro Gordo (1)	3 5	97.710	41,222	73,891	\$87,552		acrete, etc.''	73,891	87,552
Dubuque Hardin (1), Marshall (2)	3	37,710 with "Con	acrete, etc.'	41,625 182,279	86,259 194,177	36,669	\$23,367	79,335	127,483 217,544
Clinton (1), Jackson (1), Johnson (1),									, ,
Linn (1)	4 3	with "Con 8,789	ocrete, etc.''	40,789 4,042	58,168 3,944	14,012 1,925	$21,218 \\ 1,472$	54,801 14,756	79,38 15,25
Scott	3		ncrete, etc.'' 5,028	35,559 265,190	47,191 254,619	with ''' Cor 44,601	144,512	35,559 · 313,984	47,19 304,16
Totals	27 33	57,923 49,820	68,176 63,938	547,674 434,460	674,903 533,500	152,692 126,128	161,590 142,194	808,288 610,408	904,66 739,63

a Includes: building, etc., 5,933 tons, value \$7,983; rubble, 2,862 tons, value \$4,166; riprap, 49,128 tons, value \$56,027.
b Includes: railroad ballast and other uses, 38,020 tons, value \$30,094; flux, 12,517 tons, value \$16,335; sugar factories and lime, 9,148 tons, value \$43,439; agriculture, 93,007 tons, value \$71,722.

Figures for the United States show that the quantity of limestone sold or used by producers in 1925 was 13 per cent more than in 1924. The amount used for liming land was 44 per cent greater than the year before. Sales of lime were 12 per cent greater in quantity and 8 per cent greater in value in 1925 over 1924. Iowa ranked nineteenth in production of limestone. The following table shows the production for 1924 and 1925.

	. 192	4	1925			
Use	tons	value	tons	value		
Building	1,097,530	\$15,805,680	1,204,550	\$16,092,079		
Curbing, etc.	5,560	78,264	11,730	98,587		
Rubble	392,180	623,844	324,630	513,387		
Riprap	1,695,280	1,513,443	1,847,330	1,406,714		
Crushed	46,446,680	47,594,437	51,337,840	52,446,110		
Flux	19,683,150	15,827,464	22,840,500	17,318,366		
Sugar factories	618,230	1,055,505	471,580	796,974		
Glass factories	177,260	286,164	324,160	412,832		
Paper mills	138,280	236,834	109,730	198,691		
Agriculture	1,352,600	2,046,860	1,954,480	2,880,589		
Other	4,287,680	4,800,461	5,222,910	5,843,699		
	75,895,430	89,868,956	85,649,440	98,008,028		
Portland cement	37,727,000		40,720,100			
Natural cement	236,000		292,000			
Lime	8,144,000		9,100,000			
	122,001,430		135,761,440			

The following list gives the Iowa operators of limestone quarries. Lime producers are indicated in the list.

Clinton County

Allamakee County
John Sampson, Postville
Wilkes Williams, 16.F.D. No. 1, Postville
Black Hawk County
Hawkeye Quarries Co., La Porte City;
office at Cedar Rapids
A. Bartlett, 1165 E. Fourth St., Waterloo
Bremer County
Waverly Stone & Gravel Co., office at
Fowler Bldg., Waterloo
Cerro Gordo County
Henry Kuppinger, Mason City
Ideal Sand & Gravel Co., Mason City
Quinby Stone Co., 24 13th St. N. E.,
Mason City
Clayton County
Marquette Stone Products Co., McGregor

Alden Lime Co., Clinton C. T. Hanrahan, Charlotte Carl Jensen, Charlotte Dubuque County Wm. Becker, 1333 Kaufman Ave., Dubuque H. L. Dehner, Cascade Fred W. Faldorf, 1155 Grand View Ave., Dubuque Dubuque Stone Products Co., Dubuque, also lime Grassel & Sons, Dubuque Mulgrew & Sons Co., Dubuque Ulrich-Paley Co., Dubuque Thos. R. Welsh, 202 W. Locust St., Dubuque B. N. Arquitt, Farley Hardin County Iowa Limestone Co., Alden; office 907

