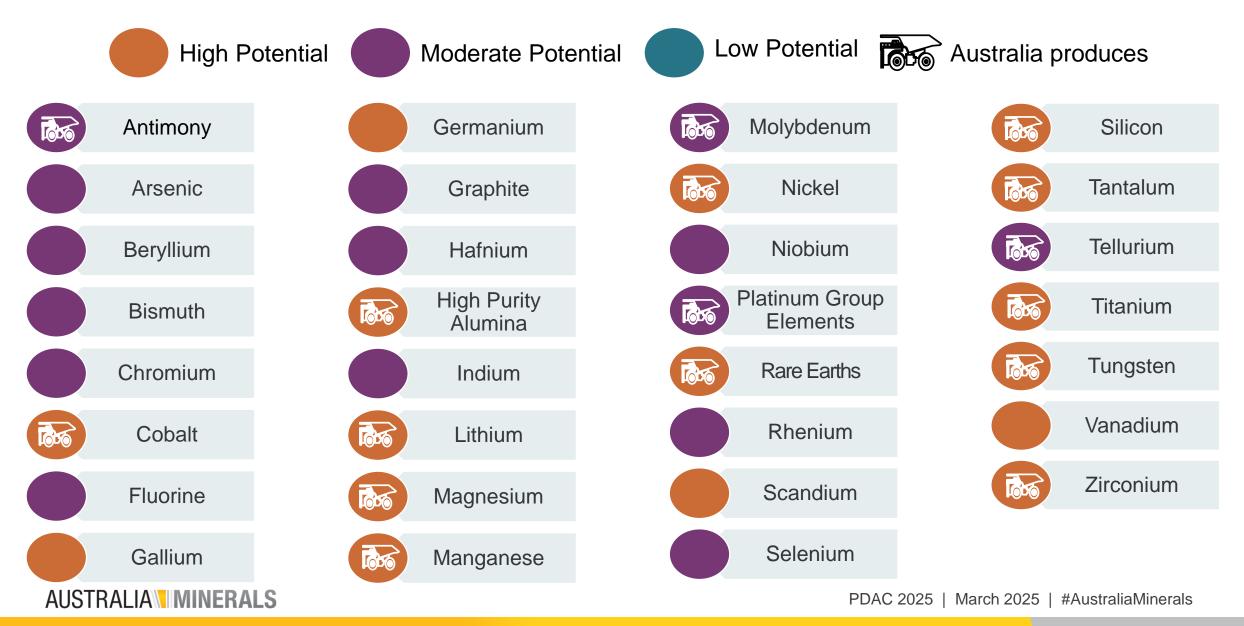
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Accelerating critical mineral discovery and development

Allison Britt Director Mineral Resources Advice and Promotion Geoscience Australia



Australia's Critical Minerals List (as of February 2024)



Critical minerals – A synthesis of 8 lists (Australia, Canada, India, Japan, Korea, EU, UK and USA)

1	
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hydrogen	
M	
3	4
Li	Be
lithium	beryllium
М	М
11	12
Na	Mg
sodium	magnesium
м	M
19	20
ĸ	Ca
potassium-potash	
M	M
37	38
Rb	Sr
Rb	Sr strontium
rubidium	strontium
rubidium B 55	strontium B 56
rubidium B 55 CS	strontium B 56 Ba
rubidium B 55 CS cesium	strontium B 56 Ba barium
rubidium B 55 CS	strontium B 56 Ba
rubidium B 55 CS cesium B	strontium B 56 Ba barium M, C 88
rubidium B 55 CS cesium B	strontium B 56 Ba barium M, C 88 Ra
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23	atomic # \rightarrow
V	atomic symbol →
vanadiun	element name - qualification \rightarrow
MCB	

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← extracted as major (M), co (C) - and/or by (B) - product

Frequency on eight critical/strategic mineral/raw material lists

21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Sc	Ti	V	Cr	Mn	Fe	Co	Ni	Cu	Zn
scandium	titanium	vanadium	chromium	manganese	iron	cobalt	nickel	copper	zinc
С, В	M, C	M, C, B	М	М	М	С, В	M, C	M, C	M, C
39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48
Y	Zr	Nb	Мо	Тс	Ru	Rh	Pd	Ag	Cd
yttrium	zirconium	nio bium	molybdenum	technetium	ruthenium	rhodium	palladium	silver	cadmium
С, В	M, C	С, В	M, C, B		В	В	M, C, B	M, C, B	В
71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80
Lu	Hf	Та	W	Re	Os	lr	Pt	Au	Hg
lutetium	hafnium	tantalum	tungsten	rhenium	osmium	iridium	platinum	gold	mercury
В	C, B	M, C, B	M, C	В	В	В	M, C, B	M, C, B	В
103	104	105	106	107	108	109	110	111	112
Lr	Rf	Db	Sg	Bh	Hs	Mt	Ds	Rg	Cn
lawrencium	rutherfordium	dubnium	seaborgium	bohrium	hassium	meitnerium	darmstadtium	roentgentium	copernicum

