## The Evolution of Mining Employment By NAB Group Economics

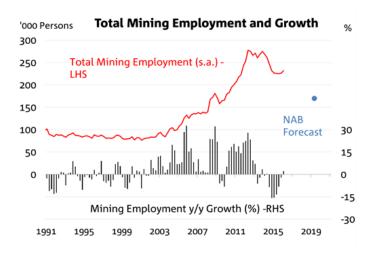


## **Key Points:**

- Mining employment has been relatively resilient given the extent of the mining investment downturn so far. We believe that mining investment is currently more than half-way through the cycle, while employment is slightly below the half-way mark – with the difference likely to be related to the significantly higher labour intensity of LNG projects in the late stages (near --completion/completion) of the construction phase.
- We undertook a different approach from the Reserve Bank of Australia (RBA) in identifying the employment trends through the three main mining developmental stages of "exploration", "construction" and "operation". Leveraging on micro ABS employment data by occupation, we estimate that 122k mining construction jobs were created between the start of the mining boom (in 2004-05) and the peak (2012-13), compared to the creation of 34k operational jobs and 13k exploration-related jobs.
- We estimate that 46k mining jobs were shed between the peak in 2012-13 and 2014-15 and around 50k more will be cut going forward. The majority of the job losses are likely to come from WA due for a number of reasons, including that: 1) WA's mining investment and employment cycles are currently less progressed than Queensland, 2) WA accounts for a larger share of total investment and employment in the country, and 3) the labour intensity of commodity projects in their operational phase in WA is lower than in Queensland.
- This will cause significant headwinds, especially in geographically affected regions and in certain specialised skill groups. However, it is not unmanageable at the national level with offsetting job creation elsewhere (particularly in services sectors) - we are forecasting 18k additional jobs to be created per month over the next few years, with the unemployment rate to track down towards 5½% by mid-2017 before inching up thereafter.
- The larger-than-expected declines in commodity prices from their 2014 levels and the forecast prolonged nature of the low-commodity price

environment will continue to limit the number of new projects, suggesting limited upside to mining investment and employment going forward.

## Chart 1: Mining Employment

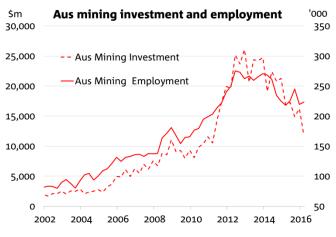


Source: ABS, NAB Group Economics

## Background

The run-up in mining investment from mid-2000s to 2012 led to a surge in resources sector-related employment, as a large number of workers were required to build new mining facilities. According to ABS employment by industry data, mining employment rose sharply between May 2005 and May 2012, equivalent to 13.6% of annual growth and representing the fastest growing industry over the period *in percentage terms*. In level terms however, labour-intensive services sectors such as health (+364k), education (+244K) and professional services (+174k) added more jobs than mining (+164k).

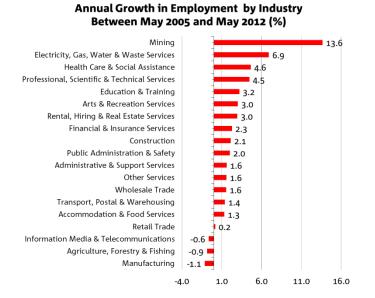
### Chart 2: Aus mining investment and employment



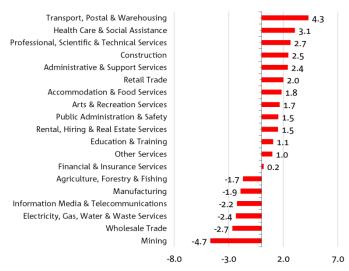
Source: ABS, NAB Group Economics

As the significantly more labour-intensive mining construction phase transitions into the less labourintensive operational phase, the large number of temporary construction jobs created will be cut back. We observe that the job shedding process has already taken place to some extent since the peak of mining investment in 2012-13, but the job loss to-date has not been as severe as previously anticipated for this point in the mining investment cycle. Some of the possible factors contributing to this phenomenon will be discussed in the second last section of this document.

# Charts 3 and 4: Annual Growth in Employment by Industry



#### Annual Growth in Employment by Industry Between May 2012 and Feb 2016 (%)



Source: ABS, NAB Group Economics

## **Mining Employment Characteristics**

Mining employment can be broadly categorised into three types based on the development stages of the resource production cycle: exploration, construction and production (operation). However, given that the ABS employment by industry data is only disaggregated by the employers' industry classification rather than the nature of employment, it is not easy to accurately distinguish between the three types of mining employment and hence their evolutionary patterns throughout the mining cycle.

