



# Advocacy alert



## Keep our Copper media coverage (174 media items)

Thursday, 31 July 2025, 3:40 PM

The potential closure of the Mount Isa Copper Smelter and the Townsville Copper Refinery threatens more than just regional Queensland — it puts Australia’s economic security and national sovereignty at risk.

Read the latest media coverage in our advocacy campaign, Keep our Copper.

### July (149 media items)

#### 'Economic death spiral' fear over ailing copper smelter

MSN Australia · Internet · 31 Jul 2025

Neutral

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Daily Mail Australia (Internet), Yahoo! New Zealand (Internet), West Australian (Internet) and 74 more

ASR 8,365 · Audience 2,057 ·

#### North Queensland seeks federal funding for copper smelter



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... on Canberra on Thursday, July 31, calling on the federal government to deliver financial backing to save the Mount Isa copper smelter and Townsville refinery, as well as 17,000 jobs across the region. After months of negotiations with the state government ...

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ASR 796 · Audience 20 ·

## Copper posse hits Canberra to seek action on key assets

**iq** Industry Queensland · Internet · 31 Jul 2025

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... ved in Canberra, calling on the Federal Government to take urgent action to safeguard thousands of jobs linked to Glencore's copper smelter and refinery operations. Townsville chief executive officer claudia brumme-smith said the community was holding its ...

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ASR 17 · Audience 152 ·

## The transcript features a segment on Queensland's first computer, the GE225, unveiled by the Queensland Museum after being retrieved from storage. Kevin, a photographer present during its 1962 in...

**BRISBANE** ABC Radio Brisbane · Katherine Feeney · AM Radio · 31 Jul 2025

● Neutral

Interview ... coming to the federal government now and saying, listen, we can't compete, we're under cost pressure. I think something needs to be done very quickly. Obviously, running out of time in terms of Mount Isa and Townsville with the copper smelter. We're certainly urging the federal government and the Queensland Government to work together to come up with a package. Meanwhile, the owner of several coal mines in Queensland's Bowen Basins entered voluntary ...

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ABC Tropical North, ABC North Queensland, ABC Southern Queensland and 7 more

ASR 7,116 · Audience 13,800 ·

## 'Economic death spiral' fear over ailing copper smelter

 **The Hepburn Advocate** · [Abe Maddison](#) · Internet · 31 Jul 2025

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ASR 6 · Audience 3 ·

## 'Economic death spiral' fear over ailing copper smelter

 **Mudgee Guardian** · [Abe Maddison](#) · Internet · 31 Jul 2025

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ASR 94 · Audience 12 ·

## 'Economic death spiral' fear over ailing copper smelter

 **The Border Mail** · [By Abe Maddison](#) · Internet · 31 Jul 2025

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ASR 250 · Audience 103 ·

**Senate Doors** · **Parliament** · TV · 31 Jul 2025

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It takes about 25 minutes to watch them, but it's worth every single minute. So please follow us along. Okay, let's go.

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ASR N/A · Audience N/A ·

### **A speaker at a public forum urges state and federal governments, as well as Glencore, to prioritize fairness for communities and workers, emphasizing a critical opportunity for political action t...**

Senate Doors · Parliament · TV · 31 Jul 2025

● Neutral

This is not something we can let happen. And we're urging both state and federal government in Glencore to play fair for the communities that they're in for the workers that are behind me. This is a moment of time. We know politics are complex. We know politicians have entered into this game to make a difference. Right now they have a once in a lifetime opportunity to make a difference. I say we've not only brought the Queen's and proper industry ...

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ASR N/A · Audience N/A ·

### **The transcript highlights the severe economic challenges faced by North Queensland, particularly in the aftermath of the prison rung crisis, which took a decade to overcome. Smaller economies, in...**

Senate Doors · Parliament · TV · 31 Jul 2025

● Neutral

We took 10 years to recover from the prison rung. The smaller economies, rich ones and housing, don't have the ability to recover. And the effect is the number one output of our region. We want to keep mining and we want to keep processing. You're looking down the barrel of 18% unemployment rate. That's a historic unemployment rate for North Queensland.

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ASR N/A · Audience N/A ·

### **The transcript highlights urgent calls for Australian government support to sustain heavy industries, particularly copper smelting, amid fears of economic fallout from potential mine and smelter ...**

... copper. Going forward, copper is a major, important component of so many things. So nothing's off the table for me, but I don't want this to become a political football. I need to keep the copper smelter open so we can keep all those other mines, okay, smelting within Australia because they simply cannot train or truck all the minerals the port and then send them overseas to value add. ...

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ASR N/A · Audience N/A ·

## Stakeholders are urging the Queensland and federal governments to provide temporary bridging support for Glencore's copper smelter in Mount Isa, emphasizing its strategic importance to Australia'...



ABC Radio Brisbane · Steve Austin · AM Radio · 31 Jul 2025

● Neutral

Interview ... this viable is large enough that it's going to need both Queensland and federal government support. Everyone's in Canberra today, due to meet Federal Resources Minister and others, trying to impress on the importance of your copper smelter in Mount Isa. I spoke with Dr John Coyne from the Australian Strategic Policy Institute earlier this week. He gave me a take that I didn't realise. ...

### Stream

ASR 1,908 · Audience 23,000 ·

## The future of Australia's Mount Isa copper smelter, one of only two remaining in the country, hangs in the balance as Glencore warns of projected \$2.2 billion losses by 2031, prompting urgent cal...



ABC Radio Brisbane · Steve Austin · AM Radio · 31 Jul 2025

● Neutral

Interview Clive Palmer couldn't compete with Indonesia, burning dirty coal, and China. So what is the future of the copper smelter? Apparently it's the only one of its type in Australia. It's a very important asset, we think, for not just the region because you've got 600 jobs there directly, 600 workers who have been living with kind of months of uncertainty and it's their families and the community. It is a really important asset for Australia. It's one ...

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ASR 1,899 · Audience 23,000 ·

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## The transcript highlights urgent appeals from local leaders to save rural and remote Australian communities facing economic collapse due to mine and smelter closures. Mayor Peter McCray emphasize...

Senate Doors · Parliament · TV · 31 Jul 2025

● Neutral

This is not about a company, it's not about politics, this is about saving a community. It's about saving saving rural and remote Australia. If we let the interior of Australia die, you guys down in Canberra, you guys down on the seaboard, you're not going to have have what you've got now. The royalties that the governments get out of places like Nounizer and mines like Nounizer, that will stop. That will create a cash flow for the governments on ...

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ASR N/A · Audience N/A ·

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## A delegation from North Queensland, led by Claudia Brooks-Messi of Townsville Enterprise and hosted by MP Bob Katter, is urgently advocating to save the Mount Isa copper smelter and Townsville re...

Senate Doors · Parliament · TV · 31 Jul 2025

● Neutral

Claudia Brooks-Messi of Townsville Enterprise. here today uh leading the delegation from north queensland to keep our copper in north queensland this is a really important time for us when we know that 17 000 workers are at risk using their job in the copper industry in North Queensland. I'm here with the delegation, but hosted by the Honourable Bob Katter and we have a big day meeting with industry, but also meeting with the government to ensure ...

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## The transcript captures a preparatory address at a community or industry event, likely related to mining, where key stakeholders including a member of parliament, council representatives, and emp...

Senate Doors · Parliament · TV · 31 Jul 2025

● Neutral

Shado, the member of parliament from North Queensland, Claudia from Council, enterprises from big out there, and most of all the employees at Mount Isle and Mines, some of them are community delegates, and

they're the most important here today. So I'm going to ask the man who will probably suffer most, Robbie Catter If you don't want, please come in forward and conduct it. Thank you. And maybe make sure you're online just in the middle here pleas ...

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ASR N/A · Audience N/A ·

### **A historic copper mine in Mount Isa, operational for over 70 years, ceased operations yesterday, impacting hundreds of jobs and raising concerns about the region's economic future. Industry execu...**



ABC Radio Brisbane · Steve Austin · AM Radio · 31 Jul 2025

● Neutral

Interview ... wholesale cost of electricity down, the reality for industries is that the cost of energy is too expensive in Australia and getting more expensive. Is that right? That's correct. I mean, roughly the cost of energy for our our copper smelter, so you take our copper smelter in Mount Isa and the refinery in Townsville, of our production costs, energy and power is around 23%. If you compare our costs of production to, say, China, roughly our power costs ...

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ASR 5,555 · Audience 23,000 ·

### **Mining giant Glencore has called for state and federal support to sustain operations at its Mount Isa copper smelter and Townsville refinery, following the closure of its underground copper mine....**



ABC North Queensland · Michael Clarke · AM Radio · 31 Jul 2025

● Neutral

Interview Making news, mining giant Glencore has reiterated calls for state and federal support to keep its Mount Isa copper smelter and Townsville refinery operating. The company closed its underground copper mine at Mount Isa yesterday. The Queensland Government has made an offer of support to ensure the smelter and refinery keep operating, which Glencore is reviewing. delegation of Townsville's Peak Lobby Group, the city's mayor, as well as North Queensland ...

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ASR 1,044 · Audience N/A ·

## The Mount Isa copper mine has officially closed, marking a significant moment for the community amid nostalgia and mixed emotions. While local residents remain cautiously optimistic, the closure ...

 ABC North West Qld · Zara Margolis · FM Radio · 31 Jul 2025

 Neutral

Interview ... the state as well a lot of people were interested in hearing about it and talking about it so yeah big day for Mount Isa. Yeah and I mean it's hard to about the copper mine without people's mind then immediately going to the copper smelter and I think you like you spoke about national audiences being really interested in the mine I think it's fair to say there's probably been a bit of confusion around there because look when it was first announced ...

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ASR 187 · Audience N/A ·

## Mining company Glencore has announced the closure of its underground copper mine in Mount Isa but reaffirmed its commitment to North Queensland's resources sector, pledging \$2.5 billion in capita...

 ABC North Queensland · AM Radio · 31 Jul 2025

 Neutral

... long-term assets in our George Fisher mine that we're really excited about continuing to invest in and that's going to provide opportunities for the community into the future. Meanwhile the company says keeping the Mount Isa copper smelter and Townsville refinery open will require financial support from both state and federal governments. The Crisafulli Government has made an offer of support to ensure both projects stay operational, which Glencore ...

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ASR 212 · Audience N/A ·

## A delegation led by Claudia Brumme-Smith of Townsville Enterprise is advocating in Canberra and Brisbane to save the Mount Isa smelter and refinery, emphasizing the urgent need to protect regiona...

 ABC North Queensland · Michael Clarke · AM Radio · 31 Jul 2025

 Neutral

Interview ... today. Well we wish you all the very best with it we'll stay in touch and see how it goes. Thanks for joining us from a chilly Canberra this morning. Thank you Michael. That is Claudia Brumme-Smith from Townsville Enterprise leading that delegation of mayors, of other community leaders, of elected representatives and industry representatives to try save the smelter and refinery for both Mount Isa ...

