



Mineral Exports

US\$ 4.26 Billion in 2018

Exports of metallic, non-metallic minerals and mineral products in 2018. Copper, gold and nickel are the country's top mineral exports. Japan, Australia, Canada and China are the major countries of destination.

Employment

212,000 in 2018

Workers currently employed in the minerals industry. While estimates vary, it is conservatively assumed that for every job in the industry, about four indirect jobs may be generated in the upstream and downstream sectors.

Taxes Paid

PhP25.70 Billion in 2017

Amount of national and local taxes, fees and royalties that the minerals industry generated and contributed to the Philippine economy in 2017.

Economic Growth

The Philippine government commits that a proposed mining operation will only be allowed if technically feasible, environmentally compliant, socially acceptable & financially viable.

Any of these imperatives absent, it is not time to mine.

Mineral Statistics

PhP 121.94 Billion

In 2018, the total estimated production value for metallic minerals is PhP121.94 Billion, up by 10.42% or PhP11.51 billion vis-à-vis 2017's PhP110.43 Billion.

PhP 107.90 Billion

Estimated Gross Value Added (GVA, excluding crude oil) in mining at current prices in 2018.

Primary Mineral Commodities

Gold

PhP 44.81 Billion

Estimated value of gold produced in 2018.

Nickel & Nickel Products

PhP55.18 Billion

Estimated value of nickel and nickel products produced in 2018.

Copper

PhP20.68 Billion

Estimated value of copper produced in 2018.

The Philippine government promotes the rational exploration, development, utilization and conservation of mineral resources guided by its commitment to responsible minerals development.



Mineral Resources Development Projects

Operating Mines and Quarries 2018

- 48 metallic mines (8 gold mines, 3 copper mines, 30 nickel mines, 3 chromite mines and 4 iron mine)
- 61 non-metallic mines (35 limestone/shale quarries, 5 silica quarries, 15 aggregate quarries, 1 dolomite quarry and 3 clay quarries, 2 sand & gravel)
- 5 processing plants (2 gold processing plants, 2 nickel processing plants and 1 copper smelter plant)
- 3,389 small quarries and sand & gravel operations covered by permits issued by LGUs

Social Equity and Development

The Philippine government recognizes the rights and participation of the communities and indigenous peoples and ensures the fair and equitable sharing of benefits among the company, the government and host communities

Land Area and Mineral Potential

30 Million

Total Land area of the Philippines in hectares.

2.2 Million

The Philippines' Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) in square kilometers with a total shoreline of 35,286 kilometers, making it the 3rd longest shoreline in the world.

9 million

Number of hectares identified as having high mineral potential.

2.34% or 702,715.39 hectares

as of January 2019

Percentage of the Philippines' total land area covered by mining tenements. However, it should be emphasized that said area is still subject to the mandatory relinquishment by contractors provided by law.

Environmental Protection and Rehabilitation

The Philippine government ensures the adequate protection of the environment, before, during mining operations and beyond the life of the mine.

Social Development and Management

PhP19.5 Billion as of February 2019

Amount committed by mining companies for the development of their host and neighboring communities through their approved Social Development and Management Program. Around 837 barangays stand to benefit from the implementation of approved community/social projects of various companies.

Environmental Protection and Rehabilitation

PhP20.39 Billion and PhP4.2. Billion as of February 2019

Amount committed by mining companies for the implementation of approved plans/programs/projects/activities under their Environmental Protection and Enhancement Program and Final Mine Rehabilitation and/or Decommissioning Plan, respectively.

Mining Forest Program

35.15 Million as of December 2018

Number of seedlings 27,068.67 hectares of mined-out and other areas as of June 2018. Of these, 32.17 million trees have survived, or a survival rate of 91.53%.