					2
					He
					helium
					В
5	6	7	8	9	10
В	С	Ν	0	F	Ne
boron	carbon-graphite	nitrogen	oxygen	fluorine	neon
М	М			M,C	
13	14	15	16	17	18
AI	Si	Р	S	CI	Ar
aluminum	silicon	phosphorus	sulfur	chlorine	argon
М	М	M, C	C, B	М	
31	32	33	34	35	36
Ga	Ge	As	Se	Br	Kr
gallium	germanium	arsenic	selenium	bromine	krypton
В	В	В	В	В	
49	50	51	52	53	54
In	Sn	Sb	Те		Хе
indium	tin	antimony	tellurium	iodine	xenon
В	M, C, B	M, C, B	В	В	
81	82	83	84	85	86
TI	Pb	Bi	Po	At	Rn
thallium	lead	bismuth	polonium	astatine	radon
В	M,C	В			В
113	114	115	116	117	118
Nh	FL	Мс	Lv	Ts	Og
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lanthanides (rare earth metals)

actinides

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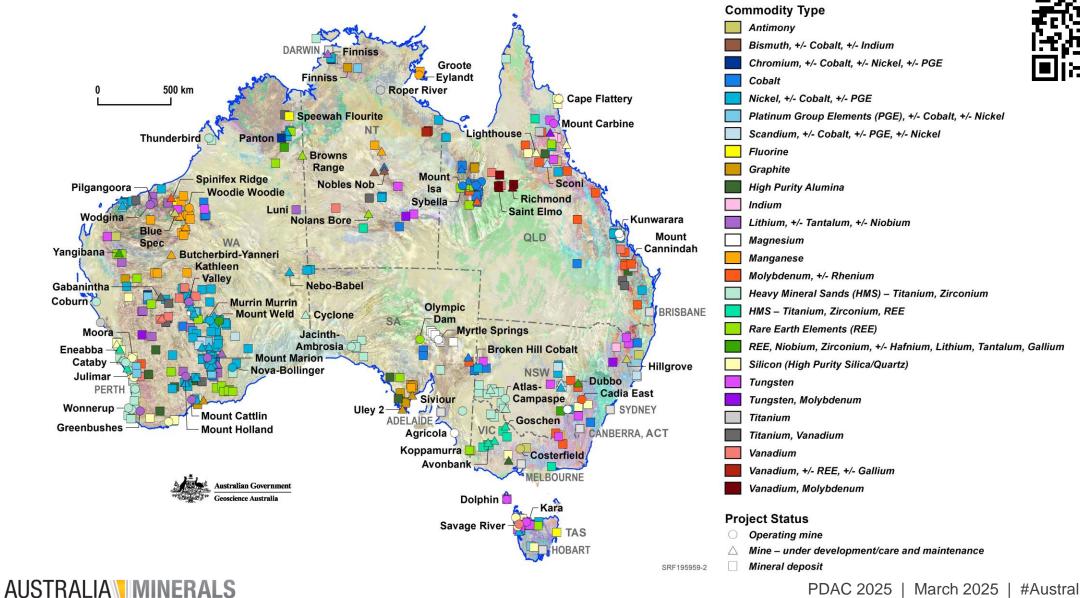
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lanthanum	cerium	praseodymium	neodymium	promethium	samarium	europium	gadolinium	terbium	dysprosium	holmium	erbium	thulium	ytterbium
М	М	M, C	M, C		C, B	C, B	C, B	С, В	C, B	C, B	C, B	В	В
89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100	101	102
Ac	Th	Pa	U	Np	Pu	Am	Cm	Bk	Cf	Es	Fm	Md	No
actinium	thorium	protactinium	uranium	neptunium	plutonium	americium	curium	berkelium	californium	einsteinium	fermium	mendelevium	nobelium
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Text coloured by element source

Dark blue - sourced from water Light blue - sourced from air Black & white - mined Grey - does not occur naturally

From: Britt and Czarnota, 2024. Australian Journal of Earth Sciences.

Australian Critical Minerals Map 2024



Australia's minerals industry

Financial Year 2023–24





300k direct employment, 1.1m indirect



\$414b exports (65%)



Top 5 producer of zinc zircon, cobalt, manganese, tantalum and rare earth elements



Australian Government Geoscience Australia

Australia's Identified Mineral Resources 2024





The Future Made in Australia

\$22.7B over 10 years



Unprecedented Australian Government support for critical minerals

- A\$7B Critical Minerals Production Tax Incentive
- A\$7B Northern Australian Infrastructure Facility
- A\$15B National Reconstruction Fund
 - A\$3B Renewables and low emissions technologies
 - A\$1B Advanced manufacturing
 - A\$1B Value-adding in resources
- A\$4B Critical Minerals Facility
- A\$50M Critical Minerals Development Program

- A\$50M Critical Minerals R&D Hub
- A\$40M International Partnerships in Critical Minerals
- A\$225M Exploring for the Future program (ended)
- A\$3.4B Resourcing Australia's Prosperity initiative over 35 years
 - A\$566.1M over first 10 years



Up next...

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Victoria: Where in the world?



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Victoria: a world-renowned jurisdiction

Capital: Melbourne (one of world's most livable cities)Population: 6.59 million (75% in Melbourne)

- <u>Highly skilled residential workforce</u>: One third of Australian graduates
 - Australia's highest ranked and largest university
- Thriving METS sector
- Excellent transport linkages
 - Well connected rail
 - <u>Melbourne Airport</u>: Busiest passenger and container airport, 73 direct international flights to 21 countries
 - Port of Melbourne: Largest container and automotive port in Australia



Victoria's demonstrated critical minerals



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Costerfield: Australia's only producing antimony mine

Mandalay Resources' gold-antimony Costerfield mine is the largest producer of antimony outside of Russia, China and Tajikistan.

