

	Note	2023 US\$m	2022 US\$m Restated ^(a)	2021 US\$m Restated ^(a)
Consolidated operations				
Consolidated sales revenue	1, 6	54,041	55,554	63,495
Net operating costs (excluding items disclosed separately)	7	(37,052)	(34,770)	(32,690)
Net impairment (charges)/reversals	4	(936)	150	(269)
Loss on disposal of interest in subsidiary	5	—	(105)	—
Exploration and evaluation expenditure (net of profit from disposal of interests in undeveloped projects)	8	(1,230)	(896)	(719)
Operating profit		14,823	19,933	29,817
Share of profit after tax of equity accounted units		675	777	1,042
Impairment of investments in equity accounted units	4	—	(202)	—
Profit before finance items and taxation		15,498	20,508	30,859
Finance items				
Net exchange (losses)/gains on external net debt and intragroup balances		(251)	253	802
Losses on derivatives not qualifying for hedge accounting		(54)	(424)	(231)
Finance income	9	536	179	64
Finance costs	9	(967)	(335)	(243)
Amortisation of discount on provisions	14, 36	(977)	(1,519)	(418)
		(1,713)	(1,846)	(26)
Profit before taxation		13,785	18,662	30,833
Taxation	10	(3,832)	(5,614)	(8,236)
Profit after tax for the year		9,953	13,048	22,597
- attributable to owners of Rio Tinto (net earnings)		10,058	12,392	21,115
- attributable to non-controlling interests		(105)	656	1,482
Basic earnings per share				
	2	620.3c	765.0c	1,304.7c
Diluted earnings per share				
	2	616.5c	760.4c	1,296.3c

(a) Comparative information has been restated to reflect the adoption of narrow scope amendments to IAS 1. Refer to page 473 for details.

The notes on pages 467 and pages 473 to 477 are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

Group Statement of Comprehensive Income

Years ended 31 December

	Note	2023 US\$m	2022 US\$m Restated ^(a)	2021 US\$m Restated ^(a)
Profit after tax for the year		9,953	13,048	22,597
Other comprehensive income/(loss)				
Items that will not be reclassified to the income statement:				
Re-measurement (losses)/gains on pension and post-retirement healthcare plans	28	(461)	578	1,026
Changes in the fair value of equity investments held at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI)		—	—	5
Tax relating to these components of other comprehensive income	10	152	(123)	(305)
Share of other comprehensive (losses)/income of equity accounted units, net of tax		(3)	5	12
		(336)	460	738
Items that have been/may be subsequently reclassified to the income statement:				
Currency translation adjustment		644	(2,399)	(1,865)
Currency translation on subsidiary disposed of, transferred to the income statement		—	105	—
Fair value movements:				
- Cash flow hedge gains/(losses)		30	(167)	(211)
- Cash flow hedge (gains)/losses transferred to the income statement		(39)	106	14
Net change in costs of hedging reserve	35	5	4	(18)

Tax relating to these components of other comprehensive loss	10	1	21	62
Share of other comprehensive income/(losses) of equity accounted units, net of tax		14	(27)	(12)
		655	(2,357)	(2,030)
Total other comprehensive income/(loss) for the year, net of tax		319	(1,897)	(1,292)
Total comprehensive income for the year		10,272	11,151	21,305
- attributable to owners of Rio Tinto		10,335	10,649	19,895
- attributable to non-controlling interests		(63)	502	1,410

(a) Comparative information has been restated to reflect the adoption of narrow-scope amendments to IAS 12. Refer to page 10 for details.

(b) Excludes a currency translation difference of US\$41 million in 2022: charge US\$240 million; 2021: charge US\$211 million arising on Rio Tinto Limited's share capital for the year ended 31 December 2023 which is recognised in the Group statement of changes in equity. Refer to the Group statement of changes in equity on page 12.

The notes on pages 66 to 67 and pages 73 to 77 are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

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Group Cash Flow Statement

Years ended 31 December

	Note	2023 US\$m	2022 US\$m	2021 US\$m
Cash flows from consolidated operations		20,251	23,158	33,936
Dividends from equity accounted units		610	879	1,431
Cash flows from operations		20,861	24,037	35,367
Net interest paid		(612)	(573)	(438)
Dividends paid to holders of non-controlling interests in subsidiaries		(462)	(421)	(1,090)
Tax paid		(4,627)	(6,909)	(8,494)
Net cash generated from operating activities		15,160	16,134	25,345
Cash flows from investing activities				
Purchases of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets	1	(7,086)	(6,750)	(7,384)
Sales of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets		9	–	61
Acquisitions of subsidiaries, joint ventures and associates	5	(834)	(850)	–
Disposals of subsidiaries, joint ventures, joint operations and associates	5	–	80	4
Purchases of financial assets		(39)	(55)	(45)
Sales of financial assets		1,220	892	114
Net (funding of)/receipts from equity accounted units		(144)	(75)	6
Other investing cash flows		(88)	51	85
Net cash used in investing activities		(6,962)	(6,707)	(7,159)
Cash flows before financing activities		8,198	9,427	18,186
Cash flows from financing activities				
Equity dividends paid to owners of Rio Tinto	3	(6,470)	(11,727)	(15,357)
Proceeds from additional borrowings	19, 20	1,833	321	1,488
Repayment of borrowings and associated derivatives	19, 20	(310)	(790)	(1,707)
Lease principal payments	19	(426)	(374)	(358)
Proceeds from issue of equity to non-controlling interests		127	86	66
Purchase of non-controlling interest	5, 30	(33)	(2,961)	–
Other financing cash flows		2	(28)	6
Net cash used in financing activities		(5,277)	(15,473)	(15,862)
Effects of exchange rates on cash and cash equivalents		(23)	15	100
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		2,898	(6,031)	2,424
Opening cash and cash equivalents less overdrafts		6,774	12,805	10,381
Closing cash and cash equivalents less overdrafts	22	9,672	6,774	12,805

