

## Silver Fast Facts

### Silver is:

- A white, lustrous metal.
- Very malleable and ductile (can be beaten and drawn into a wire).
- An excellent conductor of heat and electricity.
- An important use in conventional photography as silver salts are acted upon by light.
- Used in electronic and electrical components, mirrors, electroplate, batteries, medicine and glassmaking.
- Used in coinage, plate and jewellery and in creams to relieve serious burns.
- Often recovered as a byproduct in the refining of gold bullion.

For more information on silver see [Geoscience Australia Mines Atlas](#)



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