

AUSTRALIA MINERALS

Information pack:

Government support for mineral resources exploration and development in Australia



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Strategies

Federal

Future Made in Australia	The Future Made in Australia plan is a \$22.7 billion investment by the Australian Government over 10 years. It is designed to maximise the economic and industrial benefits of the global move to net zero and to help secure Australia's place in a changing global economic and strategic landscape. treasury.gov.au/policy-topics/future-made-australia
Critical Minerals Strategic Reserve	A \$1.2 billion government program to secure and manage strategic access to critical minerals, strengthening supply chain resilience and crowding in private investment. industry.gov.au/news/strategic-reserve-secure-australias-critical-mineral-supply
National Battery Strategy	Australia's National Battery Strategy outlines how the Government will support our domestic battery industry to advance the net zero energy transition and create investment opportunities across the value chain. industry.gov.au/publications/national-battery-strategy
Critical Minerals Strategy 2023–2030	Australia's Critical Minerals Strategy 2023-2030 is a national plan to grow Australia's critical minerals sector, to position Australia as a reliable supplier of critical minerals needed for clean energy, advanced technology applications and national security. industry.gov.au/publications/critical-minerals-strategy-2023-2030
National Hydrogen Strategy	Australia's National Hydrogen Strategy is a plan to develop Australia's hydrogen industry by advancing the production, use and export of hydrogen to support energy decarbonisation and economic growth. dcceew.gov.au/energy/publications/australias-national-hydrogen-strategy

New South Wales

Critical Minerals and High-Tech Metals Strategy 2024–35	Sets out the NSW Government's vision to drive global investment and grow the critical minerals and high-tech metals sector. nsw.gov.au/regional-and-primary-industries/critical-minerals-and-high-tech-metals-strategy-2024-35
NSW Coal Industry 2026–50	NSW Government's long-term approach to the NSW coal mining industry to provide certainty to workers, communities, industry and consent authorities. nsw.gov.au/sites/default/files/2026-03/nsw-coal-industry-2026-50.pdf

Northern Territory

Northern Territory Mineral Industry Plan - Pathway to 2030	Articulates the NT Government's vision and commitment to strategically optimising the Territory's mineral resources in an economically, environmentally and culturally sustainable manner. resourcingtheterritory.nt.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0005/1405049/ditt-mip-pathway-2030.pdf
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Queensland

Critical Minerals Strategy	The Queensland's Critical Minerals Strategy is a government plan to accelerate and attract investment in the state's critical mineral sector. The Strategy outlines 4 key objectives: move faster, smarter, maximise investment, build value chains, foster research and ESG excellence.
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	nrmrrd.qld.gov.au/mining-exploration/investors/critical-minerals/queensland-critical-minerals-strategy
South Australia	
Whyalla Transformation	Supporting transformation of the steelworks. Building long-term industrial capability. Delivering new opportunities across the Upper Spencer Gulf. energymining.sa.gov.au/industry/whyalla-steelworks-industrial-transformation-unit
Adding Value from Minerals to Metals	BHP is proposing to double copper production, including tripling copper cathode production. Supporting Whyalla Steelworks transformation. Supporting Port Pirie Transformation – successful antimony pilot in 2026. whyallasupport.sa.gov.au/ energymining.sa.gov.au/industry/transformational-projects/port-pirie-transformation
SA Strategic Gas Initiative	A 10-year, 20-petajoule (PJ) per annum, (200 PJ total), agreement signed in early 2026 with Santos to secure domestic gas supply, primarily for industrial use. Gas will continue to play an important part in South Australia's energy mix – both for industrial use and to balance electricity generation from renewables. energymining.sa.gov.au/industry/energy-resources/industry-activity/2025-sa-gas-initiative-grant-scheme
Tasmania	
Tasmanian Critical Minerals Strategy	Tasmania's Critical Minerals Strategy is a government roadmap to unlock the state's critical mineral potential by boosting exploration and supporting extraction, processing, and utilisation of critical minerals. mrt.tas.gov.au/geoscience/critical-minerals
Victoria	
Victorian Critical Minerals Roadmap	Victoria's Critical Minerals Roadmap is a government plan to support the emerging critical minerals industry in Victoria – by identifying opportunities through geoscience development, modernising regulation, supporting production and building community confidence to attract investment. resources.vic.gov.au/critical-minerals
Western Australia	
Western Australia's Battery and Critical Minerals Strategy 2024–2030	The Western Australia Battery and Critical Minerals Strategy. The government's vision to develop its value-adding battery and critical minerals industries. wa.gov.au/government/publications/western-australias-battery-and-critical-mineral-strategy-2024-2030

