
Association & Industry News

Ready Mixed Concrete Production Statistics Updated Through August 2018

The estimated ready mixed concrete produced in August 2018 is 37.7 million cubic yards, 5.8% higher than that in August 2017. The estimated production in the U.S. for 2018 through August is 240 million cubic yards, 4.2% higher than that during the same period in 2017.

Ready mixed concrete production is estimated from cement shipments reported by the U.S. Geological Survey. More detail is available to NRMCA members [here](#).



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RMC Research & Education Foundation Within Striking Distance of Meeting Campaign Goal

Just over two years ago, the RMC Research & Education Foundation was pledged a major gift by the Troesh Family Foundation. It agreed to give up to \$3 million provided the industry raised 3X that amount, or \$9 million. We're excited to announce that with \$8.8M in current commitments, we're only \$200,000 from achieving the match to fully leverage the Troesh gift. To help the foundation get across the finish line, Command Alkon has announced a major additional incentive.

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CONEXPO-CON/AGG 2020 Call for Speakers Closes November 15

The CONEXPO-CON/AGG 2020 Education Committee is soliciting session speaker proposals through Thursday, November 15. Applications must be made online through an [online portal](#). The Education Committee will make selections from submitted sessions by mid-March 2019 and notify speakers of the outcome by early Summer 2019.

For more information, contact Eileen Dickson at edickson@nrmca.org.

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NRMCA Discusses Hours of Service Issues with FMCSA Administrator



Earlier this week, NRMCA staff along with a group of construction-related association officials met with Ray Martinez, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) administrator and his top staff in Washington, D.C. to discuss Hours of Service (HOS). Through NRMCA advocacy, numerous exemptions have been granted from the Hours of Service regulations to the ready mixed concrete industry. In doing so, both Congress and FMCSA have recognized that many driving practices in the ready mixed concrete industry should not fall within traditional HOS restrictions.

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Take a 2018 Expense Write-off for 2019 Operations & Production Classes

Listed by title, the following classes are pivotal for career development for operations and production staff. They are open for registration.

- **Dispatcher Course:** January 8 -10, 2019, Orlando, FL. This class is offered once a year.
- **Effective RMC Supervisor Course:** January 22 - 24, 2019, Kissimmee (metro-Orlando), FL. This class is offered once a year.
- **Plant Manager Certification Course:** January 15 - 18, 2019, Tucson, AZ - 50% full
- **Plant Manager Certification Course:** February 19 - 22, 2019, Charlotte, NC - 75% full
- **Plant Manager Certification Course:** March 26-29, 2019, St. Louis
- **Plant Manager Certification Course:** April 23-26, 2019, Portland, OR

These classes are required to fill NRMCA's STEPS requirements for the Operations and Production career track certification. For more information about standardized ready mixed concrete-specific career development through the STEPS program, [click here](#) or contact Eileen Dickson at edickson@nrmca.org. [Click here](#) to access the specific Web pages for each class along with relevant staff contact information.

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Pavement

NRMCA Co-Sponsors Booth at Annual APWA Colorado Chapter Conference

NRMCA joined forces with the American Concrete Pavement Association's (APWA) Colorado Wyoming Chapter in sponsoring a booth at the 5th Annual APWA Colorado Chapter Conference held on October 29-30 in Arvada, reports NRMCA Senior Vice President, Local Paving, Don A. Clem, PE. The conference, which focused on the new age of public works, drew over 210 public works professionals from throughout Colorado. The program featured high-level presentations from transportation leaders, including executive level directors of Denver International Airport, the Colorado Department of Transportation and Panasonic Enterprise Solutions Company.

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NRMCA Joins NRMCA Producer Member Dolese Bros. in Talking Parking Lots

Recently, NRMCA's Amanda Hult and Phil Kresge joined Dolese Bros.' Duane Coy in Oklahoma City for a Boot Camp with JE Dunn. While parking lots were not a focus of his business, Eric with JE Dunn admitted that he could see this as a benefit and would like to add this as a service to his clients. Eric encouraged NRMCA to reach out to other JE Dunn offices and provide them with the same training opportunities.

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Calendar

A Look Ahead

**Please note that e-mail and direct links to each event listed below can be accessed from NRMCA's [Web site](#).*

November 14 – 15, Fort Worth, TX
Insulating Concrete Forms (ICFs) Roundtable & Site Tour
Email: Lionel Lemay, 847-918-7101

November 27, Seattle
Insulating Concrete Form Contractor Training Course
Email: Meghan Callahan, 240-485-1135

November 27 – 29, Orlando, FL
Environmental Certification Course
Email: Meghan Callahan, 240-485-1135

November 29, Kansas City, KS
Regional ConcreteWorks, South Central Region
Email: Nicole Maher, 240-485-1158

December 4 – 6, Silver Spring, MD
CCSP Module II: Customer Business Knowledge
Email: Meghan Callahan, 240-485-1135

December 5, Boston
Insulating Concrete Form Contractor Training Course
Email: Meghan Callahan, 240-485-1135

December 6, Hartford, CT
Insulating Concrete Form Contractor Training Course
Email: Meghan Callahan, 240-485-1135

December 11 – 14, Austin, TX ***Sold Out**
Plant Manager Certification Course
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Dispatcher Training Course
Email: Meghan Callahan, 240-485-1135

January 15, Minneapolis
Insulating Concrete Form Contractor Training Course
Email: Meghan Callahan, 240-485-1135

January 15 – 17, Silver Spring, MD
CCSP Module III: Accounting, Finance, Business Law
Email: Meghan Callahan, 240-485-1135

January 15 – 18, Tucson, AZ
Plant Manager Certification Course
Email: Meghan Callahan, 240-485-1135

January 22 – 24, Kissimmee, FL
Effective RMC Supervisor Course
Email: Meghan Callahan, 240-485-1135

February 5 – 6, Phoenix
Insulating Concrete Forms (ICFs) Roundtable & Site Tour
Email: Lionel Lemay, 847-918-7101

February 11 – 15, Orlando, FL
Regional Short Course
Email: Meghan Callahan, 240-485-1135

February 19 – 22, Charlotte, NC
Plant Manager Certification Course
Email: Meghan Callahan, 240-485-1135

February 27, Milwaukee
Handling Concrete Specifications
Email: Meghan Callahan, 240-485-1135

March 19 – 21, Silver Spring, MD
CCSP Module IV: Professional Sales Skills
Email: Meghan Callahan, 240-485-1135

March 26 – 29, St. Louis
Plant Manager Certification Course
Email: Meghan Callahan, 240-485-1135

April 16, Denver
Improving Concrete Quality
Email: Meghan Callahan, 240-485-1135

April 23 – 26, Portland, OR
Plant Manager Certification Course
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