### Mining employment classifications by the ABS

There have been a few studies undertaken by institutions and industry bodies, including the RBA, which attempted to estimate the size and composition of mining employment through time using official ABS data. However, we believe that the way in which the ABS industry classification data have been interpreted in these studies is debatable. The few studies conducted to-date<sup>1</sup>, including the one by the RBA<sup>2</sup>, have made the assumption that employment classified by the ABS to the mining industry includes only those engaged directly in mining production (please see Appendix A for further discussion of this approach).

However, we were explicitly informed by the ABS that the employment data has been categorised based on the registered business types of employers, and not based on the nature of activity engaged in by the

 <sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> AWPA (Australian Workforce and Productivity Agency) (2013), *Resources Sector Skills Needs 2013*, AWPA, Canberra.
 <sup>2</sup> Doyle, M. (2014). "Labour Movements during the Resources Boom", *RBA Bulletin*, Dec qtr 2014, p. 12

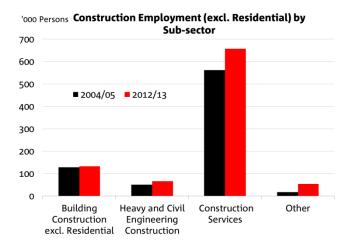
workers. For example, employees by Santos, an oil and gas extraction company, could have undertaken a range of different activities (exploration, construction and operational) but their employment would still be classified under "oil and gas extraction" in the official data. As such, we are sceptical of the claim that all employment classified under "mining" is solely to do with mining operations, while construction-related jobs within the mining sector is classified under "construction". Furthermore, the sharp increase in mining employment between 2004-05 and 2012-13 is difficult to explain satisfactorily through a pick-up in operational jobs, given that the mining investment phase was associated with a disproportionate increase in construction jobs.

### NAB's approach

Based on the arguments above, we propose an alternative hypothesis that the additional jobs created during the mining boom, both construction and operational, were mostly classified under "Mining" in the ABS employment by industry data. Leveraging detailed ABS occupation data, we attempt to shed some light on the split between construction and operational jobs within mining employment, as well as to identify the extent to which they have changed over the mining investment cycle.

That said, we acknowledge that there were likely to have been some employment "spill-over effects" due to indirect employment into other industries, especially business and professional services and construction. However, quantifying the latter remains a challenge.

#### Chart 5: Construction employment



Source: ABS, NAB Group Economics

# *Mining employment characteristics in 2004-05, 2012-13 and 2014-15*

To distinguish between construction and operationrelated jobs within the mining employment data, we first obtained detailed ABS occupation data (at 4-digit level) for the mining industry from the Labour Force Survey for the years of 2004-05 (representing the start of the mining boom), 2012-13 (peak of mining boom) and 2014-15 (the most recent yearly data). The idea was to then allocate the highly detailed occupational data within each year across the three types of employment typically found in the mining cycle (exploration, construction and operation) to varying degrees based on the specificity of their titles.

For any single year, exploration-related occupations are separately identified as the first step and, and in any case, only represent a small share of total employment. For the remaining occupations, the ones that come across as straightforward in terms of being construction or operation-related are then assigned to those two categories accordingly, while occupations which suggest a mix of both construction and operation activities are classified under the "partconstruction" category until the relative weights of construction versus operation employment within those occupations are determined. For example, "construction managers" and "general clerks" are clearly suggestive of being associated with construction and operation respectively, but there are many occupations which are not as clear-cut, such as "machine operators" and "mining engineers", which potentially encompass a mix of construction and operational activity. Occupations which we believe to be solely related to construction are shown in Table A in Appendix B, production-only jobs are in Table B, while occupations which are "part-construction" are shown in Table C.

The next step involves the estimation of the relative size of construction and operation employment within the "part-construction" occupations during each of the three years of 2004-05, 2012-13 and 2014-15. To accomplish that, we have to make further assumptions for the shares of construction employment in those occupations in each of those three years which denote a different stage of the mining cycle. The assumptions are made based on our understanding of the relative distribution of labour intensity across the different types of mining activity overtime. The employment figures contained within the occupations under the three categories of exploration, construction and operation are subsequently aggregated for each of those years. Fair to say, estimates of the different types of employment based on this approach are associated with a high degree of uncertainty, which we would seek to address by presenting two different scenarios. For both scenarios, we have assumed that the average ratio for construction to operation employment (for the "part construction" occupations) was 3 to 1 during the mining investment peak of 2012-13 -- based on the employment estimates published by the Department of Industry -- but they have different starting (2004-05) and ending (2014-15) ratios.