Business or supply chain incentives/support

Federal

Critical Minerals Facility	The Critical Minerals Facility is a \$4 billion financing facility delivered by; Export Finance Australia providing financial expertise and solutions to support Australian critical minerals projects and related infrastructure. It offers loans, loan guarantees, bonds and working capital, designed to complement commercial financing and help businesses move into downstream processing to strengthen critical minerals supply chain. exportfinance.gov.au/criticalminerals
Clean Energy Finance Corporation	The CEFC invests in technologies that generate, store, manage and transmit clean energy, providing finance for large-scale projects – generally from A\$20 million and above – which usually include capital from co-investors, and discounted finance for smaller asset finance projects (A\$10,000 to A\$5 million) via co-financiers. cefc.com.au
Northern Australia Infrastructure Facility (NAIF)	The NAIF provides concessional loans for the development of infrastructure projects in northern Australia and the Australian Indian Ocean Territories. Projects must meet the mandatory criteria outlined in NAIF's Investment Mandate. As of July 2025, NAIF has committed \$4.3 billion in loans across 32 projects in Queensland, Western Australia and the Northern Territory. naif.gov.au
National Reconstruction Fund Corporation (NRFC)	The NRFC is a \$15 billion fund, established to support 7 priority areas of the Australian economy including value-add in resources, renewables and low emission technologies, and manufacturing technologies and products. The NRFC can provide finance in the form of debt, equity and guarantees to support Australian projects that drive high-value industry transformation. Current investments include the Nolans Rare Earths Project in the Northern Territory and the Kathleen Valley Lithium Project in Western Australia. nrf.gov.au
Critical Minerals Production Tax Incentive (CMPTI) (part of Future Made in Australia) - critical minerals	The CMPTI is a targeted production tax incentive to support onshore processing and refining of critical minerals in Australia. The CMPTI provides eligible recipients with a refundable tax offset of 10% of the eligible costs of processing certain critical minerals in Australia. The offset will be available between 1 July 2027 and 30 June 2040, for a maximum of 10 years. ato.gov.au/businesses-and-organisations/income-deductions-and-concessions/incentives-and-concessions/production-tax-incentives/critical-minerals-production-tax-incentive
Major Projects Facilitation Agency (MPFA)	The MPFA provides information and helps with regulatory approvals for major projects (over A\$20 million) in Australia. industry.gov.au/major-projects-and-procurement/major-projects-facilitation-agency
Export Finance Australia (EFA)	The EFA provides commercial finance for exporting businesses and Indo-Pacific infrastructure development, including those businesses involved with the critical minerals supply chain. The EFA's financial instruments include direct loans, guarantees and bonds, insurance products, including credit insurance and political risk insurance and project and buyer finance. exportfinance.gov.au
Battery Breakthrough Initiative	The Battery Breakthrough Initiative is a \$500 million fund to promote the development of battery manufacturing capabilities in Australia. To improve supply chain resilience and commercialise battery manufacturing processes or technologies that support emissions reduction. arena.gov.au/funding/battery-breakthrough-initiative

