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## **BHP BILLITON PRODUCTION REPORT FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED 31 MARCH 2008**

BHP Billiton today released its production report for the nine months ended 31 March 2008. Throughout this report, unless otherwise stated, production volumes refer to BHP Billiton share and exclude suspended and sold operations.

- **Year to date production increased for 12 commodities reflecting our strong track record of consistent growth on the back of projects delivered from our deep inventory of projects. First product was delivered from eight projects into commodity markets that remain strong.**
- **Significant increase in petroleum production with continuing ramp up of recently commissioned projects and strong facility and reservoir performance offsetting natural field decline. On track to deliver 10% volume growth for the 2008 financial year.**
- **Western Australia iron ore operations (Australia) achieved record quarterly and year to date production and shipments during a seasonally challenging quarter.**
- **Record year to date manganese ore and alloy production delivered in a strong price environment. Manganese ore also achieved quarterly production record. This was set despite restrictions on power consumption in South Africa.**
- **Record year to date copper production achieved as newly commissioned projects continue to ramp up in a period of strong pricing.**
- **The Yabulu Expansion Project (Australia) achieved first production during the quarter.**
- **Record year to date production of natural gas and alumina.**
- **Year to date production records achieved at the Worsley, Western Australia Iron Ore, GEMCO, TEMCO, Illawarra Coal, and Hunter Valley Coal (all Australia), Escondida (Chile), Paranam (Suriname), Alumar and Samarco (both Brazil), Samancor (South Africa) and Cerrejon Coal (Colombia) operations.**
- **Metallurgical coal production in Queensland (Australia) and nickel production at Cerro Matoso (Colombia) has resumed following extreme weather conditions and industrial action respectively. Ramp up to normal operating levels continuing.**
- **Southern Africa aluminium production was impacted by a mandatory 10 per cent reduction in power consumption.**

	MAR 2008 YTD	MAR 2008 QTR	MAR YTD 08 vs MAR YTD 07	MAR Q08 vs MAR Q07	MAR Q08 vs DEC Q07
<b>PETROLEUM</b>					
Crude Oil, Condensate and Natural Gas Liquids ('000 bbl) (a)	47,836	18,441	13%	39%	23%
Natural Gas (bcf) (a)	272.65	85.75	6%	1%	-6%
Total Petroleum Products (million boe) (a)	93.27	32.73	10%	19%	8%

**Total Petroleum Products** – Significant growth in production was mainly driven by the continued ramp up of Stybarrow (Australia), Genghis Khan and Atlantis (both USA) and excellent operated facility performance.

**Crude Oil, Condensate and Natural Gas Liquids** – Production was higher than all comparative periods due to significant growth in high margin crude production. Continued ramp up of new projects and successful development drilling had a very positive impact. Partially offsetting this was the impact of natural field decline, unplanned interruption at North West Shelf (Australia) and the impact of cyclone activities in Western Australia.

**Natural Gas** – Production was lower than the December 2007 quarter due to expected lower seasonal gas demand in southeast Australia and unplanned interruption at North West Shelf.

	MAR 2008 YTD	MAR 2008 QTR	MAR YTD 08 vs MAR YTD 07	MAR Q08 vs MAR Q07	MAR Q08 vs DEC Q07
<b>ALUMINIUM</b>					
Alumina ('000 tonnes)	3,405	1,095	3%	1%	-5%
Aluminium ('000 tonnes)	993	318	-1%	-4%	-6%

**Alumina** – Production and sales for the nine months ended March 2008 were all time records due to record performance from all operations.

Production was marginally lower than the December 2007 quarter. This primarily reflects reduced production at Worsley due to gas supply curtailments.

**Aluminium** – Production was impacted by the mandatory 10 per cent reduction in power consumption across the Southern Africa smelters. This was in part offset by equalled quarterly and year to date record production from Alumar.

	MAR 2008 YTD	MAR 2008 QTR	MAR YTD 08 vs MAR YTD 07	MAR Q08 vs MAR Q07	MAR Q08 vs DEC Q07
<b>BASE METALS</b>					
Copper ('000 tonnes)	984.8	328.9	8%	-8%	-6%
Lead (tonnes)	199,950	67,885	34%	7%	-4%
Zinc (tonnes)	101,036	35,970	27%	1%	29%
Silver ('000 ounces)	34,251	11,221	37%	2%	-6%
Uranium Oxide Concentrate (Uranium) (tonnes)	3,117	993	25%	12%	-17%

**Copper** – Year to date production record was set with the continued ramp up of Escondida Sulphide Leach and Spence (both Chile) and Pinto Valley (USA). In aggregate, these projects contributed 166,000 tonnes during the nine months ended March 2008. This was achieved despite the impact of two earthquakes in Chile in the December 2007 quarter, and lower production from Antamina (Peru) and Olympic Dam (Australia).

Production was lower than the March 2007 and December 2007 quarters mainly due to lower grade and recovery from Escondida and unplanned interruptions at Olympic Dam.

**Lead** – Year to date production increased due to the completion of the Cannington (Australia) rehabilitation project.

**Zinc** – Production was higher than the nine months ended March 2007 and the December 2007 quarter due to higher grade and an increased proportion of zinc containing ore being processed at Antamina. The completion of the Cannington rehabilitation project also had a positive impact on the production for the nine months ended March 2008.

**Silver** – Production for the nine months ended March 2008 improved significantly due to the successful completion of the Cannington rehabilitation project and record performance from Escondida and Antamina.

**Uranium** – Production was higher than the nine months and quarter ended March 2007 due to ongoing progress at improving recovery and leach circuit performance at Olympic Dam.

Production was lower than the December 2007 quarter mainly due to decline in grade and scheduled maintenance.

	MAR 2008 YTD	MAR 2008 QTR	MAR YTD 08 vs MAR YTD 07	MAR Q08 vs MAR Q07	MAR Q08 vs DEC Q07
<b>DIAMONDS &amp; SPECIALTY PRODUCTS</b>					
Diamonds ('000 carats)	2,485	620	7%	-30%	-26%

**Diamonds** – Production decreased versus the March 2007 and December 2007 quarters mainly due to lower grades. Although production was lower, it included an increased proportion of higher value carats. As Ekati (Canada) transitions from open pit mining to underground mining the mix of ore processed will change from time to time.

