

**25¢**  
per tonne

**WHAT THE  
NATIONALS SAY  
MINING PAYS**

**\$19**  
per tonne

**WHAT MINING  
ACTUALLY  
PAYS**

**\$24**  
per tonne

**WHAT THE  
NATIONALS ARE  
PROPOSING**

## WESTERN AUSTRALIAN MINING PAYS A LOT MORE TAXES & ROYALTIES THAN THE NATIONALS CLAIM.

The iron ore taxes and royalties paid by BHP Billiton and Rio Tinto average \$19 per tonne - not the 25 cents per tonne claimed by the leader of the National Party. The current rate makes the taxes and royalties paid in Western Australia among the highest in world<sup>1</sup>.

To raise taxes by another \$5 a tonne would mean Western Australian miners would pay royalties 7 times higher than our competitors in Brazil<sup>2</sup>.

Brazil is already increasing its global share of iron ore exports at the expense of Western Australia.

Increasing royalties to 7 times higher than Brazil is a reckless proposal that will only risk Western Australia losing more.

In the last decade alone, BHP Billiton and Rio Tinto have contributed A\$24 billion in WA State royalties, the equivalent of 200 new schools and 20 new hospitals. It's important this contribution continues and grows.

Making Western Australia uncompetitive with such high taxes puts so much of this at risk for both current and future generations.

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