

RIO TINTO

News release...

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Fourth quarter 2006 operations review

- Fourth quarter iron ore production was two per cent lower compared with the previous quarter, primarily due to the impact of maintenance activities.
- Mined copper production increased by 15 per cent during the quarter compared with the previous quarter following industrial action at Escondida. Grasberg benefited from access to higher grades during the quarter.
- Refined copper production for the quarter was 29 per cent lower than the third quarter mainly due to the effects of the extended, scheduled maintenance shutdown at the Kennecott Utah Copper smelter.
- Fourth quarter molybdenum production declined by 11 per cent at Kennecott Utah Copper compared with the third quarter attributable to lower grades and recoveries.
- Yarwun (the renamed Comalco Alumina Refinery) reached design capacity during the fourth quarter and achieved a production record for the quarter and the year.
- Titanium dioxide feedstock production increased by 12 per cent compared with the previous quarter, reflecting strong demand and the successful completion of the expansion of the UGS plant in the fourth quarter.
- US coal production set quarterly and annual production records as the capacity expansions at several mines ramped up.
- Production of hard coking coal declined by 12 per cent compared with the third quarter, attributable to lower volumes at Kestrel from operating in the zone of a known fault line.
- At the end of the quarter the Group had 324 million pounds of copper sales that were provisionally priced at US 287 cents per pound. The final price of these sales will be determined in 2007. This compared with 343 million pounds of open shipments at 30 June 2006 provisionally priced at US 337 cents per pound.

All currency figures in this report are US dollars unless otherwise stated

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IRON ORE AND IRON

Rio Tinto share of production (000 tonnes)

	Q4 06	vs Q4 05	vs Q3 06	FY 06	vs FY 05
Hamersley	24,667	+10%	-2%	93,302	+8%
Robe River	7,321	-1%	-3%	28,054	+1%
IOC (pellets and concentrate)	2,519	+4%	+4%	9,442	+3%

Global iron ore demand remained strong in all markets during 2006. This strength was reflected in Hamersley's 9.5 per cent increase in the price of lump and fine ores supplied to China's Baosteel for the 2007 contract year, announced on 22 December.

In the Pilbara, annual production was impacted by the extreme weather conditions early in the year, and the challenge of recovering and expanding production when operating at full capacity. Ongoing acute shortages of mining inputs in the region continue to put pressure on costs.

Hamersley

Fourth quarter production was two per cent lower than the previous quarter, following extended maintenance work at the Yandicoogina, Marandoo and Mount Tom Price mines. Year on year production was eight per cent higher, attributable to the ongoing expansion at Yandicoogina, the commissioning of the Nammuldi mine and the brownfield expansions.

Robe River

Production for the fourth quarter at the Robe River mines was three per cent lower than the third quarter with wet feed and unscheduled crusher maintenance experienced at West Angelas. Production for 2006 was in line with the prior year.

Hismelt

Hismelt produced a total of 31,300 tonnes of pig iron during the quarter, a 21 per cent increase compared with the previous quarter. This was achieved despite a scheduled shutdown in November for a refractory relining of the smelt reduction vessel which was completed on time. The plant continued to make progress reaching a record monthly utilisation rate in December.

Iron Ore Company of Canada

Pellet and concentrate production increased by four per cent in the fourth quarter, driven by improved equipment availability across the board. Capacity improvement initiatives resulted in annual production for 2006 being three per cent higher than the prior year.

ENERGY

US thermal coal

Rio Tinto share of production (000 tonnes)

	Q4 06	vs Q4 05	vs Q3 06	FY 06	vs FY 05
Rio Tinto Energy America	32,797	+13%	+5%	125,260	+8%

Annual and quarterly production records were set at Rio Tinto Energy America. This performance, together with improved rail availability following maintenance activity in 2005, contributed to an eight per cent increase in production for the year. Expansions at Antelope and Spring Creek increased output to record annual levels. The new dragline commissioned at Jacobs Ranch during the year enabled a new record to be set. These expansions and capacity increases resulted in a 13 per cent increase in fourth quarter production compared with the same quarter of 2005.

Australian coal

Rio Tinto share of production (000 tonnes)

	Q4 06	vs Q4 05	vs Q3 06	FY 06	vs FY 05
Rio Tinto Coal Australia					
Hard coking coal	1,516	-4%	-12%	5,909	-18%
Other coal	7,782	+3%	+2%	31,159	+1%

Production of hard coking coal in the fourth quarter was impacted by lower volumes at Kestrel where mining was operating in the zone of a known fault line. Short term weakness in the coking coal market, with China using more intermediate quality domestic coals, led to production being 18 per cent lower in 2006 compared with the prior year.

Production of Australian thermal and other coal was marginally higher year on year, in part due to higher output from Mount Thorley/Warkworth and Tarong. This helped to compensate for lower production at the Hunter Valley Operations and Bengalla which were affected by significant congestion at Port of Newcastle causing delayed shipments and impacts throughout the production process.

In January 2007, Rio Tinto announced the approval of the development of the \$750 million Clermont Mine as the successor to the Blair Athol Mine, with first production expected in the second quarter of 2010.

Uranium

Rio Tinto share of production (000 tonnes)

	Q4 06	vs Q4 05	vs Q3 06	FY 06	vs FY 05
Energy Resources of Australia	1,152	+11%	+54%	3,217	-20%
Rössing	696	-7%	+17%	2,481	-3%

Production at the Ranger mine recovered further in the fourth quarter as access to higher grade ores was restored following the heavy rains and throughput issues experienced in the second quarter of the year. This was the main contributing factor to the 13 per cent decrease in Rio Tinto's share of total uranium production for 2006. Fourth quarter production at Rössing increased by 17 per cent compared with the third quarter due to higher grades and higher throughput. Average grades for the full year were lower than 2005 accounting for the three per cent year on year decline.

In October, ERA announced an increase in total reserves of 11,100 tonnes contained uranium oxide at its Ranger mine, as a result of screening and processing stockpiled material with a lower grade than previously processed, increasing its predicted life by six years to 2020.

INDUSTRIAL MINERALS

Rio Tinto share of production (000 tonnes)

	Q4 06	vs Q4 05	vs Q3 06	FY 06	vs FY 05
Borates	146	-3%	+7%	554	-1%
Titanium dioxide feedstocks	380	+13%	+12%	1,415	+8%

Borates production for the fourth quarter and the full year was slightly below the corresponding periods of 2005.