	MAR 2008 YTD	MAR 2008 QTR	MAR YTD 08 vs MAR YTD 07	MAR Q08 vs MAR Q07	MAR Q08 vs DEC Q07
<b>STAINLESS STEEL MATERIALS</b>					
Nickel ('000 tonnes)	125.3	43.0	-10%	-6%	-2%

**Nickel** – Production in the nine months ended March 2008 was impacted by the industrial stoppage at Cerro Matoso, wet weather interruptions at Yabulu (Australia) and scheduled maintenance across all operations. This was partially offset by continued strong production from the Kwinana Nickel Refinery (Australia), which performed at near record levels.

The Yabulu Expansion Project delivered first production during the quarter, and the Ravensthorpe Nickel Operation (Australia) ramp up continues to progress in line with schedule.

	MAR 2008 YTD	MAR 2008 QTR	MAR YTD 08 vs MAR YTD 07	MAR Q08 vs MAR Q07	MAR Q08 vs DEC Q07
<b>IRON ORE</b>					
Iron ore ('000 tonnes) (c)	81,646	28,033	13%	22%	1%

**Iron Ore** – Record production and shipments were achieved for the nine months and quarter ended March 2008. Western Australia Iron Ore continued to perform strongly and set new year to date and quarterly production records. Samarco also set a year to date production record.

	MAR 2008 YTD	MAR 2008 QTR	MAR YTD 08 vs MAR YTD 07	MAR Q08 vs MAR Q07	MAR Q08 vs DEC Q07
<b>MANGANESE</b>					
Manganese Ore ('000 tonnes)	4,724	1,666	5%	15%	3%
Manganese Alloy ('000 tonnes)	585	192	7%	-2%	-8%

**Manganese Ore** – Record year to date and quarterly production achieved due to record or near record performance from all operations. This was achieved despite a mandatory 10% reduction in power consumption for the South African sinter plant and weather related interruptions at GEMCO.

**Manganese Alloy** – Year to date production increased due to improved facility availability and utilisation at Samancor achieved in the December 2007 quarter and record performance from TEMCO.

Production for the March 2008 quarter was impacted by the mandatory 10% reduction in power consumption in South Africa.

	MAR 2008 YTD	MAR 2008 QTR	MAR YTD 08 vs MAR YTD 07	MAR Q08 vs MAR Q07	MAR Q08 vs DEC Q07
<b>METALLURGICAL COAL</b>					
Metallurgical Coal ('000 tonnes)	26,061	6,846	-5%	-25%	-29%

**Metallurgical Coal** – Production and shipments were significantly impacted by extreme wet weather experienced at Queensland Coal (Australia). Coal production has resumed but continues to be constrained as the recovery process proceeds and mines are brought back to full operational capacity. This was partially offset by record year to date performance at Illawarra Coal (Australia).

	MAR 2008 YTD	MAR 2008 QTR	MAR YTD 08 vs MAR YTD 07	MAR Q08 vs MAR Q07	MAR Q08 vs DEC Q07
<b>ENERGY COAL</b>					
Energy Coal ('000 tonnes) (d)	59,496	19,264	-2%	-2%	-7%

**Energy Coal** – Production for the March 2008 quarter was mainly impacted by scheduled longwall move at San Juan (USA). This was offset by continued strong production at Hunter Valley Coal which achieved its' third consecutive quarterly record.

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- (a) Excluding Moranbah Coal Bed Methane (sold September 2006 quarter) and Typhoon / Boris (sold December 2006 quarter).
- (b) Earnings before interest and tax.
- (c) Excluding Goldsworthy operations which were suspended mid calendar year 2006.
- (d) Excluding Koorfontein operation which was sold effective 1 July 2007.

This report together with the Exploration and Development Report represent 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 2008.

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**BHP BILLITON PRODUCTION SUMMARY - CONTINUING OPERATIONS**

		QUARTER ENDED			YEAR TO DATE		% CHANGE		
		MAR	DEC	MAR	MAR	MAR	MAR YTD 08	MAR Q08	MAR Q08
		2007	2007	2008	2008	2007	vs MAR YTD 07	vs MAR Q07	vs DEC Q07
<b>PETROLEUM</b>									
Crude oil & condensate	('000 bbl)	10,669	12,317	<b>16,240</b>	<b>39,856</b>	33,725	18%	52%	32%
Natural gas (a)	(bcf)	85.10	91.21	<b>85.75</b>	<b>272.65</b>	256.42	6%	1%	-6%
Natural gas liquid	('000 bbl)	2,626	2,685	<b>2,201</b>	<b>7,981</b>	8,503	-6%	-16%	-18%
Total Petroleum Products (a)	(million boe)	27.42	30.20	<b>32.73</b>	<b>93.27</b>	84.87	10%	19%	8%
<b>ALUMINIUM</b>									
Alumina	('000 tonnes)	1,085	1,157	<b>1,095</b>	<b>3,405</b>	3,316	3%	1%	-5%
Aluminium	('000 tonnes)	331	338	<b>318</b>	<b>993</b>	1,006	-1%	-4%	-6%
<b>BASE METALS</b>									
Copper	('000 tonnes)	357.6	348.1	<b>328.9</b>	<b>984.8</b>	908.0	8%	-8%	-6%
Lead	(tonnes)	63,443	70,544	<b>67,885</b>	<b>199,950</b>	149,557	34%	7%	-4%
Zinc	(tonnes)	35,760	27,807	<b>35,970</b>	<b>101,036</b>	79,547	27%	1%	29%
Gold	(ounces)	43,904	45,714	<b>36,216</b>	<b>122,243</b>	123,628	-1%	-18%	-21%
Silver	('000 ounces)	11,025	11,905	<b>11,221</b>	<b>34,251</b>	24,940	37%	2%	-6%
Uranium oxide concentrate	(tonnes)	883	1,191	<b>993</b>	<b>3,117</b>	2,498	25%	12%	-17%
Molybdenum	(tonnes)	288	679	<b>580</b>	<b>1,952</b>	1,775	10%	101%	-15%
<b>DIAMONDS AND SPECIALTY PRODUCTS</b>									
Diamonds	('000 carats)	889	843	<b>620</b>	<b>2,485</b>	2,313	7%	-30%	-26%
<b>STAINLESS STEEL MATERIALS</b>									
Nickel	('000 tonnes)	45.8	43.7	<b>43.0</b>	<b>125.3</b>	138.6	-10%	-6%	-2%
<b>IRON ORE</b>									
Iron ore (b)	('000 tonnes)	22,884	27,746	<b>28,033</b>	<b>81,646</b>	72,451	13%	22%	1%
<b>MANGANESE</b>									
Manganese ore	('000 tonnes)	1,452	1,613	<b>1,666</b>	<b>4,724</b>	4,490	5%	15%	3%
Manganese alloy	('000 tonnes)	196	209	<b>192</b>	<b>585</b>	546	7%	-2%	-8%
<b>METALLURGICAL COAL</b>									
Metallurgical coal	('000 tonnes)	9,084	9,643	<b>6,846</b>	<b>26,061</b>	27,297	-5%	-25%	-29%
<b>ENERGY COAL</b>									
Energy coal (c)	('000 tonnes)	19,737	20,609	<b>19,264</b>	<b>59,496</b>	60,935	-2%	-2%	-7%

