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## BHP BILLITON PRODUCTION REPORT FOR THE QUARTER ENDED 31 MARCH 2004

BHP Billiton today released its production report for the quarter ended 31 March 2004.

- **Production for all major minerals commodities higher than the March 2003 quarter.**
- **Strong natural gas and LPG production compared with the March 2003 quarter.**
- **Record quarterly aluminium production resulting from the ramp up of production at the Hillside 3 (South Africa) expansion.**
- **Record quarterly alumina production.**
- **Record silver and lead production at Cannington (Australia) as a result of the ongoing debottlenecking project.**
- **Record quarterly nickel production.**

- **Total Petroleum Products** – Total production for the March 2004 quarter was 29.8 million barrels of oil equivalent, five per cent higher than the March 2003 quarter and 2 per cent lower than the December 2003 quarter.
  - Oil and Condensate - Production for the March 2004 quarter was 14.3 million barrels, six per cent lower than the 15.3 million barrels produced in the March 2003 quarter. This was mainly due to natural field decline in Laminaria (Australia), Griffin (Australia), Bass Strait (Australia), North West Shelf (Australia) and Liverpool Bay (UK) plus the divestment of our producing assets in Bolivia in the current quarter. This was partly offset by new production resulting from the commissioning of Ohanet (Algeria) in October 2003, Boris North (USA) in September 2003 and Boris South (USA) in February 2003. Production for the quarter was four per cent lower than the 14.9 million barrels produced in the December 2003 quarter, reflecting natural decline across the portfolio, higher cyclone downtime at North West Shelf and Griffin and the divestment of our producing assets in Bolivia. This was partly offset by the first full quarter production from Ohanet.

- Natural Gas - Production for the March 2004 quarter was 76.5 billion cubic feet, 14 per cent higher than the 67.0 billion cubic feet produced in the March 2003 quarter. This was due to increased demand from Bass Strait and the commissioning of the Zamzama Phase 1 development (Pakistan). These factors were partly offset by cyclone downtime in North West Shelf and Griffin and the divestment of our producing assets in Bolivia. Production for the quarter was one per cent lower than the 77.6 billion cubic feet produced in the December 2003 quarter due to cyclone downtime at North West Shelf and Griffin and divestment of our producing assets in Bolivia. This was partly offset by increased demand from Bass Strait and improved efficiency at Bruce (UK) following maintenance shutdowns in the previous quarter.
- **Alumina** – Production for the March 2004 quarter was a record 1.1 million tonnes, six per cent higher than the March 2003 quarter, mainly due to stronger production at Worsley (Australia). Production was in line with the December 2003 quarter.
- **Aluminium** – Production for the March 2004 quarter was a record 333,000 tonnes, 25 per cent higher than the March 2003 quarter mainly reflecting the ramp up of production from the Mozal 2 (Mozambique) and Hillside 3 expansions, which reached full commissioning in August 2003 and December 2003 respectively. Production was eight per cent higher than the December 2003 quarter mainly due to the ramp up of production at Hillside and higher production at Alumar (Brazil) following an electrical outage in July 2003.
- **Copper** – Production for the March 2004 quarter was 240,600 tonnes, four per cent higher than the March 2003 quarter and six per cent higher than the December 2003 quarter. This mainly reflects higher production at Escondida (Chile) and Tintaya (Peru), partly offset by sale of the Group's interest in Highland Valley Copper (Canada) and Alumbrera (Argentina) in January 2004 and April 2003 respectively.
- **Iron Ore** – Western Australian production of 22.3 million tonnes (100 per cent basis) was in line with the December 2003 quarter and 26 per cent higher than the March 2003 quarter due to ongoing strong market conditions, and increased Chinese demand for iron ore. Despatches from Western Australia also remained strong with the March 2004 quarter in line with the December 2003 quarter and 13 per cent higher than the March 2003 quarter. Total iron ore production of 21.1 million tonnes (BHP Billiton share) from Western Australia and Samarco (Brazil) was in line with the December 2003 quarter and 22 per cent higher than the March 2003 period.
- **Metallurgical Coal** – Production for the quarter of 8.5 million tonnes was in line with both the December 2003 and March 2003 quarters, reflecting continued strong market conditions. Queensland Coal (Australia) production of 7.1 million tonnes in the March 2004 quarter was in line with the December 2003 and March 2003 quarters, while Illawarra Coal (Australia) production of 1.5 million tonnes was in line with the December 2003 quarter and four per cent lower than the March 2003 quarter. The decrease in production at Illawarra reflects difficult mining conditions at the West Cliff colliery.

- **Manganese** – Ore production of 1.3 million tonnes was 42 per cent higher than the March 2003 quarter and five per cent higher than the December 2003 quarter, reflecting increased customer demand, particularly from China. Alloy production of 179,000 tonnes was in line with both the March 2003 and December 2003 quarters, reflecting continued strong market conditions.
- **Hot briquetted iron** – Production for the March 2004 quarter of 399,000 tonnes was 24 per cent lower than the December 2003 quarter and 14 per cent lower than the March 2003 quarter. The decrease in production was due to maintenance activities and adverse weather conditions during the period.
- **Ekati™ Diamonds** – Production of 1.0 million carats was lower than the 1.7 million carats produced in the December 2003 quarter. This decrease reflects the completion of processing from a pocket of high grade material from the Koala pit in December 2003. March 2004 quarter production was in line with the March 2003 quarter.
- **Energy Coal** - Production for the March 2004 quarter was 21.3 million tonnes, eight per cent higher than the March 2003 quarter. The increase is mainly due to higher production at Cerrejon Coal (Colombia), New Mexico Coal (USA) San Juan mine and the ramp up at Mount Arthur North (Australia). Production was seven per cent higher than the December 2003 quarter mainly due to higher production at New Mexico Coal along with lower production at Cerrejon Coal in December 2003 due to adverse weather conditions. Production at Ingwe (South Africa) was in line with both the March 2003 and December 2003 quarters.
- **Nickel** - Production for the quarter of 21,200 tonnes was 14 per cent higher than the March 2003 quarter, mainly reflecting the benefit of ongoing process enhancements arising from the operating excellence initiatives at both Cerro Matoso (Colombia) and Yabulu (Australia). Production was six per cent higher than the December 2003 quarter due to the conversion of work in process inventories to finished goods at Yabulu following scheduled maintenance in the December 2003 quarter.