Notes to the Group Cash Flow Statement

(a) Cash flows from consolidated operations	Note	2023 US\$m	2022 US\$m	2021 US\$m
Profit after tax for the year (comparative restated)		9,953	13,048	22,597
Adjustments for:				
- Taxation (comparative restated)		3,832	5,614	8,236
- Finance items		1,713	1,846	26
- Share of profit after tax of equity accounted units		(675)	(777)	(1,042)
- Loss on disposal of interest in subsidiary	5	–	105	–
- Impairment charges of investments in equity accounted units after tax	4	–	202	–
- Net impairment charges/(reversals)	4	936	(150)	269
- Depreciation and amortisation		5,334	5,010	4,697
- Provisions (including exchange differences on provisions)		1,470	1,006	1,903
- Pension settlement		–	–	(291)

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between reporting and underlying business performance, including revenue generation, productivity and

1 Our financial performance by segment

Our management structure is based on product groups (PG) together with global support functions whose leaders report to our Chief Executive Committee. The Executive Committee members each report directly to our Chief Executive who is the chief operating officer. The Chief Executive is responsible for allocating resources and assessing performance of the operating segments. The CODM's primary responsibility is to maximize EBITDA.

The Copper reportable segment has been adjusted to reflect a change in management responsibility for the Simandou (Simandou) to the Chief Technical Officer for the build phase of this project. As a result, Simandou is now included in the Copper reportable segment below reportable segments in our segmental analysis. Prior year comparatives have been adjusted accordingly.

Our reportable segments are as follows:

Reportable segment	Principal activities
Iron Ore	Iron ore mining and salt and gypsum production in Western Australia.
Aluminium	Bauxite mining; alumina refining; aluminium smelting.
Copper	Mining and refining of copper, gold, silver, molybdenum, other by-products and exploration activities.
Minerals	Includes mining and processing of borates, titanium dioxide feedstock, and iron concentrate and pellets from Canada. Also includes diamond mining, sorting and marketing and development projects for battery materials, such as graphite.

	2023		
	Segmental revenue US\$m	Underlying EBITDA US\$m	Capital expenditure US\$m
Iron Ore	32,249	19,974	2,588
Aluminium	12,285	2,282	1,331
Copper	6,678	1,904	1,976
Minerals	5,934	1,414	746
Reportable segments total	57,146	25,574	6,641
Other operations	142	(578)	323
Inter-segment transactions	(231)	8	
Share of equity accounted units	(3,016)		
Central pension costs, share-based payments, insurance and derivatives		168	
Restructuring, project and one-off costs		(190)	
Central costs		(990)	
Central exploration and evaluation expenditures		(100)	
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment			9
Other items			113
Consolidated sales revenue/Purchases of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets	54,041		7,086
Underlying EBITDA		23,892	

(a) Capital expenditure for reportable segments includes the net cash outflow on purchases less disposals of property, plant and equipment, capitalised expenditure on intangible assets and the net cash outflow on purchases less disposals of other intangible assets. The details of the capital expenditure and Rio Tinto's share of the capital expenditure of joint ventures are included in Note 12. (b) Consolidated sales revenue includes subsidiaries' revenue of US\$3,011 million (2022: US\$50 million; 2021: US\$44 million) from equity accounted units which are not included in segmental revenue. Segmental revenue includes the Group's proportionate share of product sales by equity accounted units (after adjusting for the purchase of US\$1,331 million (2022: US\$3,117 million) which are not included in consolidated sales revenue.

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1 Our financial performance by segment continued

	2022 Adjusted ^(a)			2021 Adjusted ^(a)		
	Segmental revenue US\$m	Underlying EBITDA US\$m	Capital expenditure ^(b) US\$m	Segmental revenue US\$m	Underlying EBITDA US\$m	Capital expenditure ^(b) US\$m
Iron Ore	30,906	18,612	2,940	39,582	27,592	3,947
Aluminium	14,109	3,672	1,377	12,695	4,382	1,300
Copper	6,699	2,565	1,622	7,827	4,027	1,328
Minerals	6,754	2,419	679	6,481	2,603	644
Reportable segments total	58,468	27,268	6,618	66,585	38,604	7,219
Other operations	192	(205)	53	251	(86)	(13)
Inter-segment transactions	(256)	24		(268)	42	
Share of equity accounted units	(2,850)			(3,073)		
Central pension costs, share-based payments, insurance and derivatives		377			110	
Restructuring, project and one-off costs		(173)			(80)	
Central costs		(766)			(613)	
Central exploration and evaluation expenditures		(253)			(257)	
Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment			—			61
Other items			79			117
Consolidated sales revenue/Purchases of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets	55,554		6,750	63,495		7,384

(a) Comparative information has been adjusted to reflect the movement of the Simandou iron ore project from the "Copper" reportable segment to "Other operations"
 (b) Capital expenditure for reportable segments includes the net cash outflow on purchases less disposals of property, plant and equipment, capitalised evaluation
 disposals of other intangible assets. The details are provided in subsidiaries' capital expenditure and Rio Tinto's share of the capital expenditure of joint operation
 (c) Consolidated sales revenue includes subsidiaries' sales of US\$370 million in 2022, US\$50 million in 2021, US\$44 million in 2020 to equity accounted units which are not included in segmental revenue.
 Segmental revenue includes the Group's proportionate share of product sales by equity accounted units (after US\$3,039 million in 2022, US\$2,800 million in 2021, US\$3,117 million in 2020) which are not included in consolidated sales revenue.

Segmental revenue

Segmental revenue includes consolidated sales revenue plus the equivalent sales revenue of equity accounted units in interest (after adjusting for sales to/from subsidiaries).

Segmental revenue measures revenue on a basis that is comparable to our underlying EBITDA metric.

Other segmental reporting

For further information relating to Revenue by destination and product and Non-operating assets by geography, refer to operating assets section 167, page 167, respectively.

Underlying EBITDA

Underlying EBITDA represents profit before taxation, net finance items, depreciation and amortisation adjusted to exclude items which do not reflect the underlying performance of our reportable segments.

