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Among these mineral deposits, the Philippines is better known for its abundant reserves of gold, copper, nickel and chromite. In fact, the country has consistently made it among the list of the top ten primary producers of gold, copper and chromite [1].

Table 1.1: Share of Philippine Mine Production to World Mine Production, 1987

Metal	Unit	Philippines Production	World Production	Rank	% of World Production
Gold	1000 kg	2,139	49,722	8	4.3%
Copper	1000 mt	217	8,459	10	2.6%
Chromite	100 mt	263	10,533	9	2.5%

Source: Bureau of Mines and Geosciences, World Bureau of Metal Statistics, 1987