Future Made in Australia Innovation Fund	Administered by the Australian Renewable Energy Agency, this \$1.5 billion program provides grant funding focussed on renewable energy and low-emission technologies critical to Australia's renewable energy transition, helping unlock commercial-scale production of green metals. arena.gov.au/funding/future-made-in-australia-innovation-fund
Green Aluminium Production Credit	The \$2 billion Green Aluminium Production Credit, available from 2028–29, will support Australia's aluminium smelters to transition to renewable electricity, helping position Australian aluminium as some of the greenest in the world. minister.industry.gov.au/t-ayres/media/consultation-opens-2-billion-green-aluminium-production-credit
Green Iron Investment Fund	The \$1 billion Green Iron Investment Fund will boost green iron manufacturing and supply chains by supporting early mover green iron projects. industry.gov.au/news/new-fund-will-position-australia-centre-global-green-iron-market
New South Wales	
NSW Critical Minerals Royalty Deferral Scheme	The Critical Minerals Royalty Deferral Scheme is a key initiative of the NSW Government's Critical Minerals and High-Tech Metals Strategy 2024-35. This opt-in scheme offers a unique opportunity for critical mineral projects to advance by providing temporary financial relief offered by the deferral of royalty payments for a period of 5 years (applications opened 1 July 2025, closing 30 June 2030). resources.nsw.gov.au/invest-nsw/nsw-mineral-resources/critical-minerals-and-high-tech-metals/critical-minerals-royalty
Tasmania	
Office of the Coordinator General	The Office of the Coordinator-General acts as a central point for investors and coordinates across government to streamline approvals and enable strategic growth. cg.tas.gov.au
Queensland	
Queensland Resources Common User Facility	The Queensland Government is delivering common user infrastructure at the Cleveland Bay Industrial Park in Townsville to support the development, extraction and production of critical minerals. coordinatorgeneral.qld.gov.au/work-with-us/project-and-infrastructure-delivery/project-delivery/queensland-resources-common-user-facility
Queensland Critical Minerals and Battery Technology Fund	A A\$150 million initiative supporting Australian businesses to enhance the extraction and processing of critical minerals in Queensland. Includes Government grants of up to \$2 million and Government equity and/or debt investment up to \$30 million for growth-stage businesses looking to scale-up activity. qic.com/About-QIC/State-Investments/Queensland-Critical-Minerals-and-Battery-Technology-Fund
South Australia	
Coordinator General's Office	Established in December 2025 as a statutory authority, the Coordinator General's Office's main purpose is to facilitate the delivery of state-significant economic, environmental and social outcomes by improving coordination, collaboration and efficiency across government planning, regulatory and approval systems. Key priorities are major projects that support housing supply and AUKUS.

	dpc.sa.gov.au/about-the-department/attached-offices/coordinator-generals-office
Port Pirie Smelter Transformation Project	The South Australian Government has provided \$90 million for the Port Pirie Smelter Transformation Project - \$55 million towards the first \$135 million support package agreed with Federal Government in August 2025, and \$35 million in the package released in June 2026. The balance of funding is being provided by the Australian and Tasmanian governments. minister.industry.gov.au/t-ayres/media/governments-supporting-critical-minerals-processing-and-securing-local-jobs
Research and Innovation Fund	The Research and Innovation Fund (RIF), established in 2018 and managed by the Department of State Development is a strategic fund that invests in the entire South Australian research and innovation value chain, aligned to the state's priority industry sectors. It leverages co-investment from the Australian Government and the private sector. Within this funding mechanism is the Seed Start Program which assists innovative early-stage South Australian businesses with high-growth potential to commercialise products or services that could achieve a sustainable competitive advantage in national and international markets. This includes grants to mineral processing innovation and technologies supporting industry capability and growth. statedevelopment.sa.gov.au/science-and-research-excellence/rif
Northern Water	Developing a climate-independent water supply solution. Supporting mining, energy and industrial development across the region. Northern Water Project proposes the construction and operation of a large-scale desalination plant at Mullaquana Station in the Upper Spencer Gulf, along with approximately 400km of transfer pipeline connecting to the Far North. Mullaquana Station is located approximately 25km south-west of Whyalla. northernwater.sa.gov.au/
Victoria	
Advancing Antimony Grants Program	The Victorian Government's Advancing Antimony Grants Program provides a share of a \$1 million competitive funding pool to support early-stage development of downstream antimony processing in Victoria. The program funds business cases, feasibility studies, engineering assessments, market analysis and pilot-scale activities that help define investment pathways and strengthen Victoria's critical minerals processing capability and supply chains. resources.vic.gov.au/critical-minerals/advancing-antimony-grants-program-guidelines
Western Australia	
Strategic Industries Fund (SIF)	The SIF is a \$1 billion, 10-year investment to unlock Strategic Industrial Areas (SIAs) across WA, delivering infrastructure to support renewable hydrogen, critical minerals, and other job-creating industries. Key allocations include: Western Australia's strategic industrial areas: wa.gov.au/organisation/department-of-energy-and-economic-diversification/western-australias-strategic-industrial-areas Strategic industries funding doubled to secure Made in WA: wa.gov.au/government/media-statements/Cook-Labor-Government/Strategic-industries-funding-doubled-to-secure-Made-in-WA-20250618
Critical Minerals Advanced Processing	The CMAP facility proposes to home pilot plant equipment for small and medium sized businesses to undertake downstream processing of critical minerals and strategic materials at demonstration scale, reducing capital costs for midstream processors.

