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BHP BILLITON PRODUCTION REPORT FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED 31 MARCH 2013

- Full year production guidance is retained for our major businesses following another quarter of robust operating performance.
- Western Australia Iron Ore achieved record production for the nine month period ended March 2013. Production guidance of 183 million tonnes (100% basis) for the 2013 financial year remains unchanged, despite cyclone related downtime during the period. An annualised production rate approaching 200 million tonnes (100% basis) is anticipated for the June 2013 quarter.
- Onshore US produced more than five million barrels of liquids during the March 2013 quarter and the Eagle Ford is now our single largest liquids producing field. Petroleum production guidance for the 2013 financial year remains unchanged at approximately 240 million barrels of oil equivalent.
- Copper in concentrate production at Escondida increased by 61% during the nine month period ended March 2013. Total Escondida copper production remains on track to increase by at least 20% in the 2013 financial year.
- Queensland Coal production was affected by adverse weather conditions during the March 2013 quarter. However, recently installed flood mitigation infrastructure enabled a rapid recovery in performance and the business was operating at full supply chain capacity at the end of the period.

Petroleum

	MAR 2013 YTD	MAR 2013 QTR	MAR YTD13 vs MAR YTD12	MAR Q13 vs MAR Q12	MAR Q13 vs DEC Q12
Crude oil, condensate and natural gas liquids ('000 boe)	66,610	20,871	1%	-4%	-10%
Natural gas (bcf)	659.78	207.27	10%	-1%	-6%
Total petroleum products (million boe)	176.57	55.42	6%	-2%	-7%

Total petroleum production – An average production rate of 644 thousand barrels of oil equivalent per day was achieved during the nine month period ended March 2013. Guidance for the 2013 financial year remains unchanged at approximately 240 million barrels of oil equivalent.

Crude oil, condensate and natural gas liquids – A 15 per cent increase in liquids production at our Onshore US business during the March 2013 quarter partially offset cyclone related downtime at our Western Australian operations, extended maintenance and drilling delays at our non-operated facilities in the Gulf of Mexico (US) and natural field decline.

Onshore US produced more than five million barrels of liquids during the March 2013 quarter and the Eagle Ford is now our single largest liquids producing field. These record volumes are expected to grow further in the June 2013 quarter as additional wells come online and infrastructure projects are completed.

Natural gas – A reduction in gas production in the March 2013 quarter reflected lower levels of drilling activity in our dry gas Haynesville and Fayetteville fields (US) and a seasonal reduction in natural gas demand at Bass Strait (Australia).

Aluminium and Nickel

	MAR 2013 YTD	MAR 2013 QTR	MAR YTD13 vs MAR YTD12	MAR Q13 vs MAR Q12	MAR Q13 vs DEC Q12
Alumina ('000 tonnes)	3,615	1,213	16%	15%	-2%
Aluminium ('000 tonnes)	871	304	-4%	10%	2%
Nickel ('000 tonnes)	113.8	42.1	-1%	1%	21%

Alumina – The continued ramp up of the Efficiency and Growth project at Worsley (Australia) contributed to record alumina production for the nine month period ended March 2013.

Aluminium – An increase in metal production from the March 2012 quarter reflected a return to full technical capacity at Hillside (South Africa).

Nickel – Nickel production increased by 21 per cent from the December 2012 quarter as the Nickel West smelter and refinery (Australia) returned to full capacity following the successful completion of planned maintenance in the prior period. Total nickel production was further supported by strong performance at Cerro Matoso (Colombia).

Base Metals

	MAR 2013 YTD	MAR 2013 QTR	MAR YTD13 vs MAR YTD12	MAR Q13 vs MAR Q12	MAR Q13 vs DEC Q12
Copper ('000 tonnes)	876.2	307.1	12%	9%	4%
Lead (tonnes)	147,398	49,080	-16%	-8%	6%
Zinc (tonnes)	82,324	30,193	1%	2%	15%
Silver ('000 ounces)	26,565	8,843	-11%	-9%	3%
Uranium oxide concentrate (Uranium) (tonnes)	2,989	933	7%	4%	-8%

Copper – Copper in concentrate production at Escondida (Chile) increased by 61 per cent during the nine month period ended March 2013. Production benefited from an increase in the average copper grade mined to 1.4 per cent. Total Escondida copper production remains on track to increase by at least 20 per cent in the 2013 financial year.

Antamina (Peru) achieved record production for the nine month period ended March 2013, despite a temporary reduction in the copper to zinc ore grade ratio during the recent quarter. Olympic Dam (Australia) production increased by 42 per cent in the March 2013 quarter following the completion of major planned maintenance in the prior period.

Lead/silver – Lead and silver production decreased at Cannington (Australia) during the nine month period ended March 2013 due to lower average ore grades.

Zinc – Production increased by 15 per cent from the December 2012 quarter and reflected a temporary increase in the grade profile at Antamina.

Uranium – Uranium production increased by seven per cent during the nine month period ended March 2013 due to higher recoveries and increased plant availability at Olympic Dam.