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**BHP BILLITON PRODUCTION SUMMARY**

		QUARTER ENDED			9 MONTHS ENDED		% CHANGE		
		MARCH	DEC	MARCH	MARCH	MARCH	MAR Q04	MAR Q04	YTD 04
		2003	2003	2004	2004	2003	vs MAR Q03	vs DEC Q03	vs YTD 03
<b>PETROLEUM</b>									
Crude oil & condensate	('000 bbl)	15,310	14,877	<b>14,341</b>	<b>44,730</b>	50,258	-6%	-4%	-11%
Natural gas	(bcf)	66.99	77.57	<b>76.47</b>	<b>239.23</b>	208.26	14%	-1%	15%
LPG	('000 tonnes)	160.62	200.51	<b>217.83</b>	<b>617.67</b>	537.55	36%	9%	15%
Ethane	('000 tonnes)	22.35	25.25	<b>16.59</b>	<b>69.16</b>	69.93	-26%	-34%	-1%
Total Petroleum Products	(million boe)	28.4	30.2	<b>29.8</b>	<b>92.1</b>	91.5	5%	-2%	1%
<b>ALUMINIUM</b>									
Alumina	('000 tonnes)	1,003	1,050	<b>1,062</b>	<b>3,165</b>	3,032	6%	1%	4%
Aluminium	('000 tonnes)	267	308	<b>333</b>	<b>923</b>	801	25%	8%	15%
<b>BASE METALS</b>									
Copper	('000 tonnes)	231.3	226.8	<b>240.6</b>	<b>681.8</b>	641.4	4%	6%	6%
Lead	(tonnes)	59,065	55,211	<b>70,838</b>	<b>185,413</b>	180,653	20%	28%	3%
Zinc	(tonnes)	46,755	45,912	<b>35,194</b>	<b>130,200</b>	139,412	-25%	-23%	-7%
Gold	(ounces)	57,802	32,085	<b>32,983</b>	<b>94,238</b>	182,130	-43%	3%	-48%
Silver	('000 ounces)	10,355	9,980	<b>12,055</b>	<b>32,631</b>	31,485	16%	21%	4%
Molybdenum	(tonnes)	373	290	<b>81</b>	<b>696</b>	1,051	-78%	-72%	-34%
<b>CARBON STEEL MATERIALS</b>									
Iron ore	('000 tonnes)	17,237	21,728	<b>21,085</b>	<b>63,683</b>	54,312	22%	-3%	17%
Metallurgical coal	('000 tonnes)	8,556	8,445	<b>8,532</b>	<b>26,076</b>	25,596	0%	1%	2%
Manganese ores	('000 tonnes)	890	1,199	<b>1,264</b>	<b>3,616</b>	3,044	42%	5%	19%
Manganese alloys	('000 tonnes)	177	183	<b>179</b>	<b>509</b>	542	1%	-2%	-6%
Hot briquetted iron	('000 tonnes)	465	527	<b>399</b>	<b>1,422</b>	1,212	-14%	-24%	17%
<b>DIAMONDS AND SPECIALTY PRODUCTS</b>									
Diamonds	('000 carats)	1,015	1,704	<b>1,015</b>	<b>4,271</b>	3,040	0%	-40%	40%
<b>ENERGY COAL</b>									
Energy coal	('000 tonnes)	19,735	19,978	<b>21,279</b>	<b>62,391</b>	59,712	8%	7%	4%
<b>STAINLESS STEEL MATERIALS</b>									
Nickel	('000 tonnes)	18.6	20.0	<b>21.2</b>	<b>61.8</b>	57.1	14%	6%	8%
Ferrocrome	('000 tonnes)	263	269	<b>266</b>	<b>762</b>	731	1%	-1%	4%

Throughout this report figures in italics indicate adjustments made since the figure was previously reported.