Common-User Facility (CMAP)	mriwa.wa.gov.au/minerals-research-advancing-western-australia/focus-areas/critical-minerals/critical-minerals-advanced-processing-common-user-facility
Investment Attraction Fund (IAF)	The IAF will accelerate innovation, scale-up commercial potential and expand local manufacturing capacity in battery and critical minerals, renewable hydrogen, solar, wind and carbon capture. wa.gov.au/organisation/departments/departments-energy-and-economic-diversification/invest-and-trade-wa-investment-attraction-fund
Industry Assistance Packages	Market conditions in the nickel and lithium industries have been challenging due to a combination of lower prices and higher production costs driven by an inflationary environment, higher input costs, a tight labour market and supply chain issues. Industry assistance packages include fee waivers and temporary interest free loans for the lithium industry and finance assistance through temporary royalty relief for the nickel industry. The packages are designed to help protect local jobs and investment during an unexpected decline in prices. wa.gov.au/service/business-support/industry-assistance-schemes wa.gov.au/government/announcements/guidelines-nickel-royalty-relief-now-available

Exploration incentives and support

Federal

Resourcing Australia's Prosperity	Resourcing Australia's Prosperity is a 35-year, \$3.4 billion precompetitive geoscience initiative, led by Geoscience Australia, to accelerate the discovery and development of critical minerals and other resources, to support domestic and global decarbonisation and enable responsible resource management. ga.gov.au/scientific-topics/resourcing-australias-prosperity
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New South Wales

NSW Critical Minerals Royalty Deferral Scheme	This opt-in scheme offers a unique opportunity for critical mineral projects to advance by providing temporary financial relief offered by the deferral of royalty payments for a period of five years (applications open to 30 June 2030). resources.nsw.gov.au/invest-nsw/nsw-mineral-resources/critical-minerals-and-high-tech-metals/critical-minerals-royalty
NSW Critical Minerals and High-Tech Metals Exploration Program	The Critical Minerals and High-Tech Metals Exploration Program encourages more exploration in NSW by investing A\$2.5 million over the next two years to co-fund successful applicants to undertake drilling, geophysics and geochemistry. resources.nsw.gov.au/invest-nsw/critical-minerals-and-high-tech-metals/critical-minerals-and-high-tech-metals
MinView	MinView is a web map application that provides free access to view, search and download a comprehensive range of geoscientific data for NSW. resources.nsw.gov.au/geological-survey/minview
NSW Geophysical surveys	The Geological Survey of NSW (GSNSW) conducts geophysical surveys. Open file geophysical survey data from exploration companies are also archived for public access following title relinquishment. NSW geophysical survey data is available at NSW Resources website. resources.nsw.gov.au/geological-survey/exploration-techniques/geophysical-surveys

Northern Territory

Resourcing the Territory	Provides pre-competitive geoscience, investment attraction and exploration stimulus programs designed to increase exploration activity, drive success rates, and open up new areas of the Territory for exploration. resourcingtheterritory.nt.gov.au
Exploration Grants	The Geophysics and Drilling Collaborations program co-funds industry exploration programs to advance geological understanding and resource development in the Territory. resourcingtheterritory.nt.gov.au/gdc