Titanium dioxide feedstock production rose by 12 per cent in the fourth quarter compared with the previous quarter and by eight per cent for 2006 compared with the prior year. Market demand in the chloride sector continued to be strong and the recent completion of the UGS expansion from 325,000 to 375,000 tonnes per annum enabled the company to take advantage of this strength.

ALUMINIUM

Rio Tinto share of production (000 tonnes)

	Q4 06	vs Q4 05	vs Q3 06	FY 06	vs FY 05
Rio Tinto Aluminium					
Bauxite	4,444	-3%	+10%	16,139	+4%
Alumina	795	+6%	-3%	3,247	+10%
Aluminium	215.8	+0%	+0%	844.7	-1%

Fourth quarter bauxite production was ten per cent higher than the previous quarter due to a high level of equipment availability and minimal plant downtime. 2006 bauxite production was at a record level.

Production at Yarwun (formerly known as Comalco Alumina Refinery) was a record for the fourth quarter attributable to increased plant stability and process improvements. As planned, the refinery reached design capacity during the quarter. Rio Tinto's share of alumina production declined by three per cent in the fourth quarter compared with the previous quarter following the sale of its interest in Eurallumina effective at the end of October.

Aluminium production from the four smelters was consistent with previous quarters. Production at Bell Bay for the full year was a record.

COPPER

Rio Tinto share of production (000 tonnes)

	Q4 06	vs Q4 05	vs Q3 06	FY 06	vs FY 05
Kennecott Utah Copper					
Mined copper (000 tonnes)	66.4	+29%	-4%	265.6	+20%
Refined copper (000 tonnes)	24.2	-63%	-56%	217.9	-6%
Molybdenum (000 tonnes)	4.2	-8%	-11%	16.8	+8%
Mined gold (000 ozs)	121	+17%	-11%	537	+29%
Refined gold (000 ozs)	67	-39%	-51%	462	+25%
Escondida					
Mined copper (000 tonnes)	99.8	-1%	+23%	394.0	+3%
Grasberg JV					
Mined copper (000 tonnes)	15.8	-59%	+90%	46.2	-58%
Mined gold (000 ozs)	59	-76%	+645%	95	-86%

Kennecott Utah Copper

Higher ore grades and mill throughput resulted in higher production of copper and gold in copper concentrates for the fourth quarter and the full year 2006 compared with the same periods of 2005. Lower molybdenum grades and recovery rates in the fourth quarter led to lower production compared with the previous quarter and the corresponding period of 2005. Annual molybdenum production was eight per cent higher than 2005, with higher recovery rates more than compensating for marginally lower grades.

Smelter and refinery production were lower in the fourth quarter compared with both the prior quarter and the corresponding quarter of 2005, attributable to the scheduled major shutdown of the smelter that took place during the quarter. This was extended by a further 18 days beyond the original schedule to 63 days due to an increase in the scope of the work required.

Escondida

Mined copper production for the fourth quarter returned to normal levels following the strike action which impacted production in the third quarter. Year on year production benefited from higher grades and the commencement of sulphide leaching.

Grasberg

Fourth quarter production of copper and gold at Grasberg benefited from access to higher grades compared with the previous three quarters of the year. Grades for copper and gold for the full year were 25 per cent and 49 per cent below those of 2005 resulting in lower production for 2006, despite higher throughput.

Other copper operations

At Northparkes, higher grades, increased throughput and improved recoveries all contributed to a 54 per cent rise in production of copper contained in concentrate for 2006 compared with the prior year, setting an annual record. In November, Rio Tinto announced the decision to develop the E48 block cave project at Northparkes, costing \$160 million and extending mine life to 2016.

The conversion of debentures into shares at Palabora resulted in Rio Tinto increasing its share of production during the fourth quarter. 2006 copper production on a 100 per cent basis was consistent with 2005 in line with stable grades.

DIAMONDS

Rio Tinto share of production (000 carats)

	Q4 06	vs Q4 05	vs Q3 06	FY 06	vs FY 05
Argyle	8,026	+24%	-4%	29,078	-5%
Diavik	1,495	+36%	-12%	5,897	+19%

Argyle

Production was consistent with the previous quarter and 24 per cent above the same quarter of 2005, attributable to continued high grades. Production for 2006 was five per cent lower than 2005 due to wet conditions impacting production in the first half of 2006. Continued variability in production is to be expected as the mine approaches the end of the open-pit life and the transition to an underground operation continues to progress. Argyle held in excess of \$100 million of surplus rough diamonds in inventory at the end of 2006.

Diavik

The onset of winter weather conditions at Diavik resulted in a 30 per cent decline in ore processed in the fourth quarter compared with the previous quarter. However, this impact was partly mitigated by higher grades with all ore originating from the A154 South pipe. Despite the challenges of the early closure of the ice road, Diavik achieved record production for 2006.

EXPLORATION AND EVALUATION

Pre-tax expenditure on exploration and evaluation charged to the profit and loss account in the twelve months of 2006 was \$283 million compared with \$250 million in the same period of 2005. \$53 million of this expenditure was charged against business unit earnings (\$57 million in 2005).

The following exploration projects and programmes were progressed during the period:

Commodity	Projects of note	Greenfield programmes
Iron ore	Pilbara projects including Caliwingina North: drilling continued	West Africa and Western Australia
Thermal and coking coal	Chapudi project, South Africa: definition drilling continued	Colombia, North America, South Africa and Mongolia
Industrial minerals	Jarandol project, Serbia (borates): drilling commenced	Many areas worldwide including Europe, southern Africa and South America
Bauxite		Brazil and Australia
Copper		US, Mexico, Canada, Chile, Peru and Argentina
Diamonds	Bunder project, India: bulk sampling and order of magnitude study underway	India, Brazil, Canada, Botswana, Russia, Mauritania and Mali

Exploration in Russia continues as part of the RioNor Joint Venture. Prioritisation of prospects is underway. In December, a purchase agreement was signed for the Namekara vermiculite deposit in Uganda.

Brownfield exploration is underway at a number of Rio Tinto businesses, including the Pilbara iron ore operations, Kennecott Utah Copper, the Freeport and Cortez Joint Ventures, Greens Creek and Northparkes.

Evaluation work continued on a number of projects including Eagle (nickel/copper, US), Resolution (copper/gold, US), Potasio Rio Colorado (potash, Argentina), La Granja (copper,

Peru) and Simandou (iron ore, Guinea). Rio Tinto is monitoring the work by Northern Dynasty Minerals at the Pebble copper-gold-molybdenum deposit in Alaska. Contract of Work negotiations continue at La Sampala nickel in Indonesia.