2024 gold production	Gold grade	2024 antimony production	Antimony grade
43,346 ounces	11.05 g/t Au	1,282 tonnes	1.83% Sb

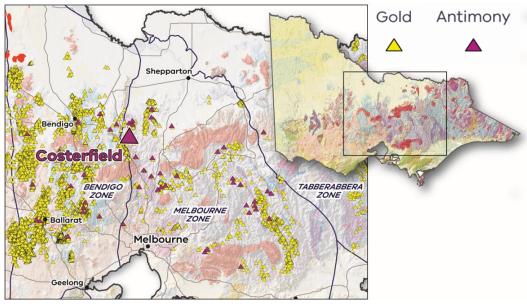
All-in cash cost / AuEq oz: \$1,118 USD

Mine life: 3.5 years

Reserve: 604 kt @ 8.7 g/t Au and 1.8% Sb for 168,000 oz Au and 11,000 tonnes Sb

Critical uses:

- Semiconductors
- Solar panels
- Batteries (liquid metal (Sb-Ca) and Na-ion anode)
- Fire retardants
- Defence





Antimony price since 2015 (Minex Consulting)

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Costerfield: exploration upside

Recent drilling is uncovering new areas for resource extension and new corridors for production

Central Corridor:

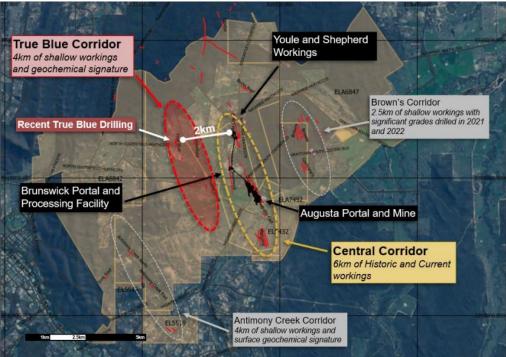
Deposit	Recent drilling intercepts
Shepherd and Kendall	 PD021: 751.7 g/t Au, 1.8% Sb over 0.22 m (ETW 0.21 m) BC399: 33.4 g/t Au, 31.4% Sb over 1.0 m (ETW 0.67 m)
Cuffley Deeps South	• AD203: 58.4 g/t Au, 17.6% Sb over 0.77 m (ETW 0.55 m)
Cuffley North	 TP021: 4.0 g/t Au, 20.2% Sb over 0.45 m (ETW 0.34 m) CB001: 17.1 g/t Au, 0.3% Sb over 1.20 m (ETW 1.12 m)

Regional

Prospect	Highlights	1
True Blue	• TB031: 578.0 g/t Au, 20.5% Sb over 0.47 m (ETW 0.33 m)	T
	 Inferred resource: 145,000 t @ 13.1 g/t Au and 3.1% Sb for 4,500 t Sb and 61,000 oz Au 	

Booth 2301 Investors Exchange

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True Blue intercept from TB031

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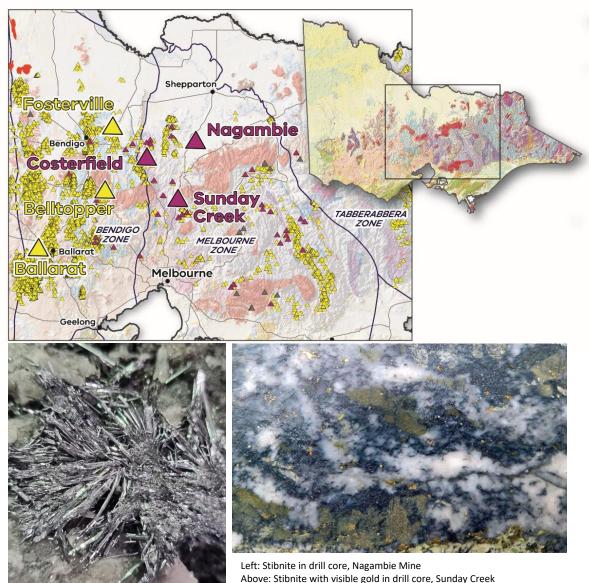
Multiple explorers discovering Victoria's antimony

Southern Cross Gold – Sunday Creek Project

- Initial <u>exploration target</u>: 53.5 62.8 kt antimony and 0.74 1.28 Moz gold - upgrade expected early March 2025
- Exceptional drilling results
 - 54 individual intersections >100 g/t AuEq x m
 - SDDSC144: 242.1 m @ 6.0 g/t Au (uncut)
 - Incl. 0.16 m @ 3,330.0 Au, 11.7% Sb
 - SDDSC107: 1 m @ 2,381.4 g/t Au, 0.3% Sb
- Booth 2939 Investors Exchange

Nagambie Resources – Nagambie Mine

- JORC inferred resource of 20.8 kt antimony and 58,013 oz gold
- Recent drilling highlights:
 - NAD046: 1.26 m @ 4.7% Sb and 3.1 g/t Au (EHT)
 - NAD048 1.2 m @ 3.3% Sb and 4.5 g/t Au (EHT)



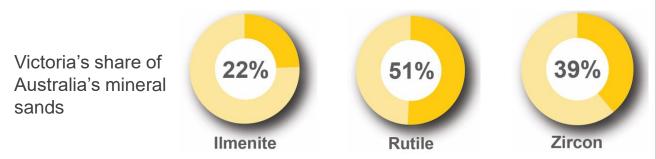
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Australia's next global mining province