(a) Excluding Moranbah Coal Bed Methane (sold September 2006 quarter) and Typhoon / Boris (sold December 2006 quarter).

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

**BHP BILLITON ATTRIBUTABLE PRODUCTION**

	BHP Billiton Interest	YEAR TO DATE						
		MAR 2007	JUNE 2007	SEPT 2007	DEC 2007	MAR 2008	MAR 2008	MAR 2007
<b>PETROLEUM</b>								
<b>Production</b>								
Crude oil & condensate	('000 bbl)	10,671	11,443	11,299	12,317	<b>16,240</b>	<b>39,856</b>	33,725
Natural gas	(bcf)	86.68	95.25	95.68	91.21	<b>85.76</b>	<b>272.65</b>	261.60
NGL (a)	('000 bbl)	2,626	3,018	3,095	2,685	<b>2,201</b>	<b>7,981</b>	8,504
Total Petroleum Products	(million boe)	27.68	30.47	30.34	30.20	<b>32.73</b>	<b>93.27</b>	85.73
<b>ALUMINIUM</b>								
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<b>Production ('000 tonnes)</b>								
Worsley	86%	708	768	784	771	<b>712</b>	<b>2,267</b>	2,188
Suriname	45%	241	243	244	252	<b>247</b>	<b>743</b>	735
Alumar	36%	136	133	125	134	<b>136</b>	<b>395</b>	393
Total		1,085	1,144	1,153	1,157	<b>1,095</b>	<b>3,405</b>	3,316
<b>ALUMINIUM</b>								
<b>Production ('000 tonnes)</b>								
Hillside	100%	174	177	178	180	<b>167</b>	<b>525</b>	527
Bayside	100%	48	47	48	47	<b>44</b>	<b>139</b>	147
Alumar	40%	44	44	44	44	<b>45</b>	<b>133</b>	133
Mozal	47%	65	66	67	67	<b>62</b>	<b>196</b>	199
Total		331	334	337	338	<b>318</b>	<b>993</b>	1,006
<b>BASE METALS (b)</b>								
<b>COPPER</b>								
<b>Payable metal in concentrate ('000 tonnes)</b>								
Escondida	57.5%	178.1	170.5	167.0	177.3	<b>157.0</b>	<b>501.3</b>	468.4
Antamina	33.8%	24.2	26.4	27.5	29.3	<b>24.1</b>	<b>80.9</b>	87.3
Pinto Valley	100%	-	-	-	5.2	<b>9.6</b>	<b>14.8</b>	-
Total		202.3	196.9	194.5	211.8	<b>190.7</b>	<b>597.0</b>	555.7
<b>Cathode ('000 tonnes)</b>								
Escondida	57.5%	38.2	37.7	30.9	30.3	<b>30.1</b>	<b>91.3</b>	88.4
Cerro Colorado	100%	28.1	20.3	23.1	27.3	<b>28.7</b>	<b>79.1</b>	85.5
Spence (c)	100%	33.5	37.7	23.9	34.2	<b>41.6</b>	<b>99.7</b>	37.8
Pinto Valley	100%	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.7	<b>1.8</b>	<b>5.3</b>	5.7
Olympic Dam	100%	53.6	47.6	33.6	42.8	<b>36.0</b>	<b>112.4</b>	134.9
Total		155.3	145.2	113.3	136.3	<b>138.2</b>	<b>387.8</b>	352.3
<b>LEAD</b>								
<b>Payable metal in concentrate (tonnes)</b>								
Cannington	100%	62,974	62,409	61,073	70,369	<b>67,505</b>	<b>198,947</b>	148,405
Antamina	33.8%	469	317	448	175	<b>380</b>	<b>1,003</b>	1,152
Total		63,443	62,726	61,521	70,544	<b>67,885</b>	<b>199,950</b>	149,557
<b>ZINC</b>								
<b>Payable metal in concentrate (tonnes)</b>								
Cannington	100%	15,095	11,355	14,503	15,487	<b>13,735</b>	<b>43,725</b>	34,327
Antamina	33.8%	20,665	27,793	22,756	12,320	<b>22,235</b>	<b>57,311</b>	45,220
Total		35,760	39,148	37,259	27,807	<b>35,970</b>	<b>101,036</b>	79,547

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**BHP BILLITON ATTRIBUTABLE PRODUCTION**

