



Minerals Management Service

The Minerals Management Service (MMS) was formed to correct longstanding weaknesses in the Nation's mineral revenue collection efforts and the management of its Outer Continental Shelf offshore lands.

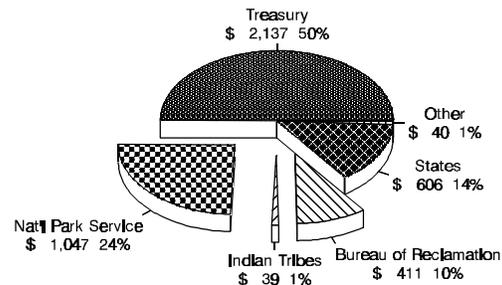
The primary responsibilities of the Minerals Management Service are to manage the mineral resources located on the Nation's Outer Continental Shelf, collect revenue from the Federal Outer Continental Shelf and onshore Federal and Indian lands, and distribute those revenues.

In working to meet its responsibilities, the Offshore Minerals Management Program administers the outer continental shelf competitive leasing program and oversees the safe and environmentally sound exploration and production of our nation's offshore natural gas, oil and other mineral resources.

The MMS Royalty Management Program meets its responsibilities by ensuring the efficient, timely and accurate collection and disbursement of revenue from mineral leasing and production due to Indian tribes and allottees, States and the U.S. Treasury.

MMS administers 27 million acres of offshore Federal leases which supply over 25 percent of the natural gas produced in the United States and over 12 percent of its oil.

1994 Transfers of Royalty Collections by Recipient
(\$ In millions)



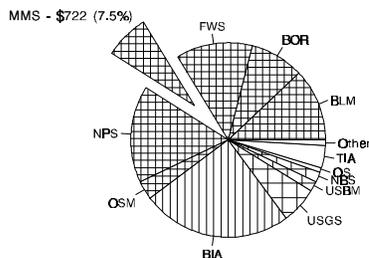
Total Transfers - \$4,280 million

MMS serves the U.S. taxpayer by assuring the accurate and timely collection of rents, royalties, and bonuses from leasable minerals from offshore and onshore Federal lands. This effort directly reduces the Federal deficit and offsets expenses of other Federal agencies by approximately \$2 to 3 billion per year, provides approximately \$1 billion per year to the Land and Water Conservation and Historic Preservation Funds, as well as provides over \$500 million a year in payments to States.

The Minerals Management Service strives to fulfill its responsibilities through the general guiding principles of:

- (1) responsiveness to the public's concerns and interests by maintaining a dialogue with all potentially affected parties; and
- (2) an emphasis, when carrying out its programs, on working to enhance the quality of life for all Americans by lending MMS assistance and expertise to economic development and environmental protection.

FY 1994 MMS Budget Authority
(\$ in millions)



Total DOI Budget Authority - \$9,663

The Minerals Management Service is a small bureau with activities of national significance which provide benefits to States and localities.