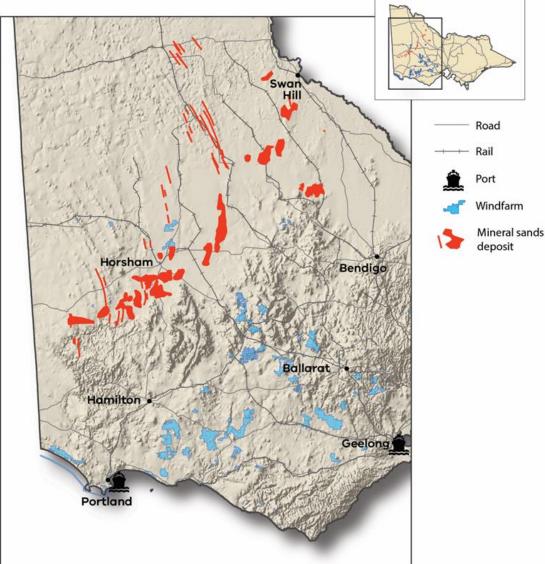
Northwest Victoria is home to the critical minerals required for electrification and decarbonisation.

There are two different types of heavy mineral sands deposits:

- WIM-style
- Strandline



Critical Mineral	Application
Titanium (ilmenite and rutile)	Advanced healthcare (implants), aerospace, solar panels
Zirconium	Hydrogen production, water and air purification,
(zircon)	turbine blades, fuel cells
Rare Earth Elements	Permanent magnets, wind turbines, electric vehicles,
(monazite and xenotime)	aircraft, submarines, satellites



Abundant mineral sands opportunities

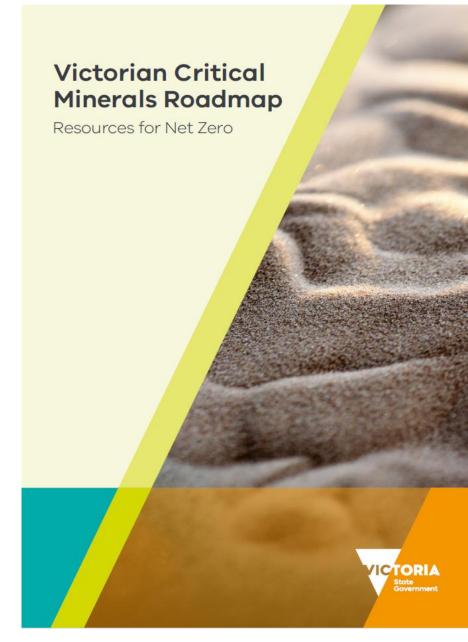
Five current projects ranging from advanced exploration to development

- Multiple long-life deposits, billions of tonnes each
 - Heavy Rare Earth Elements (e.g. dysprosium, terbium)
 - Light Rare Earth Elements (e.g. neodymium, praseodymium)
- Excellent infrastructure, existing route to market
 - Potential renewable energy offtake opportunities
- Residential skilled workforce
- Mining, Engineering, Technology service providers



Astron Corporation Donald Mineral Sands Project	VHM Limited Goschen Project	WIM Resource Avonbank	Iluka Resources Wimmera Project WIM100, WIM50 and WIM50 North	ACDC Metals Goschen Central
5,783 Mt Mineral Resource	629 Mt Mineral Resource	311.8 Mt Ore reserve	1,380 Mt Mineral Resource	620 Mt Mineral Resource
185 Mt of total heavy minerals	18.3 Mt of total heavy minerals	13.4 Mt of total heavy minerals	69 Mt of total heavy minerals	13.6 Mt of total heavy minerals
Definitive Feasibility Study published	Definitive Feasibility Study published	Definitive Feasibility Study published	Definitive Feasibility Study currently	Scoping Study currently underway
in 2021	in 2023	2021	underway	Drilling planned for 2025
Environmental Effects Statement	Environmental Effects Statement	Environmental Effects Statement	Environmental Effects Statement	Environmental Effects Statement
approved	approved in December 2024	approved in November 2024	underway	approved in December 2024
Mining Licence granted				

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Theme 1 Mapping the opportunities



Theme 3 Critical minerals production and processing in Victoria

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Theme 2 A modernised regulatory regime



Theme 4 Sharing the benefits of Victoria's minerals

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New data and knowledge

8 initial critical mineral studies:

- >40,000 new analyses
- >100 new age dates
- Geological setting and context

Further studies underway:

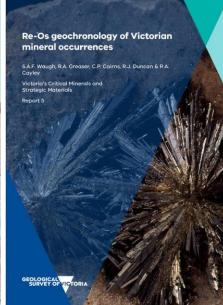
- Antimony
- Platinum group elements
- Alkaline-silicate REE
- Lithium
- Tin and tungsten

GSV Search Assistant: Critical Minerals









An evaluation of high-purity alumina and rare earth elements in select clay occurrences of central Victoria

TM, Andrews & R.A. Cayley Victoria's Critical Minerals and Strategic Materials Report 3



Sediment-hosted copper potential of middle Devonian to early Carboniferous rocks of the Howitt Province, east-central Victoria

S.D. Boger, S. Schmid, R.A. Cayley & S.A.F. Waugh Victoria's Critical Minerals and Strategic Materials

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY OF VIC



An evaluation of rare earth elements, phosphorus, vanadium and rhenium in sediment starved stratigraphy in Victoria

TM. Andrews & R.A. Cayley Victoria's Critical Minerals and Strategic Materials Report 2



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Victoria's geoscience: A wealth of freely accessible information