CORPORATE ACTIVITY

In October 2006 Rio Tinto reached an agreement to acquire a holding of 19.9 per cent in Ivanhoe Mines in order to jointly develop and operate Ivanhoe's Oyu Tolgoi copper-gold complex in Mongolia. The first 9.95 per cent shareholding was taken up immediately with the second 9.95 per cent holding contingent on the conclusion of a satisfactory investment agreement with the government of Mongolia, where discussions are currently underway. Rio Tinto has the option to increase its holding to 33.35 per cent, which, if exercised, will represent a total investment of approximately \$1.5 billion. It also has the right to increase its stake up to 40 per cent through on market share purchases.

Rio Tinto concluded the sale of its 56.2 per cent interest in the Eurallumina refinery in Sardinia with an effective date of 31 October 2006.

AVERAGE SHARES OUTSTANDING

The weighted average number of shares outstanding during the period was as follows:

	2006	2005
Rio Tinto Ltd and Plc	1,333.4 million	1,364.1 million

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RIO TINTO PRODUCTION SUMMARY

RIO TINTO SHARE OF PRODUCTION

		QUARTER			FULL YEAR		% CHANGE		
		2005 Q4	2006 Q3	2006 Q4	2005	2006	Q4 06 vs Q3 06	Q4 06 vs Q4 05	2006 vs 2005
Principal Commodities									
Alumina	('000 t)	748	821	795	2,963	3,247	-3%	6%	10%
Aluminium	('000 t)	215.6	215.2	215.8	853.7	844.7	0%	0%	-1%
Borates	('000 t)	151	136	146	560	554	7%	-3%	-1%
Coal - hard coking coal	('000 t)	1,585	1,732	1,516	7,195	5,909	-12%	-4%	-18%
Coal - other Australian	('000 t)	7,576	7,665	7,782	30,863	31,159	2%	3%	1%
Coal - US	('000 t)	29,135	31,302	32,797	115,580	125,260	5%	13%	8%
Copper - mined	('000 t)	210.7	182.8	209.8	784.4	803.5	15%	0%	2%
Copper - refined	('000 t)	85.5	75.6	54.0	314.5	299.2	-29%	-37%	-5%
Diamonds	('000 cts)	7,598	10,071	9,561	35,635	35,162	-5%	26%	-1%
Gold - mined	('000 ozs)	469	249	294	1,726	1,003	18%	-37%	-42%
Gold - refined	('000 ozs)	110	137	67	369	462	-51%	-39%	25%
Iron ore	('000 t)	32,522	35,740	35,057	124,494	132,780	-2%	8%	7%
Titanium dioxide feedstock	('000 t)	335	338	380	1,312	1,415	12%	13%	8%
Uranium	(tonnes)	1,785	1,344	1,848	6,582	5,698	38%	4%	-13%

Other Metals & Minerals

Bauxite	('000 t)	4,576	4,036	4,444	15,474	16,139	10%	-3%	4%
Lead	('000 t)	2.7	3.2	3.4	11.9	11.9	5%	26%	0%
Molybdenum	('000 t)	4.6	4.7	4.2	15.6	16.8	-11%	-8%	8%
Pig Iron	('000 t)	5	15	19	5	53	21%	247%	884%
Salt	('000 t)	1,610	1,447	1,307	5,507	5,405	-10%	-19%	-2%
Silver - mined	('000 ozs)	3,982	3,543	3,975	14,926	13,968	12%	0%	-6%
Silver - refined	('000 ozs)	814	1,148	598	3,538	4,152	-48%	-27%	17%
Talc	('000 t)	346	340	325	1,364	1,392	-4%	-6%	2%
Zinc	('000 t)	8.7	7.6	10.2	37.2	33.4	35%	17%	-10%

Throughout this report, figures in italics indicate adjustments made since the figure was previously quoted on the equivalent page.

Production figures are sometimes more precise than the rounded numbers shown, hence small differences may result between the total of the quarter figures and the full year figures.

RIO TINTO SHARE OF PRODUCTION

	Rio Tinto interest	4Q 2005	1Q 2006	2Q 2006	3Q 2006	4Q 2006	FULL YEAR 2005	FULL YEAR 2006
ALUMINA								
Production ('000 tonnes)								
Euralumina (a)	0%	153	152	152	158	52	601	513
Queensland Alumina	39%	375	369	381	361	384	1,526	1,494
Yarwun (b)	100%	220	257	322	302	360	835	1,240
Rio Tinto total alumina production		748	778	854	821	795	2,963	3,247
ALUMINIUM								
Refined production ('000 tonnes)								
Anglesey	51%	18.7	18.5	18.1	18.7	18.1	73.4	73.3
Bell Bay	100%	43.6	43.2	43.7	45.1	45.5	173.8	177.5
Boyne Island	59%	82.7	80.4	80.9	82.7	81.0	326.2	325.0
Tiwai Point	79%	70.6	65.0	63.9	68.8	71.2	280.3	268.9
Rio Tinto total aluminium production		215.6	207.1	206.6	215.2	215.8	853.7	844.7
BAUXITE								
Production ('000 tonnes)								
Weipa	100%	4,576	3,843	3,815	4,036	4,444	15,474	16,139
BORATES								
Production ('000 tonnes B ₂ O ₃ content)								
Rio Tinto Minerals - borates	100%	151	130	142	136	146	560	554
COAL - HARD COKING								
Rio Tinto Coal Australia (c) ('000 tonnes)								
Hail Creek Coal	82%	1,270	617	797	1,119	1,193	4,838	3,726
Kestrel Coal	80%	315	508	739	613	324	2,357	2,183
Rio Tinto total hard coking coal production		1,585	1,126	1,535	1,732	1,516	7,195	5,909
COAL - OTHER *								
Rio Tinto Coal Australia (c) ('000 tonnes)								
Bengalla	30%	622	330	426	490	434	1,806	1,679
Blair Athol Coal	71%	1,876	1,730	1,778	1,840	1,911	7,551	7,259
Hunter Valley Operations	76%	2,293	2,124	2,639	2,161	2,180	9,369	9,104
Kestrel Coal	80%	89	125	232	213	121	619	691
Mount Thorley Operations	61%	491	763	549	452	595	2,400	2,359
Tarong Coal	100%	1,549	1,803	1,685	1,713	1,778	6,470	6,979
Warkworth	42%	657	744	784	796	764	2,647	3,089
Total Australian other coal		7,576	7,618	8,093	7,665	7,782	30,863	31,159
Rio Tinto Energy America (d) ('000 tonnes)								
Antelope	100%	6,413	7,501	7,849	7,760	7,640	27,174	30,749
Colowyo (e)		1,477	1,468	1,497	1,431	1,358	5,325	5,754
Cordero Rojo	100%	8,642	8,675	9,121	8,775	9,524	34,234	36,094
Decker	50%	890	776	807	775	866	3,144	3,225
Jacobs Ranch	100%	8,590	8,513	8,879	9,220	9,646	33,823	36,258
Spring Creek	100%	3,122	2,549	3,527	3,341	3,764	11,881	13,181
Total US coal		29,135	29,481	31,680	31,302	32,797	115,580	125,260
Rio Tinto total other coal production		36,710	37,099	39,773	38,967	40,580	146,443	156,418
COPPER								
Mine production ('000 tonnes)								
Bingham Canyon	100%	51.6	61.6	68.7	68.9	66.4	220.6	265.6
Escondida	30%	100.4	107.2	105.9	81.1	99.8	381.1	394.0
Grasberg - Joint Venture (f)	40%	38.2	11.9	10.2	8.3	15.8	109.6	46.2
Northparkes	80%	13.3	15.5	16.5	16.8	17.8	43.2	66.6
Palabora (g)	58%	7.2	7.2	6.1	7.8	10.0	30.0	31.1
Rio Tinto total mine production		210.7	203.4	207.4	182.8	209.8	784.4	803.5
Refined production ('000 tonnes)								
Escondida	30%	10.4	8.0	6.1	9.1	17.1	43.2	40.3
Kennecott Utah Copper	100%	65.1	70.9	67.7	55.1	24.2	232.0	217.9
Palabora (g)	58%	9.9	6.7	10.2	11.4	12.7	39.3	40.9
Rio Tinto total refined production		85.5	85.6	83.9	75.6	54.0	314.5	299.2
DIAMONDS								
Production ('000 carats)								
Argyle	100%	6,455	5,214	7,509	8,330	8,026	30,476	29,078
Diavik	60%	1,098	1,073	1,632	1,697	1,495	4,963	5,897
Murowa	78%	44	38	66	44	39	195	187
Rio Tinto total diamond production		7,598	6,324	9,206	10,071	9,561	35,635	35,162