Queensland

Collaborative Exploration Initiative	A\$17.5 million available until June 2027 to support Queensland's exploration companies to make discoveries. business.qld.gov.au/industries/mining-energy-water/resources/geoscience-information/exploration-incentives/exploration-grants
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Collaborative Development Program	Offers funding to recover remaining mineralisation found in mine waste. business.qld.gov.au/industries/mining-energy-water/resources/geoscience-information/exploration-incentives/collaborative-development-program
Critical minerals exploration rent waiver	The Queensland Government will waive the rent for critical minerals exploration that occurs between 1 September 2023 and 31 August 2028. nrm.mrd.qld.gov.au/mining-exploration/initiatives/zero-rent#:~:text=From%201%20September%202023%2C%20the,to%20%24%20for%205%20years
South Australia	
PACE Minerals	The Plan for Accelerating Exploration (PACE) Minerals - innovation, collaboration and capacity building to advance exploration activity in South Australia. The South Australian government is investing \$12.4 million over four years (FY2027 to FY2030) to co-fund mineral exploration and help fast-track the discoveries that will become tomorrow's mines. energymining.sa.gov.au/industry/minerals-and-mining/pace-minerals
SARIG Core Intelligence Program	Expanding South Australia's global geoscience information leadership by 'exploring' and transforming the physical resources (like drill cores) into a digital intelligence library. energymining.sa.gov.au/industry/geological-survey/gssa-projects/sarig-core-intelligence
MinEx CRC National Drilling Initiative	The MinEx CRC National Drilling Initiative (NDI) has drilled multiple holes around Australia to map the regional geology and architecture in 3D to define the potential for mineral systems. energymining.sa.gov.au/industry/geological-survey/gssa-projects/ndi
Critical Minerals South Australia	A project focused on advancing knowledge to support critical minerals discovery and exploration in South Australia. Links to detailed reports on the potential for critical minerals in South Australia (one commodity per report). energymining.sa.gov.au/industry/geological-survey/gssa-projects/critical-minerals-south-australia
Magnetite South Australia	A study focusing on demonstrating the quality and resource potential of South Australia's magnetite resources. energymining.sa.gov.au/industry/geological-survey/gssa-projects/magnetite-south-australia
Tasmania	
Exploration Drilling Grant Initiative	Grants for co-funded exploration drilling projects. mrt.tas.gov.au/exploration/exploration-drilling-grant-initiative-round-12
Critical Minerals Initiative	\$3M funding over 3 years for research and initiatives to support critical minerals discoveries and development in Tasmania. This program is administered by Minerals Resources Tasmania. mrt.tas.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0017/551114/Critical_Minerals_Strategy_23_Oct_2024.pdf
TIGER system	Tasmanian Information on Geoscience and Exploration Resources (TIGER) system is a database that captures, maintains, integrates and delivers high-quality geoscientific

	information of our regions. It is a one-stop-shop for accessing all Tasmania's pre-competitive data. mrt.tas.gov.au/products/database_searches
3D geological and geophysical modelling initiatives	3D geological models are available as precompetitive data for prospective areas in the northwest and northeast of the State. mrt.tas.gov.au/geoscience/3d_geological_and_geophysical_modelling
Victoria	
GeoVic	GeoVic is a free online mapping application that enables you to build your own earth resource related maps, perform searches and access data, using a huge range of data sources. resources.vic.gov.au/geology-and-data/maps-reports-data/geovic
Earth resources publications	The Earth Resources Publications service provides easy access to a constantly expanding range of Earth Resources products associated with Victorian geology plus the minerals, extractive, petroleum and other associated sectors. The products include maps, digital data, reports, magazines and fact sheets. earthresources.efirst.com.au/Default.asp?c=173629
Western Australia	
Exploration Incentive Scheme	Co-funding grants for exploration activities in Western Australia wa.gov.au/organisation/geological-survey-of-western-australia/exploration-incentive-scheme-eis
Geoscience Data Transformation Program	Will deliver a range of technical, operational, and strategic improvements to the Geological Survey of Western Australia's geoscience data. wa.gov.au/organisation/geological-survey-of-western-australia/geoscience-data-transformation-program
WA Array	A 10-year passive seismic data collection program across Western Australia. wa.gov.au/organisation/geological-survey-of-western-australia/wa-array