**BHP BILLITON ATTRIBUTABLE PRODUCTION**

BHP Billiton Interest	QUARTER ENDED				9 MONTHS ENDED		
	MARCH 2003	JUNE 2003	SEPT 2003	DEC 2003	MARCH 2004	MARCH 2004	MARCH 2003
<b>PETROLEUM</b>							
<b>Production</b>							
Crude oil & condensate (000 bbl)	15,310	15,635	15,512	14,877	<b>14,341</b>	<b>44,730</b>	50,258
Natural gas (bcf)	66.99	72.91	85.19	77.57	<b>76.47</b>	<b>239.23</b>	208.26
LPG ('000 tonnes)	160.62	205.57	199.33	200.51	<b>217.83</b>	<b>617.67</b>	537.55
Ethane ('000 tonnes)	22.35	24.97	27.32	25.25	<b>16.59</b>	<b>69.16</b>	69.93
Total Petroleum Products (million boe)	<b>28.4</b>	<b>30.3</b>	<b>32.1</b>	<b>30.2</b>	<b>29.8</b>	<b>92.1</b>	<b>91.5</b>
<b>ALUMINIUM</b>							
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<b>Production ('000 tonnes)</b>							
Worsley 86%	658	724	699	700	<b>704</b>	<b>2,103</b>	2,018
Suriname 45%	222	223	227	230	<b>228</b>	<b>685</b>	656
Alumar 36%	123	113	127	120	<b>130</b>	<b>377</b>	358
Total	<b>1,003</b>	<b>1,060</b>	<b>1,053</b>	<b>1,050</b>	<b>1,062</b>	<b>3,165</b>	<b>3,032</b>
<b>ALUMINIUM</b>							
<b>Production ('000 tonnes)</b>							
Hillside 100%	133	132	135	151	<b>169</b>	<b>455</b>	402
Bayside 100%	48	46	47	46	<b>45</b>	<b>138</b>	139
Alumar 46.3%	45	45	31	36	<b>44</b>	<b>111</b>	133
Valesul 45.5%	10	11	11	11	<b>11</b>	<b>33</b>	32
Mozal 47%	31	39	58	64	<b>64</b>	<b>186</b>	95
Total	<b>267</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>282</b>	<b>308</b>	<b>333</b>	<b>923</b>	<b>801</b>
<b>BASE METALS (a)</b>							
<b>COPPER</b>							
<b>Payable metal in concentrate ('000 tonnes)</b>							
Escondida (b) 57.5%	118.5	126.6	115.9	109.1	<b>130.8</b>	<b>355.8</b>	292.5
Tintaya (c) 100%	-	-	-	15.0	<b>22.9</b>	<b>37.9</b>	-
Antamina 33.8%	23.6	21.2	16.9	20.5	<b>24.6</b>	<b>62.0</b>	75.7
Alumbrera (d) 25%	9.9	-	-	-	-	-	34.4
Highland Valley Copper (e) 33.6%	13.2	13.8	14.1	14.2	-	<b>28.3</b>	42.4
Selbaie (f) 100%	1.7	1.8	1.6	1.8	<b>0.8</b>	<b>4.1</b>	6.6
Total	<b>166.9</b>	<b>163.4</b>	<b>148.5</b>	<b>160.6</b>	<b>179.1</b>	<b>488.1</b>	<b>451.6</b>
<b>Cathode ('000 tonnes)</b>							
Escondida 57.5%	20.4	21.1	21.4	21.8	<b>21.7</b>	<b>64.9</b>	57.4
Cerro Colorado 100%	32.5	33.0	33.1	33.0	<b>28.1</b>	<b>94.2</b>	98.1
Tintaya (c) 100%	9.0	9.1	9.0	9.0	<b>9.3</b>	<b>27.3</b>	26.3
Pinto Valley 100%	2.5	2.6	2.5	2.4	<b>2.4</b>	<b>7.3</b>	8.0
Total	<b>64.4</b>	<b>65.8</b>	<b>66.0</b>	<b>66.2</b>	<b>61.5</b>	<b>193.7</b>	<b>189.8</b>
<b>LEAD</b>							
<b>Payable metal in concentrate (tonnes)</b>							
Cannington 100%	58,711	59,389	59,364	55,211	<b>70,838</b>	<b>185,413</b>	178,038
Pering (g) 100%	354	-	-	-	-	-	2,615
Total	<b>59,065</b>	<b>59,389</b>	<b>59,364</b>	<b>55,211</b>	<b>70,838</b>	<b>185,413</b>	<b>180,653</b>
<b>ZINC</b>							
<b>Payable metal in concentrate (tonnes)</b>							
Cannington 100%	15,480	18,479	14,850	11,692	<b>13,589</b>	<b>40,131</b>	45,383
Antamina 33.8%	20,519	28,553	27,933	27,026	<b>19,099</b>	<b>74,058</b>	54,132
Selbaie (f) 100%	6,421	7,364	6,311	7,194	<b>2,506</b>	<b>16,011</b>	22,801
Pering (g) 100%	4,335	-	-	-	-	-	17,096
Total	<b>46,755</b>	<b>54,396</b>	<b>49,094</b>	<b>45,912</b>	<b>35,194</b>	<b>130,200</b>	<b>139,412</b>

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BHP Billiton Interest	QUARTER ENDED				9 MONTHS ENDED			
	MARCH 2003	JUNE 2003	SEPT 2003	DEC 2003	MARCH 2004	MARCH 2004	MARCH 2003	
<b>BASE METALS (continued)</b>								
<b>GOLD</b>								
<b>Payable metal in concentrate (ounces)</b>								
Escondida (b)	57.5%	17,458	20,664	25,016	24,833	<b>27,561</b>	<b>77,410</b>	43,468
Tintaya (c)	100%	-	-	-	2,658	<b>4,009</b>	<b>6,667</b>	-
Alumbrera (d)	25%	35,084	-	-	-	-	-	121,303
Selbaie (f)	100%	4,146	4,081	3,129	3,428	<b>1,413</b>	<b>7,970</b>	13,701
Highland Valley Copper (e)	33.6%	1,114	1,007	1,025	1,166	-	<b>2,191</b>	3,658
Total		<b>57,802</b>	<b>25,752</b>	<b>29,170</b>	<b>32,085</b>	<b>32,983</b>	<b>94,238</b>	<b>182,130</b>
<b>SILVER</b>								
<b>Payable metal in concentrate ('000 ounces)</b>								
Cannington	100%	8,773	8,161	9,177	8,287	<b>10,485</b>	<b>27,949</b>	26,711
Escondida	57.5%	471	538	561	550	<b>605</b>	<b>1,716</b>	1,162
Antamina	33.8%	617	517	435	494	<b>588</b>	<b>1,517</b>	1,710
Tintaya (c)	100.0%	-	-	-	170	<b>239</b>	<b>409</b>	-
Alumbrera (d)	25.0%	75	-	-	-	-	-	200
Highland Valley Copper (e)	33.6%	140	143	160	163	-	<b>323</b>	461
Selbaie (f)	100%	279	284	263	316	<b>138</b>	<b>717</b>	1,241
Total		<b>10,355</b>	<b>9,643</b>	<b>10,596</b>	<b>9,980</b>	<b>12,055</b>	<b>32,631</b>	<b>31,485</b>
<b>MOLYBDENUM</b>								
<b>Payable metal in concentrate (tonnes)</b>								
Antamina	33.8%	113	21	25	20	<b>81</b>	<b>126</b>	321
Highland Valley Copper (e)	33.6%	260	280	300	270	-	<b>570</b>	730
Total		<b>373</b>	<b>301</b>	<b>325</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>696</b>	<b>1,051</b>
<b>CARBON STEEL MATERIALS</b>								
<b>IRON ORE (h)</b>								
<b>Production ('000 tonnes)</b>								
Mt Newman Joint Venture	85%	4,964	6,221	6,639	6,707	<b>6,031</b>	<b>19,377</b>	15,737
Goldsworthy Joint Venture (i)	85%	1,497	1,497	1,633	1,477	<b>1,348</b>	<b>4,458</b>	5,196
Area C Joint Venture (j)	85%	-	19	341	1,048	<b>1,768</b>	<b>3,157</b>	-
Yandi Joint Venture	85%	7,452	8,353	8,679	9,005	<b>8,429</b>	<b>26,113</b>	23,435
Jimblebar	100%	1,371	1,428	1,622	1,520	<b>1,647</b>	<b>4,789</b>	3,990
Samarco	50%	1,953	1,902	1,956	1,971	<b>1,862</b>	<b>5,789</b>	5,954
Total		<b>17,237</b>	<b>19,420</b>	<b>20,870</b>	<b>21,728</b>	<b>21,085</b>	<b>63,683</b>	<b>54,312</b>
<b>METALLURGICAL COAL (k)</b>								
<b>Production ('000 tonnes)</b>								
BMA	50%	5,838	5,769	5,591	5,395	<b>5,263</b>	<b>16,249</b>	15,522
BHP Mitsui Coal (l)	80%	1,200	2,033	1,926	1,591	<b>1,811</b>	<b>5,328</b>	4,535
Illawarra	100%	1,518	1,224	1,582	1,459	<b>1,458</b>	<b>4,499</b>	5,539
Total		<b>8,556</b>	<b>9,026</b>	<b>9,099</b>	<b>8,445</b>	<b>8,532</b>	<b>26,076</b>	<b>25,596</b>
<b>MANGANESE ORES</b>								
<b>Saleable production ('000 tonnes)</b>								
South Africa (m)	60%	534	574	600	651	<b>604</b>	<b>1,855</b>	1,675
Australia (m)	60%	356	484	553	548	<b>660</b>	<b>1,761</b>	1,369
Total		<b>890</b>	<b>1,058</b>	<b>1,153</b>	<b>1,199</b>	<b>1,264</b>	<b>3,616</b>	<b>3,044</b>
<b>MANGANESE ALLOYS</b>								
<b>Saleable production ('000 tonnes)</b>								
South Africa (m)	60%	117	137	93	122	<b>116</b>	<b>331</b>	366
Australia (m)	60%	60	58	54	61	<b>63</b>	<b>178</b>	176
Total		<b>177</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>509</b>	<b>542</b>