Mine production figures for metals refer to the total quantity of metal produced in concentrates or doré bullion irrespective of whether these products are then refined on-site.

* Coal - other includes thermal coal and semi-soft coking coal.

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RIO TINTO SHARE OF PRODUCTION (continued)

	Rio Tinto interest	4Q 2005	1Q 2006	2Q 2006	3Q 2006	4Q 2006	FULL YEAR 2005	FULL YEAR 2006
GOLD								
Mine production ('000 ounces)								
Barneys Canyon	100%	4	4	3	5	3	16	15
Bingham Canyon	100%	99	129	146	131	118	401	523
Cortez/Pipeline	40%	74	35	27	55	61	361	178
Escondida	30%	13	12	15	11	14	55	51
Grasberg - Joint Venture (f)	40%	248	9	19	8	59	670	95
Greens Creek	70%	12	11	9	11	13	51	44
Kelian (h)	90%	-	-	-	-	-	38	-
Lihir (i)	0%	-	-	-	-	-	61	-
Northparkes	80%	13	16	16	23	21	46	76
Rawhide	51%	4	4	3	3	3	18	13
Others	-	2	2	2	3	3	7	9
Rio Tinto total mine production		469	221	240	249	294	1,726	1,003
Refined production ('000 ounces)								
Kennecott Utah Copper	100%	110	118	141	137	67	369	462
IRON ORE & IRON								
Production ('000 tonnes)								
Channar	60%	980	1,211	1,486	1,591	1,591	5,186	5,879
Corumbá	100%	290	440	455	538	549	1,410	1,982
Eastern Range	(j)	1,536	1,756	2,021	2,326	2,112	6,559	8,215
Hammersley	100%	19,931	17,404	19,536	21,304	20,964	74,387	79,208
Iron Ore Company of Canada	59%	2,424	1,871	2,640	2,412	2,519	9,188	9,442
Robe River	53%	7,362	5,986	7,178	7,570	7,321	27,764	28,054
Rio Tinto total mine production		32,522	28,668	33,315	35,740	35,057	124,494	132,780
Pig iron production ('000 tonnes)								
Hls melt [®] (k)	60%	5	2	17	15	19	5	53
LEAD								
Mine production ('000 tonnes)								
Greens Creek	70%	2.7	3.0	2.2	3.2	3.4	11.9	11.9
MOLYBDENUM								
Mine production ('000 tonnes)								
Bingham Canyon	100%	4.6	4.4	3.5	4.7	4.2	15.6	16.8
SALT								
Production ('000 tonnes)								
Rio Tinto Minerals - salt	65%	1,610	1,209	1,441	1,447	1,307	5,507	5,405
SILVER								
Mine production ('000 ounces)								
Bingham Canyon	100%	884	1,036	1,217	1,033	928	3,958	4,214
Escondida	30%	593	457	565	439	533	1,970	1,994
Grasberg - Joint Venture (f)	40%	718	19	30	87	534	1,364	670
Greens Creek	70%	1,562	1,451	1,231	1,794	1,754	6,791	6,230
Others	-	226	216	228	190	226	843	861
Rio Tinto total mine production		3,982	3,180	3,270	3,543	3,975	14,926	13,968
Refined production ('000 ounces)								
Kennecott Utah Copper	100%	814	1,398	1,008	1,148	598	3,538	4,152
TALC								
Production ('000 tonnes)								
Rio Tinto Minerals - talc	100%	346	381	346	340	325	1,364	1,392
TITANIUM DIOXIDE FEEDSTOCK								
Production ('000 tonnes)								
Rio Tinto Iron & Titanium	100%	335	344	353	338	380	1,312	1,415
URANIUM								
Production (tonnes U ₃ O ₈)								
Energy Resources of Australia	68%	1,040	938	376	760	1,152	4,037	3,217
Rössing	69%	745	569	622	593	696	2,545	2,481
Rio Tinto total uranium production		1,785	1,508	998	1,344	1,848	6,582	5,698
ZINC								
Mine production ('000 tonnes)								
Greens Creek	70%	8.7	8.6	7.1	7.6	10.2	37.2	33.4

Mine production figures for metals refer to the total quantity of metal produced in concentrates or doré bullion irrespective of whether these products are then refined on-site, except for the data for iron ore which represent production of saleable quantities of ore plus pellets.
See footnotes on page 11.