Diamonds and Specialty Products

	MAR 2013 YTD	MAR 2013 QTR	MAR YTD13 vs MAR YTD12	MAR Q13 vs MAR Q12	MAR Q13 vs DEC Q12
Diamonds ('000 carats)	930	322	-32%	-26%	9%

Diamonds – On 10 April 2013, BHP Billiton completed the sale of its diamonds business, comprising its interests in the EKATI Diamond Mine and Diamonds Marketing operations, to Dominion Diamond Corporation for an aggregate cash consideration of US\$553 million (after adjustments).

Iron Ore

	MAR 2013 YTD	MAR 2013 QTR	MAR YTD13 vs MAR YTD12	MAR Q13 vs MAR Q12	MAR Q13 vs DEC Q12
Iron ore ('000 tonnes)	122,167	40,205	3%	6%	-5%

Iron ore – Western Australia Iron Ore (WAIO) achieved record production for the nine month period ended March 2013. Production guidance of 183 million tonnes (100 per cent basis) for the 2013 financial year remains unchanged, despite cyclone related downtime during the period. An annualised production rate approaching 200 million tonnes (100 per cent basis) is anticipated for the June 2013 quarter.

The Jumblebar Mine Expansion is on schedule for first production in the March 2014 quarter and will broadly match mine and port capacity at 220 million tonnes per annum (100 per cent basis). The progressive debottlenecking of the supply chain is expected to underpin substantial low cost, longer term growth in our WAIO business.

Samarco (Brazil) continued to operate at capacity during the March 2013 quarter.

Manganese

	MAR 2013 YTD	MAR 2013 QTR	MAR YTD13 vs MAR YTD12	MAR Q13 vs MAR Q12	MAR Q13 vs DEC Q12
Manganese ore ('000 tonnes)	6,271	2,008	7%	-2%	-5%
Manganese alloy ('000 tonnes)	426	143	-19%	4%	-7%

Manganese ore – Record ore production for the nine month period ended March 2013 reflected a substantial improvement in plant availability at GEMCO (Australia), the world's largest and lowest cost manganese operation.

Manganese alloy – The decrease in alloy volumes during the nine month period ended March 2013 was largely attributable to the permanent closure of energy intensive silicomanganese production at Metalloys (South Africa) in January 2012.

Metallurgical Coal

	MAR 2013 YTD	MAR 2013 QTR	MAR YTD13 vs MAR YTD12	MAR Q13 vs MAR Q12	MAR Q13 vs DEC Q12
Metallurgical coal ('000 tonnes)	26,792	8,966	7%	22%	1%

Metallurgical coal – Queensland Coal (Australia) production was affected by adverse weather conditions during the March 2013 quarter. However, recently installed flood mitigation infrastructure enabled a rapid recovery in performance and the business was operating at full supply chain capacity at the end of the period. South Walker Creek achieved record quarterly production following the completion of a wash plant upgrade in the prior period.

Our Queensland Coal operations achieved a significant milestone during the quarter with first production achieved at the Daunia mine, ahead of schedule. The ramp up of this mine and future commissioning of Caval Ridge will underpin an increase in the capacity of our Queensland Coal business to 66 million tonnes per annum (100 per cent basis) by the end of the 2014 calendar year.

A planned longwall move at the Dendrobium mine resulted in lower production at Illawarra Coal (Australia) in the March 2013 quarter. A longwall move is scheduled at the West Cliff mine during the June 2013 quarter.

Energy Coal

	MAR 2013 YTD	MAR 2013 QTR	MAR YTD13 vs MAR YTD12	MAR Q13 vs MAR Q12	MAR Q13 vs DEC Q12
Energy coal ('000 tonnes)	53,349	15,486	1%	-10%	-15%

Energy coal – New South Wales Energy Coal (Australia) continued to benefit from the ramp up of the RX1 project with record production achieved for the nine month period ended March 2013. Production in the March 2013 quarter was affected by adverse weather conditions on the east coast of Australia and industrial action at Cerrejon Coal (Colombia) that preceded successful resolution of a new three year Enterprise Agreement.

This report, together with the Exploration and Development Report, represents the Interim Management Statement for the purposes of the UK Listing Authority's Disclosure and Transparency Rules. There have been no significant changes in the financial position of the Group in the quarter ended 31 March 2013.

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BHP BILLITON PRODUCTION SUMMARY