Pre-competitive data and knowledge

- Free maps, reports and data
- <u>GeoVic</u> free online mapping application

Geology

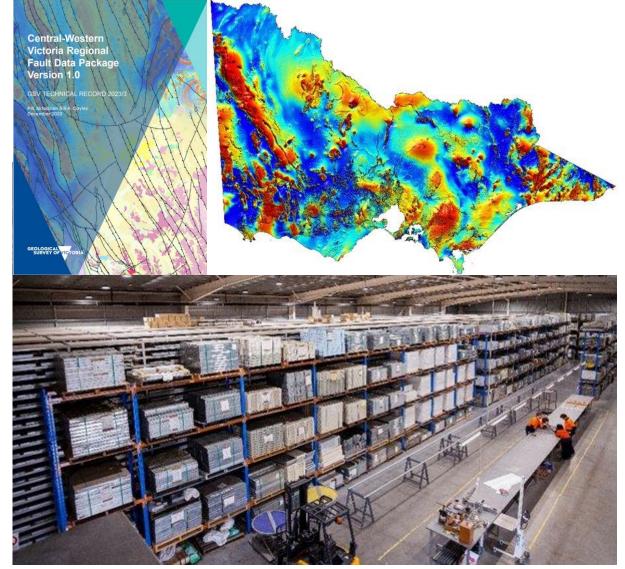
- Seamless <u>1:250k</u> and <u>1:50k</u>
- <u>3D geological full crust model</u>

Geophysics

• Modern, state-wide

Drill Core Library

- 1.5 million metres of drill core and cuttings
- >13,000 drill holes



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Victoria's critical minerals: Australia's best kept secret? Come and find out.



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Critical minerals in Tasmania

A mining-friendly jurisdiction with critical minerals production and a future pipeline

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Tasmania

The 'Island State'

- 0.9% of Australia's landmass
- In year ending June 2024, Tasmania had the third highest exploration spend per square kilometre in Australia
- Highest critical mineral 'deposit' density in Australia (25 per 100,000 km²)
- Products of mining and mineral processing constitute >60 per cent of mercantile exports



Tasmania – Mining-friendly jurisdiction

- **Supportive government**: The government actively promotes mining through policies and legislation designed to minimize sovereign risk
- **Robust infrastructure**: The region boasts well-developed infrastructure tailored to support mining activities
- Enhanced capacity: Recent upgrades to rail and port facilities ensure efficient transport and logistics
- **Sustainable energy**: The area is currently net zero in emissions, powered by hydroelectricity and wind farms
- **Rich mining heritage**: With over 100 years of mining history, the region has a highly experienced local workforce
- **Geological framework:** High quality, freely available precompetitive geoscience datasets to minimize exploration risks



Why Tasmania?

Critical Minerals

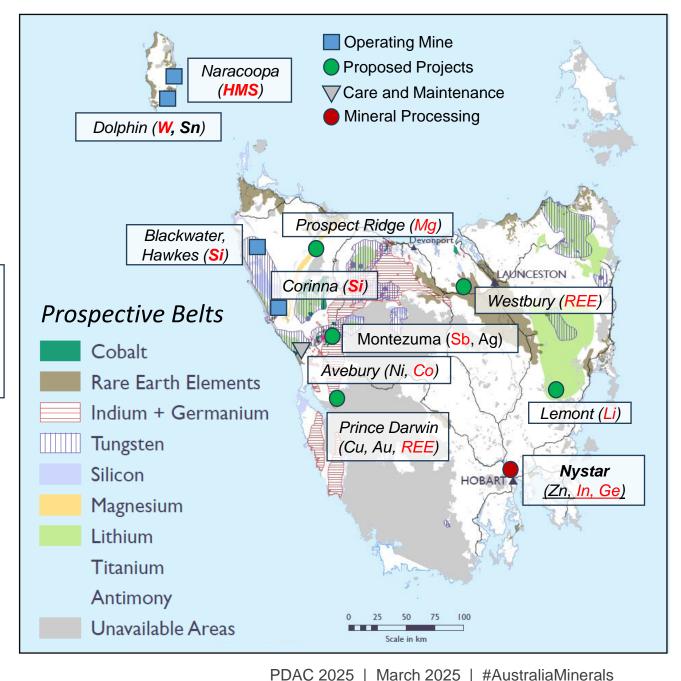
• Current **production** (primary and by-product) and <u>processing</u> with an exploration pipeline and further potential in prospective belts:

Production in bold

Processing underlined

Critical minerals in red

- Cu, Zn, Pb, Sb
- Au, Ag, Sb
- <u>W,</u> Sn, F
- Ni, Co, Li
- REE
- Cu, Au, REE
- Fe (magnetite, hematite), Mg
- Si (silica flour)
- HMS
- <u>Zn, In, Ge</u>



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Critical Metals Strategy 2024

- Released in October 2024
- Vision:
 - Establish a sustainable critical minerals industry in Tasmania leveraging our geological and infrastructure advantages and harness our clean energy
- Objectives:
 - Grow exploration for critical minerals
 - Support critical minerals projects
 - Increase on-island processing and valueadding of critical minerals
 - Increase Tasmania's trade and investment footprints in critical minerals