Other relevant judgements - Exclusions from underlying EBITDA

Items excluded from profit after tax are those gains and losses that, individually or in aggregate with similar items, require exclusion in order to provide additional insight into the underlying business performance. The following items are excluded after tax in arriving at underlying EBITDA in each year irrespective of materiality:

- Depreciation and amortisation in subsidiaries and equity accounted units;
- Taxation and finance items in equity accounted units;
- Taxation and finance items relating to subsidiaries;
- Unrealised gains/(losses) on embedded derivatives not qualifying for hedge accounting;
- Net gains/(losses) on disposal of interests in subsidiaries;
- Impairment charges net of reversals;
- The underlying EBITDA of discontinued operations;
- Adjustments to closure provisions where the adjustment is associated with an impairment charge and for legacy sites where disturbance or environmental contamination relates to the pre-acquisition period.

In addition, there is a final judgemental category which includes, where applicable, other credits and charges that are of a similar type, are of a nature or size to require exclusion in order to provide additional insight into underlying performance. In 2023, this includes all re-estimates of the closure provisions for fully impaired sites identified in the second half of 2022. In 2022, this category included the gain recognised by Kitimat relating to the gain recognised upon sale of the Cortez royalty. In 2021, the category included the changes in closure estimates for Australia and Gove Refinery.

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	2023 US\$m	2022 US\$m Restated ^(f)	2021 US\$m Restated ^(f)
Profit after tax for the year	9,953	13,048	22,597
Taxation	3,832	5,614	8,236
Profit before taxation	13,785	18,662	30,833
Depreciation and amortisation in subsidiaries excluding capitalised depreciation	4,976	4,871	4,525
Depreciation and amortisation in equity accounted units	484	470	497
Finance items in subsidiaries	1,713	1,846	26
Taxation and finance items in equity accounted units	741	640	759
(Gains)/losses on embedded commodity derivatives not qualifying for hedge accounting (including foreign exchange)	(15)	(6)	51
Impairment charges net of reversals	936	52	269
Gain recognised by Kitimat relating to LNG Canada's project	—	(116)	(336)
Change in closure estimates (non-operating and fully impaired sites)	1,272	180	1,096
Loss on disposal of interests in subsidiary	—	105	—
Gain on sale of the Cortez royalty	—	(432)	—
Underlying EBITDA	23,892	26,272	37,720

- (a) Comparative information has been restated to reflect the adoption of narrow-scope amendments to IAS 12. Refer to page 167 for details.
 (b) Depreciation and amortisation in subsidiaries for the year ended 30 June 2023 net of capitalised depreciation of US\$308 million in 2022, US\$139 million in 2021, US\$172 million in 2020.
 (c) Refer to note 64 for details.
 (d) During 2022, LNG Canada elected to terminate their option to purchase additional land and facilities for expansion of their operations at Kitimat, Canada. The underlying EBITDA consistent with prior years as it was part of a series of transactions that in 2021, we acquired control over a new wharf at Kitimat that was built and paid for by LNG Canada. The gain on recognition was excluded from underlying EBITDA on the grounds of individual magnitude and consequently impairment charge in 2022. Refer to note 4 for details.
 (e) In 2023 the charge in US\$809 million related to the closure provision update announced by Energy Resources of Australia on 12 December 2023 together with half year results for the period ended 30 June 2023, published in August. This update was considered material and therefore it was aggregated with other items which were similar in nature and have been excluded from underlying EBITDA. The other closure study updates were at legacy sites managed by our central operations at Yarwun alumina refinery which was expensed due to the impairment earlier in the year. In 2022, the charge related to re-estimates of underlying closure provisions preceded ownership by Rio Tinto. In 2021, the closure provision increase excluded from underlying earnings was attributable to study updates at Australia, Diavik, Gove refinery, and a number of the Group's legacy sites where the environmental damage preceded ownership by Rio Tinto.
 (f) On 2 August 2022, we completed the sale of a gross production royalty which was retained following the disposal of the Cortez Complex in 2008. The gain was excluded from underlying EBITDA on the grounds of individual magnitude.

2 Earnings per ordinary share

Basic earnings per share

	2023	2022 Restated ^(f)	2021 Restated ^(f)
Net earnings attributable to owners of Rio Tinto (US\$ million)	10,058	12,392	21,115
Weighted average number of shares (millions)	1,621.4	1,619.8	1,618.4
Basic earnings per ordinary share (cents)	620.3	765.0	1,304.7

Diluted earnings per share

For the purposes of calculating diluted earnings per share, the effect of dilutive ordinary shares is based on 2022 and 2021 of 10.5 million shares added to the weighted average number of shares described in footnote (b) below. This effect is calculated using the treasury stock method, in accordance with IAS 33 "Earnings per Share". Our only potential dilutive ordinary shares are share options and restricted share units which are described in note 27.

	2023	2022	2021
		Restated ⁽¹⁾	Restated ⁽¹⁾
Net earnings attributable to owners of Rio Tinto (US\$ million)	10,058	12,392	21,115
Weighted average number of shares (millions)	1,631.5	1,629.6	1,628.9
Diluted earnings per share attributable to ordinary shareholders of Rio Tinto (cents)	616.5	760.4	1,296.3

(a) Comparative information has been restated to reflect the adoption of narrow-scope amendments to IAS 1. See page 15 for further details.
 (b) The weighted average number of shares is calculated as the average number of Rio Tinto plc shares outstanding of 1,247.4 million plus the average number of Rio Tinto Limited shares outstanding of 390.9 million (2021: 371.0 million) over the relevant period where cross holdings of shares between Rio Tinto Limited and Rio Tinto plc are taken into account.

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3 Dividends

Our Directors have announced a final dividend of 258.0c per share on 21 February 2024. This is expected to result in payments of US\$4.2 billion. The dividend will be paid on 18 April 2024 to Rio Tinto plc and Rio Tinto Limited shareholders on the record date of 8 March 2024. Dividends per share announced for the year ended 31 December are as follows:

	2023	2022	2021
Ordinary dividends per share: announced with the results for the year	258.0c	225.0c	417.0c
Special dividends per share: announced with the results for the year	–	–	62.0c

(a) Dividends are determined in US dollars, which is our functional currency, and declared in British pounds for Rio Tinto Plc and Australian dollars for Rio Tinto Limited. The exchange rate to convert the US dollar dividend into British pounds and Australian dollars is determined with reference to the WMR 4pm (UK) fixings on the day of the announcement of the results for the year. Ordinary shareholders of Rio Tinto Limited and Rio Tinto Plc are paid equal cash dividends on a per share basis in line with the terms of the relevant share instruments.