In the first scenario (our central case), the construction share for "part-construction" occupations is set at 0.25 in 2004-05, 0.75 in 2012/13 and 0.55 in 2014-15 respectively. This stems from our assumption that construction jobs constituted a relatively small share in the "normal" period prior to the boom, and then momentum intensified greatly during the boom period, before easing over the last three years. In the second scenario, construction jobs are assumed to be more "sticky" with a higher starting threshold share of 0.4 in 2004-05, 0.75 in 2011/12 and 0.60 in 2014-15 respectively. The results of this exercise for Scenario 1 & 2 are shown in Table 1 and 2 respectively below:

# Tables 1&2: Occupational structure of mining industry

### Scenario 1 (Central Case):

2004/05	Exploration	Construction	Operation	Total
Persons % 2012/13	12,965 12%	22,394 22%	68,499 66%	103,858 100%
Persons %	25,988 24%	144,046 53%	102,428 38%	272,462 152%
Change between 04/05 and 12/13 (Persons)	13,023	121,652	33,930	168,604
2014/15				
Persons %	28,636 13%	91,346 40%	106,196 47%	226,178 100%
Change between 12/13 and 14/15 (Persons)	2,648	-52,700	3,768	-46,284

### Scenario 2:

2004/05	Exploration	Construction	Operation	Total
Persons %	12,965 12%	31,616 30%	59,277 57%	103,858 100%
2012/13 Persons %	25,988 10%	144,046 53%	102,428 38%	272,462 100%
Change between 04/05 and 12/13 (Persons)	13,023	112,430	43,151	168,604
2014/15				
Persons %	28,636 13%	98,002 43%	99,540 44%	226,178 100%
Change between 12/13 and 14/15 (Persons)	2,648	-46,044	-2,888	-46,284

Source: ABS, NAB Group Economics

The results from our Scenario 1 (our central case) suggest that the increase in construction-related employment (+121,652) was more than 3 times the increase for operation-related employment (+33,930) between the start (2004-05) and the peak (2012-13) of the mining boom. Since then, the gradual transition of the mining cycle from the high labour-intensity construction phase to lower labour-intensity operational phase has witnessed some degree of construction-related job shedding. In the two years to 2014-15, our central case suggests that around 53k construction-related jobs were terminated, but they were partly offset by a 3k and 4k increase in exploration and operation jobs respectively, creating a net loss of 46k jobs between 2012-13 and 2014-15.

Meanwhile, Scenario 2 points to a slightly smaller increase of 112k construction jobs in the boom period between 2004-05 and 2012-13, and a similar decrease since the latter year to 2014-15 of around 46k jobs. Operation jobs decline by around 3k in this scenario, which seem unlikely given the magnitude of the increase in operation activity.

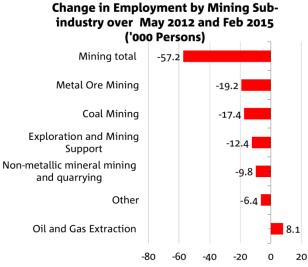
That said, the two scenarios do come to a relatively similar conclusion that construction-related mining employment continued to remain at an abnormally elevated level by the end of 2014-15 and has a fair way to decline, even if we were to assume for a slightly higher equilibrium level of construction employment at the end of the current cycle.

# More recent developments in mining employment:

Mining employment fell notably between May 2012 and Feb 2015, before showing signs of stabilisation over most of 2015, and a minor uptick more recently. At its current level, mining employment is moderately higher than previously anticipated given the level of mining investment. Based on original quarterly data, the sub-industry sectors of metal ore mining and coal mining showed the largest declines over this period of 19,100 and 17,400 jobs respectively. Meanwhile, oil and gas extraction employment rose by 8,000. This potentially reflects the completion of a number of smaller coal and iron ore projects during this time, and the intensifying construction activity of a number of larger LNG projects.

In 2015, stronger labour requirements on the back of the completion/near-completion of several major LNG mining projects such as Pluto, Queensland Curtis LNG (QCLNG) and Gladstone LNG (GLNG), which are significantly more labour-intensive than most other types of commodity projects, appear to have propped up mining employment. This suggests further downside risks to mining employment once the construction phase of these "lumpy" projects wind down.