	BHP Billiton Interest	YEAR TO DATE						
		MAR 2007	JUNE 2007	SEPT 2007	DEC 2007	MAR 2008	MAR 2008	MAR 2007
<b>BASE METALS (continued)</b>								
<b>GOLD</b>								
<b>Payable metal in concentrate (ounces)</b>								
Escondida	57.5%	21,243	23,754	23,194	21,376	17,660	62,230	60,657
Olympic Dam (refined gold)	100%	22,661	28,689	17,119	24,338	18,555	60,012	62,971
Pinto Valley	100%	-	-	-	-	1	1	-
<b>Total</b>		<b>43,904</b>	<b>52,443</b>	<b>40,313</b>	<b>45,714</b>	<b>36,216</b>	<b>122,243</b>	<b>123,628</b>
<b>SILVER</b>								
<b>Payable metal in concentrate ('000 ounces)</b>								
Escondida	57.5%	920	990	1,116	877	790	2,783	2,524
Antamina	33.8%	749	934	1,056	652	803	2,511	2,198
Cannington	100%	9,160	9,426	8,759	10,124	9,421	28,304	19,679
Olympic Dam (refined silver)	100%	196	275	193	239	169	601	539
Pinto Valley	100%	-	-	-	13	38	52	-
<b>Total</b>		<b>11,025</b>	<b>11,625</b>	<b>11,124</b>	<b>11,905</b>	<b>11,221</b>	<b>34,251</b>	<b>24,940</b>
<b>URANIUM OXIDE CONCENTRATE</b>								
<b>Payable metal in concentrate (tonnes)</b>								
Olympic Dam	100%	883	988	933	1,191	993	3,117	2,498
<b>Total</b>		<b>883</b>	<b>988</b>	<b>933</b>	<b>1,191</b>	<b>993</b>	<b>3,117</b>	<b>2,498</b>
<b>MOLYBDENUM</b>								
<b>Payable metal in concentrate (tonnes)</b>								
Antamina	33.8%	288	493	693	679	580	1,952	1,775
<b>Total</b>		<b>288</b>	<b>493</b>	<b>693</b>	<b>679</b>	<b>580</b>	<b>1,952</b>	<b>1,775</b>
<b>DIAMONDS AND SPECIALTY PRODUCTS</b>								
<b>DIAMONDS</b>								
<b>Production ('000 carats)</b>								
Ekati™	80%	889	911	1,022	843	620	2,485	2,313
<b>STAINLESS STEEL MATERIALS</b>								
<b>NICKEL</b>								
<b>Production ('000 tonnes)</b>								
CMSA	99.9%	12.8	12.7	12.5	11.4	7.8	31.7	38.3
Yabulu	100%	8.0	9.3	5.5	6.0	6.2	17.7	22.8
Nickel West	100%	25.0	26.6	20.6	26.3	29.0	75.9	77.5
<b>Total</b>		<b>45.8</b>	<b>48.6</b>	<b>38.6</b>	<b>43.7</b>	<b>43.0</b>	<b>125.3</b>	<b>138.6</b>

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		MAR 2007	JUNE 2007	SEPT 2007	DEC 2007	MAR 2008	MAR 2008	MAR 2007
<b>IRON ORE</b>								
<b>Production ('000 tonnes) (d)</b>								
Mt Newman Joint Venture	85%	6,711	7,665	7,904	8,147	<b>7,265</b>	<b>23,316</b>	21,641
Goldsworthy Joint Venture	85%	142	195	134	170	<b>386</b>	<b>690</b>	1,032
Area C Joint Venture	85%	4,853	5,078	4,916	6,474	<b>7,114</b>	<b>18,504</b>	15,008
Yandi Joint Venture	85%	8,277	9,661	9,823	9,770	<b>10,061</b>	<b>29,654</b>	25,887
Jimblebar	85%	1,177	1,341	1,157	1,248	<b>1,660</b>	<b>4,065</b>	4,116
Samarco	50%	1,866	2,001	2,067	2,107	<b>1,933</b>	<b>6,107</b>	5,799
<b>Total</b>		<b>23,026</b>	<b>25,941</b>	<b>26,001</b>	<b>27,916</b>	<b>28,419</b>	<b>82,336</b>	73,483
<b>MANGANESE</b>								
<b>MANGANESE ORES</b>								
<b>Saleable production ('000 tonnes)</b>								
South Africa (e)	60%	632	631	572	709	<b>877</b>	<b>2,158</b>	1,939
Australia (e)	60%	820	888	873	904	<b>789</b>	<b>2,566</b>	2,551
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,452</b>	<b>1,519</b>	<b>1,445</b>	<b>1,613</b>	<b>1,666</b>	<b>4,724</b>	4,490
<b>MANGANESE ALLOYS</b>								
<b>Saleable production ('000 tonnes)</b>								
South Africa (e) (f)	60%	132	137	123	141	<b>125</b>	<b>389</b>	356
Australia (e)	60%	64	49	61	68	<b>67</b>	<b>196</b>	190
<b>Total</b>		<b>196</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>585</b>	546
<b>METALLURGICAL COAL</b>								
<b>Production ('000 tonnes) (g)</b>								
BMA	50%	6,478	7,442	5,917	6,138	<b>4,232</b>	<b>16,287</b>	19,241
BHP Mitsui Coal (h)	80%	1,067	2,047	1,454	1,526	<b>847</b>	<b>3,827</b>	2,813
Illawarra	100%	1,539	1,643	2,201	1,979	<b>1,767</b>	<b>5,947</b>	5,243
<b>Total</b>		<b>9,084</b>	<b>11,132</b>	<b>9,572</b>	<b>9,643</b>	<b>6,846</b>	<b>26,061</b>	27,297
<b>ENERGY COAL</b>								
<b>Production ('000 tonnes)</b>								
South Africa	100%	12,863	12,596	11,706	11,277	<b>11,129</b>	<b>34,112</b>	39,046
USA	100%	3,106	4,636	2,511	3,671	<b>2,636</b>	<b>8,818</b>	10,444
Australia	100%	2,731	2,610	2,918	2,959	<b>2,965</b>	<b>8,842</b>	8,287
Colombia	33%	2,230	2,441	2,488	2,702	<b>2,534</b>	<b>7,724</b>	6,965
<b>Total</b>		<b>20,930</b>	<b>22,283</b>	<b>19,623</b>	<b>20,609</b>	<b>19,264</b>	<b>59,496</b>	64,742

- (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) Spence operations were commissioned during the December 2006 quarter.
- (d) Iron ore production is reported on a wet tonnes basis.
- (e) Shown on 100% basis. BHP Billiton interest in saleable production is 60%.
- (f) Production includes Medium Carbon Ferro Manganese.
- (g) Metallurgical coal production is reported on the basis of saleable product. Production figures include some thermal coal.
- (h) Shown on 100% basis. BHP Billiton interest in saleable production is 80%.

