

## Western Australia's gas industry is essential to our energy security and economic prosperity.

Western Australians depend on natural gas every day to generate electricity, for household cooking and heating, and for the energy used in manufacturing to make products like steel, glass and bricks.

The *Economic Contribution of the Gas Industry* report by KPMG provides a snapshot of the sector's contribution to the Australian and WA economy using the latest Australian Bureau of Statistics data.

The report's findings underscore the importance of the gas industry to WA's economic prosperity.

The analysis also shows that additional private sector investment in gas projects would deliver substantial economic benefits for WA.

**Read the KPMG report at:**  
[energyproducers.au/economiccontribution](https://energyproducers.au/economiccontribution)

### Key Findings



**\$35  
Billion**

contributed to the  
WA economy annually



**73,397  
people**

employed across the  
WA economy



**37% of  
Australia's**

gas industry workforce  
directly employed  
in WA



**12%  
of**

global LNG  
exports come  
from WA

## Supporting investment in new gas supply a win-win for Australia and Western Australia.

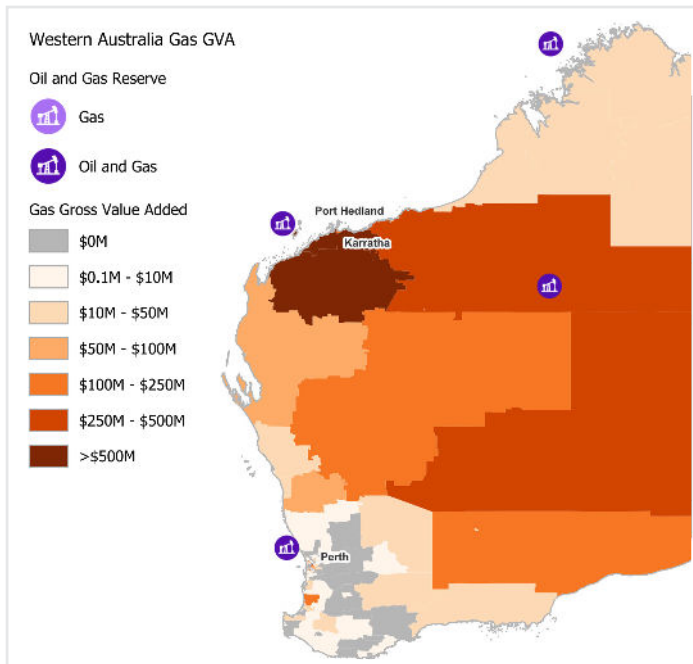
WA's natural gas industry is a driving force behind the state's economic prosperity and energy security, providing 54% of WA's primary energy needs and 60% of the state's electricity. Gas provides more than half the energy used by WA's mining sector.

KPMG's analysis found that the gas industry workforce recorded the highest level of productivity across all industries, with approximately **\$2.8 million** of value-add per FTE worker to the national economy in 2021-22. More than a third of these workers are in WA.

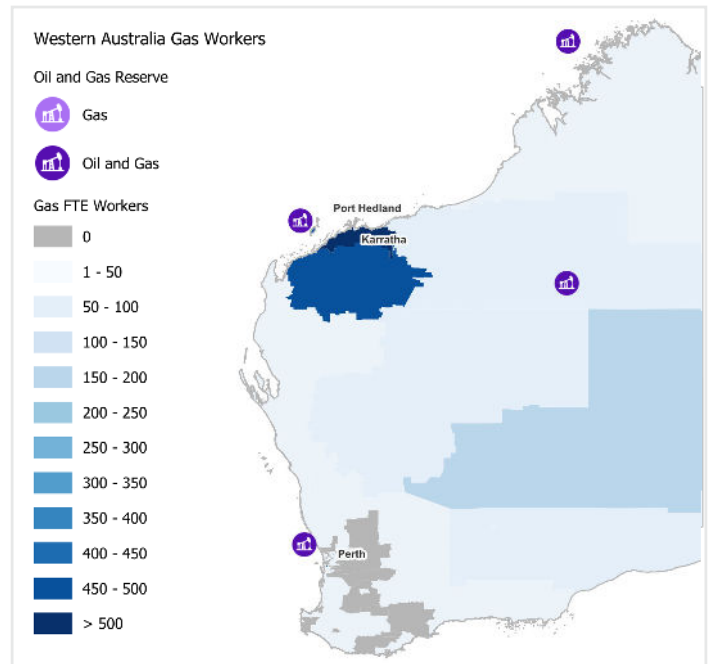
It also shows that additional private sector investment in gas projects would deliver substantial economic benefits: a **5%** increase in Australia's gas production would boost the Australian economy by **\$10.5 billion** and add **1,150 ongoing jobs**.

Despite WA's significant gas reserves and industry efforts to boost gas supply to ease near-term shortfall concerns, the Australian Energy Market Operator forecasts structural gas shortfalls in WA from 2030 unless new gas supply is brought forward.

## Economic and employment contribution by area



Source: KPMG analysis of ABS Australian National Accounts: Input-Output Tables 2021-22.



Source: KPMG analysis of ABS Census 2021 calendar year

## Western Australia Gas Facts



**60%**  
of electricity  
use in WA generated  
by gas



**53%**  
of energy  
used by WA mining  
sector generated by gas



**60%**  
of Australia's  
gas reserves  
are in WA



**54%**  
of WA's  
total primary  
energy needs