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ASR 333 · Audience N/A ·

### **The Mount Isa underground copper mine, operational for 70 years, officially closed yesterday, marking the end of an era for the Northwest region. Glencore, the mine's operator, highlighted the tr...**



ABC North West Qld · Zara Margolis · FM Radio · 31 Jul 2025

● Neutral

Interview ... 2027. What do you say to the portion of the community who is still worried about the future of operations, particularly with everything going on in the uncertainty around the copper smelter and refinery? We're doing everything we can to support our employees, their families, and doing whatever we can to support the community. In fact, we're constantly involved in community support projects. ...

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ASR 736 · Audience N/A ·

### **A North Queensland delegation, including local leaders and industry representatives, is advocating in Canberra to secure federal support for the Townsville Copper Refinery and Mount Isa Copper Sm...**



ABC North Queensland · Michael Clarke · AM Radio · 31 Jul 2025

● Neutral

Interview ... July. Happy Thursday to you, Michael, keeping you company. Well, a local delegation of community leaders is on the ground in Canberra and they've got a very special message and that is keep our copper. Wanting to make sure that the Townsville Copper Refinery and the Mount Isa Copper Smelter stay open. We're going to catch up with the team in just a moment and see what's planned for today with those meetings ...

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ASR 848 · Audience N/A ·

### **The Queensland Teachers Union has announced a strike scheduled for August 6th, the first in 16 years, unless a new enterprise bargaining agreement is reached with the state government, as negotia...**

... Education Minister John Paul Langbrecht confirms negotiations will continue in good faith through the industrial conciliation process. Glencore shut down Mount Isa's historic copper mine yesterday with the fate of its Mount Isa copper smelter and Townsville refinery still uncertain. Our Mines Minister, Dale Last, repeated that a responsible offer had been made to assist. Glencore told employees last week that the offer fell well short of bridging the ...

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ASR 2,880 • Audience N/A •

## A North Queensland delegation has arrived in Canberra, warning of a potential copper crisis that threatens 17,000 jobs unless federal intervention secures the future of Australia's sole copper pr...

mix106.3 Star 106.3 FM • FM Radio • 31 Jul 2025

Neutral

... Canberra, warning of a looming copper crisis that could cost 17,000 jobs. Led by Townsville Enterprise, the group, including Townsville and Mount Isa mayors and KIP's Robbie Catter is urging federal action to save the Mount Isa copper smelter and Townsville refinery, Australia's only copper processing facilities. They say a deal must be struck by mid-August or key assets might shut down. ...

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 Power 100

ASR 608 • Audience N/A •

## Team Team North Queensland Takes Imminent Copper Crisis to Canberra

Media Releases • Newspaper • 31 Jul 2025

Neutral

... July. 9.15am Where: Mural Hall, Parliament House, Canberra Contact: Morgan Oss 0428 772 544 A powerful delegation from North and North West Queensland has landed in Canberra, urging federal decision-makers to act now to Keep Our Copper. Led by Townsville Enterprise, the delegation includes: Townsville Enterprise CEO Claudia Brumme-Smith Townsville ...

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## Smelter closure 'isn't an option' as delegation heads to Canberra

North West Weekly · Matt Nicholls · Newspaper · 31 Jul 2025

Neutral

SHUTTING the copper smelter isn't an option, says Mount Isa mayor Peta MacRae, who will this week try to convince powerbrokers on both sides of the fence in Canberra about the value of the North West's processing capability. Asked if Mount Isa had a plan if the smelter were to ...

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## The Mount Isa copper mine, operated by Glencore, has ceased operations after over 70 years, marking the end of an era for Queensland's resources industry. The Queensland Government has offered su...

 WIN Toowoomba · Steve Hart · TV · 30 Jul 2025

Neutral

... era for Queensland's resources industry with work ceasing at the Mount Isa copper mine today. The mine, currently operated by Glencore, wrapping up its operations after more than 70 years. It's still unclear if the company's copper smelter in the Isa and refinery in Townsville will remain operational. In a statement, Natural Resources and Mines, Minister Darlow says, the Queensland Government has tabled a responsible offer of support to help protect ...

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ASR 175 · Audience 3,798 ·

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## Gilmore Space achieved a milestone by launching the first Australian-built rocket from Bowen, though it crashed shortly after liftoff, marking a partial success. Meanwhile, the Brian Elias Founda...

 WIN Rockhampton · Steve Hart · TV · 30 Jul 2025

Neutral

... era for Queensland's resources industry with work ceasing at the Mount Isa copper mine today. The mine, currently operated by Glencore, wrapping up its operations after more than 70 years. It's still unclear if the company's copper smelter in the Isa and refinery in Townsville will remain operational. In a statement, Natural Resources and Mines Minister Dale Dale Last says, the Queensland Government has tabled a responsible offer of support to help ...

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ASR 814 · Audience 4,153 ·

## The Mount Isa copper mine, operated by Glencore, has ceased operations after over 70 years, marking the end of an era for Queensland's resources industry. The future of Glencore's copper smelter ...

 WIN Townsville · Steve Hart · TV · 30 Jul 2025

 Neutral

... era for Queensland resources industry with work ceasing at the Mount Isa copper mine today. The mine currently operated by Glencore, wrapping up its operations after more than than 70 years. It's still unclear if the company's copper smelter in the Isa and refinery in Townsville will remain operational. In a statement, Natural Resources and Mines Minister Dale Last says, The Queensland Government has tabled a responsible offer of support to help protect ...

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 WIN Mackay

ASR 97 · Audience 3,823 ·

## Glencore's Mount Isa smelter faces closure as federal rescue bid stalls

 The Mercury · Jill Poulsen · Internet · 30 Jul 2025

 Neutral

... silence threatens thousands of jobs across the state's north. The Federal Government has not offered support to save Mount Isa copper smelter and Townsville Refinery, despite mounting pressure that 17,000 jobs at risk as Glencore prepares to mothball both ...

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 Geelong Advertiser (Internet), Cairns Post (Internet), Northern Territory News (Internet) and 2 more

ASR 355 · Audience 169 ·

 Facebook · Robbie Katter Mp · Social Network · 30 Jul 2025

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... one. But both Labor and the LNP voted it down. Now we're watching one of Queensland's most important mines shut during a global copper boom while the same company threatens the future of our copper

smelter and 17,000 more jobs. Mount Isa deserves better. Australia deserves better. - Robbie Katter  
Katter's Australian Party Bob Katter Nick Dametto MP Shane Knuth MP David Crisafulli MP Steven Miles  
Dale Last - Member ...

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## After over a century of operation, Australia's longest-running copper mine has ceased production, marking a historic moment for the mining town. The closure poses a significant challenge as the c...



ABC Radio Brisbane · Katherine Feeney · AM Radio · 30 Jul 2025

Neutral

Interview ... world. For the town famed for its candy cane striped stack settled on red dirt, the day will be embalmed in history books to come. But as it says goodbye to the copper mine, can the town survive the second blow of losing its copper smelter too? It's not only an industry that has supported this country and our region for 60 years, but we also have so much more copper in the ground. So what we are wanting from the federal government right now is a ...

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ABC Tropical North, ABC North Queensland, ABC Southern Queensland and 7 more

ASR 2,321 · Audience 16,000 ·



Facebook · Mount Isa City Council · Social Network · 30 Jul 2025

Neutral

... With the future of North West Queensland's copper industry hanging by a thread, Mount Isa Mayor Peta MacRae has issued a direct plea to the State and Federal governments: secure a deal to save the Mount Isa Copper Smelter and Townsville Refinery – and the 17,000 jobs that depend on them. "For over 60 years, the Mount Isa Copper Smelter and Townsville Copper Refinery have underpinned Queensland's manufacturing capability and built ...

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ASR N/A ·

## A delegation led by Claudia Brumme-Smith, Chief Executive of Townsville Enterprise, is in Canberra advocating for federal collaboration with state governments and Glencore to address the imminent...

 ABC Radio Brisbane · Steve Austin · AM Radio · 30 Jul 2025

 Neutral

Interview ... Kennedy, Bob Katter is a senior member of Australia's parliament but not a member of the major political parties. Has Bob Katter the federal independent member for Kennedy, been doing enough when it comes to the issue of the copper smelter and Mount Isa? Look, I always say this is not a matter of politics. Everyone needs to work together right now. The opposition is supportive. We've got the federal government saying they have a strategic interest ...

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ASR 1,318 · Audience 15,000 ·

## The Mount Isa copper smelter in Queensland faces imminent closure, threatening 17,000 jobs and Australia's critical mineral supply chain, with Townsville Enterprise CEO Claudia Brumme-Smith warni...

 ABC Radio Brisbane · Steve Austin · AM Radio · 30 Jul 2025

 Neutral

Interview Are the federal and state governments acting clearly enough to all involved around the copper smelter? Well, obviously we haven't got a deal, so in my view they haven't. We. We are five minutes to midnight now with a potential closure. We've been talking, you know, we've been observing talks since, I guess, April, and we haven't got a deal, while other smelters around the country have made deals in that time. So right now, we continue to say we need ...

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ASR 1,140 · Audience 15,000 ·

## A man has been charged following a police pursuit in Ipswich, involving a stolen SUV that rammed a vacant police vehicle before being stopped with a tyre deflation device. In sports, Australian K...

 ABC Radio Brisbane · Steve Austin · AM Radio · 30 Jul 2025

 Neutral

Interview ... Isa, famed for its candy cane striped stacks settled on red dirt, the day will be embalmed in history books to come, say many. But as it says goodbye to the copper mine, the question is can the town survive a second blow of the copper smelter being put into what's called care and maintenance, basically

mothballed. Key figures are raising the alarm and are getting increasingly desperate as to why the federal and state governments don't seem to be doing ...

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ASR 2,777 · Audience 15,000 ·

### The regional manufacturing sector in Australia faces a deepening crisis as mining giant Glencore prepares to place its Mount Isa and Townsville copper smelter and refinery sites into care and mai...

 Radio National · Sally Sara · AM Radio · 30 Jul 2025

 Neutral

Interview ... deepening. Mining multinational Glencore has confirmed it's preparing to put its Mount Isa and Townsville sites in Queensland into what's known as care and maintenance mode. That puts thousands of jobs linked to the copper smelter and refinery at risk, with Glencore appealing to the federal government for help as talks with the Queensland Government fail to reach a breakthrough. ...

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Radio National, Radio National, Radio National and 5 more

ASR 43,054 · Audience 72,000 ·

### The transcript features insights from mining and resource analyst Peter Strachan, discussing the current softening trends in commodity markets, including silver, gold, iron ore, and lithium. Stra...

 ABC Broken Hill · Andrew Schmidt · AM Radio · 30 Jul 2025

 Neutral

Interview ... ago. Latest figures show numbers are around 500 people will lose their jobs. And then on top of that, the next, I suppose, critical infrastructure on the chopping block is the copper smelter this is in Mount Isa as. Townsville's refinery putting the future 700 jobs on top of that in doubt and Glencore is receiving government support to keep them open both from Queensland Government and the federal ...

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ASR 607 · Audience N/A ·

## It's our turn to get help



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... industry on its knees, Ms MacRae has issued her most direct plea yet to both levels of governments: get the deal done now to save the Mount Isa Copper Smelter and Townsville Refinery and the 17,000 jobs that depend on them. It comes as Federal MP Phillip Thompson has blasted ...