Relevant business offices/research centres/organisations

National

Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO)	CSIRO, Australia's national science agency, plays a major role in advancing research and innovation across the minerals sector, contributing scientific expertise, digital capability and collaborative R&D through initiatives such as the Critical Minerals Research & Development Hub, extensive geoscience partnerships, and development of digital platforms that support national mapping, exploration and decision-making tools. csiro.au/en
Australia's Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation (ANSTO)	ANSTO is Australia's civilian nuclear centre of excellence. It has a mandated role to advise the Australian Government on all nuclear and science technology matters, supporting access to nuclear technologies to improve health, providing expert advice to Government and leading the development of a nuclear workforce. ansto.gov.au
MinEx CRC	MinEx CRC is focused on a new set of exploration tools and new ways to deploy those tools that recognise the fundamental importance of collecting quantity and quality data from the subsurface. MinEx CRC is developing new technologies for collecting data while drilling. minexcrc.com.au
ARC Centre in Critical Resources for the Future	The ARC Training Centre in Critical Resources brings together industry, four of Australia's leading universities, and state and federal governments to address the challenge of securing our future resources. criticalresources.org.au/

New South Wales

NSW Government Mining Concierge and Investment Attraction Service	The NSW Mining Concierge and Investment Attraction teams support mineral resource investment in NSW, with a strong focus on critical minerals and strategic metals. Contact NSW Resources for support with new and existing mining projects and investment opportunities. resources.nsw.gov.au/invest-nsw/industry-support/mining-concierge-and-investment-attraction-service
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Queensland

Critical Minerals Queensland	Critical Minerals Queensland (CMQ) is the Queensland Government's central point for industry, governments, investors, and the community to engage on critical minerals and resource opportunities. CMQ aims to advance Queensland's vertically integrated critical minerals supply chain by consulting directly with upstream proponents, midstream processors, refiners and downstream manufacturers to understand what inputs, infrastructure and investment is needed. nrmmrd.qld.gov.au/mining-exploration/initiatives/critical-minerals/invest/about-cmq
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South Australia

Geological Survey of South Australia	The Geological Survey of South Australia (GSSA) provides vital pre-competitive data, resources and services to the resource sector on South Australia's geology, geoscience and geography to inform decision-making by government, industry and the community. energymining.sa.gov.au/industry/geological-survey
South Australian Drill Core Library	The South Australia Drill Core Library preserves over 130 years of exploration samples, providing an invaluable geological record that supports mineral and energy resource discovery, research, education, and government activities. Continuously expanding with new core samples and

	advanced real-time analysis capabilities, the facility integrates world-class collections, geoscience data, and viewing spaces to help drive South Australia's next generation of resource discoveries. energymining.sa.gov.au/industry/geological-survey/drill-core-library
SA-H2H Hydrogen Technology Cluster	The home of hydrogen technology collaboration in South Australia, where members work together to build market scale links between hydrogen projects targeting domestic and export markets. sah2h.org/
CORE Innovation Hub	Works with start-ups, SMEs, researchers, suppliers and industry partners to connect and collaborate across the mining, resources and energy sectors. corehub.com.au/
Australian Critical Minerals Research Centre	World-renowned for expertise in novel isotope geochemistry, mineral geochemistry and geophysics, which it is using to develop new exploration tools; boost understanding of critical mineral ores and mineral chemistry; and provide research that is commercialised by industry. adelaide.edu.au/australian-critical-minerals-research-centre/
Victoria	
Victorian Critical Minerals Coordination Office	Office developed under Theme 2 of the Critical Minerals Roadmap, to assist development of the Victorian Critical Minerals Sector. Contact Resources Victoria via our website to connect with the office. resources.vic.gov.au/about-us/contact-us
Geological Survey of Victoria Resources Development and Investment Team	Promotes and facilitates investment in upstream resource projects across Victoria, connecting stakeholders to investors around the globe. resources.vic.gov.au/about-us/contact-us
Tasmania	
Centre for Ore Deposit and Earth Sciences (CODES)	CODES is a globally recognized ore deposit research centre based at the University of Tasmania focusing on mineral exploration, geoscience, and sustainable mining practices. CODES offers an industry partners program where it can cater to the research and training needs of individuals through to major multinationals. utas.edu.au/codes/about-us/industry-partnership-program
The Mornington Core Library and Laboratories	Industry professionals, universities and research institutions can access these materials for viewing and sampling, supported by cutting, analytical facilities (including HyLogger Service), geological databases and workspaces. mrt.tas.gov.au/products/services/mornington_core_library
The Tasmanian Minerals, Manufacturing and Energy Council (TMEC)	An industry body representing the mining, manufacturing and energy sectors in Tasmania. TMEC focuses on workforce development and innovation to support businesses and workers in these industries. They run programs such as the Tasmanian Mining Pathways Passport to upskill workers and strengthen the industry. tmec.com.au
Western Australia	
Western Australia Department of	Trusted geoscience data and information for current and potential investors in Western Australia's minerals sector.

