

Fact Sheet

Portland Aluminium Smelter

Region: Australia

Product: Aluminium ingot

Manager: Britt Butler



Operations

- Portland Aluminium opened in 1986 and is a joint venture between Alcoa of Australia (55%), CITIC (22.5%) and Marubeni Aluminium Australia (22.5%). Alcoa manages the day-to-day operations at the smelter.
- The smelter has an annual nameplate production capacity of 358,000 metric tons and produces 22.5-kilogram aluminium ingot.
- The majority of Portland Aluminium's product is exported to customers in Asia.
- The smelter produces more than 20 per cent of Australia's total aluminium production.
- Portland Aluminium is situated on approximately 600 hectares in the coastal town of Portland, about 360 kilometres from Melbourne. The smelter operations, ancillary buildings and roads occupy approximately 100 hectares. The 500 hectares of land surrounding the operations is managed to protect and conserve native fauna with the main focus being on the protection of habitat and an emphasis on significant species.

Economic Impact

- Portland Aluminium is the largest employer in the region, with approximately 540 direct employees and 220 contractors. The majority of employees live in the local Portland community.
- In 2022, 84 per cent of Alcoa Australia's annual revenue stayed in Australia through wages, local purchasing, taxes, royalties and dividends to Australian shareholders.
 - The smelter injected approximately AU\$68 million into the Victorian community through direct salaries, wages and benefits and AU\$179 million in Victorian supply contracts.
 - Our Australian operations combined injected AU\$425 million into Australia's local, state and federal governments through the payment of royalties, taxes, rates and charges.
 - Approximately AU\$6 million was paid to Victoria's local and state governments through the payment of taxes, rates and charges.
- Aluminium from Portland Aluminium is a valuable export good, valued at approximately AU\$650 million, for the state of Victoria.
- Alcoa of Australia produces an annual Tax Transparency Report in support of high standards of corporate governance and an open approach to business conduct.

Community Engagement

- Each year Portland Aluminium contributes approximately AU\$100,000 in local partnerships and supports a broad range of community services.
- In 2022, Portland employees initiated eight Alcoans Coming Together In Our Neighbourhoods (ACTION) events which saw local community organisations benefit from employee volunteer support and financial support.
- A partnership with Live4Life commenced in the same year to embed the award-winning youth mental health and youth suicide prevention model in the Glenelg community.
- Nearly 10 years ago, in 2015, Portland Aluminium founded the highly regarded Future Leaders of Industry Scholarship program which to this day has supported some 125 local students to learn about local careers.
- In partnership with United Way Glenelg, the smelter has helped improve literacy in the region since 2013 through the delivery of the Dolly Parton Imagination Library, where to date more than 44,000 free books have been delivered to children aged 0 to 5 years. The Glenelg Shire has the largest take up of the program Australia-wide.
- Portland Aluminium was integral in founding The Committee for Portland. Established in 2007, the committee advocates and facilitates the future development of Portland and surrounding areas to be a vibrant and economically sustainable community.

Environment and Sustainability

- Portland Aluminium is committed to continuously improve environmental performance, reduce environmental impacts and develop more sustainable operating practices. Targets and actions for water, waste, air and land are continually reviewed and monitored.
- Portland Aluminium maintains walking tracks on its land adjacent to and connecting with the renowned Great South West Walk, a 256km trail taking in the Glenelg River, Bridgewater Lakes, Bridgewater Bay and Portland Bay's spectacular forests and coastline. Walking tracks are open to the community.

Alcoa in Australia

- Alcoa has operated in Australia for 60 years and in this time approximately AU\$14.7 billion has been invested in the Australian business.
- Alcoa's Australian operations represent one of the world's largest integrated bauxite mining, alumina refining and aluminium smelting systems.
- Two bauxite mines and three alumina refineries in WA produce approximately 50 per cent of Australia's alumina. In Victoria, Portland Aluminium Smelter (which is 55 per cent owned by Alcoa of Australia) produces more than 20 per cent of the nation's aluminium.
- Alcoa directly employs 4850 people, predominantly from regional WA and Victoria. In 2022, Alcoa paid AU\$763 million in wages and benefits.
- Alcoa's values ensure employees act with integrity, operate with excellence, care for people and lead with courage.
- Alcoa has been named an employer of choice for more than 20 years by the Federal Government's Workplace Gender Equality Agency. Flexible work practices at Alcoa mean employees can balance their personal interests and family life alongside their work commitments.
- The company's second [Reconciliation Action Plan](#) was launched in 2022 at an event on Gunditjmarra Country at Portland Aluminium Smelter.

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Alcoa Corporation

- Alcoa Corporation is a global industry leader in bauxite, alumina and aluminium product with a vision to reinvent the aluminium industry for a sustainable future.
- Since developing the process that made aluminium an affordable and vital part of modern life, talented employees have developed breakthrough innovations and best practices that have led to efficiency, safety, sustainability and stronger communities wherever we operate.
- As a leader in the mining and metals industry, Alcoa has a strategic priority to advance sustainably and is a member of the International Council of Mining and Metals (ICMM).
- In 2021 Alcoa announced its aspiration to achieve net zero carbon emissions by 2050. Alcoa's [technology roadmap](#) supports the company's vision and aspiration and features three key innovations: Refinery of the Future; Reinventing Smelting through ELYSIS™; and Transforming Recycling through ASTRAEA™.
- Alcoa is included in S&P Global's 2022 Sustainability Yearbook, was named to the 2022 Dow Jones Sustainability Index, ranked on Fortune Magazine's World's Most Admired Companies list, is included in Bloomberg's Gender-Equality Index and is a Platinum EcoVadis member.
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