

# EARTH RESOURCES SECTOR INDICATORS 2018–2019

Mineral  
exploration  
investment



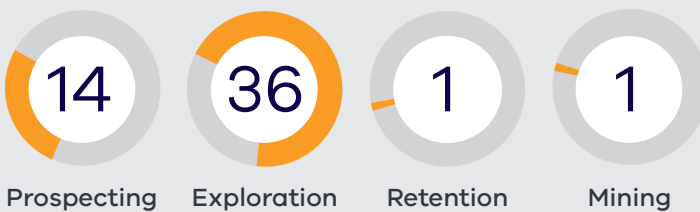
About the distance from Melbourne to Portland

Metres  
drilled<sup>2</sup>

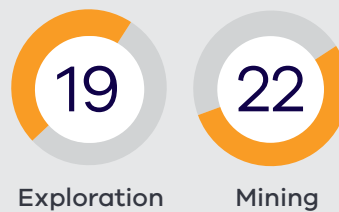
**348,192**

Licences<sup>3</sup>

**52 new  
mineral licences**



**41 renewed  
mineral licences**



**11 new extractives  
work authorities**



Contribution of small miners<sup>4</sup>

**8,512** Miner's rights



Extractive quantity of production<sup>5</sup>



\$38.8b

Value of construction activity in Victoria<sup>6</sup>

Production value<sup>7</sup>



Direct resources sector jobs within Victoria<sup>8</sup>



Victorian resources capital expenditure<sup>9</sup>



\$652m

The extent Victorians accept mining in Australia<sup>10</sup>



Endnotes

- 1. ABS publication series 8412.0, Minerals and Petroleum Exploration.
- 2. Mineral exploration only. Source: Geological Survey of Victoria.
- 3. ERR 2018-19 Statistical Report, Pages 7 & 14.
- 4. Earth Resources Regulation, unpublished data.
- 5. ERR 2018-19 Statistical Report, Page 5.
- 6. ABS publication series 8755.0, Construction Work Done.
- 7. ERR 2018-19 Annual Statistical Report, Pages 5 & 11 NB: Total excludes the value of gas production due to commercial sensitivity.
- 8. ABS publication series 6291.0.55.003, Labour Force (Average Number of Resource Sector Jobs for Victoria).
- 9. ABS publication series 5625.0, Private New Capital Expenditure and Expected Expenditure.
- 10. This score is the average answer to the 2017 CSIRO survey question "To what extent do you accept mining in Australia?" where 1 is not at all and 5 is very much so. This survey data is as reported in the 2016-17 Earth Resources Sector Indicators.

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