

## THE OCEANS AND COASTS – A DRIVER FOR INLAND ECONOMIC ACTIVITY

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The resources of the oceans and Great Lakes support jobs across the country and increase the quality of life for all Americans, from sea to shining sea. Most of the jobs dependent on the resources of the oceans and Great Lakes occur primarily along the coast. However, the immense economic benefits extend far beyond the coast to inland areas. NOAA's Office for Coastal Management illustrates the inland connections to California's coastal port activities in an interactive story map, demonstrating the vast web of dependencies across foreign and domestic markets for inputs to manufacturing and the transfer of final goods.