		QUARTER ENDED			YEAR TO DATE		% CHANGE		
		MAR 2012	DEC 2012	MAR 2013	MAR 2013	MAR 2012	MAR YTD13 vs MAR YTD12	MAR Q13 vs MAR Q12	MAR Q13 vs DEC Q12
PETROLEUM									
Crude oil & condensate	('000 bbl)	18,127	19,228	16,689	53,953	55,475	-3%	-8%	-13%
Natural gas	(bcf)	209.17	219.66	207.27	659.78	601.01	10%	-1%	-6%
NGL	('000 boe)	3,609	4,064	4,182	12,657	10,327	23%	16%	3%
Total petroleum products	(million boe)	56.60	59.90	55.42	176.57	165.98	6%	-2%	-7%
ALUMINIUM AND NICKEL									
Alumina	('000 tonnes)	1,052	1,232	1,213	3,615	3,113	16%	15%	-2%
Aluminium	('000 tonnes)	277	297	304	871	905	-4%	10%	2%
Nickel	('000 tonnes)	41.7	34.7	42.1	113.8	115.2	-1%	1%	21%
BASE METALS									
Copper	('000 tonnes)	281.4	295.2	307.1	876.2	782.0	12%	9%	4%
Lead	(tonnes)	53,560	46,135	49,080	147,398	176,211	-16%	-8%	6%
Zinc	(tonnes)	29,727	26,209	30,193	82,324	81,469	1%	2%	15%
Gold	(ounces)	44,684	38,092	42,076	112,604	128,130	-12%	-6%	10%
Silver	('000 ounces)	9,715	8,557	8,843	26,565	29,769	-11%	-9%	3%
Uranium oxide concentrate	(tonnes)	896	1,014	933	2,989	2,805	7%	4%	-8%
Molybdenum	(tonnes)	521	410	321	1,185	1,882	-37%	-38%	-22%
DIAMONDS AND SPECIALTY PRODUCTS									
Diamonds	('000 carats)	433	295	322	930	1,371	-32%	-26%	9%
IRON ORE									
Iron ore	('000 tonnes)	37,943	42,190	40,205	122,167	118,587	3%	6%	-5%
MANGANESE									
Manganese ore	('000 tonnes)	2,040	2,117	2,008	6,271	5,865	7%	-2%	-5%
Manganese alloy	('000 tonnes)	138	153	143	426	527	-19%	4%	-7%
METALLURGICAL COAL									
Metallurgical coal	('000 tonnes)	7,337	8,888	8,966	26,792	25,121	7%	22%	1%
ENERGY COAL									
Energy coal	('000 tonnes)	17,248	18,256	15,486	53,349	52,627	1%	-10%	-15%

Throughout this report figures in italics indicate that this figure has been adjusted since it was previously reported.

BHP BILLITON ATTRIBUTABLE PRODUCTION

		QUARTER ENDED					YEAR TO DATE	
		MAR 2012	JUN 2012	SEP 2012	DEC 2012	MAR 2013	MAR 2013	MAR 2012
BHP Billiton interest								
PETROLEUM								
Production								
Crude oil & condensate ('000 bbl)		18,127	15,726	18,036	19,228	16,689	53,953	55,475
Natural gas (bcf)		209.17	221.25	232.85	219.66	207.27	659.78	601.01
NGL ('000 boe) (a)		3,609	3,758	4,411	4,064	4,182	12,657	10,327
Total petroleum products (million boe)		56.60	56.36	61.25	59.90	55.42	176.57	165.98
ALUMINIUM AND NICKEL								
ALUMINA								
Saleable production ('000 tonnes)								
Worsley	86%	741	730	859	944	911	2,714	2,187
Alumar	36%	311	309	311	288	302	901	926
Total		1,052	1,039	1,170	1,232	1,213	3,615	3,113
ALUMINIUM								
Production ('000 tonnes)								
Hillside	100%	144	117	139	166	177	482	504
Bayside	100%	26	23	25	25	26	76	75
Alumar	40%	42	42	39	39	37	115	128
Mozal	47%	65	66	67	67	64	198	198
Total		277	248	270	297	304	871	905
NICKEL								
Saleable production ('000 tonnes)								
Cerro Matoso	99.9%	13.4	12.8	13.3	12.4	12.3	38.0	36.1
Nickel West	100%	28.3	29.9	23.7	22.3	29.8	75.8	79.1
Total		41.7	42.7	37.0	34.7	42.1	113.8	115.2
BASE METALS (b)								
COPPER								
Payable metal in concentrate ('000 tonnes)								
Escondida	57.5%	87.7	115.8	101.2	120.7	128.0	349.9	218.0
Antamina	33.8%	30.9	34.9	40.2	39.6	25.2	105.0	92.1
Pinto Valley	100%	-	-	-	0.5	5.3	5.8	-
Total		118.6	150.7	141.4	160.8	158.5	460.7	310.1
Cathode ('000 tonnes)								
Escondida	57.5%	47.4	48.7	41.6	40.8	43.3	125.7	123.3
Pampa Norte (c)	100%	66.2	62.1	52.7	58.8	56.4	167.9	201.6
Pinto Valley	100%	1.4	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	3.6	4.2
Olympic Dam	100%	47.8	49.8	37.0	33.6	47.7	118.3	142.8
Total		162.8	161.8	132.5	134.4	148.6	415.5	471.9
Total Copper		281.4	312.5	273.9	295.2	307.1	876.2	782.0
LEAD								
Payable metal in concentrate (tonnes)								
Cannington	100%	53,412	63,334	51,923	45,937	48,899	146,759	175,756
Antamina	33.8%	148	333	260	198	181	639	455
Total		53,560	63,667	52,183	46,135	49,080	147,398	176,211
ZINC								
Payable metal in concentrate (tonnes)								
Cannington	100%	12,904	12,540	11,408	13,622	11,045	36,075	42,137
Antamina	33.8%	16,823	18,208	14,514	12,587	19,148	46,249	39,332
Total		29,727	30,748	25,922	26,209	30,193	82,324	81,469