Chart 6: Change in mining employment by subsector

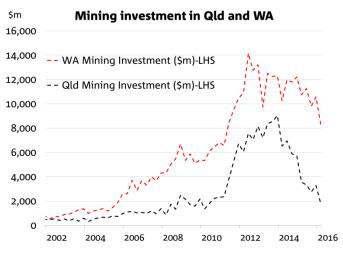


Source: ABS, NAB Group Economics

## State details

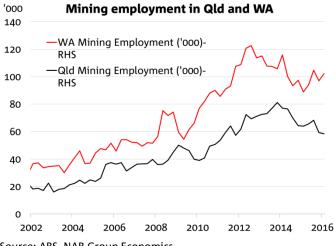
The dramatic rise in mining investment and employment from the mid-2000s to 2012-13 has been largely driven by Western Australia and Queensland. However, the type and timing of mining projects that have dominated in each state have varied across time. **This has resulted in investment trajectories which are quite different, with Queensland at a more advanced stage in its mining employment cycle** (see Chart 7). However, the employment trajectories for Queensland and WA have been more in sync (Chart 8).

### Chart 7: Mining investment in WA and Qld



Source: ABS, NAB Group Economics

#### Chart 8: Mining employment in WA and Qld



Source: ABS, NAB Group Economics

As can be seen quite clearly from Chart 7 above. the pick-up in mining investment in WA occurred slightly earlier than in Queensland, and its trajectory is generally less "lumpy" over time. This is largely attributable to the large iron ore mining projects commenced in the early 2000s in the Pilbara region by Rio Tinto and BHP. This included the development of the Hope Downs and Cloud Break mines, before the commencement of the large LNG projects of Pluto and Gorgon in the second half of the 2000s, followed by the Wheatstone (LNG) and Roy Hill (iron project) projects in 2011. Besides iron ore, there was also significant mining investment in WA over the 2000s in commodities such as nickel, alumina and gold which contributed to a relatively diverse range of projects.

In the case of Queensland, coal projects in the Bowen Basin constituted most of the mining investment prior to 2010, before the significantly more capital-intensive LNG projects of Queensland Curtis LNG (QCLNG), Australia Pacific LNG (APLNG) and Gladstone LNG (GLNG) took centre stage ( please refer to Appendix C for a table on major resource projects in Qld and WA and their associated costs and employment projections) and which resulted in an intensive flow of capital and labour to the Surat Basin and Gladstone within a short period of time.

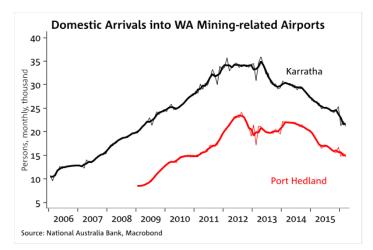
Based on the latest data (which is released with a lag), the mining investment cycle in Queensland is nearing its end, while WA is around half-way through. The construction phase of the major LNG projects in Queensland is mostly complete. The trains of QCLNG and GLNG are currently in operation, leaving the second train of APLNG the only one that is yet to begin production.

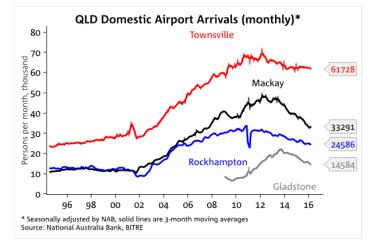
Meanwhile the construction phase of the Wheatstone and Prelude projects is still ongoing in WA, while Gorgon and Roy Hill have recently transitioned to the operational phase but their investment slowdown has yet to be captured in the official data. As such, we expect the mining investment profile in WA to drop off more sharply in coming months.

Meanwhile, the mining employment profiles for WA and Queensland have exhibited similar growth trajectories over time (Chart 8), rising by close to three times between late 2004 and their corresponding peaks of 2012 and 2013, compared to 10 times and 13 times respectively for mining investment. The gentler rises in employment have reflected two factors: 1) the presence of a required minimum level of operational mining employment prior to the investment boom, and 2) the high capital to labour ratio of LNG projects relative to other types of commodity projects.

