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				Physical Properties		
Properties	Texture	Structure	Mineralic Composition	colour	Hardness	s.g.
Sandstone	clastic	uniform grain size,	feldspar and quartz	grey/ yellow	variable	medium
Amphiobolite (meta.)	Crystalline	foliated or sistose	Ca, Mg ( No quartz)	white	5 to 6	2.5
Granite (felsic intrusive ign)	Crystalline	Random orientation	Feldspar & Quarzite	white	6 - 6.5	High
Limestone (sed)	Crystalline	Bedding plane	CaCO <sub>3</sub>	White (fresh)	Low = 2.5	Medium
Marble(param.)	Crystalline	Preferred orientation of minerals	Calcite	white	3	Medium
Quarzite(parametamorphic	Crystalline	Foliation plane, preff.	quartz calcite	dirty white	7	Medium
Schist	Crystalline	Preferred O. Sistoity cleavage (wavy)	muscobite, biotite	grenish grey	Medium = 5	low
Dolomite (sed)	Earthy	massive	feldspar and quartz	brown	5	3
Slate	Non	slaty cleavage	felspar, chloride, quartz	grey	6.5	low
Phyllite	Non-cryst.	Foliation p., slaty cleavage	chloride, muscobite, fluoride	grey	6 to 6.5	low

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	Engineering Properties				
Properties	Strength Durability Blast-ability		Blast-ability	uses	
Sandstone	high	high	high	construction Decoration	
Amphiobolite (meta.)	medium	low	medium	building stone Decorative Flooring	
Granite (felsic intrusive ign)	high	high	high	constr. Aggregate	
Limestone (sed)	medium to high	high	high	manuf of cement Paint Slab for flooring	
Marble(param.)	Medium	High	High	construction material  Manuf. Of cement	
Quarzite(parametamorphic )	high	low	high	construction purpose  Railing, base, sub-base	
Schist	low	high	low	decorative Roofing	
Dolomite (sed)	medium	high	medium		
Slate	low	high	low	Decorative Roofing	
Phyllite	low	high	low	Roofing poor binding so not used in aggregate	