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BHP BILLITON ATTRIBUTABLE PRODUCTION

		QUARTER ENDED					YEAR TO DATE	
	BHP Billiton interest	MAR 2012	JUN 2012	SEP 2012	DEC 2012	MAR 2013	MAR 2013	MAR 2012
BASE METALS (continued)								
GOLD								
Payable metal in concentrate (ounces)								
Escondida	57.5%	12,732	12,817	9,419	13,877	14,545	37,841	38,037
Olympic Dam (refined gold)	100%	31,952	27,752	23,017	24,215	27,531	74,763	90,093
Total		44,684	40,569	32,436	38,092	42,076	112,604	128,130
SILVER								
Payable metal in concentrate ('000 ounces)								
Escondida	57.5%	481	488	350	481	493	1,324	1,433
Antamina	33.8%	1,170	1,043	919	934	802	2,655	3,229
Cannington	100%	7,836	9,757	7,689	6,949	7,323	21,961	24,451
Olympic Dam (refined silver)	100%	228	251	207	193	214	614	656
Pinto Valley	100%	-	-	-	-	11	11	-
Total		9,715	11,539	9,165	8,557	8,843	26,565	29,769
URANIUM OXIDE CONCENTRATE								
Payable metal in concentrate (tonnes)								
Olympic Dam	100%	896	1,080	1,042	1,014	933	2,989	2,805
Total		896	1,080	1,042	1,014	933	2,989	2,805
MOLYBDENUM								
Payable metal in concentrate (tonnes)								
Antamina	33.8%	521	464	454	410	321	1,185	1,882
Total		521	464	454	410	321	1,185	1,882
DIAMONDS AND SPECIALTY PRODUCTS								
DIAMONDS								
Production ('000 carats)								
EKATI™	80%	433	413	313	295	322	930	1,371

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BHP BILLITON ATTRIBUTABLE PRODUCTION

		QUARTER ENDED					YEAR TO DATE	
	BHP Billiton interest	MAR 2012	JUN 2012	SEP 2012	DEC 2012	MAR 2013	MAR 2013	MAR 2012
IRON ORE								
Production ('000 tonnes) (d)								
Newman (e)	85%	11,789	13,132	11,752	12,809	13,028	37,589	38,194
Goldsworthy Joint Venture	85%	37	143	432	378	296	1,106	625
Area C Joint Venture	85%	10,343	11,166	10,937	10,245	10,983	32,165	31,259
Yandi Joint Venture	85%	13,063	13,595	13,771	15,954	13,302	43,027	39,941
Samarco	50%	2,711	2,855	2,880	2,804	2,596	8,280	8,568
Total		37,943	40,891	39,772	42,190	40,205	122,167	118,587
MANGANESE								
MANGANESE ORES								
Saleable production ('000 tonnes)								
South Africa (f)	44.4%	917	989	858	834	859	2,551	2,636
Australia (f)	60%	1,123	1,077	1,288	1,283	1,149	3,720	3,229
Total		2,040	2,066	2,146	2,117	2,008	6,271	5,865
MANGANESE ALLOYS								
Saleable production ('000 tonnes)								
South Africa (f) (g)	60%	81	75	93	91	86	270	329
Australia (f)	60%	57	-	37	62	57	156	198
Total		138	75	130	153	143	426	527
METALLURGICAL COAL								
Production ('000 tonnes) (h)								
BMA	50%	4,226	4,105	5,182	5,440	5,327	15,949	14,506
BHP Mitsui Coal (i)	80%	1,649	1,661	1,766	1,589	1,862	5,217	5,032
Illawarra	100%	1,462	2,343	1,990	1,859	1,777	5,626	5,583
Total		7,337	8,109	8,938	8,888	8,966	26,792	25,121
ENERGY COAL								
Production ('000 tonnes)								
South Africa	100%	7,895	8,313	8,454	7,969	7,302	23,725	24,966
USA	100%	2,109	2,673	3,871	2,798	2,835	9,504	6,739
Australia	100%	4,291	4,393	4,453	4,827	3,837	13,117	12,364
Colombia	33%	2,953	3,105	2,829	2,662	1,512	7,003	8,558
Total		17,248	18,484	19,607	18,256	15,486	53,349	52,627

- (a) LPG and ethane are reported as Natural Gas Liquid (NGL). Product-specific conversions are made and NGL is reported in barrels of oil equivalent (boe).
- (b) Metal production is reported on the basis of payable metal.
- (c) Includes Cerro Colorado and Spence.
- (d) Iron ore production is reported on a wet tonnes basis.
- (e) Newman includes Mt Newman Joint Venture and Jimblebar.
- (f) Shown on 100% basis. BHP Billiton interest in saleable production is 60%, except Hotazel Manganese Mines which is 44.4%.
- (g) Production includes Medium Carbon Ferro Manganese.
- (h) Metallurgical coal production is reported on the basis of saleable product. Production figures include some thermal coal.
- (i) Shown on 100% basis. BHP Billiton interest in saleable production is 80%.