Moreover, in the post-mining boom period, mining employment so far has not fallen to the same extent as mining investment, especially in the case of Queensland where the investment cycle is more progressed. This is due to an increase in operational jobs in Queensland as a result of a number of major coal projects. **The labour intensity of coal projects in the operational phase relative to the construction phase is higher than for iron ore and LNG projects**. Based on the estimates in the *Resources and Energy Major Projects* publication by the Department of Industry, the ratio of employees required in the construction to operation phase for coal projects is around 3:2, while it is around 2:1 and 5:1 for iron ore and LNG projects respectively.

## Charts 9 and 10: Domestic arrivals in mining-related airports in WA and Qld





Overall, we expect further net falls in mining employment in both states as the reduction in construction jobs outpaces the increase in operational jobs. Most of the job cuts in the mining sector going forward are likely to stem from WA for a number of reasons: 1) WA's mining investment and employment cycles are currently less progressed than Queensland, 2) WA accounts for a larger share of total investment and employment in the country, and 3) the labour intensity of commodity projects in their operational phase in WA is lower than in Queensland. The relatively more concentrated industry structure of WA also renders it to be more vulnerable to a prolonged period of subdued economic and labour market activity as a result of the mining downturn. That said, the fact that investment in Queensland has fallen more sharply than employment also points to a substantial adjustment in the Queensland labour market to come.

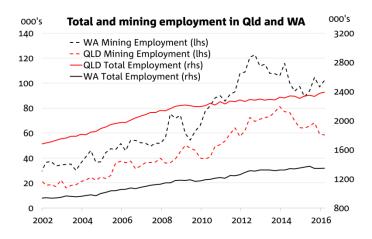
In charts 9 and 10 above, which show the domestic arrivals into mining-related airports in WA and Qld,

inbound passengers (which likely include the movements of fly-in-fly-out workers) have slowed sharply for both states since their respective peaks, but still have a fair way to fall.

## Mining Employment Outlook

Our earlier discussion on mining investment in the note "The Mining Cliff: How far have we come?" concluded that we are a little over half-way through the unwinding mining investment cycle. In terms of mining employment, our analysis using our mining investment and export forecasts and their relationship with mining employment suggest that the employment cycle is lagging the investment cycle slightly and is currently just under half way through the downturn. We expect approximately 50k more mining jobs to be shed, which is expected to bottom out in the next 2½ years (before starting to recover). This is likely to consist of around 65k construction jobs (to stabilise slightly above the levels seen in 2004-05), offset by a 15k increase in operationrelated jobs, while exploration jobs are expected to stay largely unchanged or fall only marginally. As a consequence, the equilibrium level of mining employment in 2019 is likely to be higher than the pre-boom era at around 170 to 180k persons, reflecting the increase in operation-related employment.

# Chart 11: Total employment vs. mining employment in Qld and WA



To put these estimates into context, we expect employment growth for the next few years to average around 18k persons per month, and if our growth figures are correct, the further mining job loss of around 50k predicted should be offset by other jobs created within the domestic labour market. Furthermore, the job losses are expected to take place relatively gradually over the next few years, which should be manageable at the national level. That said, there are certain geographical regions and specialised skill groups which will be disproportionately affected due to structural "mismatches".

At the same time, the larger-than-expected declines in commodity prices from their 2014 levels and the likely prolonged nature of the low-commodity price environment has restricted the number of new projects announced. This suggests that mining investment will fall by more than otherwise would be the case. Also, there has been evidence to suggest that many mineral and petroleum producers have responded to the commodity downturn by resorting to a series of cost-cutting programs, including a reduction in their headcount. According to the Department of Industry, the development of a number of iron ore projects has been stalled as a result. The data on total mineral and petroleum exploration expenditure from the ABS also highlights that actual expenditure has consistently fallen below expected expenditure by producers from December 2014 to December 2015, while total metres drilled declined by 8% in 2014-15. This is consistent with the observation that many producers have cut back on their exploration programs, especially at greenfield sites. Based on the above, there is likely to be very little upside to mining investment and employment going forward.

That said, the overall Australian economy has weathered the effects of the mining slowdown relatively well so far and continues to be one that grows moderately, with unemployment forecast to fall further. Growth has been particularly concentrated in services sectors which are more labour-intensive and in the eastern states, and this pattern is likely to continue. We expect the unemployment rate to ease gradually to 5.6% by end-16 and stabilise around that level until end-2017, before inching up in 2018.

