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There's more to
Australian
Mining

World Nuclear Fuel Market 2025



















**Technical and regulatory context** 

### **Australia's participation** in the nuclear fuel cycle

- 70 years of uranium mining in Australia
- World-class regulatory settings
- 60 years of nuclear research reactor
- 40 year program for nuclear submarines
- Early works for high level waste repository

**Australian Atomic Energy Commission** and **Department of National Development** 



**Prospecting and Mining** for Uranium in Australia



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Notes for the Guidance of Prospectors





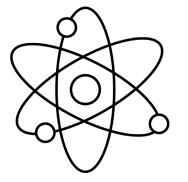
**Environmental outcomes** 

## Ranger Uranium Mine and Kakadu National Park (KNP)

- Both established in 1979
- KNP is UNESCO-recognised
- Total area of almost 20,000km<sup>2</sup>
- Ranger Uranium Mine closed in 2021
- Averted 5 billions tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub>







# Australia is the ONLY G20 nation not considering a role for nuclear energy in decarbonisation



### 2025: the global shift to nuclear

- Reuters

"Indonesia plans 10 GW nuclear power in major renewable energy push"

"Why is Southeast Asia turning to nuclear power?"

- DW

"Germany drops opposition to nuclear power in rapprochement with France"

- The Financial Times

"Plans for Poland's first nuclear power plant move ahead"

- Associated Press

"99 Percent of All Electricity Will Be Used to Power Superintelligent AI"

- Eric Schmidt, former CEO - Google

'It's time': Donald Trump plans to quadruple nuclear power generation

- The Australian

"India needs to fast-track nuclear power projects, government committee urges"

- Hindustan Times

"China Will Generate More Nuclear Power Than Both France and the United States by 2030"

- The Diplomat

"Japan to increase nuclear power as new crises overshadow fears of Fukushima repeat"

- ABC

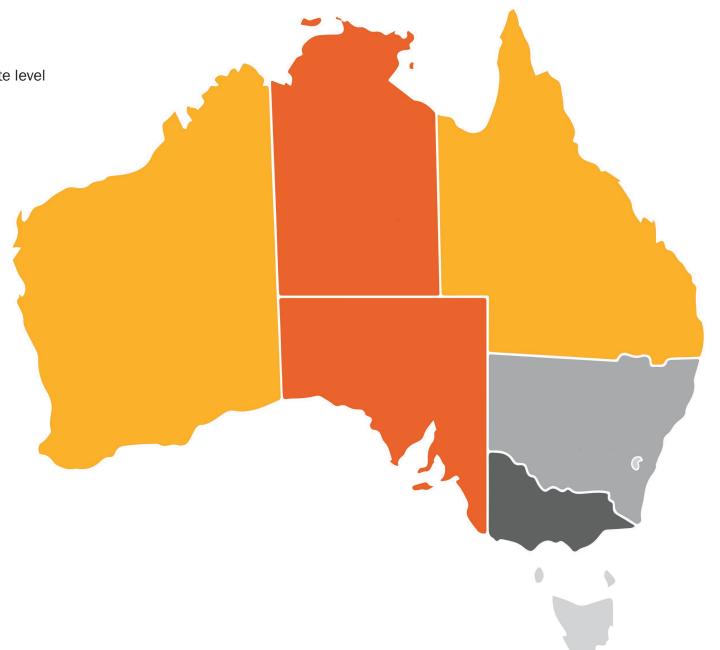
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## There's more to Australian Mining

### 2 states

#### permit uranium mining

Meanwhile, the rest remain opposed to uranium mining and, in the case of Victoria, even exploration.



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## 3 mines

#### **Operate in South Australia**

Olympic Dam is a large polymetallic underground operation. Honeymoon and Four Mile are mined via In-situ Recovery (ISR) processes.





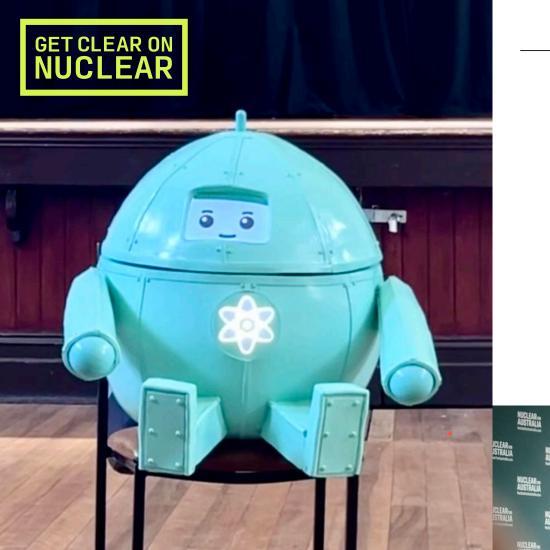


Strategic positioning

### **AUKUS Agreement**

- A trilateral defence program
- Australia will operate and build nuclear powered submarines
- The only country without a civilian nuclear energy sector to attempt such an uplift







Advocacy

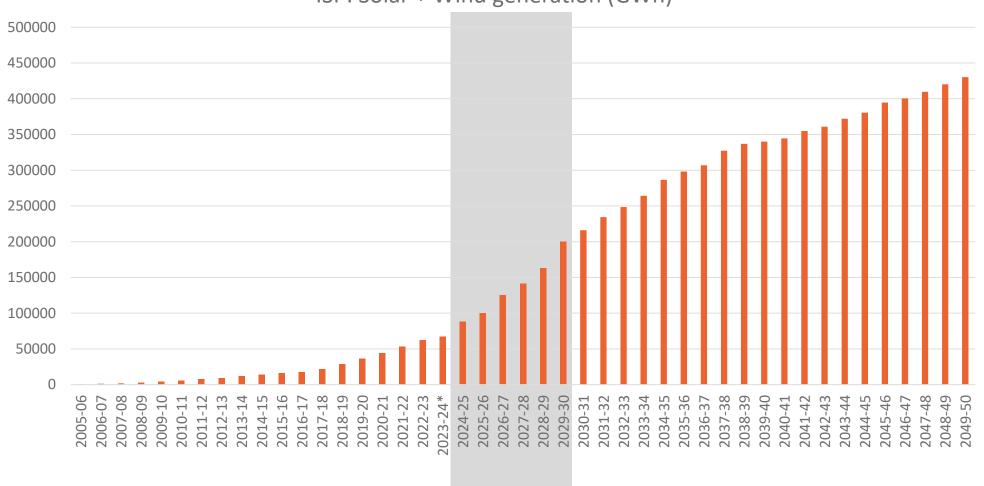
### Nuclear campaigns

- Get Clear On Nuclear (Minerals Council of Australia)
- Grace Stanke 2025 National Tour (Nuclear for Australia)



### Australian RNE capacity – 2025-2030 (and beyond)

ISP: Solar + Wind generation (GWh)











The future

## Managing national, economic and energy security

- Balance our energy grids
- Embrace technology
- Plot a path to net zero

### Finally...





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