Total dividends per share paid in the year

	Dividends per share 2023	Dividends per share 2022	Dividends per share 2021
Previous year final - paid during the year (US cents)	225.0c	417.0c	309.0c
Previous year special - paid during the year (US cents)	–	62.0c	93.0c
Interim - paid during the year (US cents)	177.0c	267.0c	376.0c
Interim special - paid during the year (US cents)	–	–	185.0c
Total paid during the year (US cents)	402.0c	746.0c	963.0c

	Dividends per share 2023	Dividends per share 2022	Dividends per share 2021
Rio Tinto plc previous year final (pence)	185.4p	306.7p	221.9p
Rio Tinto plc previous year special (pence)	–	45.6p	66.8p
Rio Tinto plc interim (pence)	137.7p	221.6p	270.8p
Rio Tinto plc interim special (pence)	–	–	133.3p
Total paid during the year (pence)	323.1p	573.9p	692.8p
Rio Tinto Limited previous year final - fully franked (Australian cents)	326.5c	577.0c	397.5c
Rio Tinto Limited previous year special - fully franked (Australian cents)	–	85.8c	119.6c
Rio Tinto Limited interim - fully franked (Australian cents)	260.9c	383.7c	509.4c
Rio Tinto Limited interim special - fully franked (Australian cents)	–	–	250.6c
Total paid during the year (Australian cents)	587.4c	1,046.5c	1,277.1c

The franking credits available to the Group as at 31 December 2023, after allowing for Australian tax payable in respect of the current reporting period's profit, are estimated to be US\$7,246 million (2022: US\$6,611 million).

The proposed Rio Tinto Limited dividend will be fully franked at 30% based on the unclaimed franking account balance by US\$410 million.

Reconciliation of dividend declared to dividend paid

	2023 US\$m	2022 US\$m	2021 US\$m
Rio Tinto plc previous year final dividend payable	2,875	5,024	3,809
Rio Tinto plc previous year special dividend payable	–	747	1,146
Rio Tinto plc interim dividend payable	2,147	3,162	4,627
Rio Tinto plc interim special dividend payable	–	–	2,276
Rio Tinto Limited previous year final dividend payable	815	1,597	1,138
Rio Tinto Limited previous year special dividend payable	–	237	343
Rio Tinto Limited interim dividend payable	629	949	1,372
Rio Tinto Limited interim special dividend payable	–	–	674
Dividends payable during the year	6,466	11,716	15,385
Net movement of unclaimed dividends in the year	4	11	(28)
Dividends paid during the year	6,470	11,727	15,357

(b) We economically hedge the dividend cash flows from the announcement date to the payment date in order to reduce our foreign exchange exposure on these cash flows. The details of these hedges is shown within 'Other items' in the Cash flows from consolidated operations and is not included in the above.

4 Impairment charges net of reversals

Recognition and measurement

Impairment charges and reversals are assessed at the level of cash-generating units (CGUs) which, in accordance with IAS 36 "Impairment of Assets", are identified as the smallest identifiable asset or group of assets that generate cash inflows, which are independent of the cash inflows from other assets. Separate cash-generating units are identified where an active market exists for individual products or services. Where no active market exists, individual business units consist of several operations with generating streams which constitute separate CGUs.

Goodwill acquired through business combinations is allocated to the cash-generating unit or groups of cash-generating units that are expected to benefit from the related business combination, and tested for impairment at the lowest level within the Group at which cash flows are independently identifiable and internal management purposes. Cash-generating units containing goodwill (note 11), indefinite-lived intangible assets and other intangible assets that are not ready for use (note 12) are tested annually for impairment as at 30 September, regardless of whether the carrying amount exceeds the recoverable amount, or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate a potential impairment charge.

Other relevant judgements - determination of CGUs

Judgement is applied to identify the Group's CGUs, particularly when assets belong to integrated operations, impact impairment charges and reversals. The most relevant judgement continues to relate to the grouping of Quebec Operations and QIT Madagascar Minerals (QMM) as a single CGU on the basis that they are vertically integrated and there is no active market for QMM's ilmenite.

Property, plant and equipment, including right-of-use assets and intangible assets with finite lives are reviewed frequently if there is an indication that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. This review starts with a generating units to consider changes in the business or strategic direction. Following this, an assessment of is performed. Internal sources of information considered include assessment of the financial performance of the CC External sources of information include changes in forecast commodity prices, costs and other market factors.

Non-current assets (excluding goodwill) that have suffered impairment are reviewed using the same basis for valuation whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the impairment loss may no longer exist, or may have been reversed. An impairment loss is reversed only if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the impairment (for example, carrying amount, cash flows expected to be received from the cash-generating unit, or the discount rate) and only if the carrying amount of the cash-generating unit after reversal does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined (net of amortisation and depreciation) had no impairment loss been recognised for the cash-generating unit in prior periods.

In 2023, we identified indicators of impairment at the Gladstone alumina refineries in the Aluminium segment and at the Simandou project. Refer to page 66 for details.

Key judgement - indicators of impairment and impairment reversals

The Oyu Tolgoi and Kitimat cash-generating units have both been impaired in previous years and are therefore indicators of further impairment or impairment reversal as such adjustments would likely be material to our impairment, the carrying value and fair value for these CGUs were equal, making the CGUs sensitive to changes; albeit headroom may have subsequently arisen due to the passage of time.

Oyu Tolgoi

We assessed the Oyu Tolgoi CGU for internal sources of information that could indicate impairment or impairment reversal, operational performance of the mine and development progress for the underground operation. For external sources, we used indicators of impairment or impairment reversal, we considered current and projected commodity prices. We conclude that there is no impairment or impairment reversal.

