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**WESTERN  
AUSTRALIAN**  
RESOURCE SECTOR OPERATIONS



## TOTAL DIRECT CONTRIBUTION TO ECONOMY



Wages & Salaries



Business Purchases



Community Contributions



State & Local Government Payments

### WESTERN AUSTRALIA

**\$32** BILLION

**886** COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS SUPPORTED

### CONTRIBUTION TO THE STATE ELECTORATE OF:

#### ROE

**DIRECT  
EMPLOYEES**

**149**

WHO LIVE IN THE ELECTORATE



**WAGES & SALARIES**

**\$20**

MILLION



BUSINESS PURCHASES +



COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTIONS +



LOCAL GOVERNMENT PAYMENTS

=

**\$66**

MILLION

**TOTAL DIRECT  
CONTRIBUTION**

**\$86**

MILLION



**35**

**BUSINESSES  
DIRECTLY  
SUPPORTED**





## COMMUNITY AWARD FOR CLIFFS CAREER PROMOTION

**Cliffs Natural Resources have a long history of partnerships with Western Australian communities, particularly in support of education. Since 2009, Cliffs has partnered with Esperance Senior High School, Esperance Anglican Community School, Southern Cross District High School and Merredin College to provide a week-long work experience camp, where year 10 students and their teachers are exposed to life in the mining industry.**

So far, 76 students have taken part by living onsite and working normal shift hours for the week.

High achieving science students are paired up with mentors from engineering, metallurgy, geology and environmental science to complete a 'mini project'. Other students more interested in learning a trade complete day-to-day tasks under the guidance of a mentor.

Afterwards, students provide a presentation of their experience to Cliffs' employees and contractors as well as to their peers, parents and community members at a community presentation.

It's great to see some students have gone on to choose studies and careers in the resources sector, and Cliffs has supported some of those through scholarships and vacation work.

Cliffs have been formally recognised by the Department of Mines and Petroleum, for their valuable support of local schools and education. Their efforts to support and work collaboratively with local communities are applauded.

Photo courtesy of Cliffs Natural Resources.

## The Chamber of Minerals and Energy of Western Australia

The Chamber of Minerals and Energy of Western Australia (CME) has asked its members 'What does industry spend and where?' The data provided by forty-six resources companies for the financial year 2015-2016, shows how industry's spending flows through to every part of Western Australia, by means of wages and salaries, business purchases or community contributions.

From this information we can also see the number of businesses which provide goods and services to the Western Australian resources sector, the number of employees who work in the sector and where those people live within the state.

This fact sheet provides a unique picture of Western Australia's largest export industry, noting this is not modelling, but actual spend.

The contribution of the resources sector to Western Australia is not only an economic one. As demonstrated above, companies are also active members of the community and in the environment.

Additional fact sheets can be accessed from the CME website at: [cmewa.com/economic-contribution](http://cmewa.com/economic-contribution)