PRODUCTION AND SALES REPORT

	QUARTER ENDED					YEAR TO DATE	
	MAR	JUN	SEP	DEC	MAR	MAR	MAR
	2012	2012	2012	2012	2013	2013	2012
PETROLEUM							
BHP Billiton attributable production unless otherwise stated.							
CRUDE OIL & CONDENSATE ('000 barrels)							
Bass Strait	2,285	2,357	2,569	2,081	1,934	6,584	7,002
North West Shelf	1,671	1,587	1,867	1,829	1,526	5,222	4,757
Stybarrow	618	635	534	464	323	1,321	2,625
Pyrenees	2,540	2,482	2,605	2,379	1,659	6,643	9,648
Other Australia (a)	13	13	17	15	15	47	39
Atlantis (b)	2,262	39	1,554	2,376	1,471	5,401	6,733
Mad Dog (b)	-	-	369	906	791	2,066	-
Shenzi (b)	4,071	3,607	3,783	4,008	3,580	11,371	12,038
Onshore US (c)	2,202	2,434	2,358	2,658	3,071	8,087	4,505
Trinidad/Tobago	453	488	376	362	331	1,069	1,385
Other Americas (b) (d)	373	348	367	410	384	1,161	1,120
UK	328	367	260	355	326	941	1,208
Algeria (e)	1,236	1,291	1,309	1,316	1,207	3,832	4,171
Pakistan	75	78	68	69	71	208	244
Total	18,127	15,726	18,036	19,228	16,689	53,953	55,475
NATURAL GAS (billion cubic feet)							
Bass Strait	19.74	31.47	40.06	26.67	23.38	90.11	75.27
North West Shelf	29.60	29.80	35.33	34.09	31.29	100.71	95.13
Other Australia (a)	4.42	4.87	6.20	5.48	5.17	16.85	13.43
Atlantis (b)	1.18	0.01	0.59	0.89	0.54	2.02	2.49
Mad Dog (b)	-	-	0.06	0.18	0.15	0.39	-
Shenzi (b)	0.56	0.47	2.11	0.94	0.81	3.86	1.75
Onshore US (c)	124.17	124.53	122.59	123.03	115.69	361.31	323.39
Trinidad/Tobago	9.50	9.54	9.21	9.15	8.84	27.20	28.53
Other Americas (b) (d)	1.09	0.79	0.35	0.48	0.59	1.42	3.26
UK	5.03	5.54	3.29	5.26	6.44	14.99	14.45
Pakistan	13.88	14.23	13.06	13.49	14.37	40.92	43.31
Total	209.17	221.25	232.85	219.66	207.27	659.78	601.01
NGL ('000 barrels of oil equivalent)							
Bass Strait	1,355	1,738	2,053	1,342	1,405	4,800	4,585
North West Shelf	421	342	385	354	323	1,062	1,278
Atlantis (b)	221	1	54	209	96	359	464
Mad Dog (b)	-	-	16	72	55	143	-
Shenzi (b)	291	244	370	324	269	963	880
Onshore US (c)	1,275	1,388	1,516	1,736	2,004	5,256	2,634
Other Americas (b) (d)	34	24	17	16	13	46	109
UK	12	21	-	11	17	28	75
Algeria (e)	-	-	-	-	-	-	302
Total	3,609	3,758	4,411	4,064	4,182	12,657	10,327
TOTAL PETROLEUM PRODUCTS	56.60	56.36	61.25	59.90	55.42	176.57	165.98
(million barrels of oil equivalent) (f)							

(a) Other Australia includes Minerva.

(b) Gulf of Mexico volumes are net of royalties.

(c) Petrohawk Energy Corporation acquisition completed on 20 August 2011. Onshore US volumes are net of mineral holder royalties.

(d) Other Americas includes Neptune, West Cameron 76, Genesis and Starlifter. West Cameron 76 and Starlifter were divested in May 2012.

(e) Algeria includes ROD and Ohanet. The Ohanet Risk Sharing Contract expired in October 2011.

(f) Total barrels of oil equivalent (boe) conversions are based on 6,000 scf of natural gas equals 1 boe.

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	2012	2012	2012	2012	2013	2013	2012

ALUMINIUM AND NICKEL

BHP Billiton attributable production and sales unless otherwise stated.