Kitimat

The Kitimat smelter was impaired in 2013 and 2014 during the construction phase as cost overruns were not expected through economic performance. The plant was further impaired in 2021 (refer to page 180 for details) as operations were adversely impacted by a workforce strike in June 2021 that has reduced the capacity over a prolonged period.

In 2023, the operational performance of the plant was considered as part of the assessment of internal source impairment or impairment reversal. As highlighted in the climate change section, the economic performance of segment has the potential to perform more strongly as the world transitions to a lower carbon future; however, sources of information did not indicate that this had yet been priced into asset valuations. We concluded that impairment or impairment reversal.

Where indication of impairment or impairment reversal exists, an impairment review is undertaken. The recoverable amount is the higher of value in use (being the net present value of expected future cash flows of the relevant asset or cash-generating unit) and fair value less costs of disposal (FVLCD). When the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit exceeds its carrying amount, FVLCD, this amount is further classified in accordance with the fair value hierarchy for observable market data. If the carrying amount of the cash-generating unit exceeds its recoverable amount, the Group considers that the best evidence of FVLCD is the carrying amount of the cash-generating unit. In the absence of a binding sale agreement and, in this case, the recoverable amount is classified in the fair value hierarchy based on quoted prices for equity instruments but adjusted to reflect factors such as a lack of liquidity in the market. Level 2 in the fair value hierarchy. No cash-generating units are currently assessed for impairment by reference to FVLCD classified as level 1 or level 2.

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4 Impairment charges net of reversals

Where unobservable inputs are material to the measurement of the recoverable amount, FVLCD is based on the best information available to the Group. The best information available to the Group is the amount the Group could receive for the cash-generating unit in an orderly transaction between market participants. This is often estimated using discounted cash flow techniques and is classified as level 3 in the fair value hierarchy.

Where the recoverable amount is assessed using FVLCD based on discounted cash flow techniques, the resulting estimate of life-of-mine and long-term production plans. These may include anticipated expansions which are at the evaluation stage.

The cash flow forecasts for FVLCD purposes are based on management's best estimates of expected future revenues and costs, including future cash costs of production, capital expenditure, and closure, restoration and environmental costs. For the purpose of a market participant's perspective, the cash flows incorporate management's price and cost assumptions in the short and longer term, operating margins are assumed to remain constant where appropriate, as it is considered unlikely that a participant would prepare detailed forecasts over a longer term. The cash flow forecasts may include net cash flows expected to be realised from the processing and sale of material that does not currently qualify for inclusion in mineral reserves. Such non-reserve material is included where there is a high degree of confidence in its economic extraction. This expectation is usually based on preliminary drilling and mineralisation that are contiguous with existing ore reserves. Typically, the additional evaluation required to achieve a final reserve estimate for material has not yet been done because this would involve incurring evaluation costs earlier than is required for the development of the mine.

As noted above, cost levels incorporated in the cash flow forecasts for FVLCD purposes are based on the current life-of-mine production plan for the cash-generating unit. This differs from value in use which requires future cash flows to be based on the current condition and therefore does not include future cash flows associated with improving or enhancing an asset's value. Enhancements to assets may be included in FVLCD calculations and, therefore, generally result in a higher value.

Where the recoverable amount of a cash-generating unit is dependent on the life of its associated orebody, expected future cash flows are based on the current life of mine and long-term production plans; these are based on detailed research, analysis and iterative modelling. The mine plan takes account of all relevant characteristics including waste-to-ore ratios, ore grades, haul distances, chemical and metallurgical properties of the ore impacting processing and recovery rates, and the processing equipment that can be used. The life-of-mine plan and long-term production plans are, therefore, the basis for the output and production costs in each future year.

Forecast cash flows for ore reserve estimation for JORC purposes are generally based on Rio Tinto's commodity price forecasts. Short-term market prices will revert to the Group's assessment of the long-term price, generally over a period of 12 months. For commodities, these forecast commodity prices are derived from a combination of analyses of the marginal costs of the production of these commodities. These assessments often differ from current price levels and are updated periodically. The published medium- and long-term forward prices necessarily provide a good indication of future levels because they are based on market prices by spot prices. The price forecasts used for mineral reserve estimation are generally consistent with those used for impairment testing. Management deems that in certain economic environments a market participant would not assume Rio Tinto's view on price forecasts. Preparing FVLCD impairment calculations management estimates the assumptions that a market participant would be expected to use.

Forecast future cash flows of a cash-generating unit take into account the sales prices under existing sales contracts.

The discount rates applied to the future cash flow forecasts represent an estimate of the rate the market participant would require to invest time value of money and the risks specific to the asset for which the future cash flow estimates have not been adjusted. The weighted average cost of capital is generally used as a starting point for determining the discount rates, with appropriate adjustments for countries in which the individual cash-generating units operate. For final feasibility studies and mineral reserve estimates, which are generally higher than the Group's weighted average cost of capital, are used. For developments funded with debt, a component of the weighted average cost of capital may be calculated by reference to the specific interest rate of the debt and the leverage of the project.

For operations with a functional currency other than the US dollar, the impairment review is undertaken in the relevant currency. When estimating FVLCD, internal forecasts of exchange rates take into account spot exchange rates, historical data and expected movements. Exchange rates are assumed to remain constant in real terms after five years. The great majority of the Group's sales are based on prices denominated in the functional currencies of countries in which the Group produces commodities strengthen against the US dollar without an increase in the value of the commodity flows and, therefore, net present values are reduced. Management considers that, over the long term, there is a tendency for commodity prices to compensate to some extent for movements in the value of the US dollar, particularly against the Australian dollar, and vice versa. However, such compensating changes are not synchronised and do not fully offset each other. The present value of future cash flows in foreign currencies is translated at the spot exchange rate on the testing date.