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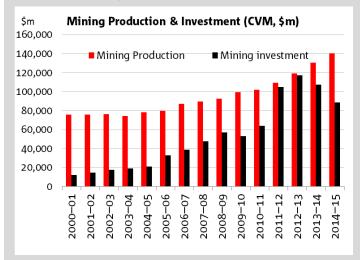
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## APPENDIX A: Analysis of the RBA's approach

The few studies conducted to-date on mining employment by institutions and industry bodies, including the RBA, have made the assumption that employment classified by the ABS to the mining industry includes only those engaged directly in mining production. For instance, the RBA states that "the operational part of the resources sector currently employs around 240,000 people ..., the majority of whom work on-site in production roles", and this figure is in line with the number of employed persons classified to the mining industry by the ABS in August 2014. From its liaison program, the RBA estimated employment in resource construction at 90,000 in 2013 which, in the RBA's view, would have to be classified by the ABS to the construction industry.

RBA's approach is based on a narrow interpretation of the sub-sector categories in the ABS mining employment data which include "metal ore mining", "coal mining" and "oil and gas extraction" etc. as implying operational activities. Under this approach, there was a disproportionately strong increase in operation-related employment relative to construction employment when there has been a much larger proportional increase in mining investment than in mining operations between 2004-05 and 2012-13. The value of work done in engineering construction on oil, gas, coal and other minerals increased close to nine-fold between 2004-05 and 2012-13, and there has been similarly strong growth in work done on harbours and railways. Estimates of mining investment on a national accounts basis have risen by around 5½ times (in chain volume measure). Over the same period, mining production rose only by around 50% and exports 40%. Hence the above approach implies a much higher labour productivity for construction workers compared to operational ones.



#### Chart A1: Mining production and investment

Source: ABS, NAB Group Economics

While there was in fact a surge in construction employment (excluding those in dwelling construction) based on the ABS categorisation of around 163k between 2004-05 and 2012-13, the most relevant sub-group for mining construction, heavy and civil engineering (which includes harbours, bridges and railways associated with private mining development), only showed an employment increase of 16,000 over this period.

The rise in construction employment over that period mainly reflects increases in other construction sub-groups: building installation services (+70,000), building construction (+16,000), construction nfd (+36,800), land development and site preparation services (+9,100) and other construction services (16,400). The sharp rise in building installation services, which include plumbing, electrical, fire and security alarm, as well as air-conditioning installation services etc., coincided with the strong growth in the housing market over the period and possibly reflects the associated pick-up in the number of self-employed tradespersons in response to the heightened demand for home improvement services over the period. It is possible that some additional building construction employment might have been associated with mining, but even so, adding the increase in the category (+16,000) over the time period would be too low to satisfy the RBA's assumption of 90,000 jobs created.

## **APPENDIX B: Industry Occupation Classifications**

## Table A: Construction-only Occupations

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Construction Managers
Surveyors and Spatial Scientists
Civil Engineering Professionals
Natural and Physical Science Professionals nfd
Agricultural and Forestry Scientists
Environmental Scientists
Geologists, Geophysicists and Hydrogeologists
Other Natural and Physical Science Professionals
Building and Engineering Technicians nfd
Architectural, Building and Surveying Technicians
Mechanical Engineering Draftspersons and
Technicians
Bricklayers and Stonemasons
Carpenters and Joiners
Painting Trades Workers
Plumbers
Electrotechnology and Telecommunications
Trades Workers nfd
Electrical Distribution Trades Workers
Clay, Concrete, Glass and Stone Processing
Machine Operators
Plastics and Rubber Production Machine
Operators
Building and Plumbing Labourers
Concreters
Fencers
Paving and Surfacing Labourers
Railway Track Workers
Structural Steel Construction Workers
Other Construction and Mining Labourers
Forestry and Logging Workers

## Table B: Operations-only Occupations

Managers nfd
Chief Executives and Managing Directors
General Managers
Specialist Managers nfd
Advertising, Public Relations and Sales Managers
Corporate Services Managers
Finance Managers
Human Resource Managers
Policy and Planning Managers
Research and Development Managers
Importers, Exporters and Wholesalers
Manufacturers
Production Managers
Supply, Distribution and Procurement Managers
Education, Health and Welfare Services Managers
nfd
Child Care Centre Managers
Health and Welfare Services Managers
School Principals
Other Education Managers
ICT Managers nfd
ICT Managers
Miscellaneous Specialist Managers nfd
Commissioned Officers (Management)
Senior Non-commissioned Defence Force
Members
Other Specialist Managers
Hospitality, Retail and Service Managers nfd
Accommodation and Hospitality Managers nfd
Cafe and Restaurant Managers
Caravan Park and Camping Ground Managers
Hotel and Motel Managers
Licensed Club Managers
Retail Managers nfd
Retail Managers
Miscellaneous Hospitality, Retail and Service
Managers nfd
Amusement, Fitness and Sports Centre Managers
Call or Contact Centre and Customer Service
Managers
Conference and Event Organisers
Other Hospitality, Retail and Service Managers
Professionals nfd
Arts and Media Professionals nfd
Arts Professionals nfd
Actors, Dancers and Other Entertainers

