



2016 Minerals Yearbook

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THE MINERAL INDUSTRY OF BRUNEI

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Hydrocarbons were a leading segment of the economy of Brunei Darussalam (Brunei) in 2016, accounting for 88% of the country's exports of goods (Department of Economic Planning and Development, 2017, p. 13, 25). The legislative framework for the mineral sector in Brunei is provided by the Mining Act 1984 edition (chapter 42) and the Petroleum Mining Act 1984 edition (chapter 44). Data on mineral production are in table 1. Table 2 is a list of major mineral industry facilities. More-extensive coverage of the mineral industry of Brunei can be found in previous editions of the U.S. Geological Survey Minerals Yearbook, volume III,

Area Reports—International—Asia and the Pacific, which are available at <https://www.usgs.gov/centers/nmic/asia-and-pacific>.

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Department of Economic Planning and Development [Brunei], 2017, Brunei Darussalam key indicators 2016: Bandar Seri Begawan, Brunei, Department of Economic Planning and Development, 69 p. (Accessed March 26, 2018, at <http://www.dep.gov.bn/DEPD%20Documents%20Library/DOS/BDKI/BDKI%202016.pdf>.)

TABLE 1
BRUNEI: PRODUCTION OF MINERAL COMMODITIES¹

(Thousand metric tons, gross weight, unless otherwise specified)

Commodity ²	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016		
INDUSTRIAL MINERALS							
Cement, hydraulic ^e	330	340	240 ^r	230	380		
MINERAL FUELS AND RELATED MATERIALS							
Natural gas:							
Gross	million cubic meters		12,729	12,388	12,094	13,250	11,843
Marketable	do.		12,565	12,206	11,852	12,452 ^r	11,132
Petroleum:							
Crude	thousand 42-gallon barrels		57,400	49,300	41,600	42,100	39,800
Refinery production	do.		4,400	4,300	4,500	3,000 ^{r,c}	3,000 ^c

^eEstimated. ^rRevised. do. Ditto.

¹Table includes data available through November 28, 2017. All data are reported unless otherwise noted. Estimated data are rounded to no more than three significant digits.

²In addition to the commodities listed, sand and gravel and varieties of stone may have been produced in Brunei, but available information was inadequate to make reliable estimates of output.

TABLE 2
BRUNEI: STRUCTURE OF THE MINERAL INDUSTRY IN 2016

(Thousand metric tons unless otherwise specified)

Commodity		Major operating companies and major equity owners	Location of main facilities	Annual capacity ^c
Cement		Butra HeidelbergCement Sdn. Bhd. (HeidelbergCement Group, 70%, and PJ Corp. Sdn. Bhd., 30%)	Serasa, Brunei-Mauara District	500
Natural gas	million cubic meters	Brunei Shell Petroleum Co. Sdn. Bhd. (BSP) (Royal Dutch Shell plc, 50%, and Government, 50%)	Champion field, offshore	NA
Do.	do.	do.	Fairley field, offshore	NA
Do.	do.	do.	Southwest Ampa field, offshore	7,500
Do.	do.	Total SA (operator), 37.5%; Royal Dutch Shell plc, 35%; PB ExPro Sdn Bhd (PetroleumBRUNEI Sdn Bhd), 27.5%	Maharaja Lela, Block B, offshore	2,100
Petroleum:				
Crude	thousand 42-gallon barrels	Brunei Shell Petroleum Co. Sdn. Bhd. (BSP) (Royal Dutch Shell plc, 50%, and Government, 50%)	Champion field, offshore	36,000
Do.	do.	do.	Fairley field, offshore	NA
Do.	do.	do.	Magpie field, offshore	2,200
Do.	do.	do.	Seira field, onshore	10,000
Do.	do.	do.	Southwest Ampa field, offshore	NA
Do.	do.	do.	Rasau field, onshore	NA
Refinery production	do.	do.	Seria oil refinery in Seria, Belait District	3,700

^cEstimated; estimated data are rounded to no more than three significant digits. Do., do. Ditto. NA Not available.