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**BHP BILLITON ATTRIBUTABLE PRODUCTION**

	BHP Billiton Interest	QUARTER ENDED				9 MONTHS ENDED		
		MARCH 2003	JUNE 2003	SEPT 2003	DEC 2003	MARCH 2004	MARCH 2004	MARCH 2003
<b>CARBON STEEL MATERIALS (cont'd)</b>								
<b>HOT BRIQUETTED IRON</b>								
<b>Production ('000 tonnes)</b>								
Boodarie™ Iron	100%	465	458	496	527	399	1,422	1,212
<b>DIAMONDS AND SPECIALTY PRODUCTS</b>								
<b>DIAMONDS</b>								
<b>Production ('000 carats)</b>								
Ekati™	80%	1,015	1,300	1,552	1,704	1,015	4,271	3,040
<b>ENERGY COAL</b>								
<b>Production ('000 tonnes)</b>								
South Africa	100%	13,256	13,812	13,782	13,472	13,231	40,485	40,427
USA	100%	3,147	3,877	3,560	2,829	3,687	10,076	10,286
Australia	100%	1,922	2,041	1,756	2,054	2,318	6,128	4,400
Indonesia (n)	80%	28	-	-	-	-	-	273
Colombia	33%	1,382	2,261	2,036	1,623	2,043	5,702	4,326
Total		19,735	21,991	21,134	19,978	21,279	62,391	59,712
<b>STAINLESS STEEL MATERIALS</b>								
<b>NICKEL</b>								
<b>Production ('000 tonnes)</b>								
CMSA	99.8%	11.1	12.2	12.4	12.2	12.5	37.1	34.7
Yabulu	100%	7.5	8.8	8.2	7.8	8.7	24.7	22.4
Total		18.6	21.0	20.6	20.0	21.2	61.8	57.1
<b>FERROCHROME</b>								
<b>Saleable production ('000 tonnes)</b>								
South Africa (m)	60%	263	259	227	269	266	762	731

- (a) Metal production is reported on the basis of payable metal.
- (b) The Escondida Phase IV expansion was commissioned in October 2002.
- (c) Sulphide production at Tintaya was temporarily reduced in January 2002 due to weak market conditions. Sulphide mining operations recommenced during August 2003.
- (d) BHP Billiton announced the sale of its interest in Alumbraera in March 2003. The sale transaction reached closure in June 2003.
- (e) BHP Billiton sold its interest in Highland Valley Copper with effect from January 3, 2004.
- (f) Production at Selbaie ceased in February 2004, in accordance with mine plan. Shipments are expected to cease in May 2004.
- (g) Production ceased at Pering, ahead of mine closure, in February 2003.
- (h) Iron ore production is reported on a wet tonnes basis.
- (i) Includes bulk sample production from Area C prior to May 2003.
- (j) Production commenced in May 2003.
- (k) Coal production is reported on the basis of saleable product. Production figures include some thermal coal.
- (l) Shown on 100% basis before 20% outside equity interest.
- (m) Shown on 100% basis. BHP Billiton interest in saleable production is 60%.
- (n) Production shown on 86.5% basis after allowing for Indonesian state owned corporation's 13.5% share of production. Mining operations at Petangis ceased in October 2002.