Music Professionals	Medical Imaging Professionals
Photographers	Occupational and Environmental Health
Visual Arts and Crafts Professionals	Professionals
Media Professionals nfd	Optometrists and Orthoptists
Artistic Directors, and Media Producers and	Pharmacists
Presenters	Other Health Diagnostic and Promotion
Authors, and Book and Script Editors	Professionals
Film, Television, Radio and Stage Directors	Health Therapy Professionals nfd
Journalists and Other Writers	Chiropractors and Osteopaths
Business, Human Resource and Marketing	Complementary Health Therapists
Professionals nfd	Dental Practitioners
Accountants, Auditors and Company Secretaries	Occupational Therapists
nfd	Physiotherapists
Accountants	Podiatrists
Auditors, Company Secretaries and Corporate	Audiologists and Speech Pathologists \ Therapists
Treasurers	Medical Practitioners nfd
Financial Brokers and Dealers, and Investment Advisers nfd	General Practitioners and Resident Medical
Financial Brokers	Officers
Financial Dealers	Anaesthetists
	Specialist Physicians
Financial Investment Advisers and Managers	Psychiatrists
Human Resource and Training Professionals nfd	Surgeons
Human Resource Professionals	Other Medical Practitioners
ICT Trainers	Midwifery and Nursing Professionals nfd
Training and Development Professionals	Midwives
Information and Organisation Professionals nfd	Nurse Educators and Researchers
Actuaries, Mathematicians and Statisticians	Nurse Managers
Archivists, Curators and Records Managers	Registered Nurses
Economists	ICT Professionals nfd
Intelligence and Policy Analysts	Business and Systems Analysts, and Programmers
Librarians	nfd
Management and Organisation Analysts	ICT Business and Systems Analysts
Other Information and Organisation Professionals	Multimedia Specialists and Web Developers
Sales, Marketing and Public Relations Professionals nfd	Software and Applications Programmers
Advertising and Marketing Professionals	Database and Systems Administrators, and ICT
ICT Sales Professionals	Security Specialists nfd
Public Relations Professionals	Database and Systems Administrators, and ICT
Technical Sales Representatives	Security Specialists
Air Transport Professionals	ICT Network and Support Professionals nfd
Marine Transport Professionals	Computer Network Professionals
Architects, Designers, Planners and Surveyors nfd	ICT Support and Test Engineers
Fashion, Industrial and Jewellery Designers	Telecommunications Engineering Professionals
Graphic and Web Designers, and Illustrators	Legal Professionals nfd
	Barristers
Interior Designers	Judicial and Other Legal Professionals
Chemists, and Food and Wine Scientists	Solicitors
Vocational Education Teachers	Social and Welfare Professionals nfd
Nutrition Professionals	Counsellors

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Other M	iscellaneous Clerical and Administrative
Workers	

Sales Representatives
Real Estate Sales Agents
Sales Assistants and Salespersons nfd
Sales Assistants (General)
ICT Sales Assistants
Motor Vehicle and Vehicle Parts Salespersons
Pharmacy Sales Assistants
Retail Supervisors
Models and Sales Demonstrators
Agricultural, Forestry and Horticultural Plant
Operators
Automobile Drivers
Storepersons
Cleaners and Laundry Workers nfd
Car Detailers
Domestic Cleaners
Housekeepers
Laundry Workers
Factory Process Workers nfd
Packers and Product Assemblers nfd
Packers
Product Assemblers
Metal Engineering Process Workers
Plastics and Rubber Factory Workers
Product Quality Controllers
Other Factory Process Workers
Crop Farm Workers
Other Farm, Forestry and Garden Workers
Fast Food Cooks
Kitchenhands
Freight and Furniture Handlers
Shelf Fillers
Caretakers
Deck and Fishing Hands
Handypersons
Motor Vehicle Parts and Accessories Fitters
Vending Machine Attendants