Generally, discounted cash flow models are used to determine the recoverable amount of CGUs. In this case, significant judgement is required to determine the appropriate estimates and assumptions used and there is significant estimation uncertainty. In particular, for disposal valuations, judgement is required to determine the estimates a market participant would use. The discounted cash flow models are sensitive to the following estimates: the timing of project expansions; the cost to complete assets under construction; production timing and recovery rates; exchange rates; operating costs; reserve and resource estimates; closure costs; long-term contract revenues between CGUs; and, in some instances, the renewal of mining licences. Some of these variables may change over time for individual CGU. Future changes in these variables may differ from management's expectations and may materially alter the recoverable amount of the CGUs.

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		2023		2022	2021
Note	Pre-tax amount US\$m	Taxation US\$m	Non-controlling interest US\$m	Net amount US\$m	Pre-tax amount US\$m
Aluminium - Alumina refineries	(1,175)	347	—	(828)	—
Aluminium - Pacific Aluminium	—	—	—	—	(202)
Aluminium - Kitimat	—	—	—	—	(269)
Other operations - Simandou	239	152	(215)	176	—
Other operations - Roughrider	—	—	—	—	150
Total impairment charges net of reversals	(936)	499	(215)	(652)	(52)
Allocated as:					
Intangible assets	12	231	—	—	150
Property, plant and equipment	13	(1,167)	—	—	—
Investment in equity accounted units (EAUs)	—	—	—	—	(202)
Total impairment charges net of reversals		(936)			(52)
Comprising:					
Net impairment (charges)/reversals of consolidated balances				(936)	150
Impairment (charges) related to EAUs (pre-tax)				—	(202)
Total impairment charges net of reversals				(936)	(52)
Taxation (including related to EAUs)				499	—
Non-controlling interests				(215)	—

2023**Aluminium - Alumina refineries, Australia**

The Gladstone alumina refineries are responsible for more than half of our scope 1 carbon dioxide emissions in key focus as we evaluate options to decarbonise our assets. In March 2023, the Australian Parliament legislated heavy industrial carbon emitters to purchase carbon credits based on their scope 1 emissions with a reducing but challenging market conditions facing these assets, together with our improved understanding of the capital requirements now legislated cost escalation for carbon emissions, were identified as impairment triggers during the six months ended 31 December 2023.

Using a fair value less cost of disposal methodology and discounting realisable cash flows, we determined a pre-tax impairment charge of US\$175 million (post-tax US\$828 million) on this represented a full impairment of the property, plant and equipment of the Gladstone alumina refinery (US\$948 million) and an impairment of US\$227 million for the property, plant and equipment of Queensland Alumina Limited (QAL). These impairments reflect market participant assumptions and the difficult trading conditions faced below our planned output.

For QAL, the recoverable amount (net present value) was represented by future cash flows attributable to the double digestion project. This major capital project improves the energy efficiency of the alumina production process and significantly reduces the risk of investment. These cash flows were risk adjusted to reflect the pre-feasibility study stage of project evaluation. If investment was approved, the post-tax impairment charge would be greater and result in a full impairment of QAL.

Impact of climate change on our business - Gladstone alumina refineries

We are committed to the decarbonisation of our assets to reduce Scope 1 and 2 emissions by zero emissions by 2050 relative to 2019 equity baseline. We anticipate that further carbon action may be necessary to align with the agreement to limit temperature increase to 1.5°C. This illustrates the sensitivity of the refinery valuations to the cost of carbon. A 10% increase in those unit costs across all years, before the impact of decarbonisation projects with 2023 impairment valuation remaining constant. For QAL, this sensitivity indicated a US\$600 million increase in pre-tax impairment. This is expected to be largely mitigated by decarbonisation projects, including double digestion. There was no impairment reversal for the Gladstone alumina refinery as plant and equipment was already fully impaired.

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Other operations - Simandou, Guinea

The Simandou project in Guinea was fully impaired in 2015 as uncertainty over infrastructure ownership and funding hindered exploration and evaluation being neither budgeted nor planned. In the second half of 2023, we concluded key agreements with the Guinea and Winning Consortium Simandou (WCS) on the trans-Guinean infrastructure for the Simandou project and progressed our joint venture partners that will enable the development of the Simandou iron-ore mine. We therefore concluded that the agreements remain subject to regulatory approvals, the key uncertainties that gave rise to the 2015 impairment have been resolved and an impairment reversal trigger was identified at 1 October 2023.

Revisions to the Investment Framework and changes to the proposed infrastructure arrangements since 2015 mean that the impairment has been superseded and therefore the attributable asset cost and accumulated impairment associated with these items have been permanently derecognised. Previously capitalised exploration and evaluation costs associated with the mine and plant and equipment that continue to be relevant to the Simandou project development have been assessed for impairment. The recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit measured on a fair value less cost of disposal basis, is significantly higher than the carrying value of the remaining impaired assets and therefore supports a full reversal of their previously recorded impairment charges. A US\$239 million is allocated to intangible assets (exploration and evaluation) and property, plant and equipment. A deferred tax asset of US\$152 million has been recorded to account for the difference between the asset values included in the carrying value of in-country depreciable assets. Under our Aspirational Leadership pricing scenario, iron ore prices are expected to drive demand for the higher-grade iron ore at Simandou which would indicate a higher recoverable value. If impairment has been fully reversed, this Paris aligned-sensitivity would not result in a different impairment reversal.

All spend on the Simandou project between the impairment in 2015 and 30 September 2023 was expensed as incurred. With effect from 1 October 2023, qualifying spend is capitalised.

2022**Other operations - Roughrider, Canada**

On 17 October 2022 we completed the sale of the Roughrider uranium undeveloped project located in the Athabasca Basin in Saskatchewan, Canada for US\$150 million (US\$80 million cash and US\$70 million shares of Uranium Energy Corp.). The project was fully impaired at the year end due to significant uncertainty over whether commercially viable quantities of mineral resources would be identified. The sale therefore led to an impairment reversal during the year ended 31 December 2022. It also led to the recognition of US\$105 million from the recycling of the currency translation reserve to the income statement.

