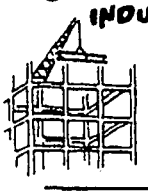


How is asbestos USED ?

There are almost 3000 asbestos products manufactured today!

MAJOR USES OF ASBESTOS

❶ CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY



Uses about 2/3 of all asbestos produced for cement production, roofing, plastics, insulation, floor tiling.

❷ AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRY



Widely used as friction material in brake and clutch linings . . . also as undercoating to protect against corrosion.

❸ TEXTILE INDUSTRY



Fireproof clothing and safety equipment, fire-resistant curtains for theatres, schools.

❹ OTHER USES



Asbestos is used to strengthen metals exposed to heat – e.g., in the nose cones of space vehicles.

Asbestos is very useful **BUT...**

Exposure to asbestos DUST presents HEALTH HAZARDS



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