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<b>PETROLEUM</b>							
BHP Billiton attributable production unless otherwise stated.							
<b>CRUDE OIL &amp; CONDENSATE ('000 barrels)</b>							
Bass Strait	3,144	3,929	3,638	3,103	<b>2,918</b>	<b>9,659</b>	10,302
North West Shelf	2,532	2,514	2,532	2,493	<b>1,912</b>	<b>6,937</b>	8,251
Atlantis (a)	-	-	-	615	<b>3,320</b>	<b>3,935</b>	-
Shenzi (a)	-	-	-	32	<b>194</b>	<b>226</b>	-
Liverpool Bay & Bruce / Keith	1,053	1,011	923	946	<b>935</b>	<b>2,804</b>	3,645
ROD / Ohanet	2,104	1,730	1,830	1,709	<b>1,628</b>	<b>5,167</b>	5,861
Other (b)	1,838	2,259	2,376	3,419	<b>5,333</b>	<b>11,128</b>	5,666
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,671</b>	<b>11,443</b>	<b>11,299</b>	<b>12,317</b>	<b>16,240</b>	<b>39,856</b>	<b>33,725</b>
<b>NATURAL GAS (billion cubic feet) (c)</b>							
Bass Strait	22.73	37.70	39.77	28.41	<b>22.44</b>	<b>90.62</b>	76.80
North West Shelf	27.10	25.70	27.17	28.13	<b>26.43</b>	<b>81.73</b>	79.80
Atlantis (a)	-	-	-	0.12	<b>1.54</b>	<b>1.66</b>	-
Shenzi (a)	-	-	-	0.01	<b>0.06</b>	<b>0.07</b>	-
Liverpool Bay & Bruce / Keith	15.18	12.71	8.87	12.70	<b>12.32</b>	<b>33.89</b>	40.55
Other (b)	21.67	19.14	19.87	21.84	<b>22.97</b>	<b>64.68</b>	64.46
<b>Total</b>	<b>86.68</b>	<b>95.25</b>	<b>95.68</b>	<b>91.21</b>	<b>85.76</b>	<b>272.65</b>	<b>261.60</b>
<b>NGL ('000 barrels)</b>							
Bass Strait	1,643	2,163	2,327	1,801	<b>1,571</b>	<b>5,699</b>	5,593
North West Shelf	435	369	438	417	<b>300</b>	<b>1,155</b>	1,320
Liverpool Bay & Bruce / Keith	151	124	48	153	<b>109</b>	<b>310</b>	439
ROD / Ohanet	397	362	282	314	<b>221</b>	<b>817</b>	1,152
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,626</b>	<b>3,018</b>	<b>3,095</b>	<b>2,685</b>	<b>2,201</b>	<b>7,981</b>	<b>8,504</b>
<b>TOTAL PETROLEUM PRODUCTS</b>							
<b>(million barrels of oil equivalent) (d)</b>	<b>27.68</b>	<b>30.47</b>	<b>30.34</b>	<b>30.20</b>	<b>32.73</b>	<b>93.27</b>	<b>85.73</b>

- (a) Atlantis and Genghis Khan operations were commissioned during the December 2007 quarter. Genghis Khan is reported in Shenzi.
- (b) Other includes Stybarrow, Griffin, Minerva, Angostura, Mad Dog, West Cameron 76, Mustang, Genesis, Starlifter, Green Canyon 18/60 and Pakistan. Stybarrow operation was commissioned during the December 2007 quarter.
- (c) BHP Billiton completed the sale of its interest in Moranbah Coal Bed Methane in the September 2006 quarter.
- (d) Total barrels of oil equivalent (boe) conversions are based on 6000scf of natural gas equals 1 boe.

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### ALUMINIUM

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

#### ALUMINA

##### Production

Worsley, Australia	708	768	784	771	712	2,267	2,188
Paranam, Suriname	241	243	244	252	247	743	735
Alumar, Brazil	136	133	125	134	136	395	393
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,085</b>	<b>1,144</b>	<b>1,153</b>	<b>1,157</b>	<b>1,095</b>	<b>3,405</b>	<b>3,316</b>

##### Sales

Worsley, Australia	659	794	792	803	683	2,278	2,145
Paranam, Suriname	225	253	244	265	246	755	704
Alumar, Brazil	120	164	131	128	135	394	365
<b>Total (a)</b>	<b>1,004</b>	<b>1,211</b>	<b>1,167</b>	<b>1,196</b>	<b>1,064</b>	<b>3,427</b>	<b>3,214</b>

### ALUMINIUM

##### Production

Hillside, South Africa	174	177	178	180	167	525	527
Bayside, South Africa	48	47	48	47	44	139	147
Alumar, Brazil	44	44	44	44	45	133	133
Mozal, Mozambique	65	66	67	67	62	196	199
<b>Total</b>	<b>331</b>	<b>334</b>	<b>337</b>	<b>338</b>	<b>318</b>	<b>993</b>	<b>1,006</b>

##### Sales

Hillside, South Africa	162	188	165	180	159	504	505
Bayside, South Africa	46	57	50	50	48	148	137
Alumar, Brazil	38	47	43	48	43	134	124
Mozal, Mozambique	64	70	56	72	57	185	190
<b>Total</b>	<b>310</b>	<b>362</b>	<b>314</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>307</b>	<b>971</b>	<b>956</b>
Tolling Agreement (a)	33	32	33	33	30	96	77
	<b>343</b>	<b>394</b>	<b>347</b>	<b>383</b>	<b>337</b>	<b>1,067</b>	<b>1,033</b>

(a) Equity Alumina is converted into Aluminium under a third party tolling agreement. These tonnages are allocated to equity sales.

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### BASE METALS

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

#### Escondida, Chile

Material mined (100%)	('000 tonnes)	85,654	88,409	82,995	88,319	<b>102,566</b>	<b>273,880</b>	239,025
Sulphide ore milled (100%)	('000 tonnes)	23,450	23,064	22,406	21,777	<b>22,029</b>	<b>66,212</b>	64,292
Average copper grade	(%)	1.62%	1.58%	1.63%	1.72%	<b>1.56%</b>	<b>1.64%</b>	1.58%
Production ex Mill (100%)	('000 tonnes)	319.1	306.0	305.2	316.8	<b>285.0</b>	<b>907.0</b>	842.5

#### Production

Payable copper	('000 tonnes)	178.1	170.5	167.0	177.3	<b>157.0</b>	<b>501.3</b>	468.4
Payable gold concentrate	(fine ounces)	21,243	23,754	23,194	21,376	<b>17,660</b>	<b>62,230</b>	60,657
Copper cathode (EW)	('000 tonnes)	38.2	37.7	30.9	30.3	<b>30.1</b>	<b>91.3</b>	88.4
Payable silver concentrate	('000 ounces)	920	990	1,116	877	<b>790</b>	<b>2,783</b>	2,524

