The Gambian economy was dominated by agriculture and tourism. The mineral industry, with production of clays for brick, laterite, sand and gravel, and silica sand, was a minor component of the national economy.

For more extensive coverage of the mineral industry of The Gambia, see the 1991 Minerals Yearbook, volume III, Mineral Industries of Africa.

Major Source of Information

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e/ Estimated.

2/ In addition to the commodities listed, a variety of construction materials (laterite, sand, and shell) are produced; but information is inadequate to make estimates of output.
3/ Reported figure.