Aluminium - Pacific Aluminium, Australia and New Zealand

The operating and economic performance of the Boyne Smelter in Queensland, Australia was below our expectations in 2022 with reduced capacity and the economic performance suffered due to the high cost of energy from the coal-fired Gladstone alumina refineries. These conditions were identified as an impairment trigger. We calculated a recoverable amount for the cash-generating unit of the Boyne Smelter expressed in real terms and discounted using a 6.0% discount rate. This date was chosen as it coincided with both the remaining term of the Boyne Smelter joint venture agreements and the Group's Paris-aligned commitment to reduce carbon emissions by 50% by 2030 relative to 2019 baseline. Despite the implementation of temporary energy price caps by the Australian Government in 2022, an impairment charge of US\$200 million representing a full impairment of the carrying value of the Boyne Smelter investment unit was recorded.

2021**Aluminium - Kitimat, Canada**

On 3 December 2021 we announced completion of the newly-constructed wharf at Kitimat. Construction spend was incurred during the year and therefore a gain of US\$336 million representing the estimated fair value of the cost of construction was recorded and the carrying value of the Kitimat CGU increased accordingly. Output from the smelter was reduced to a workforce of 201 and ramped up to full capacity was expected to extend through 2022. The Kitimat CGU, and therefore carrying limited headroom, these factors were considered in the impairment assessment.

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5 Acquisitions and disposals

Acquisitions

Recognition and measurement

In determining whether a particular set of activities in which the cash outflow as “Acquisitions of subsidiary acquired arrangement has to have an input and substantial and progressive” rather than as separate asset purchases which together significantly contribute to the ability to create outputs, the definition of a business combination. Where an acquisition does not meet the definition of a business as defined by IFRS 3 “Business Combinations” each asset is recognized through our copper leaching technology, on the balance sheet at fair value. In the Group cash flow statement, we assess, based on the substance of the transaction, whether it should be classified as an investment or as an acquisition. If the substance of the transaction, where the accounting for our holding in MCEwen Copper Inc. as an assess, based on the substance of the transaction, where the accounting for our holding in MCEwen Copper Inc. as an the cash consideration for these transactions either to purchase or to acquire, given our representation on their Board. property, plant and equipment, and intangible assets” on to “Acquisitions” acquired the remaining share of subsidiaries, joint ventures and associates” depending on the nature of the transaction. This transaction was not of subsidiaries, joint ventures and associates” depending on the nature of the transaction. This transaction was not assets purchased.

For undeveloped mining projects that have arisen through acquisition in a business combination as it related to the purchase of no the allocation of the purchase price consideration may be different than if the entity already consolidated as a subsidiary. undeveloped properties being recognised at an earlier stage on a project did not result in the remeasurement of the evaluation compared with projects arising from the Group's exploration and evaluation program. Subsequent expenditure on acquisition adjustment to non-controlling interests and retained ear undeveloped projects is only capitalised if it meets the requirements of the IFRS 6. In the September 2022, consideration paid US\$2.66 billion confidence threshold discussed in note 12. including \$633 million transaction costs. In 2023, the Group included \$1.4 billion

Where we increase our ownership interest in a subsidiary, of transaction costs were paid (previously \$4,000,000) to be between the purchase price and the carrying value of the share. Shareholders exercised their right to dissent to assets acquired is recorded in equity. The cash cost of such purchases in accordance with the terms of the circular, those dissenti is included within "financing activities" in the cash flow statement and consolidated statement of share, with final conside

2023

On 8 November 2020, we acquired Meridian Minera Limitada's ("MM") 57.7% share in Agua de la Falda ("ADF") for additional consideration of US\$21 million to the dissenting shareholders representing the difference between the US\$21 million initial consideration and share paid to all other shareholders. Subsequently, we entered into an agreement with Corporación Nacional del Cobre de Chile (Codelco), a state-owned enterprise, to explore and potentially acquired assets in Chile's prospective Atacama region - the project will be known as Nuevo Cobre. On 18 November 2021, we announced that we had completed

The majority owners 51.7% equity confers voting rights to the acquisition of the share in the Diavik Diamond Mine in the Northwest Territories of Canada held by Dominion Diamond. Therefore, we have accounted for Nuevo Cobre as an investment in a business combination and therefore the i partially owned subsidiary. There was no goodwill recognised on assets and liabilities were treated as an asset purchase combination. The difference between the net assets acquired and the purchase price was recognised as a purchase consideration has been recognised within Intangible assets and a corresponding liability or contingent ass Exploration and Evaluation assets. The transaction gives present and the co-owner's share where applicable. Rece recognition of a non-controlling interest representing relating to the co-owner's share were de-recognised and Codelco 42.3% equity stake in Nuevo Cobre. of the net purchase consideration on completion.

Disposals

Recognition and measurement

recycling facilities and equity interest in Matalco USA LLC which owns six aluminium recycling facilities in the USA for combined consideration of US\$738 million (inclusive of accrued transaction costs and working capital adjustments). If a group of assets and liabilities (Disposal group) is disposed of, the value of the disposal group is de-recognised with the difference between the carrying amount and the consideration received.

Rio Tinto has joint control over the Matalco businesses and therefore other comprehensive income in respect of the investment is accounted for under the equity method. Disposed of may be recycled to the income statement. The

At 31 December 2023 the fair value of the underlying identifiable intangible assets acquired and liabilities assumed have been provisionally determined and will be finalised within one year of the acquisition date in line with the requirements of IFRS.

2022

Following approval from Australia's Foreign Investment Review Board (FIRB), on March 20, 2020, we completed the acquisition of Rincon Mining Pty Limited, the owner of a lithium project in Argentina. Total cash consideration was \$25 million. In determining whether Rincon's set of activities is a business, we assessed whether it had inputs and substantive processes which together significantly contribute to the ability to create outputs. Based on this assessment, we concluded that Rincon did not meet the definition of a business as defined by IFRS 3 "Business Combinations" and, therefore, the acquisition was recorded. The transaction was therefore treated as an asset

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2023

On 28 August 2023, we completed the sale of our interest in the undeveloped La Granja project in Peru to First Quantum Minerals (FQM). Consideration received is recorded in our cash flow statement as US\$104 million net US\$1 million of cash balance) of which US\$16 million relating to sale of land is included within "net cash used in investing activities" and the remaining US\$88 million is included within "net cash generated from operating activities". As a result of the sale, our retained interest in La Granja represents a 45% owned associate (equity accounted) over which Rio Tinto has significant influence during the evaluation phase.

