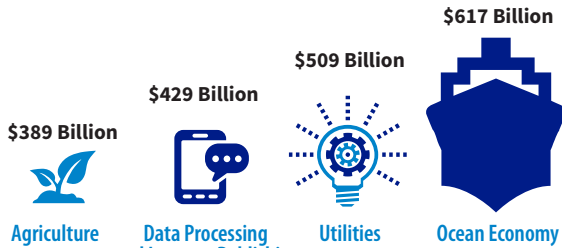# AMERICA'S MARINE ECONOMY:
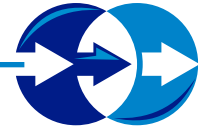
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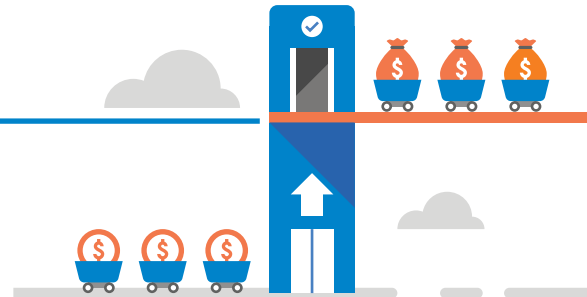
Tremendous Output.

$389 Billion
Agriculture

$429 Billion
Data Processing and Internet Publishing

$509 Billion
Utilities

$617 Billion
Ocean Economy

$617 Billion in sales.
$373 Billion in GDP.

Sales Comparison of Ocean Economy with Other Industries

Millions Of Jobs.

Ocean Sectors with High Paying Jobs

$210,000
Oil & Gas

$129,000
Power Generation

$117,000
Transportation

$95,000
Shipbuilding

NATIONAL TOTAL ECONOMY AVERAGE $71,000
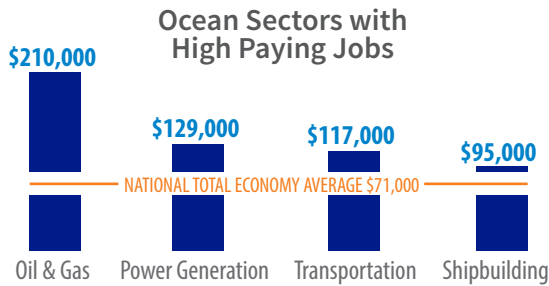
This diverse workforce of **2.3 Million** provides a variety of HIGH-PAYING JOBS.
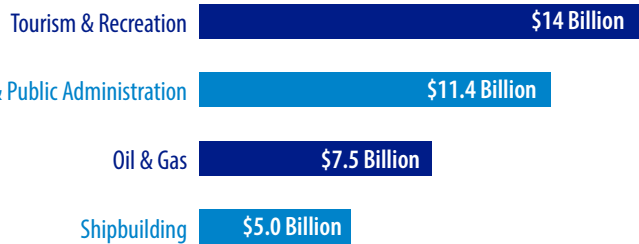
Impressive Growth.

Sales grew by **7.5%** over the previous year.

(The national economy grew by **6.1%**.)

Ocean Sectors with the Largest Dollar Amount of Growth

These four sectors accounted for 89 percent of the growth of the ocean economy from 2017 to 2018.
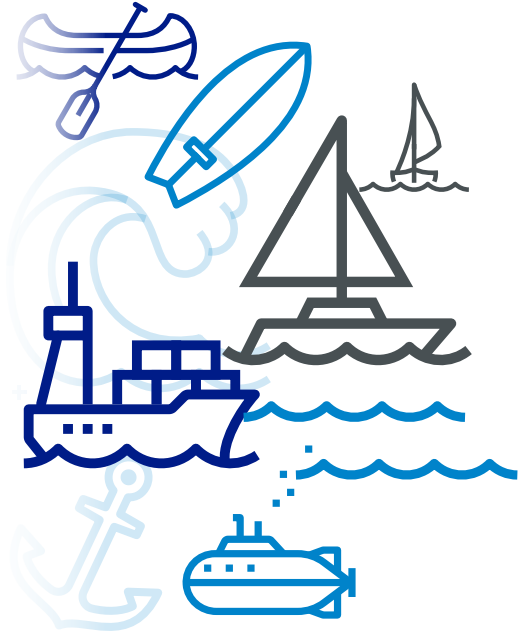
Sector	Growth
Tourism & Recreation	$14 Billion
Defense & Public Administration	$11.4 Billion
Oil & Gas	$7.5 Billion
Shipbuilding	$5.0 Billion

Diverse Industries.

Ten Ocean Sectors Sales in 2018

Tourism and Recreation	$227 Billion
Defense and Public Administration	$190 Billion
Offshore Oil and Gas	$80 Billion
Transportation	$59 Billion
Fisheries and other Bio-products	$26 Billion
Shipbuilding	$19 Billion
Power Generation	$6.8 Billion
Construction	$4.4 Billion
Research and Education	$4.2 Billion
Professional and Business Services*	$51 Million

*This sector is under development, and the current results do not yet reflect the whole sector.
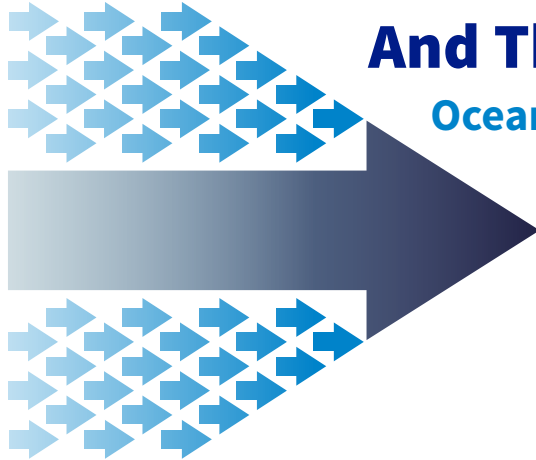
And There's More to Come.

Ocean Industries Poised for Growth

- Aquaculture
- Marine Pharmaceuticals
- Ocean Exploration
- Offshore Renewable Energy
- Autonomous Marine Vehicles

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 *www.bea.gov/data/special-topics/ocean-economy.*

Note: Dollar values listed in this infographic have not been adjusted for inflation.

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