AMERICA’S MARINE ECONOMY:
Based on the Most Recent 2019 Data from Marine Economy Satellite Account

Tremendous Output.

Sales Comparison of Marine Economy with Other National Industries

Millions Of Jobs.

Impressive Growth.

Marine Sectors with High Paying Jobs

Coastal
Utilities

Offshore
Minerals

Ship & Boat
Building

Transportation

NATIONAL TOTAL ECONOMY AVERAGE $71,800

$140,000

$133,000

$108,000

$100,000

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Marine Sectors with the Largest Contribution to Sales Growth from 2018 to 2019.

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Tremendous Output.

$665.7 Billion in sales.
$397 Billion in GDP.

Sales Comparison of Marine Economy with Other National Industries

Farms $398 Billion

Data Processing and Internet Publishing $472 Billion

Utilities $503 Billion

Marine Economy $665.7 Billion

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**Marine Sectors Sales in 2019**

- Tourism and Recreation: $235 Billion
- Defense and Public Administration: $180 Billion
- Offshore Minerals: $93 Billion
- Transportation: $64 Billion
- Fisheries and other Bio-products: $27 Billion
- Ship and Boat Building: $31 Billion
- Coastal Utilities: $12 Billion
- Construction: $7 Billion
- Research and Education: $10 Billion
- Professional and Business Services: $6.3 Billion

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**MARINE INDUSTRIES Poised for Growth**

- Aquaculture
- Ocean Exploration
- Offshore Renewable Energy

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**Marine Economy Details**

The marine economy includes:

- Activity occurring in or receiving essential inputs from ocean and coastal waters (e.g., commercial fishing and seafood processing).
- Production of goods and services used in ocean and coastal waters (e.g., ships).
- Activities that, by necessity, are located along the coast (e.g., coastal tourism).

U.S. coastal waters include the oceans, the Gulf of Mexico, and the Great Lakes; estuaries and large embayments such as Chesapeake Bay and Puget Sound; and river segments downstream from seaports such as Portland, Oregon, and Baton Rouge, Louisiana. To access the data, visit [https://www.bea.gov/data/special-topics/marine-economy](https://www.bea.gov/data/special-topics/marine-economy).

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Note: The 2019 status is measured by current dollar values; the growth values from 2018 have been adjusted for inflation.

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