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ASR 751 · Audience 21,000 ·

## Smeltdown

**FINANCIAL REVIEW** Australian Financial Review · Peter Ker · Newspaper · 30 Jul 2025

● Neutral

Mount Isa fights for life, and smelter bailout Companies p15 Mt Isa left to chase a smelter miracle Rescue mission The regional centre's population has slumped. Locals fear without taxpayer help, that will be just the start, writes Peter Ker. Mt Isa's next Rodeo Queen will be crowned on Saturday ...



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ASR 16,070 · Audience 272,000 ·

## Mt Isa fights for its life, and a billion-dollar smelter bailout

**AFR** Australian Financial Review · Peter Ker · Internet · 29 Jul 2025

● Neutral

mt isa's next Rodeo Queen will be crowned on Saturday at a black-tie shindig that marks the end of a year-long charity fundraising drive. But after spending the week in Canberra lobbying politicians for a billion dollar bailout of the local copper smelter ...



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ASR 165,748 · Audience 10,230 ·

## North Queensland leaders are urging the federal government to provide \$2 billion in taxpayer support to prevent the closure of Glencore's Mount Isa copper smelter and Townsville copper refinery, ...

 ABC Far North · Adam Stephen · AM Radio · 29 Jul 2025

 Neutral

Interview ... Stephen. So we'll see where the Eris takes the sky tomorrow. Well, North Queensland leaders are in Canberra this week pleading with the federal government to provide taxpayer support to keep the Mount Isa copper smelter and Townsville copper refinery afloat. Mining giant Glencore has been operating these facilities at a loss against subsidised competition from Asia. ...

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ABC Tropical North, ABC North Queensland, ABC Capricornia and 2 more

ASR 4,296 · Audience N/A ·

## Local leaders and business groups are lobbying the Australian federal government for significant taxpayer investment to sustain Glencore-owned copper smelters and refineries in Mount Isa and Town...

 ABC Far North · Adam Stephen · AM Radio · 29 Jul 2025

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Talkback Keith Urban and Carrie Underwood, The Fighter, 26 past four. Well, a few of you are texting in on the call for a massive investment in the future of the Glencore-owned Mount Mount Isa Copper Smelter and Refinery from Townsville Enterprise Limited, the Mount Isa Mayor, the acting Townsville Mayor. They're all down in Canberra this week making the case to the federal government that these assets are too big to let fail. And it comes against ...

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ABC Tropical North, ABC North Queensland, ABC Capricornia and 2 more

ASR 2,442 · Audience N/A ·

## The transcript discusses Glencore's request for taxpayer support to sustain its copper smelting and refining operations in Mount Isa and Townsville, citing global competition and significant fina...

 **ABC Far North** · Adam Stephen · AM Radio · 29 Jul 2025

 Neutral

Interview ... an end this week with the final blast, and then the final shifts will be later in the week. So underground copper mining will cease at the end of this week in Mount Isa. That was a big enough hit to the town, but should the copper smelter get mothballed the population projections are dire according to the mayor of Mount Isa who you'll hear from a little later on drive. Patrick Stack here there's so much happening in the world of sport league AFL ...

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ABC Tropical North, ABC North Queensland, ABC Capricornia and 2 more

ASR 1,626 · Audience N/A ·

## Mount Isa Copper Mine Closes

 **Star 106.3 Townsville** · Internet · 29 Jul 2025

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... . Mining giant Glencore has begun preparing to shut down not just the mine, but also the Mount Isa copper smelter and Townsville refinery — Australia's last third-party copper processing facilities ...

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ASR N/A · Audience N/A ·

## Townsville Enterprise CEO Claudia Brumme-Smith emphasized the urgency for securing a deal during a press conference in Mount Isa, stating that the time for conversations has passed and immediate ...

 **ABC Western Queensland** · Danny Kennedy · AM Radio · 29 Jul 2025

 Neutral

... done in other parts of the country and we want to come home with the deal or with an assurance that there will be a deal. I think the time for conversations is over. We need a deal right now. That's Townsville Enterprise CEO Claudia Brumme-Smith there speaking at a press conference in Mount Isa yesterday. 5 to 8, news not too far away. Of course I'll be back with you after half past 8 this morning. But now,

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ASR 43 · Audience N/A ·

## Townsville Enterprise CEO Claudia Brumme-Smith emphasized the need for immediate government action during a press conference in Mount Isa, advocating for parity rather than a bailout. She called ...

 ABC North West Qld · Zara Margolis · FM Radio · 29 Jul 2025

 Neutral

Press Conference believe we're not asking for bailout, we're asking for parity. We're asking for the same thing that the government has already done in other parts of the country, and we want to come come with a deal or with an assurance that there will be a deal. I think the time for conversations is over. We need a deal right now. That's Townsville Enterprise CEO Claudia Brumme-Smith there speaking at a press conference in Mount Isa yesterday.

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ASR 39 · Audience N/A ·

## Mount Isa residents commemorated the final blast of the city's long-standing alarm signal, marking the end of an era as the underground copper mine prepares to close. Glencore confirmed the blast...

 ABC North West Qld · Zara Margolis · FM Radio · 29 Jul 2025

 Neutral

Interview ... coming months, the the model... of the Mount Isa smelter and the Townsville refinery, unless of course a deal can be done with governments to keep those last two going. Delegation of local leaders is heading to Canberra this week hoping to make that happen. Townsville Enterprise CEO Claudia Brumme-Smith is leading that charge. Here's what she had to say at a press conference in Mount Isa yesterday. We're at Mount Isa today because obviously this

### Stream

ASR 96 · Audience N/A ·

## Mount Isa marks the end of an era with the final blast signaling the closure of its underground copper mine after more than 60 years, impacting residents and workers emotionally and economically....

Interview ... be. done with governments to keep those last two going. Delegation of local leaders is heading to Canberra this week, hoping to make that happen. Townsville Enterprise CEO Claudia Brumme-Smith is leading that charge. Here's what she had to say at a press conference in Mount Isa yesterday. We're at Mount Isa today because obviously this week the mine is closing. ...

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ASR 239 · Audience N/A ·

## Representatives from West Queensland are traveling to Canberra to urge federal intervention to save the Mount Isa copper smelter, after Glencore rejected a state government bailout and announced ...

... News. Good morning, I'm Grace Nakamura. Representatives from the North and North West are heading to Canberra this week to to ask the Federal Government to save the Mount Isa copper smelter. Glencore has rejected the state government's proposed bailout for the smelter and says it's preparing preparing to put the asset into care and maintenance, putting 700 jobs across the smelter and the Townsville ...

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ABC North West Qld

ASR 132 · Audience N/A ·

## Renewed calls for a systemic review of police-involved shootings in North Queensland follow four incidents this year, including a recent Townsville case where a 29-year-old man was critically inj...

... remanded in custody at the Townsville Magistrates Court yesterday and will reappear in September. Representatives from the North and North West are heading to Canberra this week to ask the federal government to save the Mount Isa copper smelter. Glencore has rejected the state government's proposed bailout to re-brick the smelter and says it's preparing to put put into care and maintenance, threatening 700 jobs across the smelter and the Townsville refinery. ...

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ASR 224 · Audience N/A ·

## The Rural Report concluded with stud cattle competitors Riley Gridler and Emmett Pryor encouraging youth involvement in cattle shows, offering prizes as incentives. Meanwhile, representatives fro...

 ABC Western Queensland · AM Radio · 29 Jul 2025

 Neutral

... News. Good morning, I'm Grace Nakamura. Representatives from the North and North West are heading to Canberra this to ask the Federal Government to save the Mount Isa copper smelter. Glencore has rejected the state government's proposed bailout for the smelter and says it's to put the asset into care and maintenance, putting 700 jobs across the smelter and the Townsville refinery on the line. ...

### Stream

 ABC North West Qld

ASR 314 · Audience N/A ·

## Mount Isa's copper mine has ceased operations after more than 60 years, marking the end of an era for the region. Glencore is also set to close the Smelter and Townsville refinery, threatening 17...

 Star 106.3 FM · FM Radio · 29 Jul 2025

 Neutral

... clocked off for the final time this week, ending more than 60 years of operations. Glencore is also preparing to shut both the Smelter and Townsville refinery, putting 17,000 supply chain jobs at risk. Townsville Enterprise's CEO, Claudia Brumme-Smith will lead a delegation to Canberra demanding urgent federal action to save Australia's last third-party copper processing assets. We want to make sure we say thank you to the workers that have worked here ...

### Stream

 Power 100

ASR 373 · Audience N/A ·

## Labor blocks Senate probe into Queensland metals industry crisis

... rent state - including what role the "obstructive actions" of other countries had played. Townsville Enterprise chief executive claudia brumme-smith said it was "disappointing" the inquiry had been voted down when "smelters hang in the balance" ...

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 The Courier Mail (Internet), Toowoomba Chronicle (Internet), Geelong Advertiser (Internet) and 6 more

ASR 1,412 · Audience 629 ·

## Isa holds its breath as mine closes

**Townsville Bulletin** · Caitlan Charles · Newspaper · 29 Jul 2025

... The refinery and smelter are used by other mining and resource companies apart from Glencore. Townsville Enterprise will lead a delegation to Canberra this week with a clear message: Keep our copper. Townsville Enterprise chief executive Claudia BrummeSmith said the closure of the mine marked the end of a chapter, ...

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ASR 1,769 · Audience 21,000 ·

## Weather expert Luke Bradnam forecasts potential snow for South East Queensland this week, with the coldest winter day expected and light snowfall possible by Saturday. Meanwhile, Mount Isa faces ...

**Channel 9 News** · Melissa Downes · TV · 28 Jul 2025

Weather Report ... shareholder, you look at parts of your business out of haemorrhaging cash, and if they are, you close them down, and I guess Glencore is no different. Hundreds of jobs are immediately in the firing line but Glencore's flagged its copper smelter in Mount Isa and refinery in Townsville could also be wound up unless operations become financially viable. If that happens it's estimated 17,000 direct and indirect jobs would be at risk. ...

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 Channel 9 Gold Coast, WIN Sunshine Coast, WIN Townsville and 7 more

ASR 29,719 · Audience 192,224 ·

## Glencore's Mount Isa copper mine is ceasing operations after 60 years, marking the end of an era in North West Queensland. Local leaders are urgently appealing to the Australian government to sec...



Seven Townsville · Joanne Desmond & Nathan Spurling · TV · 28 Jul 2025

Neutral

... tonight. We want to make sure we say thank you to the workers that have worked here for the last 60 years. There is hope that's the only closure. But Glencore's Mount Isa copper copper smelter and Townsville refinery are on the brink, unless a financial agreement is struck. I'm really concerned. I mean, I should be confident because both levels of government are saying there's a solution. ...

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ASR 472 · Audience 7,938 ·

## Mount Isa faces imminent economic collapse as its underground copper mine prepares for its final blast, with the city's smelter and Townsville's refinery potentially closing next, threatening 17,...



Channel 7 · Max Futcher & Katrina Blowers · TV · 28 Jul 2025

Neutral

News It brought to life in the the 1930s as Queensland's original boom town, but there are fears Mount Isa is about to experience its biggest bust. The mine's last blast will happen within hours. The city's copper processing facility could close within weeks and it supports 17,000 jobs. The final blast will rock Mount Isa's underground copper mine tonight. The city's smelter and Townsville's refinery could be the next to close. People are very co ...