Bankers Trust Bldg., Des Moines

Howard County Cresco Stone & Concrete Co., Cresco Jackson County A. A. Hurst, Hurstville; office at Maquoketa; also lime Johnson County River Products Co., Coralville; office at 218 Johnson County Bank Bldg., Iowa City Jones County The Reformatory, Anamosa Geo. B. Shaler, Stone City H. Dearborn's Sons, Stone City Keokuk County Russell B. Royce, Sigourney Lee County McManus Quarries Co., Inc., Ballinger Sta.; office at Box 93, Keokuk Keokuk Quarry & Construction Co., 1325 Main St., Keokuk Burlington Quarry Co., Montrose; office at 17 S. Seventh St., Keokuk Linn County

Ellis Park Stone Co., Cedar Rapids

J. E. Colton, Mount Vernon Madison County Peru Stone & Cement Co., Peru; office at 308 West 5th Street, Des Moines Marshall County Le Grand Stone Co., Le Grand County Engineer, Marshalltown Mitchell County Belzer & Brenden, Osage Osage Stone Co. (H. L. Wilson), Osage Pocahontas County Gilmore Portland Cement Corp., Gilmore City. Sold to N. W. States Portland Cement Co., Mason City Scott County Otto Thompson, Bettendorf Stone Co., Bettendorf; office at 820 Kirkwood Blvd., Davenport Dolese Bros. Co., Buffalo; office at 337 W. Madison St., Chicago, Ill. Linwood Cement Co., 713 Kahl Bldg.,

#### SAND AND GRAVEL

Davenport

The sand and gravel trade improved somewhat from the conditions prevailing in 1924 although it was not up to the state of the industry in 1923. The output for that year was 3,597,100 tons with value of \$2,181,881, probably the largest, in both tonnage and value, in the history of the state. The following table shows the various purposes for which sand and gravel were used in 1924 and 1925.

Summary of sand and gravel production

	195	24	1925			
Kind of material	tons	value	. tons	value		
Sand:  Molding Building Paving Grinding and polishing Engine Filter Other	22,397 653,031 575,835 with 47,607 15,681 10,879	\$ 24,209 317,068 234,966 filter sand 24,661 32,922 3,954	33,418 636,534 882,368 19,324 40,350 6,249 51,255	\$ 36,134 321,190 245,900 28,223 24,715 7,127 24,970		
Total sand	1,325,430	637,780	1,669,498	688,259		
Gravel: Building Paving Railroad	311,558 563,776 226,862	289,584 483,003 62,699	381,496 939,102 307,689	342,653 426,781 89,207		
Total gravel	1,102,196	835,286	1,628,287	858,641		
Total production	2,427,626	1,473,066	3,297,785	1,546,900		

An inspection of data of past production shows that there has not been a great change in the amount of sand and gravel sold during each year of the past decade although previous to that time the output was much less than at present. The sales during 1916 were greater than during any other year except 1923, but the amount received was less than that of any year since except 1918. Current prices at the pits seem to have fluctuated more than tonnages. The following table gives the output of each year since 1916.

			_				
Year	tons	value	Year	tons	value		
1916 1917 1918	3,321,691 2,909,441 2,004,444	\$980,272 1,060,586 904,307	1921 1922 1923	2,641,982 2,690,798 3,597,160	\$1,726,958 1,752,233 2,181,881		
1919	2,093,471 2,467,644	1,383,764	1924 1925	2,427,626	1,473,066		

Output of sand and gravel 1916 to 1925

Polk county was the leader in production, as regards both tonnage and value, Muscatine ranked second and Cerro Gordo, Cherokee, Linn, Sac, Clayton, Wapello, Hardin and Clinton followed in order. Each of these produced material worth more than \$35,000 and their combined output was 1,565,269 tons with a value of \$971,658. Clayton county had the unique distinction of getting over a dollar a ton for her product as it was all sold for the finer uses—molding, polishing, etc. The other extreme was held by Palo Alto county, whose product was valued at only eighteen cents a ton. It was all railroad ballast, produced by the railway company for its own use.