## **Table C: Part-construction Occupations**

Construction, Distribution and Production
Managers nfd
Engineering Managers
Other Accommodation and Hospitality Managers

Transport Services Managers

Engineering Professionals nfd	
Chemical and Materials Engineers	
Electrical Engineers	
Electronics Engineers	
Industrial, Mechanical and Production Engineers Mining Engineers	
Other Engineering Professionals	
Technicians and Trades Workers nfd	
Engineering, ICT and Science Technicians nfd	
Science Technicians	
Civil Engineering Draftspersons and Technicians	
Electrical Engineering Draftspersons and Technicians	
Electronic Engineering Draftspersons and Technicians Safety Inspectors	
Other Building and Engineering Technicians	
Automotive and Engineering Trades Workers nfd	
Automotive Electricians	
Motor Mechanics	
Metal Casting, Forging and Finishing Trades Workers	
Sheetmetal Trades Workers	
Structural Steel and Welding Trades Workers	
Aircraft Maintenance Engineers	
Metal Fitters and Machinists	
Precision Metal Trades Workers	
Toolmakers and Engineering Patternmakers	
Panelbeaters	
Electricians	
Airconditioning and Refrigeration Mechanics	
Electronics Trades Workers	
Telecommunications Trades Workers	
Chefs	
Cooks	
Other Miscellaneous Technicians and Trades Workers	
Office Managers	
Personal Assistants	
Secretaries	
Accounting Clerks	
Bookkeepers	

Payroll Clerks

Transport and Despatch Clerks
Machinery Operators and Drivers nfd
Machine and Stationary Plant Operators nfd
Machine Operators nfd
Industrial Spraypainters
Other Machine Operators
Crane, Hoist and Lift Operators
Drillers, Miners and Shot Firers
Engineering Production Workers
Other Stationary Plant Operators
Mobile Plant Operators nfd
Earthmoving Plant Operators
Forklift Drivers
Other Mobile Plant Operators
Road and Rail Drivers nfd
Bus and Coach Drivers
Train and Tram Drivers
Delivery Drivers
Truck Drivers
Labourers nfd
Commercial Cleaners
Other Cleaners
Garden and Nursery Labourers
Printing Assistants and Table Workers
Other Miscellaneous Labourers

## Appendix C: Major projects in WA and Qld and their associated costs and employment projections

Project	State	Туре	Estimated Start Up	Committed	Completed	Estimated New Capacity	Capacity Unit	Resource	Indicative Cost Estimate \$m	Construction Employment Estimate	
		New									
Gorgon LNG	WA	project	2016	у		15.6	Mt	LNG	60,000	10,000	300
Wheatstone LNG	WA	New project	2016	у		8.9	Mt	LNG	32,200	5,000	400
Prelude Floating LNG	WA	New project New	2017	у		3.6	Mt	LNG	12,600	n/a	n/a
Roy Hill	WA	project	2015	у		55000	kt	Hematite	10,700	3,600	2,000
Greater Western Flank - Phase 1	WA	Expansion	2016	y		n/a	n/a	Gas/LNG	2,500		900
Greater Western Flank - Phase 1	WA	Expansion	2016	у		n/a		Gas	2300		
WAIO optimisation (port blending and rail yards)	WA	Expansion	2017	у		n/a		Iron Ore	2050		
Julimar Development Project	WA	New project	2016	у		100	РЈ ра	Gas/LNG	1,200		
Persephone Gas Field	WA	New project	2018	у		100	РЈ ра	Gas/LNG	1,200		
Australia Pacific LNG	QLD	New project New	2015	у		9	Mt	LNG	24,700	6,000	
Gladstone LNG	QLD	project	2015	у		7.8	Mt	LNG	21,200	5,000	1,000
Queensland Curtis LNG project	QLD	New project	2014	У		8.5	Mt	LNG	19800	5000	1,000
Grosvenor underground	QLD	New Project	2016	у		5	Mt	coking coal	1950	400	1000
Yarwun Alumina Refinery Expansion	QLD	Expansion	2012		У	2000	kt	Alumina	2500		380
Goonyella to Abbot Pt (rail) (X50)	Qld	Expansion	mid 2012		у	50000	ktpa	Black coal	1100	700	
Moranbah Ammonium Nitrate Project	Qld	New project	2012		у	330	kt	Ammonium nitrate	935		

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