RIO TINTO SHARE OF PRODUCTION (continued)

Production data notes

- (a) Rio Tinto sold its 56.2% share in Eurallumina with an effective date of 31 October 2006 and production data are shown up to that date.
- (b) Yarwun was previously known as Comalco Alumina Refinery.
- (c) Rio Tinto Coal Australia manages all the operations below; including the mines which were previously reported separately under the Coal & Allied name.
- (d) Rio Tinto Energy America was previously known as Kennecott Energy.
- (e) In view of Rio Tinto Energy America's responsibilities under a management agreement for the operation of the Colowyo mine, all of Colowyo's output is included in Rio Tinto's share of production.
- (f) Through a joint venture agreement with Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold (FCX), Rio Tinto is entitled to 40% of additional material mined as a consequence of expansions and developments of the Grasberg facilities since 1998.
- (g) During the second half of 2005, the conversion of debentures into ordinary shares resulted in a dilution of Rio Tinto's shareholding in Palabora from 49.2% to 47.2%. The conversions, which continued during 2006, were completed during the third quarter when Rio Tinto also participated. The Rio Tinto shareholding on 31 December 2006 was 57.7%.
- (h) Kelian ceased processing ore on 7 February 2005 and the final gold pour was on 27 May 2005.
- (i) On 30 November 2005, Rio Tinto sold its interest in Lihir Gold; it had agreed in September 2005 to relinquish the management agreement for Lihir. The production data are shown up to 30 September 2005, from which date the Rio Tinto interest in Lihir was held as an investment rather than being equity accounted.
- (j) Rio Tinto's share of production includes 100% of the production from the Eastern Range mine. Under the terms of the joint venture agreement, Hamersley Iron manages the operation and is obliged to purchase all mine production from the joint venture.
- (k) Hismelt® commenced production during September 2005.

Where Rio Tinto's beneficial interest in an operation has changed, as indicated above, the share of production has been calculated using the weighted average interest over the relevant periods. Rio Tinto percentage interest shown above is at 31 December 2006.

RIO TINTO OPERATIONAL DATA

	Rio Tinto interest	4Q 2005	1Q 2006	2Q 2006	3Q 2006	4Q 2006	FULL YEAR 2005	FULL YEAR 2006
ALUMINIUM								
Rio Tinto Aluminium								
Weipa mine	100.0%							
<i>Queensland, Australia</i>								
Beneficiated bauxite production ('000 tonnes)		4,576	3,843	3,815	4,036	4,444	15,474	16,139
Metal grade bauxite shipments ('000 tonnes)		4,034	3,788	3,596	4,023	4,451	14,952	15,857
Calined bauxite production ('000 tonnes)		22	47	40	49	43	130	180
Euralumina refinery (a)	0.0%							
<i>Sardinia, Italy</i>								
Alumina production ('000 tonnes)		273	271	270	281	92	1,070	914
Queensland Alumina refinery	38.6%							
<i>Queensland, Australia</i>								
Alumina production ('000 tonnes)		972	956	986	936	993	3,953	3,871
Yarwun alumina refinery (b)	100.0%							
<i>Queensland, Australia</i>								
Alumina production ('000 tonnes)		220	257	322	302	360	835	1,240
Anglesey Aluminium smelter	51.0%							
<i>United Kingdom</i>								
Primary aluminium production ('000 tonnes)		36.7	36.2	35.5	36.6	35.4	143.9	143.8
Beil Bay smelter	100.0%							
<i>Tasmania, Australia</i>								
Primary aluminium production ('000 tonnes)		43.6	43.2	43.7	45.1	45.5	173.8	177.5
Boyne Island smelter	59.4%							
<i>Queensland, Australia</i>								
Primary aluminium production ('000 tonnes)		138.4	134.7	135.9	138.0	136.5	544.9	545.1
Tiwai Point smelter	79.4%							
<i>New Zealand</i>								
Primary aluminium production ('000 tonnes)		88.1	81.6	79.9	86.5	89.3	351.4	337.3
Rio Tinto Aluminium share								
Share of primary aluminium sales ('000 tonnes)		225.0	200.2	208.0	208.5	233.3	858.6	850.0
<i>(a) Rio Tinto sold its 56.2% share in Euralumina with an effective date of 31 October 2006 and production data are shown up to that date.</i>								
<i>(b) Yarwun alumina refinery was previously known as Comalco Alumina Refinery.</i>								

BORATES

Rio Tinto Minerals - Borax	100.0%							
<i>California, US and Argentina</i>								
Borates ('000 tonnes) (a)		151	130	142	136	146	560	554
<i>(a) Production is expressed as B₂O₃ content.</i>								

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	Rio Tinto interest	4Q 2005	1Q 2006	2Q 2006	3Q 2006	4Q 2006	FULL YEAR 2005	FULL YEAR 2006
COAL								
Rio Tinto Coal Australia (a)								
Bengalla mine	30.3%							
<i>New South Wales, Australia</i>								
Thermal coal production ('000 tonnes)		2,053	1,088	1,406	1,618	1,433	5,965	5,544
Blair Athol Coal mine	71.2%							
<i>Queensland, Australia</i>								
Thermal coal production ('000 tonnes)		2,634	2,429	2,496	2,583	2,682	10,600	10,190
Hail Creek Coal mine	82.0%							
<i>Queensland, Australia</i>								
Hard coking coal production ('000 tonnes)		1,549	753	971	1,365	1,455	5,900	4,544
Hunter Valley Operations	75.7%							
<i>New South Wales, Australia</i>								
Thermal coal production ('000 tonnes)		2,651	2,386	3,136	2,435	2,264	10,341	10,221
Semi-soft coking coal production ('000 tonnes)		378	419	350	419	616	2,033	1,804
Kestrel Coal mine	80.0%							
<i>Queensland, Australia</i>								
Thermal coal production ('000 tonnes)		112	156	290	266	151	774	863
Hard coking coal production ('000 tonnes)		393	635	923	766	404	2,946	2,729
Mount Thorley Operations	60.6%							
<i>New South Wales, Australia</i>								
Thermal coal production ('000 tonnes)		529	969	582	494	857	2,695	2,902
Semi-soft coking coal production ('000 tonnes)		281	291	325	253	125	1,267	993
Tarong Coal mine	100.0%							
<i>Queensland, Australia</i>								
Thermal coal production ('000 tonnes)		1,549	1,803	1,685	1,713	1,778	6,470	6,979
Warkworth mine	42.1%							
<i>New South Wales, Australia</i>								
Thermal coal production ('000 tonnes)		1,495	1,759	1,766	1,803	1,686	5,946	7,014
Semi-soft coking coal production ('000 tonnes)		67	11	96	90	130	347	327
Total hard coking coal production ('000 tonnes)		1,943	1,388	1,895	2,131	1,859	6,846	7,273
Total hard coking coal sales ('000 tonnes)		1,684	1,220	1,471	1,779	1,962	7,526	6,432
Total other coal production ('000 tonnes) (b)		11,746	11,309	12,133	11,673	11,722	46,438	46,837
Total other coal sales ('000 tonnes) (c) (d)		11,816	11,860	11,882	11,845	11,173	47,463	46,760
Total coal production ('000 tonnes)		13,689	12,698	14,027	13,804	13,581	55,283	54,110
Total coal sales ('000 tonnes)		13,500	13,080	13,353	13,624	13,135	54,989	53,193
Rio Tinto Coal Australia share								
Share of hard coking coal sales ('000 tonnes)		1,374	994	1,196	1,450	1,603	6,131	5,243
Share of other coal sales ('000 tonnes) (c) (d)		7,719	7,986	8,022	7,743	7,525	31,666	31,276