#### Sales

Payable copper	('000 tonnes)	149.4	199.0	162.9	173.0	<b>160.6</b>	<b>496.5</b>	451.1
Payable gold concentrate	(fine ounces)	17,966	27,623	22,957	21,158	<b>18,190</b>	<b>62,305</b>	58,833
Copper cathode (EW)	('000 tonnes)	36.0	43.0	32.0	23.8	<b>32.3</b>	<b>88.1</b>	77.5
Payable silver concentrate	('000 ounces)	785	1,153	1,089	864	<b>813</b>	<b>2,766</b>	2,446

#### Cerro Colorado, Chile

Material mined	('000 tonnes)	15,429	13,984	17,095	17,798	<b>16,769</b>	<b>51,662</b>	50,621
Ore milled	('000 tonnes)	4,398	4,365	4,278	4,410	<b>4,437</b>	<b>13,125</b>	13,484
Average copper grade	(%)	0.90%	0.79%	0.84%	1.03%	<b>0.80%</b>	<b>0.88%</b>	0.83%

#### Production

Copper cathode (EW)	('000 tonnes)	28.1	20.3	23.1	27.3	<b>28.7</b>	<b>79.1</b>	85.5
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#### Sales

Copper cathode (EW)	('000 tonnes)	27.9	24.1	23.5	24.5	<b>28.5</b>	<b>76.5</b>	84.1
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### BASE METALS

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#### Spence, Chile (a)

Material mined	('000 tonnes)	19,684	20,275	16,983	19,758	<b>20,335</b>	<b>57,076</b>	40,013
Ore milled	('000 tonnes)	4,282	3,718	4,132	4,333	<b>3,918</b>	<b>12,383</b>	7,792
Average copper grade	(%)	2.00%	1.80%	1.56%	1.61%	<b>1.48%</b>	<b>1.60%</b>	1.89%

#### Production

Copper cathode (EW)	('000 tonnes)	33.5	37.7	23.9	34.2	<b>41.6</b>	<b>99.7</b>	37.8
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#### Sales

Copper cathode (EW)	('000 tonnes)	28.0	40.4	30.0	24.0	<b>39.9</b>	<b>93.9</b>	29.3
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(a) Spence operations were commissioned during the December 2006 quarter.

#### Antamina, Peru

Material mined (100%)	('000 tonnes)	24,428	29,034	31,145	31,289	<b>29,095</b>	<b>91,529</b>	82,662
Sulphide ore milled (100%)	('000 tonnes)	7,841	8,033	8,344	6,955	<b>6,518</b>	<b>21,817</b>	23,352
Average head grades								
- Copper	(%)	1.10%	1.17%	1.15%	1.47%	<b>1.21%</b>	<b>1.27%</b>	1.24%
- Zinc	(%)	1.25%	1.46%	1.17%	0.69%	<b>1.55%</b>	<b>1.16%</b>	0.92%

#### Production

Payable copper	('000 tonnes)	24.2	26.4	27.5	29.3	<b>24.1</b>	<b>80.9</b>	87.3
Payable zinc	(tonnes)	20,665	27,793	22,756	12,320	<b>22,235</b>	<b>57,311</b>	45,220
Payable silver	('000 ounces)	749	934	1,056	652	<b>803</b>	<b>2,511</b>	2,198
Payable lead	(tonnes)	469	317	448	175	<b>380</b>	<b>1,003</b>	1,152
Payable molybdenum	(tonnes)	288	493	693	679	<b>580</b>	<b>1,952</b>	1,775

#### Sales

Payable copper	('000 tonnes)	25.0	20.7	28.5	32.6	<b>20.4</b>	<b>81.5</b>	94.2
Payable zinc	(tonnes)	15,479	31,914	25,306	12,458	<b>16,630</b>	<b>54,394</b>	43,556
Payable silver	('000 ounces)	707	645	917	719	<b>512</b>	<b>2,148</b>	2,185
Payable lead	(tonnes)	686	394	334	140	<b>261</b>	<b>735</b>	1,677
Payable molybdenum	(tonnes)	591	480	662	605	<b>531</b>	<b>1,798</b>	1,953

#### Cannington, Australia

Material mined	('000 tonnes)	732	717	824	808	<b>698</b>	<b>2,330</b>	1,666
Ore milled	('000 tonnes)	704	688	661	755	<b>726</b>	<b>2,142</b>	1,660
Average head grades								
- Silver	(g/t)	477	493	478	489	<b>472</b>	<b>480</b>	428
- Lead	(%)	10.5%	10.3%	10.4%	10.7%	<b>10.7%</b>	<b>10.6%</b>	10.3%
- Zinc	(%)	3.6%	3.0%	3.5%	3.3%	<b>3.2%</b>	<b>3.3%</b>	3.5%

#### Production

Payable silver	('000 ounces)	9,160	9,426	8,759	10,124	<b>9,421</b>	<b>28,304</b>	19,679
Payable lead	(tonnes)	62,974	62,409	61,073	70,369	<b>67,505</b>	<b>198,947</b>	148,405
Payable zinc	(tonnes)	15,095	11,355	14,503	15,487	<b>13,735</b>	<b>43,725</b>	34,327

#### Sales

Payable silver	('000 ounces)	8,331	10,352	6,725	11,266	<b>7,727</b>	<b>25,718</b>	19,978
Payable lead	(tonnes)	56,726	66,411	46,148	78,325	<b>53,167</b>	<b>177,640</b>	147,941
Payable zinc	(tonnes)	11,585	14,888	9,257	19,577	<b>9,629</b>	<b>38,463</b>	30,246

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### BASE METALS

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

#### Olympic Dam, Australia

Material mined (a)	('000 tonnes)	2,103	2,255	2,424	2,520	<b>2,333</b>	<b>7,277</b>	6,311
Ore milled	('000 tonnes)	2,117	2,272	2,239	2,552	<b>2,225</b>	<b>7,016</b>	6,342
Average copper grade	(%)	1.96%	1.93%	1.83%	1.86%	<b>1.86%</b>	<b>1.85%</b>	2.11%
Average uranium grade	kg/t	0.59	0.58	0.57	0.63	<b>0.59</b>	<b>0.60</b>	0.58