### Stream



Seven Maryborough, Channel 7 Gold Coast

ASR 18,313 · Audience 113,000 ·

## The closure of Glencore's Mount Isa copper mine in Queensland threatens hundreds of direct jobs and places up to 17,000 direct and indirect jobs at risk, including those tied to related smelting ...



Channel 9 · Aislin Kriukelis · TV · 28 Jul 2025

Neutral

News Thousands of jobs this afternoon hang in the balance as a multinational mining company begins closing operations on a massive Queensland project. more than 60 years of operations, the Mount Isa copper mine, operated by Swiss-based mining giant Glencore, will tonight shut down. And with that closure could come hundreds of job losses. But the bigger concern here is the thousands of jobs that are now in jeopardy if the company goes ahead and al ...

## Stream



WIN Sunshine Coast, WIN Townsville, WIN Rockhampton and 4 more

ASR 6,799 • Audience 74,591 •

## The transcript reveals concerns about the Australian Tax Office (ATO) allegedly calling accounting firms to collect tax debts before they are due, suggesting a potential quota system. Meanwhile, ...



ABC Radio Brisbane • Steve Austin • AM Radio • 28 Jul 2025

Neutral

... the last blast at the Mount Isa mine will take place at the Copper Mine tonight. But she flies to Canberra today to strong-arm our federal politicians about what's happening with the future of the smelter there. I spoke with Claudia Brumme-Smith from the Talental Enterprise late last week about how they see this. Look, it's a national asset because Australia has more than 10% of the world's copper reserves, but the the only smelter and refinery in ...

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ASR 2,223 • Audience 32,000 •

## Senator Susan MacDonald emphasized the urgency of federal government action to support copper processing in Mount Isa and Townsville, warning that without swift investment, Australia risks losing...



ABC North Queensland • Michael Clarke • AM Radio • 28 Jul 2025

Neutral

Interview ... decision. They either move very quickly and get on with helping the existing smelter to operate whilst either a new one is built or it's upgraded, or they watch copper processing in dwindle and die. So, well, Claudia Brumme-Smith even said to us last week, there's time to take the politics out of it. So to that end, would your message to Townsville Enterprise be, call me, I can help you with this, or I have knowledge about these industries ...

## Stream

## The transcript highlights growing concerns over Glencore's copper operations in North Queensland, with potential closures of the Mount Isa smelter and Townsville refinery threatening thousands of...

 ABC North Queensland · Michael Clarke · AM Radio · 28 Jul 2025

 Neutral

Interview ... Queensland community and in the North West over Glencore and their copper interests in the area, whether we're going to see the refinery and the smelter closing and affecting jobs in Mount Isa and also in Townsville. You heard from Claudia Brumme-Smith from Townsville Enterprise talking to us and saying that they were planning a delegation to Canberra this week to look at support from the federal government for that, after also speaking to the state government ...

### Stream

## MoneyTalks: Why Cygnet Capital is backing Heavy Rare Earths and critical minerals

 couriermail.com.au · Jessica Cummins · Internet · 28 Jul 2025

 Neutral

Melbourne-based Cygnet Capital backs opportunities in the critical minerals space, including the potential in Heavy Rare Earths.

MoneyTalks is Stockhead's drill down into what stocks investors are looking at right now. We tap our list of experts to hea ...

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## Text the Editor

 Townsville Bulletin · Newspaper · 28 Jul 2025

 Neutral

... seas TV for years. (watched US ages ago. Please check facts first. BA West End There's a really good chance the reason behind the possible closures of the Mt Isa copper smelter and the Townsville copper refinery along with other projects in the country is because they can't afford the ...

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ASR 490 · Audience 21,000 ·

## Premier David Crisafulli says Glencore must keep smelter open despite losses

 Adelaide Now · Caitlan Charles Rose Innes · Internet · 27 Jul 2025

 Neutral

Premier David Crisafulli has made his position on Glencore very clear, suggesting it should be 'pleased' with its earnings. 2 min read Glencore's Suresh Vadnagra reveals company's position on Mount Isa, Townsville operation's future Glencore is calling...

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ASR 1,957 · Audience 629 ·

## Business community desperately seeks solutions for Glencore's copper conundrum

 Adelaide Now · Leighton Smith · Internet · 26 Jul 2025

 Neutral

...sville's business communities fear the adverse consequences if Glencore was to push ahead with pausing its operations at its copper smelter and refinery, endangering thousands of jobs. The Chamber of Commerce for Mount Isa, Commerce North West, has warned ...

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Cairns Post (Internet), Herald Sun (Internet), Geelong Advertiser (Internet) and 4 more

ASR 4,838 · Audience 629 ·

## Don't sell Australia's copper future for scrap

 Townsville Bulletin · Claudia Brumme-Smith · Newspaper · 26 Jul 2025

 Neutral

This week, North and Northwest Queensland stared down a devastating reality one that could see our copper ecosystem collapse with the closure of the Mount Isa Copper Smelter and Townsville Copper Refinery. To the workers and families in our communities we know this is a difficult time we see you, ...

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ASR 1,205 · Audience 26,000 ·

## Text the Editor

 **Townsville Bulletin** · Newspaper · 26 Jul 2025

 Neutral

... orked at the copper refinery for 10 years under MIM and Xstrata and in that time all the toxic waste was trucked out to Mt Isa which was said to be getting dumped down the old mine shafts. When the mine ceases and if this is true I hope it doesn't pollute ...

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ASR 493 · Audience 26,000 ·

## Swiss mining giant Glencore has warned of imminent shutdowns at its North Queensland copper operations, including the Mount Isa smelter and Townsville refinery, unless state and federal governmen...

 **ABC NewsRadio** · **Laura Tchilinguirian** · AM Radio · 25 Jul 2025

 Neutral

Interview ... a memo to employees this week warning it'll start planning a shutdown if the federal and state governments don't provide funding. My whole life, I've been here 61 years, I've only ever known it as a red and white stack, the copper smelter stack. It's the centrepiece of Mount Isa. It really is. Mount Isa local and former business owner Brett Peterson has called the area home his entire life. ...

## Stream



ABC NewsRadio, ABC NewsRadio, ABC NewsRadio and 4 more

ASR 15,002 · Audience 23,000 ·

## The Swiss mining company Glencore has warned of potential closures for its Mount Isa copper smelter and Townsville refinery due to inadequate government support, threatening 700 direct jobs and u...

 **ABC Southern Queensland** · **MEGHAN HUGHES** · AM Radio · 25 Jul 2025

 Neutral

Interview The Swiss mining giant confirmed earlier this year that it was seeking government support to keep operating both its Mount Isa copper smelter and Townsville copper refinery. This week, those

negotiations with the state government appeared to break down, and Glencore has issued employees a memo saying... The Queensland Government provided a verbal offer earlier this week, but this falls well short of the support needed to address the economic ...

## Stream



ABC Tropical North, ABC North Queensland, ABC Far North and 5 more

ASR 8,474 • Audience 2,500 •

## GLENCORE 'RIPPLE EFFECT'



Townsville Bulletin • Leighton Smith • Newspaper • 25 Jul 2025

Neutral

A shockwave is reverberating across North Queensland after Glencore revealed its intention to put operations at its Mount Isa copper smelter and Townsville refinery on pause until conditions improved, prompting affected businesses and stakeholders to blast the decision. The Swiss mining giant justified the decision saying the state government's intervention measures ...

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Northern Territory News (Internet), Geelong Advertiser (Internet), The Courier Mail (Internet) and 3 more

ASR 1,871 • Audience 21,000 •

## The closure of Glencore's Mount Isa underground copper mine threatens 500 local jobs, with the Swiss mining giant warning of further shutdowns unless government support is secured. The potential ...



ABC Radio Canberra • Annie Guest • AM Radio • 24 Jul 2025

Neutral

Interview ... happening. We're pretty lost at the moment. The Swiss mining mining giant confirmed earlier this year that it was seeking government support to keep operating both its Mount Isa copper smelter and Townsville copper refinery. This week those with the state government appeared to break down and Glencore has issued employees a memo saying the Queensland Government provided a verbal offer earlier this week ...

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ABC Tropical North, ABC Radio Sydney, ABC Western Plains NSW and 57 more

ASR 56,687 • Audience 111,300 •

## The impending closure of Glencore's underground copper mine and potential shutdown of its copper smelter in Mount Isa pose an existential threat to the city, with Mayor Tim Rose warning of a casc...

 ABC Far North · Adam Stephen · AM Radio · 24 Jul 2025

 Neutral

Interview The Little River Band and Johnny Farnham and Playing to Win at 10 minutes past five on drive. It's probably hard to overstate the threat that Mount Mount Isa faces with the looming closure of Glencore's underground copper mine but possibly the copper smelter in town as well. Now that city's population has been sustained largely thanks to those two operations for many decades but as of next week underground mining ceases in Mount Isa, copper anyway and the Swiss mining ...

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 ABC Tropical North, ABC North Queensland, ABC Capricornia and 2 more

ASR 5,310 · Audience N/A ·

## The Queensland government has urgently sought federal intervention to prevent the closure of Glencore's Mount Isa copper smelter and Townsville refinery, which threatens 17,000 jobs and risks dev...

 Channel 10 · Sharyn Ghidella · TV · 24 Jul 2025

 Neutral

News The state government has called for federal intervention to save the state's only copper smelter from shutting. 17,000 jobs tonight remain on the line in North Queensland, with leaders warning collapse could cripple the local economy. An ageing mine under pressure, unable to capitalise on sky-high copper prices. It's produced a large know, a large amount of copper, but the copper, you know, the amount of copper has been declining. Mount Isa's ...

### Stream

 10 Townsville, 10 Cairns, Ten Hervey Bay and 6 more

ASR 7,222 · Audience 46,147 ·

## The Queensland mining town of Mount Isa faces a severe economic crisis as Glencore announces plans to suspend copper smelting and refining operations, potentially cutting 17,000 jobs. Mount Isa M...

Interview ... Scotland to Perth, Western Australia, right, to handle all the renewable energy projects off the northeast coast of the UK. So the government in the UK said, so what's your advice? And they said, go and buy a copper mine or buy a copper smelter and a copper wire or buy all three. I mean, that's the reality. You guys are positioned, the world wants your stuff. Exactly. And we've got all the critical minerals. ...

### Stream

ASR 1,461 · Audience 16,000 ·

## The Queensland state government is under pressure to provide financial support to Glencore to maintain operations at its Mount Isa and Townsville sites, as the Swiss company seeks reassurance on ...



ABC Radio Brisbane · Katherine Feeney · AM Radio · 24 Jul 2025

Neutral

Interview ... Feeney. To what is making news across Australia in a moment. But first, as I've been talking about this afternoon, the Treasurer of Queensland, David Janetzki is turning his attention to the copper smelter in Mount Isa. It's the Glencore smelter. It's the only one in the country that processes copper from all over the nation, regardless of mine ownership. ...

### Stream



ABC Tropical North, ABC North Queensland, ABC Southern Queensland and 7 more

ASR 10,316 · Audience 16,300 ·

## New research suggests a specific method of paying bills can enhance happiness and strengthen relationships, sparking a discussion on the value of shared meals around the table. Meanwhile, Brisban...