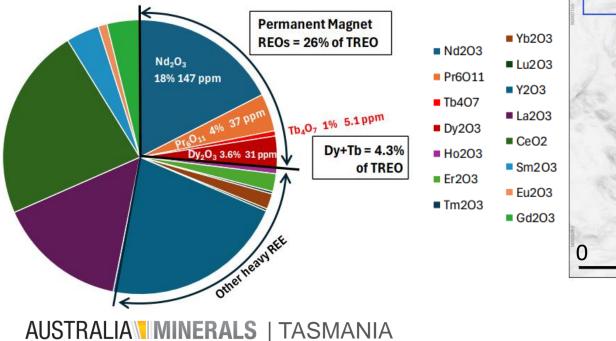
Tasmanian Critical Minerals Strategy



Project Pipeline – Deep Leads

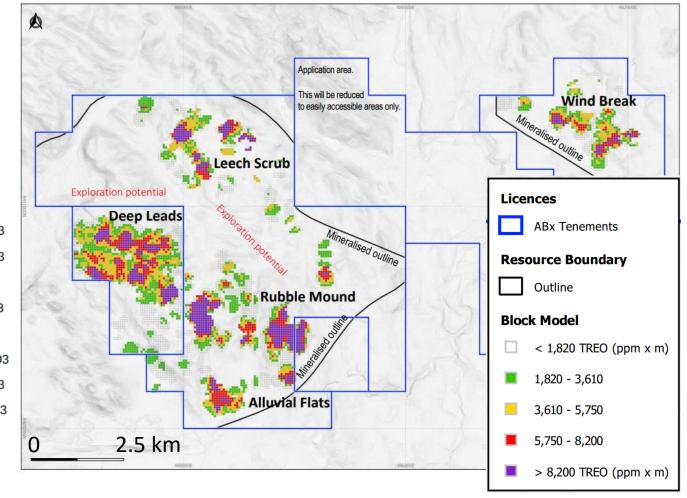
Rare earth elements

- 89 Mt at 844 ppm TREO (May 2024) based on drill out of only 29% of identified mineralized outline
- Ionic adsorption Clay (IAC) type with highest Dy and Tb grades of any IAC worldwide
- Highly favourable test work with rare earth extraction in 30 minutes or less at pH4 or above for low acid consumption





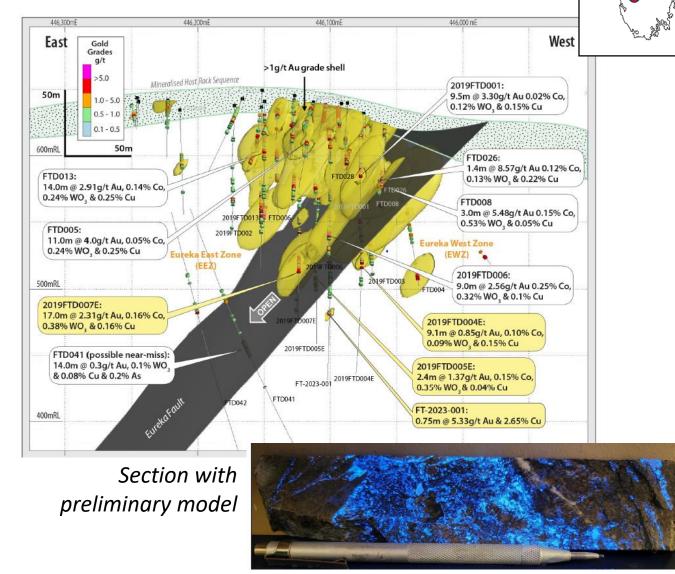




Project Pipeline – Firetower Au-Co-W

Tungsten

- Prior exploration for Au but recent work has identified anomalous W
- New geological interpretation defined Eureka East Zone
- Best intersection: 17 m @ 5.37 g/t Au and 5.5 m @ 3.27 g/t Au, 0.24% Co, 0.53% WO₃ and 0.33% Cu



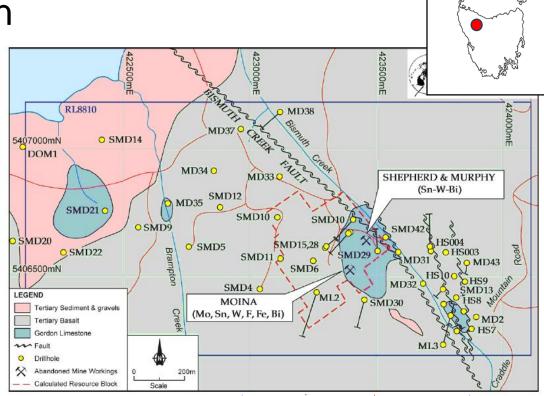


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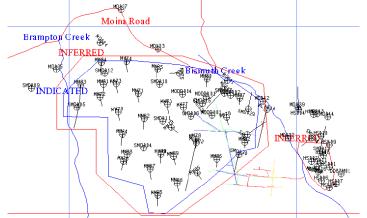
Project Pipeline – Moina Wrigglite Skarn

Fluorite

- Historic drill recent drilling have been used to define a resource at the Moina Wrigglite Skarn:
 - 59.2 Mt at 6.0% F indicated, with 0.11% Sn and 595 pm W
 - Cited as Australia's largest F resource
- Drilling planned to bring inferred resources to indicated
- Pre-feasibility studies in progress







Summary

- Tasmania is a mining friendly jurisdiction with supportive infrastructure with net zero emissions
- Highest density of critical mineral deposits in Australia
- Operating primary and by-product critical mineral production and byproduct processing
- Developing pipeline of critical mineral projects
- New Critical Mineral Initiative will further develop the supportive framework for discovery