#### Production

Copper cathode (ER)	('000 tonnes)	50.2	44.1	30.6	40.2	<b>32.9</b>	<b>103.7</b>	124.0
Copper cathode (EW)	('000 tonnes)	3.4	3.5	3.0	2.6	<b>3.1</b>	<b>8.7</b>	10.9
Uranium oxide concentrate	(tonnes)	883	988	933	1,191	<b>993</b>	<b>3,117</b>	2,498
Refined gold	(fine ounces)	22,661	28,689	17,119	24,338	<b>18,555</b>	<b>60,012</b>	62,971
Refined silver	('000 ounces)	196	275	193	239	<b>169</b>	<b>601</b>	539

#### Sales

Copper cathode (ER)	('000 tonnes)	51.6	45.2	30.7	41.0	<b>31.9</b>	<b>103.6</b>	126.9
Copper cathode (EW)	('000 tonnes)	4.6	4.4	3.1	2.5	<b>2.3</b>	<b>7.9</b>	10.8
Uranium oxide concentrate	(tonnes)	1,043	646	562	346	<b>1,182</b>	<b>2,090</b>	2,672
Refined gold	(fine ounces)	22,983	27,589	20,118	21,760	<b>19,767</b>	<b>61,645</b>	64,620
Refined silver	('000 ounces)	183	294	192	237	<b>173</b>	<b>602</b>	528

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

#### Pinto Valley, USA

##### Production

Copper concentrate (a)	('000 tonnes)	-	-	-	5.2	<b>9.6</b>	<b>14.8</b>	-
Copper cathode (EW)	('000 tonnes)	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.7	<b>1.8</b>	<b>5.3</b>	5.7
Payable silver (a)	('000 ounces)	-	-	-	13.3	<b>38.4</b>	<b>51.7</b>	-
Payable gold (a)	('000 ounces)	-	-	-	-	<b>1.3</b>	<b>1.3</b>	-

##### Sales

Copper concentrate	('000 tonnes)	-	-	-	2.6	<b>7.9</b>	<b>10.5</b>	-
Copper cathode (EW)	('000 tonnes)	1.5	2.5	0.9	0.9	<b>4.0</b>	<b>5.8</b>	4.7
Payable silver	('000 ounces)	-	-	-	13.3	<b>38.4</b>	<b>51.7</b>	-
Payable gold	('000 ounces)	-	-	-	-	<b>1.3</b>	<b>1.3</b>	-

(a) Production restarted during the December 2007 quarter.

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	MAR	JUNE	SEPT	DEC	MAR	YEAR TO DATE	
	2007	2007	2007	2007	2008	MAR	MAR
						2008	2007

**DIAMONDS AND SPECIALTY PRODUCTS**

BHP Billiton attributable production and sales unless otherwise stated.

**DIAMONDS****Ekati™, Canada**

<b>Ore Processed (100%)</b>	('000 tonnes)	1,046	1,194	1,009	1,080	<b>967</b>	<b>3,056</b>	3,345
<b>Production</b>	('000 carats)	889	911	1,022	843	<b>620</b>	<b>2,485</b>	2,313

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<b>STAINLESS STEEL MATERIALS</b>							
BHP Billiton attributable production and sales unless otherwise stated. (’000 tonnes)							
<b>NICKEL</b>							
<b><u>CMSA, Colombia</u></b>							
<b>Production</b>	12.8	12.7	12.5	11.4	<b>7.8</b>	<b>31.7</b>	38.3
<b>Sales</b>	12.4	12.5	6.9	13.2	<b>13.6</b>	<b>33.7</b>	38.5
<b><u>Yabulu, Australia</u></b>							
<b>Production</b>							
Nickel metal	8.0	9.3	5.5	6.0	<b>6.2</b>	<b>17.7</b>	22.8
Cobalt	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.4	<b>0.3</b>	<b>1.2</b>	1.2
<b>Sales</b>							
Nickel metal	7.1	9.6	5.3	6.3	<b>6.5</b>	<b>18.1</b>	20.3
Cobalt	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.5	<b>0.4</b>	<b>1.3</b>	1.2
<b><u>Nickel West, Australia</u></b>							
<b>Production</b>							
Nickel contained in concentrate	-	0.9	-	1.2	<b>1.3</b>	<b>2.5</b>	-
Nickel contained in finished matte	12.9	13.2	3.9	8.5	<b>10.3</b>	<b>22.7</b>	36.4
Nickel metal	12.1	12.5	16.7	16.6	<b>17.4</b>	<b>50.7</b>	41.1
Nickel production	25.0	26.6	20.6	26.3	<b>29.0</b>	<b>75.9</b>	77.5
<b>Sales</b>							
Nickel contained in concentrate	-	0.9	-	0.9	<b>0.6</b>	<b>1.5</b>	-
Nickel contained in finished matte	9.9	15.1	6.2	9.5	<b>9.4</b>	<b>25.1</b>	32.7
Nickel metal	14.2	11.5	14.7	14.4	<b>15.7</b>	<b>44.8</b>	41.4
Nickel sales	24.1	27.5	20.9	24.8	<b>25.7</b>	<b>71.4</b>	74.1



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### IRON ORE

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

#### IRON ORE (a)

##### Pilbara, Australia

###### Production

Mt Newman Joint Venture	6,711	7,665	7,904	8,147	<b>7,265</b>	<b>23,316</b>	21,641
Goldsworthy Joint Venture	142	195	134	170	<b>386</b>	<b>690</b>	1,032
Area C Joint Venture	4,853	5,078	4,916	6,474	<b>7,114</b>	<b>18,504</b>	15,008
Yandi Joint Venture	8,277	9,661	9,823	9,770	<b>10,061</b>	<b>29,654</b>	25,887
Jimblebar	1,177	1,341	1,157	1,248	<b>1,660</b>	<b>4,065</b>	4,116
Total (BHP Billiton share)	21,160	23,940	23,934	25,809	<b>26,486</b>	<b>76,229</b>	67,684
Total production (100%)	24,896	28,165	28,159	30,363	<b>31,160</b>	<b>89,682</b>	79,630

