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# BASF in Australia and New Zealand

## Overview

BASF serves key industries in the agriculture, coatings, construction, manufacturing and mining sectors, and posted sales of about €432 million in Australia and New Zealand in 2018. As of the end of 2018, the company had 552 employees and operated 12 production sites across agricultural solutions, performance products and functional materials and solutions. BASF has been active in Australia for more than 90 years, and for about 60 years in New Zealand. Further information is available on the Internet at [www.basf.com/au](http://www.basf.com/au).

## Key facts and figures<sup>1</sup>

- Number of companies: 6 wholly-owned (active), 1 joint venture
- Number of production sites: 12 sites<sup>2</sup>
- Number of employees: 552
- Sales of BASF Group companies to customers in ANZ in 2018: approximately €432 million

## Major production sites

### Cheltenham (Victoria, Australia)

- Production site for nutrition & health
- Established in 1986 (part of BASF since the acquisition of Cognis in 2010)
- Manufactures natural beta-carotene

### Bayswater (Victoria, Australia)

- Surface treatment, food, aerospace and general industry
- Part of BASF since the acquisition of Chemetall in 2016

<sup>1</sup> Globally consolidated companies (major companies only) as of December 31, 2018

<sup>2</sup> All companies and sites (including admixture sites) as of December 31, 2018

### Whyalla (South Australia)

- Production site for nutrition & health
- Established in 1984 (part of BASF since the acquisition of Cognis in 2010)
- Produces algae and natural beta-carotene intermediate product

### Hutt Lagoon (Western Australia)

- Production site for nutrition & health
- Established in 1981 (part of BASF since the acquisition of Cognis in 2010)
- Produces algae and natural beta-carotene intermediate products

### Seven Hills (New South Wales, Australia)

- Production site for construction chemicals
- Established in 1950 (part of BASF since the acquisition of Degussa Construction Chemicals in 2006)
- Manufactures admixtures for concrete, resins, powders, waterproofing, flooring, tiling and adhesives.

### Somersby (New South Wales, Australia)

- Production site for agriculture
- Established in 1991 (part of BASF since the acquisition of Becker Underwood in 2012)
- Produces biological seed treatment

### Auckland (New Zealand)

- Surface treatment, food, aerospace and general industry
- Part of BASF since the acquisition of Chemetall in 2016

## **Research and development**

- BASF operates a global mining R&D center in Western Australia, investigating specific innovation needs for mineral processing and metal production. Focus topics include advanced technologies for solid-liquid separation and tailings management, aiming to minimize water consumption, maximize recovery and reduce areas consumed by tailings disposal.
- BASF operates an agricultural solutions farm in Tamworth (New South Wales), where research focuses on developing a wide range of cropping solutions in representative Australian conditions. BASF also operates a Wheat and Oilseed Breeding Centre in Longerenong (Victoria) where research focuses on developing wheat and oilseeds varieties with higher yields to help improve sustainability and productivity for Australian farmers.

- BASF works closely with a number of leading universities, including Monash University, Curtin University, Swinburne University, University of New South Wales and Auckland University.

### **Community engagement**

- BASF runs an annual **Kids' Lab** program to encourage an interest in science from an early age by conducting fun, hands-on chemistry-related experiments. The program is conducted in partnership with Curtin University in Perth (Western Australia), Monash University in Melbourne (Victoria), the University of New South Wales (NSW) and Auckland University in Auckland (New Zealand) and reaches over 3,000 children a year.
- BASF sponsors the secondary education of disadvantaged children through independent, national children's charity, **The Smith Family**, investing over A\$600,000 since 2007.
- To foster the exchange between Australia and Germany, BASF has been supporting the **Scholarship for Australian-German Student Exchange**. Each year, the society awards scholarships to Australian students to travel to Germany during their summer holidays, giving them an insight into a foreign culture and building up links of friendship between the youth of these two countries.
- To support New Zealand's biodiversity, BASF sponsors **Wasp Wipeout**, a conservation project aiming to increase wasp control and reduce wasp populations.