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<b>PETROLEUM</b>							
BHP Billiton attributable production unless otherwise stated.							
<b>CRUDE OIL &amp; CONDENSATE ('000 barrels)</b>							
Bass Strait	5,391	5,643	5,872	5,333	<b>5,174</b>	<b>16,379</b>	17,989
North West Shelf - condensate	1,566	1,560	1,491	1,204	<b>1,352</b>	<b>4,047</b>	4,678
North West Shelf - Wanaea/Cossack	1,679	1,606	1,604	1,675	<b>1,519</b>	<b>4,798</b>	5,210
Laminaria	1,419	1,161	1,151	966	<b>928</b>	<b>3,045</b>	6,202
Griffin	831	708	742	563	<b>380</b>	<b>1,685</b>	3,201
Pakistan	16	14	53	53	<b>50</b>	<b>156</b>	51
Typhoon/Boris (a)	852	1,430	1,214	1,605	<b>1,457</b>	<b>4,276</b>	2,739
Americas	816	715	608	586	<b>332</b>	<b>1,526</b>	2,186
Liverpool Bay	2,174	2,344	2,324	2,061	<b>1,926</b>	<b>6,311</b>	6,475
Bruce/Keith	566	454	453	387	<b>423</b>	<b>1,263</b>	1,527
Algeria (b)				444	<b>800</b>	<b>1,244</b>	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>15,310</b>	<b>15,635</b>	<b>15,512</b>	<b>14,877</b>	<b>14,341</b>	<b>44,730</b>	<b>50,258</b>
<b>NATURAL GAS (billion cubic feet)</b>							
Bass Strait	17.51	25.37	33.04	23.86	<b>24.95</b>	<b>81.85</b>	71.65
North West Shelf - Domestic	3.81	4.07	3.99	3.95	<b>3.91</b>	<b>11.85</b>	11.25
North West Shelf - LNG	15.11	15.41	16.74	14.93	<b>13.74</b>	<b>45.41</b>	46.59
Griffin	0.81	0.81	0.96	0.90	<b>0.44</b>	<b>2.30</b>	2.79
Pakistan	2.57	2.33	7.86	7.83	<b>7.51</b>	<b>23.20</b>	8.16
Typhoon/Boris (a)	2.03	2.03	1.58	2.41	<b>2.14</b>	<b>6.13</b>	4.12
Americas	3.34	3.42	3.25	3.73	<b>2.60</b>	<b>9.58</b>	11.05
Bruce	10.04	8.17	8.77	8.52	<b>9.27</b>	<b>26.56</b>	25.18
Keith	0.15	0.14	0.11	0.08	<b>0.17</b>	<b>0.36</b>	0.37
Liverpool Bay	11.62	11.16	8.89	11.36	<b>11.74</b>	<b>31.99</b>	27.10
<b>Total</b>	<b>66.99</b>	<b>72.91</b>	<b>85.19</b>	<b>77.57</b>	<b>76.47</b>	<b>239.23</b>	<b>208.26</b>
<b>LPG ('000 tonnes)</b>							
Bass Strait	111.74	135.18	150.19	130.02	<b>111.26</b>	<b>391.47</b>	376.63
North West Shelf	32.67	32.39	34.21	28.11	<b>29.59</b>	<b>91.91</b>	100.03
Bruce	15.10	37.24	14.12	17.71	<b>18.40</b>	<b>50.23</b>	58.02
Keith	1.11	0.76	0.81	0.31	<b>0.82</b>	<b>1.94</b>	2.87
Algeria (b)				24.36	<b>57.76</b>	<b>82.12</b>	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>160.62</b>	<b>205.57</b>	<b>199.33</b>	<b>200.51</b>	<b>217.83</b>	<b>617.67</b>	<b>537.55</b>
<b>ETHANE ('000 tonnes)</b>							
	22.35	24.97	27.32	25.25	<b>16.59</b>	<b>69.16</b>	69.93
<b>TOTAL PETROLEUM PRODUCTS (million barrels of oil equivalent) (c)</b>							
	28.4	30.3	32.1	30.2	<b>29.8</b>	<b>92.15</b>	91.50

(a) Boris commenced production in February 2003.

(b) Ohanet commenced production in October 2003.

(c) Total barrels of oil equivalent (boe) conversions based on the following:

6000 scf of natural gas equals 1 boe

1 tonne of LPG equals 11.6 boe

1 tonne of ethane equals 4.4667 boe



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### ALUMINIUM

BHP Billiton attributable production and sales unless otherwise stated.  
(’000 tonnes)

#### ALUMINA

##### Production

Worsley, Australia	658	724	699	700	<b>704</b>	<b>2,103</b>	2,018
Paranam, Suriname	222	223	227	230	<b>228</b>	<b>685</b>	656
Alumar, Brazil	123	113	127	120	<b>130</b>	<b>377</b>	358
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,003</b>	<b>1,060</b>	<b>1,053</b>	<b>1,050</b>	<b>1,062</b>	<b>3,165</b>	<b>3,032</b>

##### Sales

Worsley, Australia	751	636	697	740	<b>652</b>	<b>2,089</b>	2,115
Paranam, Suriname	243	228	221	250	<b>233</b>	<b>704</b>	697
Alumar, Brazil	124	107	120	128	<b>144</b>	<b>392</b>	379
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,118</b>	<b>971</b>	<b>1,038</b>	<b>1,118</b>	<b>1,029</b>	<b>3,185</b>	<b>3,191</b>

#### ALUMINIUM

##### Production

Hillside, South Africa	133	132	135	151	<b>169</b>	<b>455</b>	402
Bayside, South Africa	48	46	47	46	<b>45</b>	<b>138</b>	139
Alumar, Brazil	45	45	31	36	<b>44</b>	<b>111</b>	133
Valesul, Brazil	10	11	11	11	<b>11</b>	<b>33</b>	32
Mozal, Mozambique	31	39	58	64	<b>64</b>	<b>186</b>	95
<b>Total</b>	<b>267</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>282</b>	<b>308</b>	<b>333</b>	<b>923</b>	<b>801</b>

##### Sales

Hillside, South Africa	133	143	134	145	<b>176</b>	<b>455</b>	392
Bayside, South Africa	48	48	54	35	<b>49</b>	<b>138</b>	140
Alumar, Brazil	38	51	38	25	<b>39</b>	<b>102</b>	128
Valesul, Brazil	9	10	11	12	<b>11</b>	<b>34</b>	30
Mozal, Mozambique	33	41	61	40	<b>78</b>	<b>179</b>	95
<b>Total</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>293</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>257</b>	<b>353</b>	<b>908</b>	<b>785</b>

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### BASE METALS

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#### Escondida, Chile (a)

Material mined (100%) ('000 tonnes)	73,466	74,665	69,342	82,909	<b>78,723</b>	<b>230,974</b>	222,440
Sulphide ore milled (100%) ('000 tonnes)	16,744	16,416	18,888	18,299	<b>19,618</b>	<b>56,805</b>	41,518
Average copper grade (%)	1.49%	1.62%	1.33%	1.31%	<b>1.48%</b>	<b>1.38%</b>	1.52%
Production ex Mill (100%) ('000 tonnes)	210.8	230.9	208.2	197.1	<b>239.6</b>	<b>644.9</b>	528.2

#### Production

Payable copper ('000 tonnes)	118.5	126.6	115.9	109.1	<b>130.8</b>	<b>355.8</b>	292.5
Payable gold concentrate (fine ounces)	17,458	20,664	25,016	24,833	<b>27,561</b>	<b>77,410</b>	43,468
Copper cathode (SXEW) ('000 tonnes)	20.4	21.1	21.4	21.8	<b>21.7</b>	<b>64.9</b>	57.4
Payable silver concentrate ('000 ounces)	471	538	561	550	<b>605</b>	<b>1,716</b>	1,162

#### Sales

Payable copper ('000 tonnes)	113.5	128.9	116.2	114.8	<b>127.3</b>	<b>358.3</b>	295.3
Payable gold concentrate (fine ounces)	17,166	20,138	25,335	26,984	<b>28,545</b>	<b>80,864</b>	45,564
Copper cathode (SXEW) ('000 tonnes)	19.3	20.3	18.1	23.8	<b>26.2</b>	<b>68.1</b>	56.9
Payable silver concentrate ('000 ounces)	484	584	574	634	<b>612</b>	<b>1,820</b>	1,153

(a) Includes production from the Escondida Phase IV expansion which commissioned in October 2002.