###### Shipments

Lump	5,193	5,753	6,076	7,179	<b>7,603</b>	<b>20,858</b>	17,478
Fines	15,454	17,458	17,979	18,847	<b>19,714</b>	<b>56,540</b>	50,175
Total (BHP Billiton share)	20,647	23,211	24,055	26,026	<b>27,317</b>	<b>77,398</b>	67,653
Total sales (100%)	24,290	27,307	28,300	30,619	<b>32,138</b>	<b>91,057</b>	79,591

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

##### Samarco, Brazil

<b>Production</b>	1,866	2,001	2,067	2,107	<b>1,933</b>	<b>6,107</b>	5,799
<b>Shipments</b>	1,684	2,159	1,850	2,316	<b>1,589</b>	<b>5,755</b>	5,913

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	MAR	JUNE	SEPT	DEC	MAR	YEAR TO DATE	
	2007	2007	2007	2007	2008	MAR	MAR
						2008	2007

**MANGANESE**

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

**MANGANESE ORE****South Africa**

Saleable production (a)	632	631	572	709	877	2,158	1,939
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**Australia**

Saleable production (a)	820	888	873	904	789	2,566	2,551
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**MANGANESE ALLOY****South Africa**

Saleable production (a) (b)	132	137	123	141	125	389	356
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**Australia**

Saleable production (a)	64	49	61	68	67	196	190
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(a) Shown on 100% basis. BHP Billiton interest in saleable production is 60%.

(b) Production includes Medium Carbon Ferro Manganese.

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							YEAR TO DATE	
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	2007	2007	2007	2007	2008	2008	2007	

### METALLURGICAL COAL

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

#### METALLURGICAL COAL (a)

##### Queensland, Australia

###### Production

<u>BMA</u>							
Blackwater	1,484	1,730	1,407	1,370	1,345	4,122	4,408
Goonyella	1,896	2,268	1,677	1,505	1,117	4,299	5,084
Peak Downs	1,076	1,045	881	1,243	849	2,973	3,439
Saraji	883	939	777	890	376	2,043	2,458
Norwich Park	745	797	502	576	306	1,384	2,053
Gregory Joint Venture	394	663	673	554	239	1,466	1,799
<b>BMA total</b>	<b>6,478</b>	<b>7,442</b>	<b>5,917</b>	<b>6,138</b>	<b>4,232</b>	<b>16,287</b>	<b>19,241</b>

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

South Walker Creek	785	982	939	868	438	2,245	2,440
Poitrel (c)	282	1,065	515	658	409	1,582	373
<b>BHP Mitsui Coal total</b>	<b>1,067</b>	<b>2,047</b>	<b>1,454</b>	<b>1,526</b>	<b>847</b>	<b>3,827</b>	<b>2,813</b>
<b>Queensland total</b>	<b>7,545</b>	<b>9,489</b>	<b>7,371</b>	<b>7,664</b>	<b>5,079</b>	<b>20,114</b>	<b>22,054</b>

###### Shipments

Coking coal	5,368	5,684	5,479	5,875	3,790	15,144	15,598
Weak coking coal	1,710	1,804	1,668	1,966	1,726	5,360	5,059
Thermal coal	419	854	516	328	497	1,341	1,265
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,497</b>	<b>8,343</b>	<b>7,663</b>	<b>8,169</b>	<b>6,013</b>	<b>21,845</b>	<b>21,922</b>

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

(b) Shown on 100% basis. BHP Billiton interest in saleable production is 80%.

(c) Poitrel was commissioned during the December 2006 quarter.

##### Illawarra, Australia

<b>Production</b>	1,539	1,643	2,201	1,979	1,767	5,947	5,243
<b>Shipments</b>							
Coking coal	1,624	1,724	1,906	1,851	1,549	5,306	4,573
Thermal coal	175	288	199	290	194	683	643
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,799</b>	<b>2,012</b>	<b>2,105</b>	<b>2,141</b>	<b>1,743</b>	<b>5,989</b>	<b>5,216</b>

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	2007	2007	2007	2007	2008	MAR	MAR

### ENERGY COAL

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

#### South Africa (a)

<b>Production</b>	12,863	12,596	11,706	11,277	<b>11,129</b>	<b>34,112</b>	39,046
<b>Sales</b>							
Export	5,068	5,218	4,207	4,269	<b>2,936</b>	<b>11,412</b>	15,447
Local utility	7,874	7,416	7,063	7,351	<b>7,430</b>	<b>21,844</b>	22,839
Inland	259	310	388	209	<b>190</b>	<b>787</b>	741
<b>Total</b>	<b>13,201</b>	<b>12,944</b>	<b>11,658</b>	<b>11,829</b>	<b>10,556</b>	<b>34,043</b>	39,027

(a) Koorfontein was sold with effect from 1 July 2007.

#### New Mexico, USA

<b>Production</b>							
Navajo Coal	1,971	2,321	1,548	1,899	<b>1,800</b>	<b>5,247</b>	5,853
San Juan Coal	1,135	2,315	963	1,772	<b>836</b>	<b>3,571</b>	4,591
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,106</b>	<b>4,636</b>	<b>2,511</b>	<b>3,671</b>	<b>2,636</b>	<b>8,818</b>	10,444
<b>Sales - local utility</b>	<b>3,400</b>	<b>3,185</b>	<b>3,693</b>	<b>3,254</b>	<b>2,573</b>	<b>9,520</b>	10,838

#### Hunter Valley, Australia

<b>Production</b>	2,731	2,610	2,918	2,959	<b>2,965</b>	<b>8,842</b>	8,287
<b>Sales</b>							
Export	1,479	1,934	1,423	1,892	<b>1,842</b>	<b>5,157</b>	4,582
Inland	1,168	909	1,179	985	<b>791</b>	<b>2,955</b>	3,204
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,647</b>	<b>2,843</b>	<b>2,602</b>	<b>2,877</b>	<b>2,633</b>	<b>8,112</b>	7,786

#### Cerrejon Coal, Colombia

<b>Production</b>	2,230	2,441	2,488	2,702	<b>2,534</b>	<b>7,724</b>	6,965
<b>Sales - export</b>	<b>2,446</b>	<b>2,401</b>	<b>2,761</b>	<b>2,334</b>	<b>2,534</b>	<b>7,629</b>	7,105