ABC Radio Brisbane · Katherine Feeney · AM Radio · 24 Jul 2025

Neutral

... more. Queensland's treasurer, talking of money, says that the state government will continue to negotiate in good faith with Glencore. With the future of its Mount Isa copper smelter and Townsville refinery uncertain, this is a big deal for the state of Queensland. Now, the company's advised workers it is preparing to put the facilities into care and maintenance until economic circumstances ...

### Stream



ABC Gold Coast

ASR 3,284 · Audience 16,000 ·



ABC Radio Brisbane · AM Radio · 24 Jul 2025

Neutral

Queensland Treasurer David Janetzki says the Queensland Government will continue to negotiate with Glencore, whose Mount Isa copper smelter and Townsville refinery have uncertain futures, in good faith. The company advised its workers that it's preparing to place both facilities in care and maintenance mode until economic circumstances improve. The company seeks government support to keep operating due to a decline in copper processing fees, with ...

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ABC Tropical North, ABC North Queensland, ABC Southern Queensland and 8 more

ASR 1,779 · Audience 36,700 ·

## Queensland Treasurer and Energy Minister David Janetzki has emphasized the urgency of federal government intervention regarding potential state support for Glencore's copper refinery and smelter ...



ABC North Queensland · Michael Clarke · AM Radio · 24 Jul 2025

Neutral

Interview ... issue of the possible lifeline, possible Queensland State Government support for Glencore for the copper refinery and the smelter. Of course there are operations here in Townsville as well. We were also talking this morning with Claudia Brumme-Smith from from Townsville Enterprise, who's off to Canberra next week for meetings and maybe the possibility of some federal support for those operations as well. ...

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ASR 295 · Audience N/A ·

## The transcript covers several key updates, including the Cobber Challenge's annual evaluation of working dogs and the increasing trend of cattle producers supplementing pasture with grain. Weathe...



ABC North West Qld · Zara Margolis · FM Radio · 24 Jul 2025

Neutral

Interview ... Howe there from the Bureau of Meteorology Now with news headlines, good morning Heidi Sheehan. Good morning Danny, making news this morning. Glencore has issued employees with a memo advising it's preparing to put the Mount Isa copper smelter and Townsville copper refinery in care and maintenance mode until economic circumstances improve. The company is seeking government support to keep operating due to a decline in copper processing fees. ...

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ASR 453 · Audience N/A ·

### The transcript covers a cold morning in Western Queensland, with temperatures near freezing but expected to rise to the mid-20s under sunny skies. Meteorologist Jonathan Howe forecasts a signific...



ABC Western Queensland · Danny Kennedy · AM Radio · 24 Jul 2025

Neutral

Interview ... Meteorology. Now with news headlines, good morning, Heidi Sheehan. Good morning, Danny. Making news this morning. Glencore has issued employees with a memo advising it's preparing to put the Mount Isa copper smelter Townsville copper refinery in care and maintenance mode until economic circumstances improve. The company is seeking government support to keep operating due to a decline in copper processing fees. ...

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ASR 454 · Audience N/A ·

### The Queensland Government has declined to issue a blank cheque to Glencore amid the mining giant's threats to scale back operations in Townsville and Mount Isa, jeopardizing nearly 700 jobs. Trea...



ABC North Queensland · Michael Clarke · AM Radio · 24 Jul 2025

Neutral

Interview ... police. The Queensland Government says it won't write a blank cheque to a multinational mining company seeking a taxpayer-funded bailout. On Wednesday, Glencore issued employees with a memo advising it's preparing to the Mount Isa copper smelter and the Townsville copper refinery. Glencore says the state government made a verbal offer of support this week, but it didn't meet expectations. ...

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ASR 890 · Audience N/A ·

## 'Don't leave us behind' plea for processing future

 Industry Queensland · Internet · 24 Jul 2025

 Neutral

... essing plants interstate as it presses for a deal to save operations in Mount Isa and Townsville. Chief executive officer claudia brumme-smith said Glencore's messaging to its copper smelter and refinery workers confirmed it was 'five minutes to midnight' ...

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ASR 17 · Audience 152 ·

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## Glencore is poised to halt copper smelting and refining operations in North Queensland, citing significant financial losses and inadequate state government support, despite five months of negotia...

 ABC North West Qld · [Zara Margolis](#) · FM Radio · 24 Jul 2025

 Neutral

... necessary plans and and preparations to either keep operating them or to move them towards care and maintenance. We just can't compete with countries like China who receive government support and other benefits. Each month, the copper smelter and refinery are losing tens of millions of dollars. We just can't continue to absorb those losses without putting our other future investments in Mount Isa at risk. ...

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ASR 348 · Audience N/A ·

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## Glencore is considering halting copper smelting and refining operations in North Queensland due to significant financial losses, citing unfair competition from government-subsidized overseas riva...

 ABC Western Queensland · [Danny Kennedy](#) · AM Radio · 24 Jul 2025

 Neutral

Interview ... necessary plans and preparations to either keep operating them or to move them towards care and maintenance. We just can't compete with countries like China who receive government support and other benefits. Each month, the copper smelter and refinery are losing tens of millions of dollars. We just can't continue to absorb those losses without putting our other future investments investments Mount Isa at risk. ...

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ASR 499 · Audience N/A ·

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## The Queensland Government has declined to provide unconditional financial assistance to Glencore, a multinational mining company seeking a taxpayer-funded bailout for its Mount Isa copper smelter...

 ABC North Queensland · AM Radio · 24 Jul 2025

 Neutral

... Government says it won't write a blank cheque to a multinational mining company seeking a taxpayer-funded bailout. Megan Danzy reports. On Wednesday, Glencore issued employees with a memo advising it's preparing to put the Mount Isa copper smelter and the Townsville copper refinery in care and maintenance mode until economic circumstances improve. The company is seeking government support to keep operating due to a decline in copper processing fees. ...

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ASR 66 · Audience N/A ·

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## The Queensland Government has declined to provide unlimited financial support to multinational mining giant Glencore, which is seeking taxpayer assistance to sustain its Mount Isa copper smelter ...

 ABC Western Queensland · AM Radio · 24 Jul 2025

 Neutral

... says it won't write a blank cheque for multinational mining companies seeking a taxpayer-funded bailout. Megan Danzy has more. On Wednesday, Glencore issued employees with a memo advising it's preparing to put the Mount Isa copper smelter and the Townsville copper in care and maintenance mode until economic circumstances improve. The company is seeking government support to keep operating due to a decline in copper processing fees. ...

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 ABC North West Qld

ASR 326 · Audience N/A ·

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## The Queensland Government has refused to issue a blank cheque bailout to multinational mining company Glencore, which is seeking financial support to continue operating its Mount Isa copper smelt...

 ABC North Queensland · Michael Clarke · AM Radio · 24 Jul 2025

 Neutral

Interview ... Queensland Government says it won't write a blank cheque to the multinational mining company seeking a taxpayer-funded bailout. On Wednesday, Glencore issued employees with a memo advising it's preparing to put the Mount Isa copper smelter and the Townsville copper refinery in care and maintenance mode until economic conditions improve. The company is seeking government support to keep operating due to a decline copper processing fees. ...

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ASR 946 • Audience N/A •



ABC Radio Brisbane • AM Radio • 24 Jul 2025

● Neutral

... a blank cheque to Glencore, which is seeking a taxpayer-funded bailout due to a decline in copper processing fees. It comes as the mining company issued a memo to employees, advising that it's preparing to put the Mount Isa copper smelter and Townsville refinery in care and maintenance mode until the improvement of economic circumstances. Glencore says the Queensland Government made a verbal offer of support this week, but that it didn't meet expectations. ...

## Stream



ABC Tropical North, ABC North Queensland, ABC Southern Queensland and 8 more

ASR 2,436 • Audience 59,900 •

## Glencore will proceed with the closure of Oceare's zinc operations by December 2025, placing its Mt Isa copper smelter and Townsville refinery into care and maintenance. Meanwhile, political effo...



4LM 666 • AM Radio • 24 Jul 2025

● Neutral

News operator, Oceare's zinc operations would still close as planned in December 2025. While Glencore explores how other miners can use Lady Loretta's it will put its Mt Isa copper smelter and Townsville refinery into care and maintenance until market conditions improve. Townsville Enterprise will seek a federal solution in Canberra next week, while Kennedy MP Bob Katter has already met with new Federal Industry Minister, Senator Tim Edgerton to ...

## Stream

ASR 5,492 • Audience N/A •

## The Queensland Government has declined to provide unrestricted financial aid to multinational mining giant Glencore, which is seeking a taxpayer-funded bailout to maintain operations at its Mount...

 ABC Western Queensland · AM Radio · 24 Jul 2025

 Neutral

... Government says it won't write a blank cheque to a multinational mining company seeking a taxpayer-funded bailout. Danzy has more. On Wednesday, Glencore issued employees with a memo advising it's preparing to put the Mount Isa copper smelter and the Townsville copper refinery in care and maintenance mode until economic circumstances improve. The company is seeking government support to keep operating in care and maintenance mode until economic circumstances ...

### Stream



ABC North West Qld

ASR 176 · Audience N/A ·

## The Queensland Government has declined to meet Glencore's financial demands for a taxpayer-funded bailout to sustain operations at the Mount Isa copper smelter and Townsville refinery, citing its...

 ABC North Queensland · AM Radio · 24 Jul 2025

 Neutral

... Government says it won't write a blank cheque to a multinational mining company seeking a taxpayer-funded bailout, Megan Dancy reports. On Wednesday, Glencore issued employees with a memo advising it's preparing to put the Mount Isa copper smelter and the Townsville copper refinery in care and economic circumstances improve. The company is seeking government support to keep operating due to a decline in copper processing fees. ...

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ASR 147 · Audience N/A ·

 ABC Radio Brisbane · AM Radio · 24 Jul 2025

 Neutral

... a blank cheque to Glencore, which is seeking a taxpayer-funded bailout due to a decline in copper processing fees. It comes as the mining company issued a memo to employees, advising that it's preparing to put the Mount Isa copper smelter and Townsville refinery in care and maintenance mode until the improvement of economic circumstances. Glencore says the Queensland Government made a verbal offer of support this week, but that it didn't meet expectations. ...

## Stream



ABC Tropical North, ABC North Queensland, ABC Southern Queensland and 8 more

ASR 1,769 • Audience 37,200 •

## Why this picturesque Aussie city could soon be wiped off the map



Daily Mail Australia • Nicholas Comino • Internet • 24 Jul 2025

● Neutral

... eeks whether there is a viable solution on the table from governments or whether we start to planning to transition the copper smelter and refinery into care and maintenance. Time is running out.' Glencore expects the two copper assets could lose billions ...

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This is Money (Internet), MSN South Africa (Internet), MSN.com (Internet)

ASR 99,650 • Audience 13,817 •

## Canberra pitch

North West Weekly • Matt Nicholls • Newspaper • 24 Jul 2025

● Neutral

Local voices heading to parliament MOUNT Isa mayor Peta MacRae will join a delegation of North Queensland leaders in Canberra to lobby for federal government action on the copper smelter. Led by Townsville Enterprise Limited, Cr MacRae will be joined by TEL chief executive officer Claudia Brumme-Smith, MITEZ CEO Maria ...