(a) Rio Tinto Coal Australia manages all the operations below; the mines in New South Wales were previously reported separately under the Coal & Allied name.

(b) Other coal production includes thermal coal and semi-soft coking coal.

(c) Other coal sales includes thermal coal, semi-soft coking coal and semi-hard coking coal (a mixture of thermal coal and coking coal).

(d) Sales relate only to coal mined by the operations and exclude traded coal.

Rio Tinto Energy America (a)								
Antelope mine	100.0%							
<i>Wyoming, US</i>								
Thermal coal production ('000 tonnes)		6,413	7,501	7,849	7,760	7,640	27,174	30,749
Colowyo mine	(b)							
<i>Colorado, US</i>								
Thermal coal production ('000 tonnes)		1,477	1,468	1,497	1,431	1,358	5,325	5,754
Cordero Rojo mine	100.0%							
<i>Wyoming, US</i>								
Thermal coal production ('000 tonnes)		8,642	8,675	9,121	8,775	9,524	34,234	36,094
Decker mine	50.0%							
<i>Montana, US</i>								
Thermal coal production ('000 tonnes)		1,781	1,552	1,614	1,551	1,733	6,288	6,449
Jacobs Ranch mine	100.0%							
<i>Wyoming, US</i>								
Thermal coal production ('000 tonnes)		8,590	8,513	8,879	9,220	9,646	33,823	36,258
Spring Creek mine	100.0%							
<i>Montana, US</i>								
Thermal coal production ('000 tonnes)		3,122	2,549	3,527	3,341	3,764	11,881	13,181
Total coal production ('000 tonnes)		30,025	30,257	32,487	32,077	33,664	118,724	128,484
Total coal sales ('000 tonnes)		30,025	30,257	32,487	32,077	33,664	118,724	128,482

(a) Rio Tinto Energy America was previously known as Kennecott Energy.

(b) In view of Rio Tinto Energy America's responsibilities under a management agreement for the operation of the Colowyo mine, all of Colowyo's output is included in Rio Tinto's share of production.