#### Tintaya, Peru (a)

Material mined ('000 tonnes)	-	-	4,151	17,450	<b>17,206</b>	<b>38,807</b>	-
Ore milled ('000 tonnes)	-	-	-	1,408	<b>1,609</b>	<b>3,017</b>	-
Average copper grade (%)	-	-	-	1.38%	<b>1.61%</b>	<b>1.50%</b>	-

#### Production

Payable copper ('000 tonnes)	-	-	-	15.0	<b>22.9</b>	<b>37.9</b>	-
Payable gold concentrate (fine ounces)	-	-	-	2,658	<b>4,009</b>	<b>6,667</b>	-
Copper cathode (SXEW) ('000 tonnes)	9.0	9.1	9.0	9.0	<b>9.3</b>	<b>27.3</b>	26.3
Payable silver concentrate ('000 ounces)	-	-	-	170.0	<b>238.5</b>	<b>408.5</b>	-

#### Sales

Payable copper ('000 tonnes)	-	-	-	10.6	<b>23.1</b>	<b>33.7</b>	-
Payable gold concentrate (fine ounces)	-	-	-	3,086	<b>4,372</b>	<b>7,458</b>	-
Copper cathode (SXEW) ('000 tonnes)	8.7	9.5	8.9	8.7	<b>8.2</b>	<b>25.8</b>	25.4
Payable silver concentrate ('000 ounces)	-	-	-	100.0	<b>240.1</b>	<b>340.1</b>	-

(a) Sulphide production at Tintaya was temporarily suspended in January 2002 due to weak market conditions. Sulphide mining operations recommenced during August 2003.

#### Cerro Colorado, Chile

Material mined ('000 tonnes)	16,564	16,458	20,332	19,855	<b>16,199</b>	<b>56,386</b>	49,554
Ore milled ('000 tonnes)	3,916	4,130	4,346	4,405	<b>3,700</b>	<b>12,451</b>	11,617
Average copper grade (%)	1.00%	0.96%	0.99%	1.00%	<b>0.92%</b>	<b>0.97%</b>	1.00%

#### Production

Copper cathode ('000 tonnes)	32.5	33.0	33.1	33.0	<b>28.1</b>	<b>94.2</b>	98.1
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#### Sales

Copper cathode ('000 tonnes)	39.3	31.5	28.9	35.2	<b>27.8</b>	<b>91.9</b>	95.6
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<b>BASE METALS</b>								
BHP Billiton attributable production and sales unless otherwise stated. Metals production is payable metal unless otherwise stated.								
<b>Antamina, Peru</b>								
Material mined (100%)	('000 tonnes)	25,290	28,353	30,174	28,474	<b>28,588</b>	<b>87,236</b>	81,322
Ore milled (100%)	('000 tonnes)	6,424	6,697	6,018	7,273	<b>6,954</b>	<b>20,245</b>	19,613
Average head grades								
- Copper	(%)	1.32%	1.09%	1.17%	1.17%	<b>1.26%</b>	<b>1.20%</b>	1.35%
- Zinc	(%)	1.54%	1.97%	2.17%	1.77%	<b>1.48%</b>	<b>1.79%</b>	1.32%
<b>Production</b>								
Payable copper	('000 tonnes)	23.6	21.2	16.9	20.5	<b>24.6</b>	<b>62.0</b>	75.7
Payable zinc	(tonnes)	20,519	28,553	27,933	27,026	<b>19,099</b>	<b>74,058</b>	54,132
Payable silver	('000 ounces)	617	517	435	494	<b>588</b>	<b>1,517</b>	1,710
Payable molybdenum	('000 tonnes)	0.11	0.02	0.03	0.02	<b>0.08</b>	<b>0.13</b>	0.32
<b>Sales</b>								
Payable copper	('000 tonnes)	22.4	21.2	18.6	22.6	<b>20.2</b>	<b>61.4</b>	78.8
Payable zinc	(tonnes)	15,400	31,034	26,781	26,928	<b>14,219</b>	<b>67,928</b>	48,991
Payable silver	('000 ounces)	575	435	420	491	<b>423</b>	<b>1,334</b>	1,695
Payable molybdenum	('000 tonnes)	0.10	0.10	0.01	0.03	<b>0.04</b>	<b>0.09</b>	0.29
<b>Cannington, Australia</b>								
Material mined	('000 tonnes)	601	588	637	699	<b>729</b>	<b>2,065</b>	1,805
Ore milled	('000 tonnes)	589	560	589	598	<b>698</b>	<b>1,885</b>	1,752
Average head grades								
- Silver	(g/t)	550	525	564	497	<b>539</b>	<b>533</b>	550
- Lead	(%)	11.8%	12.1%	11.5%	10.5%	<b>11.4%</b>	<b>11.2%</b>	11.8%
- Zinc	(%)	4.3%	5.3%	4.0%	3.4%	<b>3.5%</b>	<b>3.6%</b>	4.3%
<b>Production</b>								
Payable silver	('000 ounces)	8,773	8,161	9,177	8,287	<b>10,485</b>	<b>27,949</b>	26,711
Payable lead	(tonnes)	58,711	59,389	59,364	55,211	<b>70,838</b>	<b>185,413</b>	178,038
Payable zinc	(tonnes)	15,480	18,479	14,850	11,692	<b>13,589</b>	<b>40,131</b>	45,383
<b>Sales</b>								
Payable silver	('000 ounces)	8,800	8,412	6,765	10,716	<b>8,569</b>	<b>26,050</b>	27,225
Payable lead	(tonnes)	58,366	58,742	43,953	69,447	<b>56,259</b>	<b>169,659</b>	180,985
Payable zinc	(tonnes)	18,155	13,288	16,223	15,443	<b>12,790</b>	<b>44,456</b>	45,111

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### BASE METALS

BHP Billiton attributable production and sales unless otherwise stated. Metals production is payable metal unless otherwise stated.