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ASR N/A • Audience N/A •

## Thousands of jobs at risk in closure threat



Kalgoorlie Miner • Newspaper • 24 Jul 2025

● Neutral

... jobs might be in jeopardy as a major mining company seeks urgent financial support amid calls for a Senate inquiry into battling metals manufacturers. Multinational miner Glencore says its copper smelter

and refinery in North Queensland could lose \$2.2 billion during the next seven years and it urgently needs government ...

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ASR 989 · Audience 16,000 ·

## Text the Editor

**Townsville Bulletin** · Newspaper · 24 Jul 2025

● Neutral

To all those people who like Todd Payten, he is the man who picks the team, and puts them in the spot where he wants them. Now I know he is not the field, but he has had the final say who goes where and plays in that position, I think at times he gets tha ...

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ASR 490 · Audience 21,000 ·

## OUR last chance

**Townsville Bulletin** · Caitlan Charles Jill Poulsen Hayden Johnson · Newspaper · 24 Jul 2025

● Neutral

... job losses loom as Glencore prepares to shut smelter and refinery as state's offer of help 'falls short' P6-7 Glencore to shelve operations in Townsville and Mt Isa as politicians argue over who's to blame Major mine on brink, 17k jobs in jeopardy Glencore is preparing to press pause on ...

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ASR 5,742 · Audience 21,000 ·

## Two towns face jobless wave as miner warns it may halt operations

**Adelaide Now** · Harrison Christian · Internet · 23 Jul 2025

● Neutral

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 **NEWS.com.au** · Harrison Christian & Tsn Flex · Internet · 23 Jul 2025

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## The transcript highlights concerns over protecting national assets in northern Australia amid growing Chinese competition, urging swift collaboration between Glencore, and state and federal gover...

 **Seven Townsville** · Joanne Desmond & Nathan Spurling · TV · 23 Jul 2025

 Neutral

News US in shareholder returns in recent months. There's a much smaller number that works that turns this into communal infrastructure. It is industry-led. That's been put to the state government. They've clearly chosen to ignore that. We'll take to the federal government and hopefully they can initiate that. But with China closing in, there's a demand for the national assets to be protected in the north. There's no time for politics. We need to ...

## Stream

ASR 132 · Audience 6,241 ·

 Facebook · Townsville Enterprise · Social Network · 23 Jul 2025

 Negative

: Today, Glencore has issued a staff memo confirming it will begin preparations to place the Mount Isa Copper Smelter and Townsville Copper Refinery into care and maintenance until market conditions improve. To the workers and families affected by today's announcement — we see you, we stand with you, and we will not stop fighting for a solution to keep our copper industry alive in North Queensland.

Read more: <https://bit.ly/3GZV50r> ...

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## Mining giant Glencore has threatened to pause its copper smelting and refining operations in Queensland due to unsustainable losses, demanding government support amid global competition. Robbie K...

 ABC Far North · Adam Stephen · AM Radio · 23 Jul 2025

 Neutral

Interview ... the necessary plans and preparations to either keep operating them or to move them towards care and maintenance. We just can't compete with countries like China who receive government support and other benefits. Each month the copper smelter and refinery are losing tens of millions of dollars. We just can't continue to absorb those losses without putting our other future investments in Mount Isa at So Glencore says it's modelled the base case scenario ...

## Stream



ABC Tropical North, ABC North Queensland, ABC Capricornia and 2 more

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## Concerns are mounting over the potential loss of 17,000 jobs as Glencore, a major mining company, is reportedly preparing to suspend operations at its Mount Isa copper smelter and Townsville refi...



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Gippsland FM, Cairns FM 89.1, City Park Radio and 67 more

ASR 1,490 · Audience N/A ·

## Internal Glencore memo braces hundreds of workers for shutdown at Mount Isa copper smelter and refinery



Townsville Bulletin · Brad Thompson · Internet · 23 Jul 2025

Neutral

Glencore tells its hundreds of copper smelter and refinery workers it is on the brink of shutting down. It wants to strike a deal with taxpayers offering to forfeit two-thirds of the equity for joint venture support. Glencore says a Queensland government ...

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The Courier Mail (Internet), Weekly Times Now (Internet), Herald Sun (Internet) and 3 more

ASR 107 · Audience 40 ·



Facebook · Robbie Katter Mp · Social Network · 23 Jul 2025

Neutral

Down here in Canberra, came for Dad's swearing-in, but tied in a few meetings with Ministers on Mount Isa Mines and the Copper Smelter. We heard the Queensland Government say they're offering "cash incentives" but really, it's just a complicated payroll tax deal that falls well short of saving the smelter. Maybe that was the point. There's a serious, commercially driven deal on the table that could save it, but government needs to get Glencore ...

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ASR 36 · Audience N/A ·



Facebook · Townsville Enterprise · Social Network · 23 Jul 2025

● Negative

North Queensland's copper industry is like a house of cards: pull one piece and the whole system could fall. The imminent closure of the Mount Isa Copper Smelter and Townsville Refinery doesn't just risk 17,000 jobs — it risks handing control of Australia's copper supply chain to foreign powers. Our economic security is not negotiable. If you haven't yet, watch our Keep Our Copper docu-series to see why keeping copper local matters: [www.keepourcopper.com.au](http://www.keepourcopper.com.au) ...

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## Treasure David Janetzki promises CopperString to be delivered under budget



The Mercury · Nikita McGuire · Internet · 22 Jul 2025

● Neutral

... he CopperString project and the future of the Glencore mine. Joined by the chief executive of Townsville Enterprise claudia brumme-smith, Mr Janetzki said the advocacy had done an "outstanding job" bringing state and national attention to the CopperString ...

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Townsville Bulletin (Internet), Northern Territory News (Internet), The Courier Mail (Internet) and 4 more

ASR 589 · Audience 169 ·

## Mount Isa mining crisis: 17,000 jobs at risk as major plants face closure

 Adelaide Now · Leighton Smith · Internet · 22 Jul 2025

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... has advanced several strategies including a 'use it or lose it' ultimatum for corporations. Read his solutions. 2 min read keep our copper – Episode 1 | Townsville Enterprise Townsville Enterprise has launched a compelling five-part docu-series revealing ...

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The Courier Mail (Internet), Herald Sun (Internet)

ASR 2,434 · Audience 629 ·

## Senator Susan McDonald fears a solution to the smelter and refinery closing may come too late

 The Courier Mail · Jill Poulsen · Internet · 22 Jul 2025

 Neutral

Mount Isa risks vanishing "under the spinifex" if its copper smelter shuts down, according to Senator Susan McDonald, whose grandfather helped build the mining town's enduring success. keep our copper - Episode 5 | Episode 5: The Chain Reaction: Why Farme ...

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The Mercury (Internet), Cairns Post (Internet)

ASR 3,776 · Audience 820 ·

## Revealed: Devastating job loss predictions for North Queensland if Glencore smelter, refinery closes

 Adelaide Now · Caitlan Charles · Internet · 21 Jul 2025

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... h Queensland's unemployment rate could hit catastrophic levels if Glencore closes down operations in the region. 2 min read keep our copper – Episode 1 | Townsville Enterprise Townsville Enterprise has launched a compelling five-part docu-series revealing ...

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## Fight for NQ

**Townsville Bulletin** · Newspaper · 21 Jul 2025

● Neutral

... been calling for help for weeks now, and while the state and federal governments say they're in high-level discussions with Glencore, there hasn't been much indication of hope to come. Claudia Brumme-Smith, the chief executive of Townsville Enterprise, said: "We are not just talking about one company we are talking ...

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ASR 359 · Audience 21,000 ·

**Facebook** · Katter's Australian Party · Social Network · 17 Jul 2025

● Neutral

Episode 3 - Townsville's Refinery Reckoning: will we take our copper to the world? Townsville Enterprise has launched a compelling five-part docu-series revealing the national significance of North Queensland's copper supply chain — and the looming threat of losing key infrastructure without immediate action.

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● Neutral

Did you see the Keep Our Copper ad in the Townsville Bulletin, Courier Mail, or The Australian? We're standing up for North Queensland's copper industry – and the 17,000 jobs it supports. We will not let this critical industry collapse. Follow the campaign: [keepourcopper.com.au](http://keepourcopper.com.au) #TownsvilleEnterprise #KeepOurCopper #NorthQueensland

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## Copper industry needs urgent fix, pressure for inquiry

**Bulletin** <sup>Townsville</sup> Townsville Bulletin · Leighton Smith · Newspaper · 17 Jul 2025

● Neutral

... said. "I think it should be absolutely bipartisan that we keep these facilities in place and I do think there's a need to discuss more broadly these issues." Even if Glencore closed its Mount Isa copper smelter and Townsville copper refinery, Opposition manufacturing and sovereign capability assistant minister Andrew Willcox ...

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## Copper crisis: Senate inquiry push as metal smelters and refineries face closure threat

**TB** Townsville Bulletin · Leighton Smith · Internet · 16 Jul 2025

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## Minerals waiting game

**Townsville Bulletin** · **Brad Thompson** · Newspaper · 12 Jul 2025

● Neutral

... cent production tax credit legislated by the government last year. Rio Tinto is seeking a bailout for its Tomago aluminium plant and Glencore wants financial aid for its Mt Isa copper smelter and Townsville refinery. "We have a very active watching brief over copper, aluminium and a couple of others, ...

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Northern Territory News (Newspaper), Weekend Gold Coast Bulletin (Newspaper), Geelong Advertiser (Newspaper)

ASR 518 · Audience 26,000 ·

## Imminent smelter rescue package raises hopes for NQ's ailing copper industry

**M The Mercury** · **Leighton Smith** · Internet · 11 Jul 2025

● Neutral

... ueensland resources and Mines Minister Queensland's Minister for Natural Resources and Mines Dale Last said the Mount Isa copper smelter and Townsville refinery were vital parts of the national economy and supported the viability of nationally significant ...

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ASR 639 · Audience 169 ·

## Why copper is gold to North Queensland

**Townsville Bulletin** · **Cameron Dick** · Newspaper · 11 Jul 2025

● Neutral

The Mount Isa copper smelter and the Townsville copper refinery must continue to operate, because there's just too much at stake for the people of North and North West Queensland. The smelter and refinery represent critical manufacturing capabilities that are important not just to Queensland, but also to our nation. ...

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## Clock's ticking

North West Weekly · [Matt Nicholls](#) · Newspaper · 10 Jul 2025

● Neutral

Smelter decision can't be delayed A DECISION regarding Mount Isa's copper smelter must be made quickly before the regional supply chain collapses, leaders say. The potential closure in Mount Isa has finally resonated with the Townsville community, which is now pushing to shore up the future of the smelter. Last ...

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## Phosphate Hill's fertiliser production at risk if Glencore closes copper smelter

 Cairns Post · [Leighton Smith](#) · Internet · 09 Jul 2025

● Neutral

... ability to produce fertiliser for its cane farms could be in jeopardy if Glencore pushes ahead with closing its Mount Isa copper smelter and Townsville copper refinery. North Queensland's ability to produce much-needed fertiliser for its cane farms could ...