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	Rio Tinto interest	4Q 2005	1Q 2006	2Q 2006	3Q 2006	4Q 2006	FULL YEAR 2005	FULL YEAR 2006
COPPER & GOLD								
Escondida	30.0%							
<i>Chile</i>								
Sulphide ore to concentrator ('000 tonnes)		22,161	21,843	21,473	18,258	22,585	86,054	84,158
Average copper grade (%)		1.58	1.62	1.63	1.55	1.55	1.53	1.59
Mill production (metals in concentrates):								
Contained copper ('000 tonnes)		304.0	302.8	295.9	234.0	289.4	1,127.3	1,122.2
Contained gold ('000 ounces)		43	40	49	35	46	183	170
Contained silver ('000 ounces)		1,975	1,522	1,882	1,464	1,777	6,565	6,646
Ore to leach ('000 tonnes) (a)		4,261	16,158	15,536	14,712	9,659	16,930	56,064
Average copper grade (%)		0.72	0.34	0.37	0.25	0.45	0.84	0.34
Contained copper in leachate/mined material ('000 tonnes)		31	55	57	36	43	143	191
Refined production from leach plants:								
Copper cathode production ('000 tonnes)		34.8	26.8	20.3	30.4	56.9	143.9	134.4
(a) Escondida has recently commenced leaching of sulphide ore. The figures for 2006 show aggregate feed to and production from both the oxide and sulphide leach processes.								
Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold (a)								
Grasberg mine	0.0% (40.0% of the expansion)							
<i>Papua, Indonesia</i>								
Ore treated ('000 tonnes)		21,791	19,512	20,353	21,170	22,681	76,907	83,716
Average mill head grades:								
Copper (%)		1.31	0.72	0.72	0.85	1.08	1.13	0.85
Gold (g/t)		2.33	0.92	0.67	0.83	0.95	1.65	0.85
Silver (g/t)		5.36	4.21	3.84	3.46	3.87	4.88	3.84
Production of metals in concentrates:								
Copper in concentrates ('000 tonnes)		260.8	115.9	121.7	152.9	220.3	793.9	610.8
Gold in concentrates ('000 ounces)		1,400	485	336	471	589	3,546	1,880
Silver in concentrates ('000 ounces)		2,489	903	1,170	1,453	2,083	7,531	5,609
Sales of payable metals in concentrates: (b)								
Copper in concentrates ('000 tonnes)		249.0	114.0	108.8	155.5	211.3	766.3	589.7
Gold in concentrates ('000 ounces)		1,342	486	294	487	564	3,438	1,831
Silver in concentrates ('000 ounces)		1,897	711	844	1,167	1,592	5,795	4,315
(a) Through a joint venture agreement with Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold (FCX), Rio Tinto is entitled to 40% of additional material mined as a consequence of expansions and developments of the Grasberg facilities since 1998.								
(b) Net of smelter deductions.								
Kelian Equatorial Mining (a)								
	90.0%							
<i>East Kalimantan, Indonesia</i>								
Ore treated ('000 tonnes)		-	-	-	-	-	826	-
Average ore grades:								
Gold (g/t)		-	-	-	-	-	1.68	-
Silver (g/t)		-	-	-	-	-	2.29	-
Production:								
Gold ('000 ounces)		-	-	-	-	-	43	-
Silver ('000 ounces)		-	-	-	-	-	32	-
Sales:								
Gold ('000 ounces)		-	42	-	-	-	100	42
Silver ('000 ounces)		-	-	-	-	-	304	-
(a) Kelian ceased processing ore on 7 February 2005 and the final gold pour was on 27 May 2005. Mine closure programmes including reclamation, rehabilitation and sustainable monitoring continue.								
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	Rio Tinto interest	4Q 2005	1Q 2006	2Q 2006	3Q 2006	4Q 2006	FULL YEAR 2005	FULL YEAR 2006
COPPER & GOLD (continued)								
<u>Kennecott Minerals Company</u>								
Cortez/Pipeline mine	40.0%							
<i>Nevada, US</i>								
Ore treated								
Milled ('000 tonnes)		798	756	745	956	842	3,247	3,298
Leached ('000 tonnes)		3,352	3,812	4,464	7,452	7,312	23,059	23,040
Sold for roasting ('000 tonnes)		73	35	-	-	-	277	35
Average ore grade: gold								
Milled (g/t)		4.71	2.33	2.13	2.89	2.64	5.00	2.52
Leached (g/t)		0.49	0.39	0.37	0.43	0.42	0.58	0.41
Sold for roasting (g/t)		8.89	6.50	-	-	-	7.33	6.50
Gold produced ('000 ounces)		186	87	68	136	153	904	444
Greens Creek mine	70.3%							
<i>Alaska, US</i>								
Ore treated ('000 tonnes)		151	158	157	162	187	651	664
Average ore grades:								
Gold (g/t)		5.02	4.54	3.97	4.39	4.82	5.12	4.45
Silver (g/t)		615	533	471	619	540	623	541
Zinc (%)		10.4	10.0	8.4	8.9	10.1	10.3	9.4
Lead (%)		3.9	4.0	3.1	4.0	3.6	4.0	3.7
Metals produced in concentrates:								
Gold ('000 ounces)		17	16	13	16	19	73	63
Silver ('000 ounces)		2,222	2,065	1,751	2,553	2,497	9,664	8,866
Zinc ('000 tonnes)		12.4	12.2	10.1	10.8	14.5	52.9	47.5
Lead ('000 tonnes)		3.8	4.3	3.1	4.6	4.8	16.9	18.9
Rawhide mine (a)	51.0%							
<i>Nevada, US</i>								
Metals produced in doré:								
Gold ('000 ounces)		8	7	6	7	6	35	26
Silver ('000 ounces)		67	63	55	64	50	320	232
(a) Mining operations were completed in October 2002 and processing of stockpiled ores was completed in May 2003. Residual gold and silver production continues from the leach pads.								
<u>Kennecott Utah Copper</u>								
Barneys Canyon mine (a)	100.0%							
<i>Utah, US</i>								
Gold produced ('000 ounces)		4	4	3	5	3	16	15
(a) Mining operations ceased in the first quarter of 2002. Gold continues to be recovered from leach pads.								
Bingham Canyon mine	100.0%							
<i>Utah, US</i>								
Ore treated ('000 tonnes)		11,369	11,702	11,739	12,333	12,083	46,664	47,857
Average ore grade:								
Copper (%)		0.51	0.62	0.67	0.62	0.63	0.53	0.63
Gold (g/t)		0.38	0.52	0.56	0.47	0.44	0.37	0.49
Silver (g/t)		3.02	3.73	3.98	3.22	3.09	3.23	3.50
Molybdenum (%)		0.058	0.060	0.055	0.057	0.055	0.058	0.057
Copper concentrates produced ('000 tonnes)		213	242	263	269	245	881	1,019
Average concentrate grade (% Cu)		24.1	25.3	26.1	25.5	27.1	25.0	26.0
Production of metals in copper concentrates:								
Copper ('000 tonnes) (b)		51.6	61.6	68.7	68.9	66.4	220.6	265.6
Gold ('000 ounces)		99	129	146	131	118	401	523
Silver ('000 ounces)		884	1,036	1,217	1,033	928	3,958	4,214
Molybdenum concentrates produced ('000 tonnes):		8.6	8.2	6.3	6.3	7.4	29.5	30.2
Molybdenum in concentrates ('000 tonnes)		4.6	4.4	3.5	4.7	4.2	15.6	18.8
Kennecott smelter & refinery	100.0%							
<i>Utah, US</i>								
Copper concentrates smelted ('000 tonnes)		300	270	272	220	156	1,042	918
Copper anodes produced ('000 tonnes) (c)		67.3	66.4	65.7	50.4	33.3	229.3	215.8
Production of refined metal:								
Copper ('000 tonnes)		65.1	70.9	67.7	55.1	24.2	232.0	217.9
Gold ('000 ounces) (d)		110	118	141	137	67	369	462
Silver ('000 ounces) (d)		814	1,398	1,008	1,148	598	3,538	4,152
(b) Includes a small amount of copper in precipitates.								
(c) New metal excluding recycled material.								
(d) Includes gold and silver in intermediate products.								

