

Global Exploration Trends

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Preliminary estimates from Metals Economics Group's (MEG) Corporate Exploration Strategies study indicate that 2008 exploration budgets will exceed US\$14 billion for expenditures related to precious- and base-metals, diamonds and uranium. This presentation will provide a broad overview of global exploration trends in the current cycle including topics such as where dollars are being spent, what companies are searching for and where, and developments across various target stages.

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