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ASR 283 · Audience 100 ·

## Shutdown threatens fertiliser production

 Townsville Bulletin · [Leighton Smith](#) · Newspaper · 09 Jul 2025

● Neutral

North Queensland's ability to produce much-needed fertiliser for its cane farms could be severely hampered if Swiss mining giant Glencore pushes ahead with closing its Mount Isa copper smelter and Townsville copper refinery, an advocacy body has warned. Already planning to close its Mount Isa Mines underground copper operation in ...

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: Episode 5: The Chain Reaction In Episode 5 of our Keep Our Copper docu-series, we uncover the lesser-known but vital link between North Queensland's copper supply chain and Australia's only ammonium phosphate fertiliser producer — Phosphate Hill. With the Mount Isa Copper Smelter and Townsville Refinery under threat, the ripple effects could stretch far beyond copper. #KeepOurCopper #NorthQueensland #TownsvilleEnterprise ...

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Keep Our Copper – Episode 1 | Townsville Enterprise <https://t.co/31wsCexGOY> via @YouTube

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... Minerals Province, this region should be powering the nation's economic growth. But right now? World-class processing facilities are fighting to survive — held back by soaring energy costs and broken supply chains. Episode 4 of our Keep Our Copper docu-series exposes the structural roadblocks standing in the way — and reignites the call for investment in energy and transport infrastructure. ...

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## TEL's docu-series compares potential copper industry collapse with QNI closure

Glencore will decide within weeks whether to close Mount Isa copper smelter and Townsville refinery, as the battle continues to avoid another QNI debacle. See the latest doco episode. keep our copper - Episode 3

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ASR 95 · Audience 54 ·

## Be strategic



Townsville Bulletin · Newspaper · 04 Jul 2025

● Neutral

... We need governments to support our sovereign copper processing capability North Queensland stands at a crossroads. Glencore's revelation that it's poised to decide within weeks whether to shutter its Mount Isa copper smelter and Townsville copper refinery, means our region is facing an economic disaster that threatens an estimated 17,000. ...

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ASR 307 · Audience 21,000 ·

## Isa copper call close



Townsville Bulletin · [Leighton Smith](#) · Newspaper · 04 Jul 2025

● Neutral

Glencore confirms a decision will be made within weeks Swiss mining giant Glencore has confirmed that a decision would be made within weeks whether to close the doors on its Mount Isa copper smelter and Townsville copper refinery, after previously stating it would decide by the end of the year. ...

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**Advocates emphasize the critical importance of preserving Queensland's copper refinery and smelter operations to maintain local manufacturing jobs and industrial capabilities. They urge swift act...**



WIN Cairns · [Steve Hart](#) · TV · 03 Jul 2025

● Neutral

News This is about real manufacturing jobs and real manufacturing capability. We can't lose that in Queensland. simply can't afford to lose the ability to produce a metal like copper. The clear message from

advocates is get a deal done hand up to ensure that those copper refinery and smelter continue to operate in an unviable market. Hayden Manso, WIN News.

## Stream

ASR 77 · Audience 4,221 ·

 Facebook · Townsville Enterprise · Social Network · 03 Jul 2025

 Neutral

... Townsville's Refinery Reckoning This week, Townsville Enterprise continues to expose the national risk facing North Queensland's copper industry in our powerful docuseries. Episode 3 uncovers the critical link between the Mount Isa Copper Smelter and the Townsville Copper Refinery — and the devastating domino effect if both are lost. Thousands of jobs, billions in investment, sovereign capability, and 60+ years of industrial expertise are on the line. ...

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## Miners call for urgent government intervention to save copper industry

 The Mercury · Leighton Smith · Internet · 03 Jul 2025

 Neutral

... ock future wealth for Northern Queensland. The distress call comes after Swiss mining giant Glencore warned that its Mount Isa copper smelter and Townsville refinery were at risk of closure by the end of the year, as it prepares to shut down its Mount Isa ...

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 Geelong Advertiser (Internet), Cairns Post (Internet), Daily Telegraph Australia (Internet)

ASR 981 · Audience 263 ·

## A University of Queensland study highlights a concerning rise in youth vaping synthetic cannabinoids, which are more potent and deadly than traditional cannabis. Meanwhile, Townsville's cruise se...

 Triple M Townsville · FM Radio · 03 Jul 2025

 Neutral

Interview ... The mine's CDO says the world's biggest challenges is electrification and decarbonisation, which they say copper would help achieve. It follows the impending closure of Glencore's Townsville Refinery and the Mount Isa copper smelter, which they say could be as early as December. Townsville's cruise season is here and it's set to be a record breaker. We'll see 26 ships docked to our port this year, including seven large class vessels. ...

## Stream



hit103.1 Townsville

ASR 455 • Audience N/A •

## Treasurer David Janetzki says the state government will continue talks on Glencore



Townsville Bulletin • Josh Mercer & talkUrl coralComments • Internet • 03 Jul 2025

Neutral

... elter, to the refinery to the potential, there is a need that all of that is carefully considered." The future of the Mount Isa copper smelter and the Townsville refinery has been in the spotlight, with the Townsville Bulletin launching an S ...

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## Miners call for urgent government intervention to save copper industry



Townsville Bulletin • Leighton Smith • Internet • 03 Jul 2025

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## Made in Australia dreams are crumbling, Glencore warns

The Australian · Brad Thompson · Newspaper · 03 Jul 2025

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Glencore says smelters and refineries across Australia are on the brink of collapse and it will be forced to commit to a decision on the future of its Mount Isa copper smelter and Townsville refinery possibly within weeks. The Glencore operations have suffered from China upgrading its copper processing capacity ...

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## Seafood regulators are advocating for clearer labeling in hospitality venues, emphasizing the use of common Australian names over vague terms like 'flake' or 'whitefish' to help consumers make in...

WIN NEWS WIN Cairns · Steve Hart · TV · 02 Jul 2025

Neutral

... world. Sally Marshall, WIN News The fight for certainty around the future of northwest Queensland's copper industry is ramping up. Townsville Enterprise has launched its Keep Our Copper campaign with a five-part docuseries ahead of the closure of the Glencore copper mine on July 29. There's also uncertainty surrounding the future of the copper smelter in Mount Isa and the refinery in Townsville. ...

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ASR 218 · Audience 4,604 ·

Facebook · Townsville Enterprise · Social Network · 02 Jul 2025

Neutral

: Following the release of our powerful five-part Keep Our Copper docuseries, Townsville Enterprise is proud to launch Episode Two. – dives into what's next for North Queensland's copper communities — from protecting 17,000 local jobs to securing Australia's future manufacturing capability. Global demand for copper is on ...

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Facebook · Townsville Enterprise · Social Network · 02 Jul 2025

Negative

: Yesterday we launched the Keep Our Copper docuseries, spotlighting what's at stake for North Queensland's copper supply chain — from local jobs and regional livelihoods to Australia's manufacturing future. Watch the full episodes and follow the campaign: <https://www.townsvilleenterprise.com.au/advocacy/keep-our-copper/#docuseries> Full story on the Townsville Bulletin: <https://bit.ly/4l6gtzZ> ...

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## The state government has allocated funding for a new domestic violence hub in Townsville, set to provide 24/7 support services for victims and survivors, with completion expected by July next yea...

 hit102.5 Mt Isa · FM Radio · 02 Jul 2025

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... It'll open up critical support services to become around the clock for victims and survivors. The project is funded by the state government's latest budget and should be finished by July next year. There's a new docuseries advocating for the government to save our Townsville refinery and the Mount Isa copper smelter. Launched by Townsville Enterprise, they speak to workers, farmers and experts on why we need the critical mineral industry to continue.

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ASR 98 · Audience N/A ·

## A new domestic violence hub in Townsville, funded by the state government, will provide 24/7 support services for victims and is slated for completion by July next year. Meanwhile, a docuseries b...

 Triple M Townsville · FM Radio · 02 Jul 2025

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... survivors. The project is funded by the state government's latest budget and should be finished by July next year. There's a new docuseries advocating for the government to save our Townsville refinery and the Mount Isa copper smelter. Launched by Townsville Enterprise, they speak to workers, farmers and experts on why we need the critical mineral industry to continue. The council is currently investigating the deaths of three dogs at Palloranda ...

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## New campaign highlights copper crunch

 Industry Queensland • Internet • 02 Jul 2025

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Townsville Enterprise warns that the nation has reached 'five minutes to midnight' for keeping a vital copper supply chain intact as it launches a new docu-series. The five-part series highlights the copper industry's place in North and North-West Queensl ...

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## Townsville Enterprise launches Keep Our Copper docu-series to back copper supply chain

 Cairns Post • Leighton Smith • Internet • 02 Jul 2025

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## Townsville Enterprise launches Keep Our Copper docu-series to back copper supply chain

 Townsville Bulletin • Leighton Smith • Internet • 02 Jul 2025

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Real voices. Real stakes. A future on the line. Townsville Enterprise has today launched Episode One of a powerful five-part docu-series exposing the national importance of North Queensland's copper supply chain — and the looming threat of losing key infrastructure without immediate action. From Mount Isa to Townsville, this series takes you inside the Northwest Minerals Province to hear directly from the people who live and wor ...

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## Copper clock ticking down

 **Townsville Bulletin** · **Chris Burns** · Newspaper · 28 Jun 2025

 Neutral

Smelter closure tipped to derail \$13.9bn CopperString project plan Queensland's critical mineral supply faces a "five minutes to midnight" threat on the proverbial doomsday clock, with industry insiders fearing the closure of its only copper smelter could derail the \$13.9bn CopperString transmission project. Queensland Investment Corporation is developing a business ...

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ASR 739 · Audience 26,000 ·

 **Facebook** · **Townsville Enterprise** · Social Network · 27 Jun 2025

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... of their show in Townsville Hosted The Australian Travel magazine's Content Director to explore the region Attended Queensland Budget briefings and media calls Hit the road to Mount Isa, Cloncurry and North West mines as part of the Keep Our Copper campaign From all of us at Townsville Enterprise, thanks for following the journey. Let's keep pushing forward. Follow us to stay connected #townsvilleenterprise #townsvillenorthqueensland

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## Miners tour Mount Isa smelter prior to Glencore decision

 **Northwestweekly.com.au** · **Matt Nicholls** · Internet · 25 Jun 2025

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The federal and state ministers were in the mining city last week to meet with local leaders.

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... North Queenslanders, committing to long-term projects that will drive growth and jobs across the North. We acknowledge Premier David Crisafulli, Treasurer David Janetzki and our local members for standing up for the North." – Claudia Brumme-Smith, CEO We look forward to hosting Treasurer David Janetzki MP in Townsville next week at our sell out State Budget event. [Read More](https://www.townsvilleenterprise.com.au/crisafulli-government-s-first-budget-delivers-for-the-north/)  
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## Urgent Glencore issue causing 'anxiety' across NQ, TEL's Claudia Brumme-Smith says

Townsville Bulletin · Jill Poulsen & talkUrl coralComments · Internet · 23 Jun 2025

Neutral

... Queensland provide employment for 8,380 individuals and contribute \$9.4 billion to the state in 2024, according to the statement. Townsville Enterprise CEO Claudia Brumme-Smith said the situation was "an urgent issue" causing "anxiety" within the region ...