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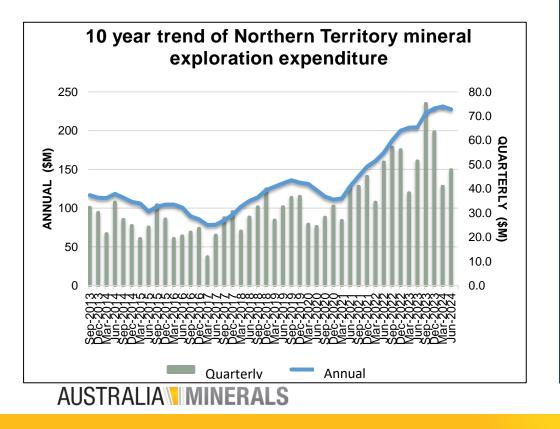
Australia's Northern Territory

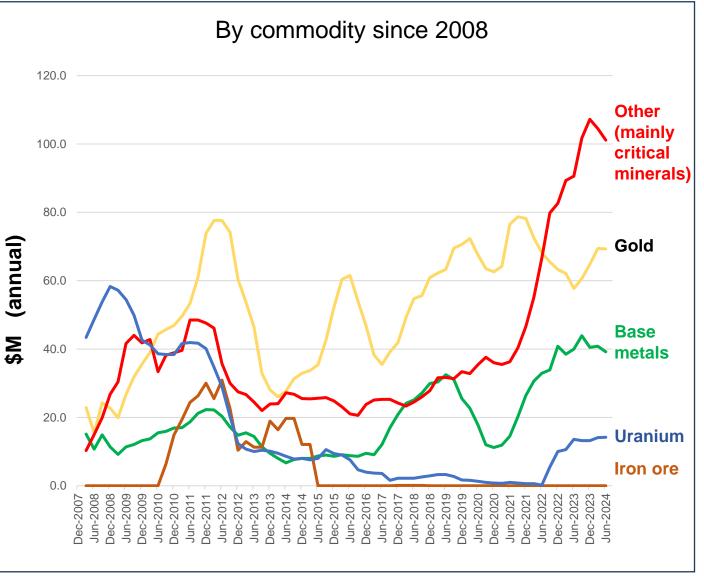
- 1.3 million km² in land area, 250,000 people
- Strategic location on Australia's north coast
- Resources-driven economy
- Currently a major producer of manganese, bauxite, lead-zinc-silver, gold, LNG
- Strong history of uranium mining
- NT mining sector is expanding into critical minerals (lithium, REE, graphite, copper, tungsten, phosphate, cobalt)
- 19 projects in the approvals or financing process, primarily for copper, critical minerals and gold - mainly junior ASX-listed companies
- The NT Government has a strong focus on encouraging exploration and downstream processing of critical minerals.



Northern Territory mineral exploration expenditure

- Mineral exploration expenditure is at record levels
- \$227.4 million spent in 2023/24
- Growth led by critical minerals (lithium, rare earths), copper and uranium





Critical minerals in the Northern Territory

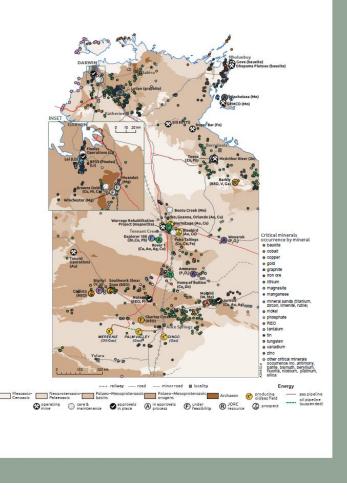
- The Northern Territory has defined mineral resources in 17 critical minerals as defined by key trading partners
- Geological potential for a further 13 emerging critical minerals
- An overview of the Northern Territory's critical minerals resource inventory plus case studies on advanced projects are provided in the Critical Minerals in the Northern Territory 2025



Critical Minerals in the Northern Territory 2025

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Northern Territory's critical minerals endowment



Pipeline of critical minerals projects: REEs

Advanced development

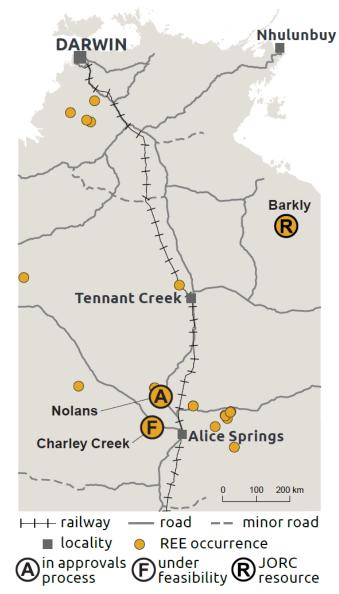
Arafura Rare Earths - Nolans NdPr project

- World-class resource of magnet-feed rare earths (NdPr),
- On-site downstream processing to produce separated rare earths (including NdPr oxide)
- Binding offtakes with Siemens Gamesa, Hyundai Motor Co and Kia;
- Debt funding now secured US\$1.05B debt package
- Approvals in place, targeting FID 2025, enabling construction works completed in 2023



Advanced exploration

 Diverse opportunities, including clayhosted, unconformity-style and carbonatite-hosted mineralisation

