

Occurrence of Crystalline Silica

- ◆ SiO_2 is basic component of sand, quartz, & granite rock
- ◆ Quartz is 2nd most common mineral in earth's crust
- ◆ Airborne silica is produced by, among other activities,

Sandblasting

Stone cutting

Rock drilling

Drilling

Roof bolting

Quarrying

Foundry work

Tunneling