1. **Employment**: 719,000 Jobs
   
   In 2019, the mineral sector directly accounted for 719,000 jobs throughout the country in urban, rural and remote regions.

2. **Gross Domestic Product**
   
   In 2019, the mineral sector directly and indirectly contributed $109 billion or 5% to Canada’s total nominal GDP.

3. **Clean Energy Applications**
   
   Minerals are enablers. Canada is at the forefront of clean energy technologies. The country is a key global producer of copper, nickel and cobalt, and hosts advanced mineral projects for rare earth elements, lithium and graphite. These commodities are crucial in the production of solar cells, high-density batteries and wind turbines.

4. **Exports**
   
   Valued at $106 billion in 2019, mineral exports accounted for 19% of Canada’s total domestic exports.

5. **Investment**
   
   In 2019, the mineral sector invested $14 billion in new capital construction and machinery and equipment, accounting for 5% of total non-residential capital investment in Canada.

6. **Canadian Mining Assets**
   
   In 2018, publicly traded Canadian-based companies had total mining and exploration assets of $272 billion. About two-thirds ($174 billion) were located abroad.

7. **Production**
   
   In 2019, mineral production totalled $48 billion. Canada produces some 60 minerals and metals at 200 active mines and deposits.

8. **Exploration**
   
   In 2019, Canada’s mineral exploration and deposit appraisal expenditures amounted to $2.1 billion.

9. **Financing**
   
   The Toronto Stock Exchange (TSX) and TSX Venture Exchange (TSXV) are the world’s number one mining and exploration listing venues, where over half ($12.5 billion) of the world’s total equity capital was raised in 2019.

10. **Indigenous Participation**
    
    The minerals industry is an important employer of Indigenous peoples, providing jobs to over 16,500 individuals, Indigenous people account for 12% of mining’s labour force, amongst the highest representation by industry.

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