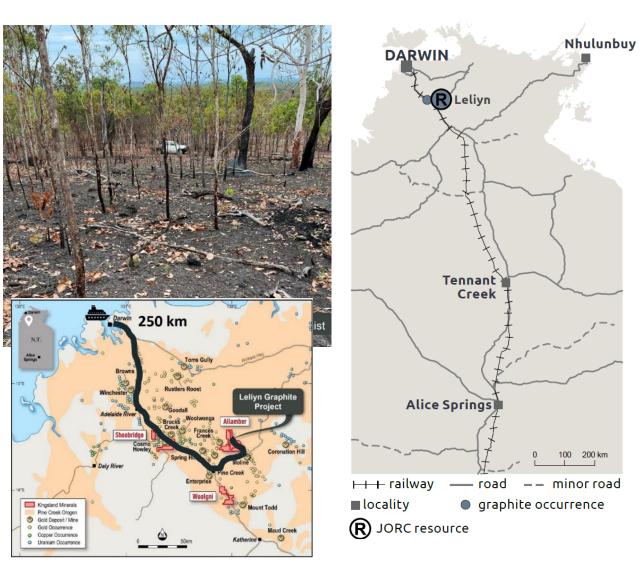


Pipeline of critical minerals projects: graphite

Advanced exploration

Leliyn – Australia's largest graphite deposit

- 20 kilometre-long graphitic schist
- Exploration Target 700–1,100 Mt @ 7-8% TGC
- Flake size <150 microns, favourable for anode material
- Maiden Resource: 194.6 Mt @ 7.3% TGC (14.2 Mt contained graphite
- Flotation test-work has produced a commercial grade concentrate >94% TGC
- Strategic investment by Quinbrook Infrastructure Partners in Oct 2024 – includes equity, and binding offtake agreement for graphite concentrate
- Quinbrook investigating feasibility of locating downstream graphite processing facility at the Middle Arm Sustainable Development Precinct in Darwin



Pipeline of critical minerals projects: copper

Multiple advanced projects

Tennant Creek – emerging copper production

Emerging high-grade copper-gold (-cobalt) projects around Tennant Creek (**Castile Resources** – *Rover 1*; **Tennant Minerals** – *Bluebird;* **Cu-Fe Ltd** – *Orlando-Gecko;* **Tennant Mining** – *Warrego;* **Emmerson Resources** - *Hermitage*)

Multiple options for copper processing

- Castile Resources: option for copper-cobalt-gold plant at Middle Arm in Darwin to process copper concentrate from Rover 1 and other sources
- Tennant Minerals, Emmerson Resources and CuFe Ltd: a strategic alliance to assess options including single multi-user processing facility for copper, gold and critical minerals
- Tennant Mining investigating 840ktpa copper circuit

Jervois copper project – approaching FID

KGL Resources revised feasibility for *Jervois Cu-Ag-Au project* in Feb 2025 – seeking project finance for planned mid-2025 FID

Nov 2024 resource: 27.45 Mt @ 1.87% Cu, 25 g/t Ag, 0.24 g/t Au



DARWIN

Explorer 142

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Explorer 108 Rover 1

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Orlando Goanna Gecko

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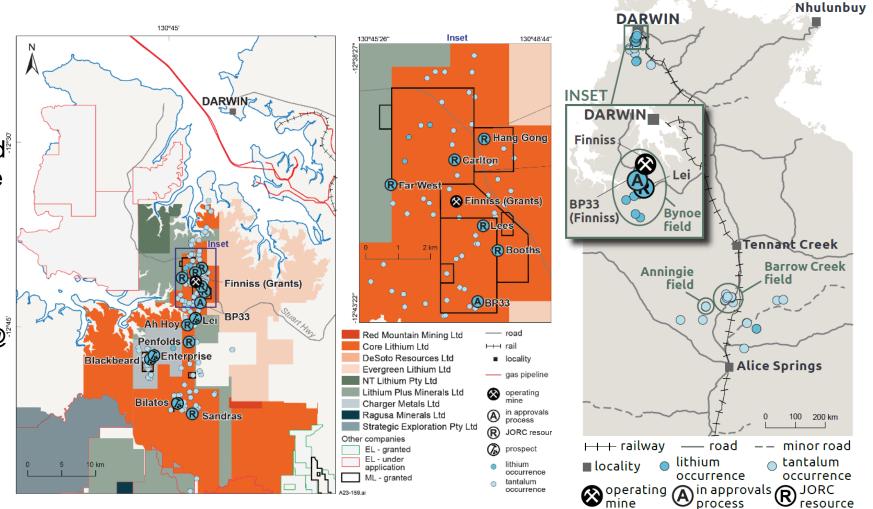
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Pipeline of critical minerals projects: lithium

Advanced development

Core Lithium- Finniss

- Mining suspended following 85% fall in spodumene price – entered[®] temporary care and maintenance in June 2024
- 250% increase in contained Li since start of 2023
- Combined Finniss Mineral Resource upgraded to 48.2 Mt @[§]
 1.26% Li₂O
- BP33 upgraded to 10.5Mt @ 1.53% Li₂O
- Lees-Booths now 14.5Mt @ 1.11% Li₂O



Northern Territory Government support – mineral processing hub

Middle Arm Sustainable Development Precinct

- Strategically located common user infrastructure and services
- Co-located with Santos Darwin LNG and INPEX Ichthys LNG processing facilities
- Focus on low emission hydrocarbons, hydrogen, advanced manufacturing, CCS and minerals processing
- Support the use of renewable energy
- Incorporate CCS from local/international sources; offshore geological storage
- Early stage scoping downstream processing of vanadium, copper, cobalt, phosphate



Northern Territory Government support – advancing resource develop^t

Resourcing the Territory

- Northern Territory Geological Survey funded to undertake geoscience studies and collaboration to improve the understanding of the critical mineral potential
- Competitive exploration grant scheme available to industry to support and de-risk exploration
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