Table 2 lists the distribution of barriers by type of material. Earth (berm), masonry block (block), brick, concrete, metal, wood, other materials (e.g., polyurethane) and combinations of materials have all been used to construct barriers.

Table 2Total Noise Barrier Area by Material TypeThrough 2001

Single Material Barriers

Material	Square Feet (thousands)
Concrete/Precast	57,215
Block	30,201
Wood/Post & Plank	5,912
Concrete/Unspecified	5,348
Berm Only	4,171
Wood/Glue Laminated	3,583
Metal/Unspecified	2,766
Wood/Unspecified	2,581
Absorptive	1,822
Other	1,457
Brick	1,134
Total	116,190

Combination Barriers

Material	Square Feet (thousands)
Comb/Berm/Wood	3,004
Comb/Wood/Concrete	2,378
Comb/Concrete/Block	2,092
Comb/Other	1,851
Comb/Berm/Concrete	1,652
Comb/Berm/Metal	1,439
Comb/Metal/Concrete	1,160
Comb/Berm/Block	795
Comb/Concrete/Brick	578
Comb/Wood/Metal	464
Comb/Berm/Wood/Concrete	289
Comb/Wood/Block	283
Comb/Berm/Wood/Metal	171
Comb/Block/Brick	8
Total	16,164