#### Selbaie, Canada (a)

Ore milled	('000 tonnes)	919	982	858	1,017	<b>346</b>	<b>2,221</b>	2,967
Average head grades								
- Zinc	(%)	1.11%	1.18%	1.13%	1.13%	<b>1.16%</b>	<b>1.14%</b>	1.20%
- Copper	(%)	0.25%	0.24%	0.25%	0.24%	<b>0.30%</b>	<b>0.25%</b>	0.29%
- Gold	(g/t)	0.23	0.23	0.22	0.20	<b>0.24</b>	<b>0.21</b>	0.24
- Silver	(g/t)	22.15	20.62	22.38	24.25	<b>26.64</b>	<b>23.90</b>	26.93
<b>Production</b>								
Payable zinc	(tonnes)	6,421	7,364	6,311	7,194	<b>2,506</b>	<b>16,011</b>	22,801
Payable copper	(tonnes)	1,654	1,768	1,606	1,764	<b>770</b>	<b>4,140</b>	6,554
Payable gold concentrate	(ounces)	4,146	4,081	3,129	3,428	<b>1,413</b>	<b>7,970</b>	13,701
Payable silver	('000 ounces)	279	284	263	316	<b>138</b>	<b>717</b>	1,241
<b>Sales</b>								
Payable zinc	(tonnes)	6,649	6,812	6,209	7,429	<b>4,127</b>	<b>17,765</b>	23,755
Payable copper	(tonnes)	2,751	1,612	1,918	1,615	<b>1,741</b>	<b>5,274</b>	7,681
Payable gold concentrate	(ounces)	5,508	4,280	4,384	3,377	<b>3,364</b>	<b>11,125</b>	14,522
Payable silver	('000 ounces)	444	355	292	253	<b>317</b>	<b>862</b>	1,449

(a) Production ceased in February 2004, in accordance with mine plan. Shipments are expected to cease in May 2004.

#### Pinto Valley, USA

<b>Production</b>								
Copper cathode (SXEW)	('000 tonnes)	2.5	2.6	2.5	2.4	<b>2.4</b>	<b>7.3</b>	8.0
<b>Sales</b>								
Copper cathode (SXEW)	('000 tonnes)	2.6	2.6	2.5	2.4	<b>2.3</b>	<b>7.2</b>	7.9

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### CARBON STEEL MATERIALS

BHP Billiton attributable production and sales unless otherwise stated.

('000 tonnes)

#### IRON ORE (a)

##### Pilbara, Australia

###### Production

Mt Newman Joint Venture	4,964	6,221	6,639	6,707	<b>6,031</b>	<b>19,377</b>	15,737
Goldsworthy Joint Venture (b)	1,497	1,497	1,633	1,477	<b>1,348</b>	<b>4,458</b>	5,196
Area C Joint Venture (c)	-	19	341	1,048	<b>1,768</b>	<b>3,157</b>	-
Yandi Joint Venture	7,452	8,353	8,679	9,005	<b>8,429</b>	<b>26,113</b>	23,435
Jimblebar	1,371	1,428	1,622	1,520	<b>1,647</b>	<b>4,789</b>	3,990
Total (BHP Billiton share)	<b>15,284</b>	<b>17,518</b>	<b>18,914</b>	<b>19,757</b>	<b>19,223</b>	<b>57,894</b>	<b>48,358</b>
Total production (100%)	<b>17,739</b>	<b>20,359</b>	<b>21,965</b>	<b>22,975</b>	<b>22,326</b>	<b>67,266</b>	<b>56,188</b>

###### Shipments

Lump	4,352	4,193	4,898	5,169	<b>5,402</b>	<b>15,469</b>	12,977
Fines	12,144	13,187	13,334	13,968	<b>13,181</b>	<b>40,483</b>	37,882
Total (BHP Billiton share)	<b>16,496</b>	<b>17,380</b>	<b>18,232</b>	<b>19,137</b>	<b>18,583</b>	<b>55,952</b>	<b>50,859</b>
Total shipments (100%)	<b>19,407</b>	<b>20,448</b>	<b>21,450</b>	<b>22,515</b>	<b>21,862</b>	<b>65,827</b>	<b>59,836</b>

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

(b) Includes bulk sample production from Area C prior to May 2003.

(c) Mining commenced in May 2003.

##### Samarco, Brazil

<b>Production</b>	1,953	1,902	1,956	1,971	<b>1,862</b>	<b>5,789</b>	5,954
<b>Shipments</b>	2,049	2,153	2,013	1,886	<b>1,918</b>	<b>5,817</b>	6,087

#### METALLURGICAL COAL (a)

##### Queensland, Australia

###### Production

###### BMA

Blackwater	1,668	1,937	1,578	1,581	<b>1,508</b>	<b>4,667</b>	4,904
Goonyella	1,191	1,075	994	829	<b>1,019</b>	<b>2,842</b>	2,737
Peak Downs	1,009	1,076	1,004	1,004	<b>881</b>	<b>2,889</b>	2,555
Saraji	599	666	747	655	<b>703</b>	<b>2,105</b>	1,655
Norwich Park	610	527	524	582	<b>556</b>	<b>1,662</b>	1,634
Gregory Joint Venture	761	488	744	744	<b>596</b>	<b>2,084</b>	2,037
BMA total	<b>5,838</b>	<b>5,769</b>	<b>5,591</b>	<b>5,395</b>	<b>5,263</b>	<b>16,249</b>	<b>15,522</b>

###### BHP Mitsui Coal (b)

Riverside	300	1,014	969	812	<b>967</b>	<b>2,748</b>	1,627
South Walker Creek	900	1,019	957	779	<b>844</b>	<b>2,580</b>	2,908
BHP Mitsui Coal total	<b>1,200</b>	<b>2,033</b>	<b>1,926</b>	<b>1,591</b>	<b>1,811</b>	<b>5,328</b>	<b>4,535</b>
<u>Queensland total</u>	<b>7,038</b>	<b>7,802</b>	<b>7,517</b>	<b>6,986</b>	<b>7,074</b>	<b>21,577</b>	<b>20,057</b>

###### Shipments

Coking coal	4,707	4,395	4,838	5,258	<b>5,116</b>	<b>15,212</b>	12,906
Weak coking coal	1,569	1,525	1,617	1,649	<b>1,585</b>	<b>4,851</b>	4,811
Thermal coal	852	943	801	987	<b>803</b>	<b>2,591</b>	2,674
Total	<b>7,128</b>	<b>6,863</b>	<b>7,256</b>	<b>7,894</b>	<b>7,504</b>	<b>22,654</b>	<b>20,391</b>

(a) Coal production is reported on the basis of saleable product. Production figures include some thermal coal.

