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Australia is mining a wealth of opportunities

Australia has one of the world's richest stocks of critical minerals and an ambition backed by comprehensive plans and incentives to be the world's supplier of choice.

Our resources and energy exports hit a record high of A\$349 billion in 2021 – and continue to grow.

We're globally recognised as a critical minerals powerhouse. We produce around half of the world's lithium and we're also number one for nickel reserves.

Australia is the second-largest producer of cobalt and the fourth-largest producer of rare earths.

As a leading provider of minerals needed for lithium-ion batteries, Australia is ready to power the booming electric vehicle industry.



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Our critical investment

We're turbocharging our investment in critical minerals as demand grows for the next generation of technologies.

Australia is scaling up mining and processing of key minerals essential for everything from lithium-ion batteries, smartphones, electric vehicles and space shuttles.

As part of the A\$15 billion National Reconstruction Fund, A\$1 billion will be set aside for the Value Adding in Resources Fund to expand our mining science technology and ensure a greater share of the raw materials we extract are processed in Australia.

Australia's 2022 Critical Minerals Strategy includes investments such as:

- A new A\$2 billion Critical Minerals Facility, which is helping fill finance gaps in critical minerals resources developments to get them off the ground. So far, the program has helped EcoGraf expand its Australian Battery Anode Material Facility in Western Australia and Renascor Resources develop an integrated graphite mine and processing facility in South Australia.
- The A\$200 million Critical Minerals Accelerator Initiative to help bring new sources of supply online by supporting early and mid-stage projects. For example, Global Advanced Metals will receive A\$4 million under the program for a tantalum and tin recovery plant in Western Australia.
- The A\$5 billion Northern Australia Infrastructure Facility, which provides loans to infrastructure projects that benefit Northern Australia, including those associated with critical minerals.

Our competitive edge

Australia has a mature and technologically cutting-edge mining industry with deep expertise in resource extraction and processing.

We have robust regulatory, construction, environmental and safety standards – making us an attractive supplier to the many countries that require a socially responsible source of critical minerals – and our location is perfect to access the dynamic markets of the Asia-Pacific.

We connect critical minerals projects with infrastructure development, invest in downstream processing and provide incentives for innovation to lower costs and boost competitiveness.

We produce the world's most advanced pre-competitive exploration data to identify areas of resource potential and underpin private investment decisions.

Australia is building capabilities in our advanced manufacturing sector to develop batteries, superalloys and high-end technological applications, providing us with an even greater export advantage.



Our talented workforce and research capability

Our workforce is highly educated, having benefited from four of the world's top five mining engineering universities. Western Australia's Curtin University was rated the second-best mining and mineral engineering university in the world for the sixth year in a row in 2022.

Australia is continuing to build on its research excellence, committing A\$50 million to establish the virtual National Critical Minerals Research and Development Centre. The centre will explore ways to unlock new sources critical mineral sources and diversify supply chains.





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Australia is offering

- Fast track visas
- Facilitated relocation of company executives, key staff and their families
- The certainty of permanent residency
- Tailored advice to help kick start your Australian success
- Connections to industry and professional networks

Who's eligible?

Highly skilled individuals with exceptional talent in their field, as well as Australian resident companies or foreign resident companies with a permanent base in Australia.



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www.globalaustralia.gov.au/industries/critical-minerals



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