('000 tonnes)

ALUMINA

Saleable production

Worsley, Australia	741	730	859	944	911	2,714	2,187
Alumar, Brazil	311	309	311	288	302	901	926
Total	1,052	1,039	1,170	1,232	1,213	3,615	3,113

Sales

Worsley, Australia	713	750	820	916	910	2,646	2,178
Alumar, Brazil	216	356	352	298	296	946	845
Total	929	1,106	1,172	1,214	1,206	3,592	3,023

ALUMINIUM

Production

Hillside, South Africa	144	117	139	166	177	482	504
Bayside, South Africa	26	23	25	25	26	76	75
Alumar, Brazil	42	42	39	39	37	115	128
Mozal, Mozambique	65	66	67	67	64	198	198
Total	277	248	270	297	304	871	905

Sales

Hillside, South Africa	141	126	139	171	166	476	490
Bayside, South Africa	27	21	26	26	27	79	76
Alumar, Brazil	31	45	46	41	39	126	118
Mozal, Mozambique	66	54	58	65	76	199	211
Total	265	246	269	303	308	880	895

NICKEL

Cerro Matoso, Colombia

Production	13.4	12.8	13.3	12.4	12.3	38.0	36.1
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Sales	13.8	12.9	12.3	13.7	13.0	39.0	34.6
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Nickel West, Australia

Saleable production

Nickel contained in concentrate	2.3	2.3	1.3	4.1	3.1	8.5	6.7
Nickel contained in finished matte	10.5	14.2	5.8	7.6	9.7	23.1	34.7
Nickel metal	15.5	13.4	16.6	10.6	17.0	44.2	37.7
Nickel production	28.3	29.9	23.7	22.3	29.8	75.8	79.1

Sales

Nickel contained in concentrate	1.5	3.6	1.6	2.9	3.1	7.6	5.3
Nickel contained in finished matte	10.2	16.7	6.7	7.0	9.0	22.7	34.2
Nickel metal	14.2	15.7	14.2	12.8	19.5	46.5	34.5
Nickel sales	25.9	36.0	22.5	22.7	31.6	76.8	74.0

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BASE METALS

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Escondida, Chile

Material mined (100%)	('000 tonnes)	103,321	109,724	102,499	96,938	94,567	294,004	268,479
Sulphide ore milled (100%)	('000 tonnes)	16,449	18,640	16,850	18,796	18,964	54,610	47,141
Average copper grade	(%)	1.14%	1.37%	1.35%	1.39%	1.44%	1.40%	1.03%
Production ex mill (100%)	('000 tonnes)	153.1	211.7	185.2	216.6	229.3	631.1	389.3

Production

Payable copper	('000 tonnes)	87.7	115.8	101.2	120.7	128.0	349.9	218.0
Payable gold concentrate	(fine ounces)	12,732	12,817	9,419	13,877	14,545	37,841	38,037
Copper cathode (EW)	('000 tonnes)	47.4	48.7	41.6	40.8	43.3	125.7	123.3
Payable silver concentrate	('000 ounces)	481	488	350	481	493	1,324	1,433

Sales

Payable copper	('000 tonnes)	82.6	113.1	95.7	134.7	123.8	354.2	213.9
Payable gold concentrate	(fine ounces)	11,998	12,683	8,999	11,060	10,537	30,596	37,407
Copper cathode (EW)	('000 tonnes)	44.3	53.4	38.8	46.8	34.0	119.6	115.3
Payable silver concentrate	('000 ounces)	454	483	324	444	414	1,182	1,416

Pampa Norte, Chile

Cerro Colorado

Material mined	('000 tonnes)	16,320	16,246	16,067	15,722	14,964	46,753	47,848
Ore milled	('000 tonnes)	4,300	4,388	4,505	4,206	4,350	13,061	13,509
Average copper grade	(%)	0.72%	0.61%	0.55%	0.66%	0.65%	0.62%	0.72%

Production

Copper cathode (EW)	('000 tonnes)	18.7	18.7	17.8	17.9	14.6	50.3	64.7
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Sales

Copper cathode (EW)	('000 tonnes)	20.2	19.1	16.1	18.8	13.7	48.6	66.4
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Material mined	('000 tonnes)	29,982	28,594	27,541	25,999	28,861	82,401	76,309
Ore milled	('000 tonnes)	4,279	3,604	3,752	4,161	4,041	11,954	13,050
Average copper grade	(%)	1.20%	1.28%	1.17%	1.29%	1.38%	1.28%	1.33%

Production

Copper cathode (EW)	('000 tonnes)	47.5	43.4	34.9	40.9	41.8	117.6	136.9
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Sales

