



Preliminary Findings from a 2016 Economic Study

Commissioned by the Ontario Mining Association in partnership with the Ontario Ministry of Northern Development and Mines

- Ontario is currently the location of the highest Canadian total investment in mines. The total investments consist of exploration investments and investments in:
 - Capital Assets
 - Mine Development, and
 - Repair and Maintenance
- Previous investments have resulted in Ontario's position as the major producer of metals and minerals in Canada.
- Ontario production is the most efficient in Canada in terms of the use of labour, fuel and materials.
- The value of Ontario's mining production is the highest in Canada.
- Ontario's mining production has a significant impact on the Ontario economy.
- Ontario's mining production brings significant social benefits from high-value jobs.
- Mining wages have increased 40% over the last decade, an amount that is twice the rate of inflation.
- Mining wages are 37% higher than the average for goods producing industries in Ontario.
- Ontario's miners are working to be energy efficient and environmentally sensitive – the industry has a low carbon footprint.
- Ontario's miners are working to improve for the future through innovation – about half of Ontario mines introduced innovations in 2014.

The full report will be published soon and made available on oma.on.ca.