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MCA calls on Parliament to support stronger regional communities and jobs

Statement from Tania Constable, Chief Executive Officer

Australia's world-leading minerals sector delivers high-paying, highly skilled jobs in regional and remote Australia.

It is important that our political leaders continue to support stronger regional communities and jobs.

Talking down our major export earning industries undermines long-term relationships and valuable trade opportunities with Australia's global customers.

Only this month, Australian Bureau of Statistics trade data confirmed that coal became Australia's number one export earner in 2018, with higher prices and export volumes supporting a record high \$66 billion in export revenue.

Higher prices and increased volumes deliver more taxes and royalties to the Federal and State governments which fund more teachers, nurses, police and lifesaving medical treatments.

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