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Australian Mining

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Australia's resource

10%

Australia's share of world coal resources in 2016

443Mt

Australia's coal production in 2016-17



4th

Largest share of world coal resources in 2016

\$120m

Coal exploration expenditure in 2016-17

Economic contribution

379Mt

Export volume of Australian coal in 2016-17

\$54b

Value of Australia's coal exports in 2016-17

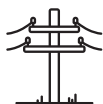
\$5.4b

Wages to coal industry workers in 2016-17

51,500

Australia's coal industry jobs as at November 2017

Coal at work



Electricity



Cement



Carbon fibre



Wind turbines



Water filtration



Steel

DID YOU KNOW?

The energy we get from coal today comes from giant swamp plants that lived before the dinosaurs. Sound far fetched? All living plants store solar energy. Coal is the product of decaying plant matter millions of years ago locking in this energy.

Types of coal

- Peat
- Lignite (brown coal)
- Sub-bituminous
- Bituminous
- Anthracite