mines, Petroleum and Exploration	wa.gov.au/organisation/department-of-mines-petroleum-and-exploration/mineral-investment
Invest & Trade WA	To assist investors and businesses to engage with established industries to make it easier to do business in and with Western Australia. investandtrade.wa.gov.au
Mineral Research Institute of Western Australia	MRIWA conducts applied minerals research projects to create capability and deliver economic and social benefit to Western Australia. mriwa.wa.gov.au

Key resources when looking for projects to invest in

Federal

Australian Critical Minerals Prospectus	Showcasing investment-ready, critical minerals projects around Australia, including geological, financial, and technical data. international.austrade.gov.au/en/do-business-with-australia/sectors/energy-and-resources/critical-minerals/prospectus
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Victoria

Key resource opportunities	Outlines key resource opportunities for critical minerals, base metals and gold. resources.vic.gov.au/geology-exploration/industry-investment/key-resource-opportunities
Current mineral projects and selected occurrences	Map of current mineral projects and selected occurrences in Victoria. resources.vic.gov.au/geology-and-data/industry-investment/mineral-resources-development
Resources Victoria Newsletter	A bi-monthly newsletter, designed to keep you up to date with the latest developments in Victoria's resources sector. resources.vic.gov.au/about-us/newsletters

New South Wales

NSW minerals and metals projects	A list of NSW critical minerals and high-tech metals projects at various stages of development. resources.nsw.gov.au/invest-nsw/industry-support/nsw-minerals-and-metals-projects
NSW key resources	Landing page linking to key resources including geological and geophysical reports and datasets, maps of exploration highlights and critical minerals resource projects in development, and commodity fact sheets. resources.nsw.gov.au/invest-nsw/industry-support/key-resources
MinView	MinView is a web map application that provides free access to view, search and download a comprehensive range of geoscientific data for NSW (over 500 map layers available). resources.nsw.gov.au/geological-survey/minview

Northern Territory

Critical Minerals in the Northern Territory 2025	Provides a comprehensive inventory of the Northern Territory's current known critical mineral resources. The guide includes investment and exploration information for both established and emerging projects. geoscience.nt.gov.au/gemis/ntgsjspui/handle/1/93531
Northern Territory Developing Projects	The Northern Territory has a strong pipeline of developing mining projects, at various stages of the approvals or financing process. resourcingtheterritory.nt.gov.au/minerals/mines-and-projects/developing-projects
Northern Territory investment opportunities	Page links to investing in exploration, investing in existing or developing projects, and investment services. resourcingtheterritory.nt.gov.au/minerals/investment-opportunities