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## Townsville refinery and Mount Isa smelter the subject of high-level government talks with Glencore

Townsville Bulletin · Jill Poulsen · Internet · 20 Jun 2025

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The state and federal governments have held high-level talks with Glencore over the future of the Mount Isa copper smelter and Townsville refinery, the Townsville Bulletin can reveal. Jill Poulsen The state and federal governments have held high-level tal ...

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## A critical minerals company, SmackDev, plans to produce sulfuric acid near Cloncurry, addressing potential gaps left by the possible closure of a copper smelter. Sulfuric acid is

## vital for fertil...

 ABC North West Qld · Zara Margolis · FM Radio · 19 Jun 2025

 Neutral

Interview And, you know, we have the fertiliser coming out of the region now. And yeah, I think more phosphate is good for the region for sure. And that kind of links to the next bit of industry because to have fertiliser you need sulphur Yes. What's happening with this? Yeah. So we heard from a critical minerals company about their plans to produce sulfuric acid at a site just seven kilometres east of Cloncurry. I personally wasn't quite sure what the significance ...

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ASR 103 · Audience N/A ·

## James Coghlan, a 59-year-old former footballer, completed a grueling 370-kilometer run across seven mines in northwest Queensland to raise \$56,000 for the Mount Isa Hospital's cancer care unit, h...

 ABC Radio Sydney · Ian McNamara · AM Radio · 15 Jun 2025

 Neutral

Interview ... coast. James Coghlan, great to talk to you, mate. Congratulations. Thanks, mate. We appreciate it. This is the all-over news from Brian Rayner who says, I heard with interest the price of eggs. They were \$12 at a market, somebody wrote to us last week. We run a family fruit and vegetable business in Stawell, Victoria. The notion that there's a shortage of eggs is hard to believe We have experienced no shortage ...

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ABC Tropical North, ABC Western Plains NSW, ABC Central West NSW and 49 more

ASR 94,094 · Audience 208,100 ·

## The NSW Independent Planning Commission has approved the Valley of the Winds Wind Farm, capable of powering 519,000 homes annually, advancing the state's renewable energy goals. Meanwhile, Queens...

 2DU · Compere · AM Radio · 12 Jun 2025

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... News. Good morning, I'm Tassaba Brown with the Rural News. The NSW Independent Planning Commission has approved the Valley of the Winds Wind Farm in the NSW Central West Orana Renewable Energy Zone. The wind farm has the capacity to generate enough energy to power about 519,000 homes per year and will contribute to the NSW Government's net zero targets and renewable energy objectives. ...

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## The future of Australia's largest aluminium smelter, Tomago, remains uncertain as Rio Tinto warns of unviability post-2028 due to rising power prices, potentially affecting thousands of jobs. Mea...

 2SM · Ron Wilson · AM Radio · 11 Jun 2025

 Neutral

Interview ... collapse. Anyway, we'll be following that one up this morning. Also, too, David Lazell, who's the member for the Upper Hunters, had a bit to say about the support that's on offer with those affected by the flooding that we've had on the mid-north coast and here in the Hunter Valley David Lazell, who's the National's MP for Upper Hunter, said only 10 out of the 30 small communities in the 2320 postcode were actually listed as eligible ...

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ASR 3,162 · Audience N/A ·

## The Barclay Regional Council has proposed a 4.5% rates rise and introduced a \$98 animal management levy as part of its draft regional plan, currently under consultation until June 20. Additionall...

 ABC Alice Springs · Stewart Brash · AM Radio · 10 Jun 2025

 Neutral

Interview ... mapping. We even had the Queensland Cross-Border Commissioner Ian Leavis in attendance as well. So there's a lot of opportunities ahead and also at the same time we have to have the First Nations voice as the forefront of the entire conversation. So this will form part of Terms of Reference. We will meet a minimum of three times every year in Tanna Creek, Isar and the capital city. ...

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ASR 825 · Audience N/A ·

## Queensland's Treasurer is pressuring Glencore to maintain operations at its North Queensland copper refinery and smelter, as the company seeks government financial support ahead of a \$30 million ...

News News now, it is half past seven. Good morning, I'm Georgia Loney with ABC News for North Queensland. Queensland's Treasurer says the State Government is stepping up pressure on Glencore Glencore to keep its North Queensland copper refinery and smelter operating. Glencore has approached the state and federal governments for financial backing ahead of a \$30 million scheduled maintenance on the copper smelter due next year. The company says it's ...

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ASR 141 · Audience N/A ·

## The Northwest Phosphate project, a joint venture between Northwest Phosphate and Sylvani Stilwater, has received fast-track approval from the Queensland Coordinator-General, marking a significant...

ABC North West Qld · Zara Margolis · FM Radio · 05 Jun 2025

Neutral

Interview ... Emily Dobson is from the ABC Newsroom in to break down some of the big news stories from the past seven days, what you might have missed or maybe what you're already talking about. Emily, you usually when we're talking about mining in the Northwest lately, we're talking about copper, the underground copper mine, the copper smelter, but it's phosphate that's been in the news this week. ...

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ASR 284 · Audience N/A ·

## Australia has announced a 16-player squad for the upcoming T20 series in the West Indies, featuring debutants Mitch Owen and Matt Cooneman, while Jake Fraser-McGurk and Marcus Stoinis were excluded...

ABC Far North · Adam Stephen · AM Radio · 04 Jun 2025

Neutral

Interview injuries. In cricket, Australia has named a 16-player squad for next month's T20 series in the West Indies. Young Tasmanian batsman Mitch Owen has earned his maiden and national call-up. Spinner Matt Cooneman is also in line to make his T20 debut. Jake Fraser-McGurk and Marcus Stoinis were overlooked. The five-match series starts in Jamaica after the three tests are played. Queensland's weather scattered showers tomorrow for the Fraser Coast and ...

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ABC Tropical North, ABC North Queensland, ABC Capricornia and 2 more

ASR 1,428 · Audience N/A ·

## A shortage of concentrate has led to smelters cutting margins while miners benefit, with Glencore seeking \$2 billion from the Australian government to sustain its Mount Isa and Townsville copper ...

 ABC Far North · Adam Stephen · AM Radio · 03 Jun 2025

 Neutral

Interview ... rates. There's obviously offsets for transport costs and so forth. But, you know, the Mount Isa smelter itself has been treating ore and concentrates from Ernest Henry just to the east, Evolution's mine. Even BHP BHP in South Australia has sent concentrate up from South Australia and occasionally some concentrates have come from New South Wales from the area. So they do take in other raw materials and concentrates from others to process ...

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ABC Tropical North, ABC North Queensland, ABC Capricornia and 2 more

ASR 4,260 · Audience N/A ·

## The transcript highlights concerns over the future of Mount Isa and surrounding towns, with calls for strategic and structural changes alongside financial support to sustain local industries like...

 ABC Radio Brisbane · Steve Austin · AM Radio · 03 Jun 2025

 Neutral

Interview ... entire corridor all the way through all of those towns from Charters Towers to Hewitt and Richmond, Julia Creek, all the way out and Cloncurry. They're proud areas and they need to know that we believe in their future and I want Glencore to as well. The Prime Minister in the lead up to the federal election gave a \$2 billion lifeline to the Wyala steel mill. Should he be giving a certain amount of money for the copper smelter in Mount Isa? ...

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ASR 539 · Audience 24,000 ·

## Joint effort to secure long-term future for Mount Isa

National Resources Review · Magazine · 01 Jun 2025

 Neutral

The federal and Queensland governments have engaged in high-level discussions with Glencore regarding the future of the Mount Isa copper smelter and its associated operations. Federal Minister for Industry and Innovation, Tim Ayres, and Queensland Minister for Resources and Mines, Dale Last, recently met with Glencore's senior leadership to explore ...

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ASR 3,633 • Audience 4,000 •

May (8 media items)

**Emergency services discovered the body of a 41-year-old individual during a welfare check, with investigations revealing that a pet child alerted authorities to the incident. Police confirmed the...**

 Radio 4KZ · Greg Vuleta · AM Radio · 29 May 2025

 Neutral

News Emergency services were called to the property for a welfare cheque which led to the discovery of the bodies of the 41-year-old. Detective Acting Inspector Alina Attaining the north since 1967. 4KZ. Bell said the investigations revealed that the pet child was alerted to the incident with Terry and subsequently has reached out to family members on. The police also stated that the pair's one-year-old daughter was not inside of the home when the ...

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ASR 79 · Audience N/A ·

**KAP, Mount Isa Mayor warn of devastating side-effects if Glencore solution not found**

 adelaidenow.com.au · Taylah Fellows · Internet · 29 May 2025

 Neutral

The KAP, and local officials, are demanding government go to unorthodox lengths to stave off what they say could spark a collapse of the NQ economy.

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Mount Isa's copper smelter and Townsville refinery that underpin Queensland's \$680bn ...

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ASR 1,758 · Audience 485 ·

**Concerns for future of North Queensland copper as Glencore faces closure**

 Star 106.3 Townsville · Internet · 29 May 2025

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Local leaders have raised their concerns about the future of North Queensland's copper industry at the 2025 Townsville Enterprise Mining and Critical Minerals Forum this week. Glencore's Mount Isa copper smelter and Townsville refinery could be the next t ...

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## CopperString founder Joseph O'Brien backs Save our Smelter and Refinery campaign

**A** Adelaide Now · Leighton Smith · Internet · 29 May 2025

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The founder of a project pegged to reinvigorate the region says Australia bowing out of the copper market could be disastrous. See why. 2 min read The founder of a project pegged to reinvigorate the North West Minerals Province says Australia bowing out . ...

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ASR 1,747 · Audience 569 ·

## Region's future key in short-term copper crisis

**HS** heraldsun.com.au · Internet · 29 May 2025

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The visionary founder of CopperString has highlighted the future importance of NQ's copper industry and the key role played by the power transmission project.

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ASR 308 · Audience 774 ·

## KAP, Mount Isa Mayor warn of devastating side-effects if Glencore solution not found

**A** Adelaide Now · Taylah Fellows · Internet · 29 May 2025

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... ke their name down because they're not Australians." Senator Nita Green, assistant minister to North Australia told the Townsville Enterprise mining and resources forum that she would be visiting Mount Isa in coming weeks to "take a community led solution ...

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ASR 1,878 · Audience 569 ·

## Government 'must protect' North Queensland's copper industry: Experts

 **Townsville Bulletin** · Jill Poulsen & talkUrl coralComments · Internet · 28 May 2025

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...vention is the only way to prevent not just the demolition of the copper industry but the North West's entire economy, the Townsville Enterprise Mining and Critical Minerals Forum heard yesterday. "China has been working for decades to establish dominance ...

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ASR 119 · Audience 54 ·

## Smelting a future for North Queensland

 **Industry Queensland** · Internet · 27 May 2025

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... to protect 17,000 local jobs and ensure the future of a vital piece of economic and national security infrastructure, today's Townsville Enterprise Mining and Critical Minerals Forum will be told today. The forum is being held in an environment of growing ...

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