

# The Impacts of MINERAL EXPLORATION to British Columbia

The typical exploration project has a small and temporary footprint with broad-ranging benefits

Here are four ways that mineral exploration benefits the local economy

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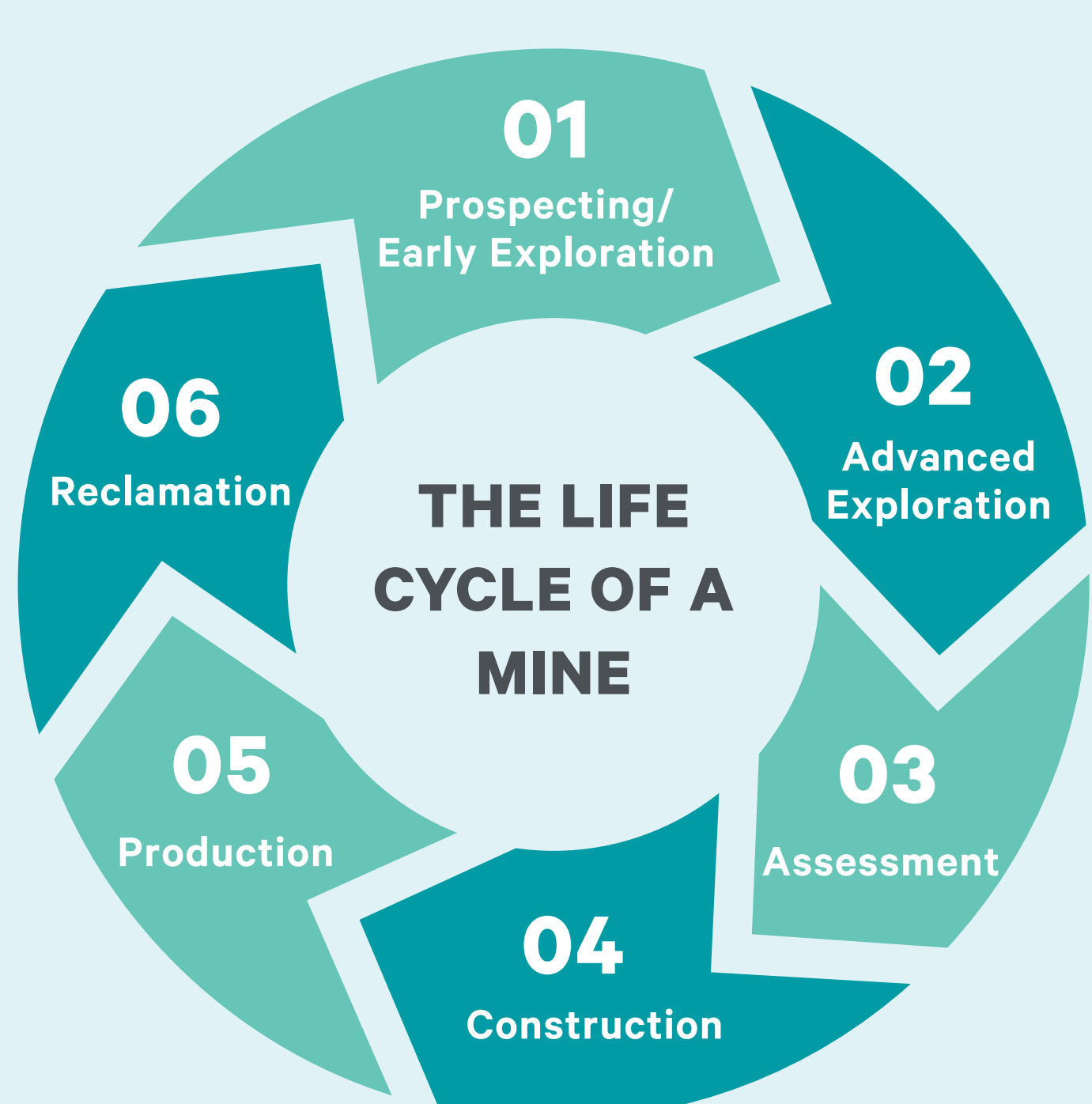
## MINERAL EXPLORATION IS A KEY CONTRIBUTOR TO THE BC ECONOMY

**\$331m**

Exploration expenditures in 2018

**\$5b**

Exploration expenditures over the past 15 years



Discoveries of the past 15 years have brought mines such as Brucejack, New Afton, Mount Milligan, Red Chris and Copper Mountain into production