Queensland	
Queensland Critical Minerals Prospectus	Includes a non-exhaustive list of Queensland critical mineral projects seeking investment partners. The prospectus is available in English, Korean, Japanese and Indonesian. nrmmrrd.qld.gov.au/mining-exploration/investors/critical-minerals/prospectus
Queensland Critical Minerals Investor Hub	An online tool that connects potential investors with government agencies as well as promoting the investment opportunities available in Queensland. nrmmrrd.qld.gov.au/mining-exploration/investors/critical-minerals
South Australia	
Major mineral projects and mining activities dashboard	The major mineral projects and mining activities dashboard brings together information on mines, quarries and developing projects. energymining.sa.gov.au/industry/minerals-and-mining/mining/major-projects-and-mining-activities
South Australia's Critical Mineral Dashboards	These dashboards provide new insights into occurrences and known resources, as well as the potential of tailings, stockpiles and waste dumps to assist exploration, promote innovation and support informed decision-making. energymining.sa.gov.au/industry/geological-survey/gssa-projects/critical-minerals-south-australia/south-australias-critical-minerals-dashboards
Invest in Prosperity Projects virtual map	The Invest in Prosperity Projects virtual map portal is an online showcase of major economic and investment-oriented projects across the mining and energy sectors in South Australia. investinprosperityprojects.sa.gov.au/
Tasmania	
Tasmanian Critical Minerals Strategy	Outlines a roadmap to drive discovery, extraction, processing, and utilisation of critical minerals. mrt.tas.gov.au/geoscience/critical-minerals
Western Australia	
Resource investor information	Geoscientific information to support investment into Western Australian mining and energy resource projects. wa.gov.au/organisation/resource-and-environmental-regulation/resource-investor-information

Minerals-related representative organisations in Australia

National

AI Group – Minerals, Energy and Supply Chain Resilience	An organisation that represents and supports businesses across a wide range of sectors, including manufacturing, engineering, construction, and technology. Advocates for its members, promotes business interests at all levels of government, and provides advice, services, and research. aigroup.com.au/sectors-and-advocacy/minerals-and-resources
Association of Mining and Exploration Companies (AMEC)	Industry association representing explorers, emerging miners, producers, and associated businesses. amec.org.au
Austmine	An industry body representing the Australian mining equipment, technology and services sector. austmine.com.au
Australian Institute of Geoscientists (AIG)	A professional institute representing geoscientists employed in all sectors of industry, education, research and government throughout Australia. aig.org.au
Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy (AusIMM)	An industry organisation that represents professionals working in the resources sector. With over 15,000 members from over 100 countries, the AusIMM is committed to supporting people working in all aspects of the mining industry. ausimm.com
Critical Minerals Association Australia	Industry body that aims to amplify the voice of its members to build a profitable, sustainable and globally recognised critical minerals industry. cmaaustralia.org
Industry Capability Network	An independent networking organisation that connects local suppliers and service providers to meet the requirements of local projects. icn.org.au
International Council on Mining and Metals (ICMM)	A leadership organization for the global mining and metals industry that works to drive improvements in sustainable development by promoting environmental and social responsibility among its members. Their goal is to make responsible mining the global standard—creating safer workplaces, reducing environmental impact, and strengthening social outcomes. icmm.com
Minerals Council of Australia (MCA)	Represents Australia’s exploration, mining and minerals processing industry, promoting and enhancing sustainability, profitability and competitiveness. minerals.org.au

New South Wales	
NSW Minerals Council	Industry association representing the resources sector in New South Wales. The NSW Minerals Council works closely with governments, industry groups and business and community leaders so member companies can continue to operate as part of a strong, responsible and sustainable mining industry in NSW. nswmining.com.au
Queensland	
Queensland Resources Council (QRC)	Industry association representing the resources sector in Queensland, advocating for a sustainable regulatory environment and promote industry leadership. qrc.org.au/
South Australia	
South Australian Chamber of Mines and Energy (SACOME)	The South Australian Chamber of Mines & Energy (SACOME) is an industry association representing resource and energy companies with interests in the South Australian resources sector, including minerals, energy, extractives and petroleum. sacome.org.au
Tasmania	
Tasmanian Minerals, Manufacturing and Energy Council (TMEC)	The Tasmanian Minerals, Manufacturing and Energy Council represents member businesses involved in the state's exploration, mining and mineral processing, manufacturing and energy sectors, along with companies and individuals in associated supply chains. tmec.com.au
Western Australia	
Chamber of Minerals and Energy of Western Australia (CME)	Member-funded, not-for-profit organisation association representing the resources sector in Western Australia. CME leads policy development on issues impacting the sector, promotes the value of the sector to the community, and provides an avenue for members and stakeholders to collaborate. cmewa.com.au
Victoria	
Melbourne Mining Club (MMC)	Industry association representing the resources sector in Victoria and globally. The Melbourne Mining Club is a not-for-profit joint venture between the AusIMM and the Minerals Council of Australia. melbourneminingclub.com