The following table gives, so far as may be shown, the production of the different counties. When studied with the list of producers it will show the various kinds of material derived from each county.

	). Pro- ucers	9		sand	Gravel		Total				
Counties	No.	tons	value	tons	value	tons	value	tons	value	tons	value
Black Hawk Boone (1), Story (2) Butler (2), Cerro	3	32,515 b	\$20,930			a. b		<i>a</i> 51,484	\$14,166	32,515 51,484	\$20,930 14,166
Gordo (2) Cherokee Clay (2), Dickinson (1),	<b>4</b> 3	10 <b>5,</b> 100	37,850 b	a		a	-	. 88,700 209,799	· 71,895 82,465		109,74 <b>5</b> 82,465
Palo Alto (1)	4	6,117	2,441			a		64,747	12,178	70,864	14,619
Fayette (1)	5 5	35,255 $12,250$	$11,916 \\ 10,265$	. О		63,707	\$49,429	39,050 28,978	21,403 26,788	41,228	37,053 82,748
Dallas (2), Fremont (1) Des Moines (1), Lee (2) Floyd (1), Franklin (1),	3 3	20,990 15,563	12,280 8,041	a b		. a b	٠.	a 21,000	20,300	20,990 36,563	12,280 28,341
Tama (1)	3 4	$egin{array}{c} 14,469 \ d \end{array}$	12,925	76,912	\$33,139	d		66,773	35,757	14,469 143,685	12,925 68,896
(1), Weister (1), Wright (2) Ida (1), Sac (3) Jackson (1), Scott (2) Johnson	5 4 3 3	28,309 20,713 23,348 23,510	12,644 10,469 15,530 14,120	a b		a		53,508 86,863 53,813 a	25,770 51,403 32,066	107,576	38,384 61,872 47,596 14,120
Linn Lyon (1), Plymouth (2) Mahaska (1), Marion (1),	4 3	125,553 40,078	74,312 17,235	$\boldsymbol{a}$			:	a 27,727	16,651	125,553 67,805	74,312 33,886
Wapello (1)  Muscatine  Polk  Sioux	3 5 9 6	$d \\ 43,421 \\ 142,082 \\ 15,703$	31,533 55,769 <b>4,</b> 508	68,129 52,386 105,930	38,383 11,046 36,653	$d \\ 34,606 \\ 8,195$	46,514 3,638	27,591 104,265 208,399 14,030	25,485 86,179 201,670 9,154	234,678 464,606 29,733	63,868 175,272 307,730 13,662
Winneshiek Pits operated by Hwy. Comm	3	d	·	6,143 500,000	3,666 100,000	:	-	$\frac{d}{500,000}$	100.000	6,143 1,000,000	3,666 200,000
Totals		636,534	321,190		245,900	150,596	101,169	1,628,287		3,297,785	·

a Included with Building sand. b Included with Gravel. c Included with Other sand. d Included with Paving sand.

The list given below shows the active producers of sand and gravel in the state and the kinds of material each produced in 1925 according to the following schedule: 1, molding; 2, building; 3, grinding and polishing; 4, fire or furnace; 5, engine; 6, paving; 7, filter; 8, other sands; 9, building gravel; 10, paving gravel; 11, railroad ballast.