**\$1.2m**

Average Exploration Annual Project Budget

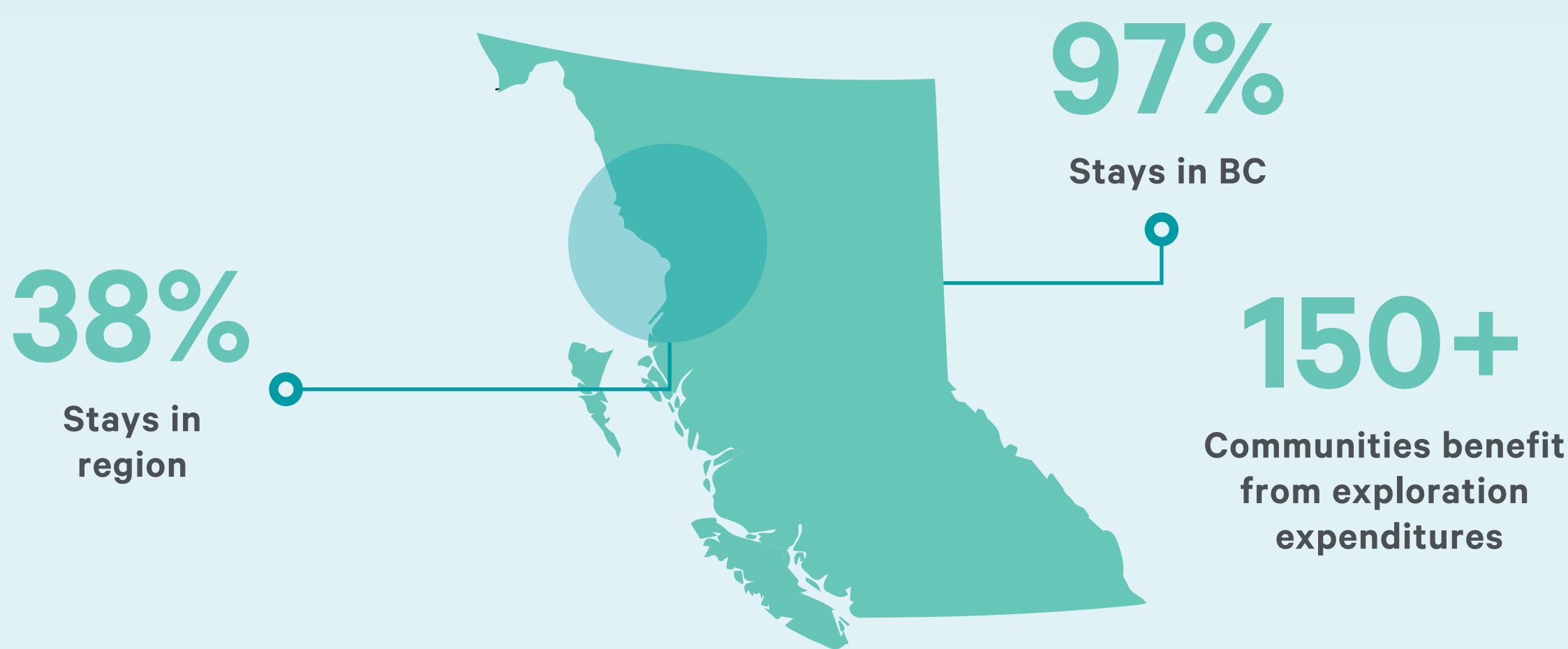
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BC Exploration Projects in 2018

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## MINERAL EXPLORATION EXPENDITURES ARE LOCAL

Where Expenditures Go



Local employment cross a wide range of occupations  
Labour is 40% of the project budget and increased household incomes by \$180 million in 2018



Drillers



Environmental Technicians



Geologists



Field Assistants

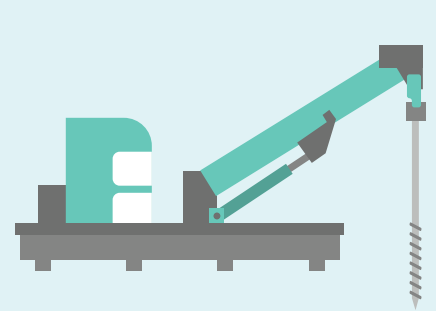


General Labourers

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## MINERAL EXPLORATION COMPANIES HIRE LOCAL SMALL BUSINESSES

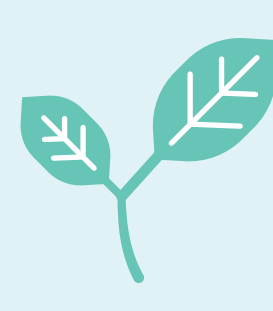
Supply Companies, Equipment, & Consumables are 60% of the Budget



Drilling



Engineering



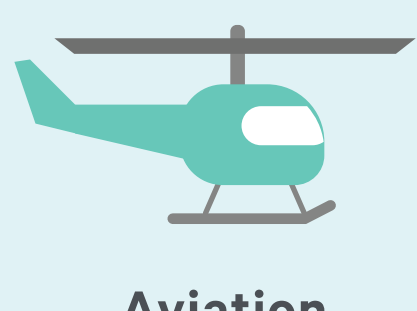
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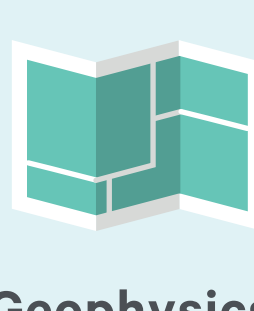
Laboratory



Geological



Aviation



Geophysics



Surveying



Expediting



Accommodation



Heavy Equipment



Electrical



Safety Training



Professional Services with Head Offices in Vancouver

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## MINERAL EXPLORATION COMPANIES ENGAGE WITH INDIGENOUS GROUPS

### Early Exploration projects:

sharing project information and outreach. Working with leaders and knowledge-holders.



### Advanced projects:

Partnerships and collaboration on project design and planning. Support and participation in community events and capacity building through training employment and procurement opportunities.