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	Rio Tinto interest	4Q 2005	1Q 2006	2Q 2006	3Q 2006	4Q 2006	FULL YEAR 2005	FULL YEAR 2006
COPPER & GOLD (continued)								
Lihir Gold (a)	0.0%							
<i>Papua New Guinea</i>								
Ore treated ('000 tonnes)		-	-	-	-	-	2,771	-
Average ore grade: gold (g/t)		-	-	-	-	-	5	-
Gold produced ('000 ounces) (b)		-	-	-	-	-	424	-
(a) On 30 November 2005, Rio Tinto sold its interest in Lihir Gold; it had agreed in September 2005 to relinquish the management agreement for Lihir. The production data are shown up to 30 September 2005, from which date the Rio Tinto interest in Lihir was held as an investment rather than being equity accounted.								
(b) Gold production represents quantity of gold poured.								
Northparkes Joint Venture	80.0%							
<i>New South Wales, Australia</i>								
Ore treated ('000 tonnes)		1,421	1,425	1,438	1,427	1,499	5,453	5,789
Average ore grades:								
Copper (%)		1.27	1.45	1.53	1.57	1.57	1.12	1.53
Gold (g/t)		0.49	0.56	0.58	0.69	0.71	0.46	0.64
Copper concentrates produced ('000 tonnes)		43.9	48.4	52.5	52.4	54.2	147.2	207.4
Contained copper in concentrates:								
Saleable production ('000 tonnes)		16.7	19.4	20.7	21.0	22.2	54.0	63.3
Sales ('000 tonnes) (a)		13.1	14.3	17.1	14.4	15.6	43.4	61.4
Contained gold in concentrates:								
Saleable production ('000 ounces)		16.1	19.6	19.9	29.3	26.0	57.0	94.7
Sales ('000 ounces) (a)		14.7	13.3	16.4	16.1	17.0	49.9	62.7
(a) Rio Tinto's 80% share of material from the Joint Venture.								
Palabora (a)	57.7%							
Palabora mine								
<i>South Africa</i>								
Ore treated ('000 tonnes)		2,349	2,646	2,633	2,668	2,783	9,536	10,730
Average ore grade: copper (%)		0.72	0.71	0.70	0.72	0.72	0.72	0.71
Copper concentrates produced ('000 tonnes)		47.8	51.5	43.0	53.4	61.0	197.1	208.9
Average concentrate grade: copper (%)		31.2	29.9	30.5	29.4	28.5	31.0	29.4
Copper in concentrates ('000 tonnes)		14.9	15.4	13.1	15.7	17.4	61.2	61.5
Palabora smelter/refinery								
New concentrate smelted on site ('000 tonnes)		82.2	42.0	83.3	87.7	75.5	304.4	288.5
New copper anodes produced ('000 tonnes)		22.4	10.0	24.0	22.4	22.2	84.5	78.6
Refined new copper produced ('000 tonnes)		20.6	14.3	21.9	22.9	22.1	80.3	81.2
By-products:								
Magnetite concentrate ('000 tonnes)		231	251	296	299	281	888	1,127
Refined nickel sulphate (tonnes)		57	35	28	25	32	186	120
Vermiculite plant								
Vermiculite produced ('000 tonnes)		55	48	48	52	50	210	198
(a) During the second half of 2005, the conversion of debentures into ordinary shares resulted in a dilution of Rio Tinto's shareholding in Palabora from 49.2% to 47.2%. The conversions, which continued during 2006, were completed during the third quarter when Rio Tinto also participated. The Rio Tinto shareholding on 31 December 2006 was 57.7%.								
DIAMONDS								
Argyle Diamonds	100.0%							
<i>Western Australia</i>								
AK1 ore processed ('000 tonnes)		2,158	1,956	2,131	2,162	2,192	8,969	8,441
AK1 diamonds produced ('000 carats)		6,455	5,214	7,509	8,330	8,026	30,476	29,078
Diavik Diamonds	60.0%							
<i>Northwest Territories, Canada</i>								
Ore processed ('000 tonnes)		497	492	608	722	509	2,222	2,331
Diamonds recovered ('000 carats)		1,831	1,788	2,720	2,629	2,492	6,272	9,629
Murrowa Diamonds	77.8%							
<i>Zimbabwe</i>								
Ore processed ('000 tonnes)		73	66	61	44	47	178	216
Diamonds recovered ('000 carats)		57	48	85	57	50	251	240

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	Rio Tinto interest	4Q 2005	1Q 2006	2Q 2006	3Q 2006	4Q 2006	FULL YEAR 2005	FULL YEAR 2006
IRON ORE & IRON								
<u>Hamersley Iron</u>								
<i>Western Australia</i>								
Saleable iron ore production ('000 tonnes):								
Paraburdoo, Mount Tom Price, Marandoo, Yandicoogina, Brockman and Nanneldi	100.0%	19,931	17,404	19,536	21,304	20,964	74,387	79,208
Channar	60.0%	1,634	2,018	2,476	2,652	2,652	8,644	9,798
Eastern Range	(a)	1,536	1,756	2,021	2,326	2,112	6,559	8,215
Total production ('000 tonnes)		23,101	21,178	24,033	26,282	25,728	89,590	97,221
Total sales ('000 tonnes) (b)		25,793	20,982	22,611	26,680	27,830	90,090	98,103
(a) Rio Tinto owns 54% of the Eastern Range mine. Under the terms of the joint venture agreement, Hamersley Iron manages the operation and is obliged to purchase all mine production from the joint venture and therefore all of the production is included in Rio Tinto's share of production.								
(b) Sales represent iron ore exported from Western Australian ports.								
<u>Hismelt® (a)</u>								
	60.0%							
<i>Western Australia</i>								
Pig iron production ('000 tonnes)		9	4	28	26	31	9	89
(a) Hismelt® commenced production during September 2005.								
<u>Iron Ore Company of Canada</u>								
	58.7%							
<i>Newfoundland & Labrador and Quebec in Canada</i>								
Saleable iron ore production:								
Concentrates ('000 tonnes)		683	341	1,291	983	747	2,316	3,362
Pellets ('000 tonnes)		3,445	2,846	3,205	3,124	3,543	13,331	12,718
Sales:								
Concentrate ('000 tonnes)		755	316	555	651	1,392	2,123	2,914
Pellets ('000 tonnes)		4,230	2,150	3,282	3,198	4,305	12,851	12,935
<u>Rio Tinto Brasil</u>								
<u>Corumbá mine</u>								
	100.0%							
<i>Mato Grosso do Sul, Brazil</i>								
Saleable iron ore production ('000 tonnes) (a)		290	440	455	538	549	1,410	1,982
Sales ('000 tonnes)		276	418	413	462	479	1,303	1,771
(a) Production includes by-product fines.								
<u>Robe River Iron Associates</u>								
<u>Pannawonica mine</u>								
	53.0%							
<i>Western Australia</i>								
Saleable iron ore production ('000 tonnes)		7,998	6,481	7,273	7,501	8,018	30,981	29,273
Sales ('000 tonnes)		8,203	6,756	7,135	7,619	7,607	31,062	29,118
<u>West Angelas mine</u>								
	53.0%							
<i>Western Australia</i>								
Saleable iron ore production ('000 tonnes)		5,891	4,813	6,270	6,781	5,795	21,403	23,659
Sales ('000 tonnes)		6,187	4,745	5,833	6,117	6,621	21,491	23,316
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Rio Tinto Minerals - Salt	64.9%							
<i>Western Australia</i>								
Salt production ('000 tonnes)		2,480	1,862	2,219	2,229	2,013	8,480	8,323
TALC								
Rio Tinto Minerals - Talc	100.0%							
<i>Australia, Europe, and North America</i>								
Talc production ('000 tonnes)		346	381	346	340	325	1,364	1,392
TITANIUM DIOXIDE FEEDSTOCK								
Rio Tinto Iron & Titanium	100.0%							
<i>Canada and South Africa (Rio Tinto share)</i>								
Titanium dioxide feedstock production ('000 tonnes)		335	344	353	338	380	1,312	1,415
URANIUM								
Energy Resources of Australia Ltd								
Ranger mine	68.4%							
<i>Northern Territory, Australia</i>								
Production (tonnes U ₃ O ₈)		1,521	1,372	550	1,097	1,685	5,903	4,704
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<i>Namibia</i>								
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