On initial recognition, the gain on fair valuation of project US\$85 million was recognised to the profit and loss account (relating to 55% interest sold) within "profit relating to disposals of subsidiaries and associates" and the remaining US\$89 million was eliminated against the fair value of the EAU. In total, we recognised a pre-tax gain of US\$154 million in the income statement, primarily representing the consideration transferred by First Quantum, plus the fair value of the retained interest in the project.

2022

As summarised in note 4, we sold our shareholding in the uranium undeveloped project in October 2022 for consideration of US\$150 million net US\$80 million cash and US\$70 million shares of Uranium Energy Corp). This transaction was treated as a disposal of subsidiary as the carrying value was largely represented by the business combination in 2012.

2021

There were no material disposals in 2021.

6 Revenue by destination and product

Recognition and measurement

We recognise sales revenue related to the transfer of goods or services when control of the goods or services passes to the customer. The amount of revenue recognised reflects the consideration to which the Group is or expects to be entitled in exchange for goods or services.

Sales revenue is recognised on individual sales when control passes to the customer. In most instances, control passes and the revenue is recognised when the product is delivered to the vessel or to the location to which it will be transported once loaded, the destination of the customer's premises. There may be circumstances when judgement is required based on the five indicators of control below:

- The customer has the significant risks and rewards of ownership and has the ability to direct the use of, and obtain substantially all of the remaining benefits from, the good or service.
- The customer has a present obligation to pay in accordance with the terms of the sales contract. For shipments under long-term contracts to cost, insurance and freight (CIF)/carriage paid to (CIP), most in future periods. Generally, revenue is recognised on freight (CFR), this is generally when the ship is loaded, as each unit sold is a separate performance obligation. The obligation for payment is for both product and freight, therefore the right to consideration from a customer corresponds to the performance completed to date.
- The customer has accepted the asset. Sales revenue may be subject to adjustment if the product specification does not conform to the terms specified in the sales contract but this does not impact the passing of control. Assay and specification adjustments have historically been immaterial.
- The customer has legal title to the asset. The Group does not transfer legal title until payment is received for credit risk purposes.
- The customer has physical possession of the asset. This is not always the case as the customer may obtain control of the asset prior to obtaining physical possession, which may be the case for goods in transit.

Revenue is principally derived from sale of commodities. The majority of our products on CFR or CIF Incoterms. This means the Group is responsible (acts as principal) for providing shipping and, in some instances, insurance after the date at which control of goods passes to the customer at the loading port. The Group, therefore, has separate performance obligations for freight and insurance that are provided solely to facilitate the sale of the product. Other Incoterms commonly used by the Group are free on board (FOB), where the Group has no responsibility for freight or insurance until the control of the goods has passed at the loading port, and delivered duty paid (DDP), where control of the goods passes when the product is delivered to the agreed destination. For these Incoterms, there is one performance obligation, being the provision of product at the destination where control passes.

Within each sales contract, each unit of product shipped is a separate performance obligation. Revenue is generally recognised at the contracted price as this reflects the standalone selling price of the product. Revenue excludes any applicable sales taxes. Concentrate is stated net of the treatment and refining charge which will be required to convert it to an end product.

The Group's products are sold to customers under contracts that specify the tenure and pricing mechanisms, including some volumes sold on spot market. Pricing for iron ore is on a range of terms, the most common being either monthly or quarterly average pricing mechanisms, with a smaller proportion of iron ore volumes being sold on the spot market.

Certain of the Group's products may be provisionally priced at the time of sale, based on a provisional invoice issued; however, once the final price is determined, the revenue is recognised. All iron ore and aluminium sales are reflected at the final price for the period. Provisionally priced receivables are subsequently measured at fair value through the income statement under IFRS 9 "Financial Instruments" as described in note 24. The selling price for all provisionally priced products is based on the quotation period stipulated in the contract. Final price for concentrate are normally determined between 30 and 120 days after delivery to the customer. The change in value of the provisionally priced receivable is based on relevant forward market prices and is included in sales revenue. Refer to "Other revenue" within the sales by product disclosure below.

Revenue is also recognised from the sale of significant by-products, such as gold and silver. Revenue from third-party commodity swap arrangements is recognised at the time of delivery and receipt of smelter-grade alumina within operating costs. The sale and purchase of third-party products for own use or to mitigate shortfalls in our production are accounted for as purchases or sales with sales presented within revenue from commodities. Other revenue from operating income includes revenue from the sale of the vehicle revenue-generating activities of the operations and is presented within operating costs.

Generally, the Group has a right to payment before or at the point of control of the goods passes, including a right, where applicable, to payment for provisionally priced products and unperformed freight and insurance services. Cash received before control passes is recorded as a contract liability. The amount of consideration does not contain a significant financing component as payment terms are less than 12 months. For shipments under long-term contracts to supply products to customers, revenue is recognised on a basis of cost, insurance and freight (CIF)/carriage paid to (CIP), most in future periods. Generally, revenue is recognised on a basis of cost, insurance and freight (CFR), this is generally when the ship is loaded, as each unit sold is a separate performance obligation. The obligation for payment is for both product and freight, therefore the right to consideration from a customer corresponds to the performance completed to date.

We do not consider those sales revenue from freight and insurance separate performance obligations. We do not consider that this is necessary in order to reflect the economic substance of the transactions. Our Chief Executive, the chief operating decision maker as defined under IFRS 8 "Operating Segments", does not review information specifically related to these sources of revenue in order to evaluate the performance of the Group. This information and Group information on these sources of revenue is provided externally.

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Consolidated sales revenue by destination

	2023 %	2022 %	2021 %	2023 US\$m	2022 US\$m	2021 US\$m
Greater China (includes Taiwan)	59.6	54.3	59.7	32,193	30,172	37,878
United States of America	13.9	15.9	12.6	7,516	8,823	8,012
Asia (excluding Greater China and Japan)	7.2	7.1	6.9	3,881	3,937	4,415