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Black Hawk County
  Iowa Sand & Gravel Corp., 908 L. & J.
  Bldg., Waterloo. 2, 3, 5, 9
Iowa Foundry Sand Co., Waterloo. 1
Waterloo Dredging Co., Waterloo. 2
Boone County
  McHose Sand & Tile Co., Frazer; office
    at Boone. 2, 5, 9
  Northwestern Gravel Co., office at Des
    Moines
Bremer County
  H. S. Bunth, Waverly
Buena Vista County
  Chicago & North Western Ry. Co.,
    Sioux Rapids
Butler County
  Aplington Cement Tile & Block Works,
    Chas. Willeke, Aplington. 2
  Waverly Gravel & Tile Co., Shellrock;
    office at Waverly. 2, 6, 9, 10
Carroll County
  Chicago Great Western R. R. Co.,
    Lanesboro
Cerro Gordo County
  Clear Lake Sand & Gravel Co., Clear
    Lake. 2, 9
  Ideal Sand & Gravel Co., Mason City.
    2, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11
  Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Ry. Co.,
    Plymouth; office at Chicago, Ill.
Cherokee County
  M. J. Gillease Co., Cherokee
  E. L. Halford & Son, Cherokee. 9
  Illinois Central Ry. Co., Cherokee.
  Northwestern Gravel Co., Quimby, of-
    fice Royal Union Life Bldg., Des
    Moines. 2, 9
Clay County
  John Stolley, Spencer. 2, 9, 10
  Spencer Washed Sand & Gravel Co.,
    Spencer. 2, 7, 9
Clayton County
  Clayton White Sand Co., Clayton. 4
 Langworthy Silica Co., Clayton; office
at 902 Federal Bank Bldg., Dubuque.
    1, 3, 4, 5
Clinton County
  Clinton Sand & Gravel Co., 604 Wilson
    Bldg., Clinton. 2, 9
 Schneider Sand & Gravel Co., Clinton.
  Jenner Bros., DeWitt; office at 320
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First Nat. Bank Bldg., Davenport. A. F. Barber, R. D. No. 2, Grand Mound. 9, 10 Hopkins & Chaffee, Clinton. Dallas County Portland Cement Sand & Gravel Co., Booneville, office at 513 Youngerman Bldg., Des Moines. 2, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10 Coon River Sand Co., office at 501 Hubbell Bldg., Des Moines. 8, 10 Des Moines County Kelley Sand & Fuel Co., Burlington (R. J. Dietlein). 2, 6, 9, 10 Dickinson County Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Ry. Co., Milford. 8 Dubuque County Frank Beutin, Garfield-Kniest Sts., Dubuque. 2, 5, 6, 9, 10 Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Ry. Co., Dubuque Molo Sand & Gravel Co., Dubuque. 2, 6, 9, 10 Fayette County Clermont Brick & Sand Co., Clermont. 2, 10 Floyd County Iowa Foundry Sand Co., Floyd. 1 Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Ry. Co., Marble Rock Franklin County W. C. Nolte, Sheffield. 2 Fremont County Nebraska-Iowa Sand & Gravel Co., Crosby; office at Nebraska City, Nebr. 2 Nebr. Hardin County Chicago & North Western Ry. Co., Gif-Northwestern Gravel Co., Gifford, office at Des Moines. 2, 6, 9, 10 Eldora Sand Co., Steamboat Rock; office at Eldora. Humboldt County Humboldt Gravel & Tile Co., Humboldt. 2, 7, 8, 9, 11 Ida County Smith Bros., Ida Grove. 2 Jackson County F. H. C. Habich, Bellevue; office at Galena, Ill.