Copper cathode (EW)	('000 tonnes)	44.1	51.3	31.1	42.6	29.8	103.5	133.9
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BASE METALS								
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Antamina, Peru								
Material mined (100%)	('000 tonnes)	41,474	48,256	54,482	49,246	48,032	151,760	124,445
Sulphide ore milled (100%)	('000 tonnes)	10,162	12,295	12,274	11,752	10,330	34,356	29,214
Average head grades								
- Copper	(%)	1.10%	1.01%	1.15%	1.16%	0.88%	1.07%	1.12%
- Zinc	(%)	0.84%	0.80%	0.66%	0.64%	0.93%	0.73%	0.75%
Production								
Payable copper	('000 tonnes)	30.9	34.9	40.2	39.6	25.2	105.0	92.1
Payable zinc	(tonnes)	16,823	18,208	14,514	12,587	19,148	46,249	39,332
Payable silver	('000 ounces)	1,170	1,043	919	934	802	2,655	3,229
Payable lead	(tonnes)	148	333	260	198	181	639	455
Payable molybdenum	(tonnes)	521	464	454	410	321	1,185	1,882
Sales								
Payable copper	('000 tonnes)	30.7	32.7	39.7	42.7	24.1	106.5	90.6
Payable zinc	(tonnes)	13,464	18,174	15,519	17,874	16,062	49,455	35,704
Payable silver	('000 ounces)	1,114	896	849	1,101	772	2,722	2,887
Payable lead	(tonnes)	200	48	330	276	115	721	430
Payable molybdenum	(tonnes)	669	488	536	381	371	1,288	1,809
Cannington, Australia								
Material mined	('000 tonnes)	756	880	717	817	810	2,344	2,353
Ore milled	('000 tonnes)	778	845	773	793	713	2,279	2,492
Average head grades								
- Silver	(g/t)	367	417	355	317	364	345	356
- Lead	(%)	8.0%	8.6%	7.6%	7.0%	7.7%	7.4%	8.3%
- Zinc	(%)	2.7%	2.5%	2.5%	2.9%	2.7%	2.7%	2.8%
Production								
Payable silver	('000 ounces)	7,836	9,757	7,689	6,949	7,323	21,961	24,451
Payable lead	(tonnes)	53,412	63,334	51,923	45,937	48,899	146,759	175,756
Payable zinc	(tonnes)	12,904	12,540	11,408	13,622	11,045	36,075	42,137
Sales								
Payable silver	('000 ounces)	7,081	10,784	8,506	6,694	7,265	22,465	22,475
Payable lead	(tonnes)	49,027	73,400	59,042	46,319	48,661	154,022	163,942
Payable zinc	(tonnes)	10,780	14,399	10,379	16,321	9,439	36,139	40,592

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BASE METALS

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Olympic Dam, Australia

Material mined (a)	('000 tonnes)	2,389	2,629	2,226	2,123	2,448	6,797	7,372
Ore milled	('000 tonnes)	2,195	2,475	2,471	2,435	2,353	7,259	7,106
Average copper grade	(%)	2.01%	1.86%	1.90%	1.71%	1.73%	1.78%	2.02%
Average uranium grade	(kg/t)	0.57	0.55	0.54	0.51	0.50	0.52	0.54

Production

Copper cathode (ER)	('000 tonnes)	45.2	46.0	34.0	30.4	44.7	109.1	134.3
Copper cathode (EW)	('000 tonnes)	2.6	3.8	3.0	3.2	3.0	9.2	8.5
Uranium oxide concentrate	(tonnes)	896	1,080	1,042	1,014	933	2,989	2,805
Refined gold	(fine ounces)	31,952	27,752	23,017	24,215	27,531	74,763	90,093
Refined silver	('000 ounces)	228	251	207	193	214	614	656

Sales

Copper cathode (ER)	('000 tonnes)	44.4	47.8	35.1	33.2	40.1	108.4	132.5
Copper cathode (EW)	('000 tonnes)	3.0	3.1	3.4	2.7	3.1	9.2	9.0
Uranium oxide concentrate	(tonnes)	640	1,252	615	1,343	816	2,774	2,676
Refined gold	(fine ounces)	36,832	29,257	20,949	25,227	24,678	70,854	90,138
Refined silver	('000 ounces)	268	200	265	169	211	645	712

(a) Material mined refers to run of mine ore mined and hoisted.

Pinto Valley, US (a)

Production

Payable copper	('000 tonnes)	-	-	-	0.5	5.3	5.8	-
Copper cathode (EW)	('000 tonnes)	1.4	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	3.6	4.2
Payable silver	('000 ounces)	-	-	-	-	11	11	-

Sales

Payable copper	('000 tonnes)	-	-	-	-	2.6	2.6	-
Copper cathode (EW)	('000 tonnes)	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.1	3.5	4.1
Payable silver	('000 ounces)	-	-	-	-	11	11	-

(a) Mining operations at Pinto Valley were restarted during the December 2012 quarter.

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DIAMONDS AND SPECIALTY PRODUCTS

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DIAMONDS

EKATI™, Canada (a)

Ore Processed (100%)	('000 tonnes)	1,001	1,214	1,042	982	954	2,978	3,268
Production	('000 carats)	433	413	313	295	322	930	1,371

- (a) On 10 April 2013 BHP Billiton completed the sale of its diamonds business, comprising its interests in the EKATI Diamond Mine and Diamonds Marketing operations.

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IRON ORE

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('000 tonnes)

IRON ORE (a)

Pilbara, Australia

Production							
Newman (b)	11,789	13,132	11,752	12,809	13,028	37,589	38,194
Goldsworthy Joint Venture	37	143	432	378	296	1,106	625
Area C Joint Venture	10,343	11,166	10,937	10,245	10,983	32,165	31,259
Yandi Joint Venture	13,063	13,595	13,771	15,954	13,302	43,027	39,941
Total (BHP Billiton share)	35,232	38,036	36,892	39,386	37,609	113,887	110,019
Total production (100%)	41,449	44,748	43,403	46,337	44,245	133,985	129,434
Sales							
Lump	8,235	9,100	8,338	9,806	9,339	27,483	24,679
Fines	26,523	28,870	28,718	30,479	28,370	87,567	84,240
Total (BHP Billiton share)	34,758	37,970	37,056	40,285	37,709	115,050	108,919
Total sales (100%)	40,892	44,670	43,595	47,393	44,363	135,351	128,140

Samarco, Brazil

Production	2,711	2,855	2,880	2,804	2,596	8,280	8,568
Sales	2,453	2,778	2,622	3,227	2,515	8,364	8,340

(a) Iron ore production and sales are reported on a wet tonnes basis.

