

Career Centre fact sheet

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The resource sector

The resource sector is continuing to grow and analysts predict it will remain strong into the future, making it an attractive industry for beginning or continuing your career. There are a lot of great websites that can help you get a better understanding of the industry including:

- cmewa.com - the Chamber of Mineral and Energy Western Australia (CMEWA) represents over 90 per cent of resource companies in the State. It provides a broad range of information relating to the Western Australian resources sector, including an online directory with links to its members.
- minerals.org.au - the Minerals Council of Australia (MCA) represents Australia's exploration, mining and minerals processing industry, nationally and internationally, in its contribution to sustainable development and society. MCA member companies produce more than 85 per cent of Australia's annual mineral output.
- dmp.wa.gov.au - the Department of Mines and Petroleum is the State's lead agency in attracting private investment in resources exploration and development through the provision of geoscientific information on minerals and energy resources, and management of an equitable and secure titles systems for the mining, petroleum and geothermal industries.
- apea.com.au - the Australian Petroleum Production and Exploration Association Ltd (APPEA) is the peak national body representing the interests of Australia's upstream oil and gas exploration and production industry. The Association has more than 80 full member companies, all of which are oil and gas explorers and producers active in Australia.
- ausimm.com.au - the Minerals Institute (AusIMM) represents over 10300 professionals working in the global minerals industry.
- skillsdmc.com.au - the National Industry Skills Council for the Resources and Infrastructure sectors.
- ritcwa.com.au - the Resources Industry Training Council (RITC) is one of 10 industry advisory bodies established and funded by the Western Australian State Government to provide high level strategic training advice to the Minister for Training and Workforce Development, the State Training Board (STB) and the Department of Training and Workforce Development (DTWD).

Mining careers

The mining industry employs more than just miners and engineers. There is a broad range of careers available - from mining engineers and geologists to accountants, cooks and graphic designers. To find out more about the different types of careers available in the mining industry, visit the following websites:

- peopleforthefuture.com.au - provides information on career possibilities including details of qualifications required and career pathways.
- miningcareers.com - the website is operated by the Mineral Council of Australia to provide information on education, training, career pathways and employment in the Australian mining industry.
- theresourcechannel.com.au - the Resource Channel website provides details related to employment in the Australian resource sector.
- logisticscareer.com.au - LogisticsCareer is a dedicated employment and resource website for supply chain, transportation and logistics professionals.



- miningoilandgasjobs.com – the Australian Mines and Metals Association resource industry employer group website has a careers and industry guide with information about opportunities in the sector.

General career and occupational information

- careercentre.dtwd.wa.gov.au - provides a range of information pertaining to careers and workforce development in Western Australia.
- jobguide.deewr.gov.au - the Job Guide 2013 website includes hundreds of occupational profiles.
- myfuture.edu.au - career information and exploration service.

Employment opportunities

There are numerous companies and organisations that specialise in recruitment for the mining sector. Don't hesitate to contact resource companies directly and remember to include the mining contractors as well (for a list of companies and contractors visit the member companies page at cmewa.com or peopleforthefuture.com.au).

Often, networking with people in the industry is the best way to find employment as a large percentage of jobs are never officially advertised. Here are some useful sites to help you on your way (alternatively just put "mining careers" in your search engine and follow the links):

- csiro.au - CSIRO is Australia's national science agency. Find information on mining careers with CSIRO.
- downingteal.com - Downing Teal is an international recruitment company specialising in mining, oil and gas, construction and engineering.
- jobsearch.gov.au - Australian Job Search is one of the most accessed lists on the web and is available at all Centrelink offices on the touch screens.
- careerjet.com.au - Career Jet is an employment search engine, jobs can be searched by industry or location.
- miningcareers.com - Mining jobs in Australia.
- Miningemployment.com.au – Mining employment services.
- Seek.com.au - Seek Communications offers mining industry jobs state wide.
- Mycareer.com.au - Career One offers mining industry jobs Australia wide.
- Graduatecareers.com.au – Graduates Careers Australia (GCA) mission is to be the leading authority on the supply of, and demand for, new graduates in Australia. It aims to be the leading position to foster employment and career opportunities for graduates, in association with the higher education sector, government and business. Go to "What job for you" for career profiles.
- governmentcareer.com.au/ - GovernmentCareer is a dedicated employment and resource website for public sector professionals in Federal, State and Local Government.
- tradescareer.com.au/ - TradesCareer is a dedicated employment website for trade professionals.

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