Palo Alto County

Bellevue Sand & Gravel Co., Bellevue; office at Koss Construction Co., 5th & I. U. Ry. Tracks, Des Moines. 2, 6, 9, 10 Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Ry. Co., Smiths Johnson County Hills Sand & Gravel Co., Hills. 2, 9 City Sand Co., N. Madison St., Iowa City. 2, 9 E. D. Porter, River Junction. 2 Jones County Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Ry. Co., Monticello Kossuth County C. J. Lenander, Bancroft, office at 918 Andrews Bldg., Minneapolis. 10 Lee County Jos. Jaeger, Fort Madison; office at Montrose. 2, 5 Keokuk Sand Co., foot of Bank St., Keokuk. 2 Linn County Kings Crown Plaster Co., 98 First Ave. W., Cedar Rapids. 2 Larimer & Shaffer, 931 North 1st St. W., Cedar Rapids. 2 John Hoge, Springville. Mrs. Rozella Corbett, Viola. 10 Lyon County Miller Sand & Gravel Co., Box 101, Doon. 2, 9 Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Ry. Co., Granite Mahaska County Iowa Sand & Gravel Co., Tracey; office at Oskaloosa. 2, 6, 9, 10 Marion County Harvey Sand & Gravel Co., Harvey. 9, 10 Marshall County Empire Sand & Material Co., Marietta; office at Lock Box 467, Marshalltown. 2, 6, 9 Hawkins Sand Co., 1110 N. 3rd Ave., Marshalltown. 6, 10 Muscatine County Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Ry. Co., Fruitland Automatic Gravel Products Co., Box 34, Muscatine. 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 The Hahn Muscatine Co., 301-302 Amer. Bank Bldg., Muscatine. 2, 6, 9, 10 Sand & Gravel Products Co., Muscatine. 2, 9 Northern Gravel Co., Muscatine. 2, 3, 5, 7, 8, 9 Pearl City Gravel Co., Ed. L. Hahn, Muscatine. 2, 6, 9, 10

Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Ry. Co., Graettinger. 11 Plymouth County Big Sioux Gravel Co., Akron. 2, 6, 9, 10Albert A. Wenzel, Pierson; office at Kingsley. 9 J. J. Kemp, Oyens Polk County Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Ry. Co., Avon and Commerce Commerce Sand & Gravel Co., G. N. Doty, Pres., Commerce. 2, 9 Capital City Sand Co., Lovington; office at 308 W. Fifth St., Des Moines. 2, 5, 6 Consumers Ice Co., 8th & N. Y. Ave., Des Moines. 6, 8 Coon River Sand Co., 308 9th St., Des Moines. 2, 9 The Des Moines Sand & Fuel Co., 510 Grand Ave., Des Moines. 2, 5, 6, 9, Independent Sand & Gravel Co., S. W. 7th & Tuttle Sts., Des Moines. 2, 6, 9, 10 Flint Crushed Gravel Co., Herrold; office at Des Moines. 6, 10, 11 Commercial Sand Co., 513 Youngerman Bldg., Des Moines. 2, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10 Hawkeye Sand & Gravel Co., 906 Walnut St., Des Moines. 2 Sac County Chicago & North Western Ry. Co., Lake View Northwestern Gravel Co., Lake View. 2, 6, 9, 10 Sac County, Office of Engr., Sac City. 10 Scott County W. G. Block Co., Box 528, Davenport. Builders Sand & Gravel Co., Nahant. 2, 6 Sioux County D. A. Sorgdrager, R. D. No. 1, Alton. 2 Alton Cement Works, Alton. French & Briggs, Hawarden. C. A. Oehlerking, Hawarden. 10
 Schemmer Sand & Gravel Co., Rock Valley. 2, 10 Rock Valley Sand & Gravel Co., Rock Valley. 2, 9 Story County Ames Sand & Gravel Co., Ames. 9, 10 Bates & Sarsfield, Nevada. 10 Tama County Tama Sand Co., Tama. 10

Wapello County
Ottumwa Sand Co., Ottumwa. 1, 2, 5, 6, 9, 10
Webster County
Johnston Bros., Clay Works. 2, 9
Winneshiek County
Bernatz Bros., Decorah
Decorah Stone Products Co., R. Bucknell, Secy., Decorah. 6
Geo. Wm. Higgins, Decorah. 2

Wm. McNamara, Decorah. 2, 9
John T. Nolan, Decorah
J. H. Rosenthal, Decorah
Wright County
Belmond Cement Mfg. Co., Belmond
Luick Gravel Co., Belmond. 10
Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Ry. Co., Belmond. 11
Chicago Great Western R. R. Co., Belmond

#### NATURAL GAS

Natural gas was recovered from a number of small shallow wells, most of which are in the northcentral part of the state. No accurate census of these wells has ever been made as all of them have been drilled by private persons and are used to supply individual families. The amount for which reports were made was 200,000 cubic feet with a value of \$100, although doubtless several times this amount was actually consumed.