(b) Newman includes Mt Newman Joint Venture and Jimblebar.

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MANGANESE							
BHP Billiton attributable production and sales unless otherwise stated. (‘000 tonnes)							
MANGANESE ORE							
South Africa (a)							
Saleable production	917	989	858	834	859	2,551	2,636
Sales	871	866	878	808	835	2,521	2,585
Australia (a)							
Saleable production	1,123	1,077	1,288	1,283	1,149	3,720	3,229
Sales	1,115	1,343	1,171	979	1,326	3,476	3,085
MANGANESE ALLOY							
South Africa (a) (b)							
Saleable production	81	75	93	91	86	270	329
Sales	122	104	74	112	89	275	355
Australia (a)							
Saleable production	57	-	37	62	57	156	198
Sales	57	23	46	52	68	166	206

(a) Shown on 100% basis. BHP Billiton interest in saleable production is 60%, except Hotazel Manganese Mines which is 44.4%.

(b) Production includes Medium Carbon Ferro Manganese.

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METALLURGICAL COAL							
BHP Billiton attributable production and sales unless otherwise stated. ('000 tonnes)							
METALLURGICAL COAL (a)							
Queensland, Australia							
Production							
BMA							
Blackwater	955	991	1,148	1,588	1,157	3,893	3,444
Goonyella	1,153	1,012	1,535	1,392	1,478	4,405	3,991
Peak Downs	788	783	1,029	1,151	1,225	3,405	2,751
Saraji	627	724	773	994	711	2,478	2,329
Norwich Park (b)	248	193	-	-	-	-	982
Gregory Joint Venture (c)	455	402	697	315	657	1,669	1,009
Daunia (d)	-	-	-	-	99	99	-
BMA total	4,226	4,105	5,182	5,440	5,327	15,949	14,506
BHP Mitsui Coal (e)							
South Walker Creek	1,040	1,034	1,084	864	1,188	3,136	3,047
Poitrel	609	627	682	725	674	2,081	1,985
BHP Mitsui Coal total	1,649	1,661	1,766	1,589	1,862	5,217	5,032
Queensland total	5,875	5,766	6,948	7,029	7,189	21,166	19,538
Sales							
Coking coal	4,522	4,007	4,058	5,561	4,933	14,552	14,433
Weak coking coal	1,595	1,512	1,545	1,820	2,029	5,394	5,033
Thermal coal	111	90	239	237	75	551	307
Total	6,228	5,609	5,842	7,618	7,037	20,497	19,773
Illawarra, Australia							
Production	1,462	2,343	1,990	1,859	1,777	5,626	5,583
Sales							
Coking coal	1,460	1,845	1,775	1,785	1,595	5,155	4,388
Thermal coal	219	279	502	327	145	974	819
Total	1,679	2,124	2,277	2,112	1,740	6,129	5,207

- (a) Metallurgical coal production is reported on the basis of saleable product. Production figures include some thermal coal.
(b) Norwich Park ceased production on 11 May 2012.
(c) Gregory open-cut ceased production on 10 October 2012.
(d) Daunia project achieved first production in the March 2013 quarter.
(e) Shown on 100% basis. BHP Billiton interest in saleable production is 80%.

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ENERGY COAL							
BHP Billiton attributable production and sales unless otherwise stated. ('000 tonnes)							
South Africa							
Production	7,895	8,313	8,454	7,969	7,302	23,725	24,966
Sales							
Export	3,807	3,314	3,385	3,583	3,604	10,572	10,792
Local utility	4,397	4,571	4,869	4,615	4,171	13,655	14,601
Inland	124	74	38	28	32	98	374
Total	8,328	7,959	8,292	8,226	7,807	24,325	25,767
New Mexico, US							
Production							
Navajo Coal	1,913	1,853	1,804	1,377	1,840	5,021	5,151
San Juan Coal	196	820	2,067	1,421	995	4,483	1,588
Total	2,109	2,673	3,871	2,798	2,835	9,504	6,739
Sales - local utility	3,057	2,773	3,420	3,265	3,275	9,960	9,795
NSW Energy Coal, Australia							
Production	4,291	4,393	4,453	4,827	3,837	13,117	12,364
Sales							
Export	3,160	4,388	4,488	4,187	4,505	13,180	10,249
Inland	297	404	250	265	174	689	1,255
Total	3,457	4,792	4,738	4,452	4,679	13,869	11,504
Cerrejon Coal, Colombia							
Production	2,953	3,105	2,829	2,662	1,512	7,003	8,558
Sales - export	2,652	2,942	2,630	2,702	1,774	7,106	8,337