(b) BHP Mitsui Coal production shown on 100% basis before 20% outside equity interest.

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**CARBON STEEL MATERIALS**

BHP Billiton attributable production and sales unless otherwise stated.  
('000 tonnes)

**Illawarra, Australia**

<b>Production</b>	1,518	1,224	1,582	1,459	<b>1,458</b>	<b>4,499</b>	5,539
<b>Shipments</b>							
Coking coal	1,611	1,571	1,513	1,293	<b>1,359</b>	<b>4,165</b>	5,026
Thermal coal	242	179	91	47	<b>134</b>	<b>272</b>	471
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,853</b>	<b>1,750</b>	<b>1,604</b>	<b>1,340</b>	<b>1,493</b>	<b>4,437</b>	<b>5,497</b>

**MANGANESE ORES****South Africa**

<b>Saleable production (a)</b>	534	574	600	651	<b>604</b>	<b>1,855</b>	1,675
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(a) Shown on 100% basis, BHP Billiton interest in saleable production is 60%.

**Australia**

<b>Saleable production (a)</b>	356	484	553	548	<b>660</b>	<b>1,761</b>	1,369
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(a) Shown on 100% basis, BHP Billiton interest in saleable production is 60%.

**MANGANESE ALLOYS****South Africa**

<b>Saleable production (a)</b>	117	137	93	122	<b>116</b>	<b>331</b>	366
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(a) Shown on 100% basis, BHP Billiton interest in saleable production is 60%.

**Australia**

<b>Saleable production (a)</b>	60	58	54	61	<b>63</b>	<b>178</b>	176
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(a) Shown on 100% basis, BHP Billiton interest in saleable production is 60%.

**HOT BRIQUETTED IRON****Boodarie™ Iron, Australia**

<b>Production</b>	465	458	496	527	<b>399</b>	<b>1,422</b>	1,212
<b>Shipments</b>	416	487	435	570	<b>436</b>	<b>1,441</b>	1,082

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**DIAMONDS AND SPECIALTY PRODUCTS**

BHP Billiton attributable production and sales unless otherwise stated.

**DIAMONDS****Ekati™, Canada**

<b>Ore Processed (100%)</b>	('000 tonnes)	1,087	1,182	1,064	1,123	<b>1,052</b>	<b>3,239</b>	3,128
<b>Production</b>	('000 carats)	1,015	1,300	1,552	1,704	<b>1,015</b>	<b>4,271</b>	3,040

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<b>ENERGY COAL</b>							
BHP Billiton attributable production and sales unless otherwise stated. ( '000 tonnes)							
<b>Ingwe, South Africa</b>							
<b>Production</b>	13,256	13,812	13,782	13,472	<b>13,231</b>	<b>40,485</b>	40,427
<b>Sales</b>							
Export	5,696	6,339	5,274	5,500	<b>5,354</b>	<b>16,128</b>	17,953
Local utility	7,160	7,926	8,215	7,701	<b>7,579</b>	<b>23,495</b>	22,259
Inland	340	337	338	326	<b>330</b>	<b>994</b>	1,223
<b>Total</b>	<b>13,196</b>	<b>14,602</b>	<b>13,827</b>	<b>13,527</b>	<b>13,263</b>	<b>40,617</b>	<b>41,435</b>
<b>New Mexico, USA</b>							
<b>Production</b>							
Navajo Coal	1,797	2,497	2,240	1,553	<b>1,709</b>	<b>5,502</b>	5,553
San Juan Coal	1,350	1,380	1,320	1,276	<b>1,978</b>	<b>4,574</b>	4,733
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,147</b>	<b>3,877</b>	<b>3,560</b>	<b>2,829</b>	<b>3,687</b>	<b>10,076</b>	<b>10,286</b>
<b>Sales - local utility</b>	3,316	3,643	3,713	3,327	<b>3,213</b>	<b>10,253</b>	10,210
<b>Hunter Valley, Australia</b>							
<b>Production</b>	1,922	2,041	1,756	2,054	<b>2,318</b>	<b>6,128</b>	4,400
<b>Sales</b>							
Export	1,036	1,301	952	861	<b>1,729</b>	<b>3,542</b>	2,700
Inland	704	1,285	873	633	<b>1,044</b>	<b>2,550</b>	1,346
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,740</b>	<b>2,586</b>	<b>1,825</b>	<b>1,494</b>	<b>2,773</b>	<b>6,092</b>	<b>4,046</b>
<b>Kalimantan, Indonesia</b>							
<b>Production (a)</b>							
Petangis (b)	28	-	-	-	-	-	273
<b>Total</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>273</b>
<b>Sales - export</b>	56	-	-	-	-	-	294
(a) Reported on 86.5% basis after allowing for the Indonesian state-owned corporation's 13.5% share of all production. (b) Mining operations at Petangis ceased in October 2002.							
<b>Cerrejon Coal, Colombia</b>							
<b>Production</b>	1,382	2,261	2,036	1,623	<b>2,043</b>	<b>5,702</b>	4,326
<b>Sales - export</b>	1,971	2,247	1,966	1,999	<b>1,828</b>	<b>5,793</b>	5,068



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**STAINLESS STEEL MATERIALS**

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('000 tonnes)

**NICKEL****CMSA, Colombia**

<b>Production</b>	11.1	12.2	12.4	12.2	<b>12.5</b>	<b>37.1</b>	34.7
<b>Sales</b>	10.3	13.5	11.1	13.1	<b>11.2</b>	<b>35.4</b>	33.6

**Yabulu, Australia**

<b>Production</b>							
Nickel	7.5	8.8	8.2	7.8	<b>8.7</b>	<b>24.7</b>	22.4
Cobalt	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.5	<b>0.5</b>	<b>1.4</b>	1.4
<b>Sales</b>							
Nickel	8.1	9.5	7.8	8.4	<b>8.0</b>	<b>24.2</b>	23.5
Cobalt	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.5	<b>0.5</b>	<b>1.4</b>	1.5

**FERROCHROME****South Africa**

<b>Saleable production (a)</b>	263	259	227	269	<b>266</b>	<b>762</b>	731
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(a) Shown on 100% basis, BHP Billiton interest in saleable production is 60%.