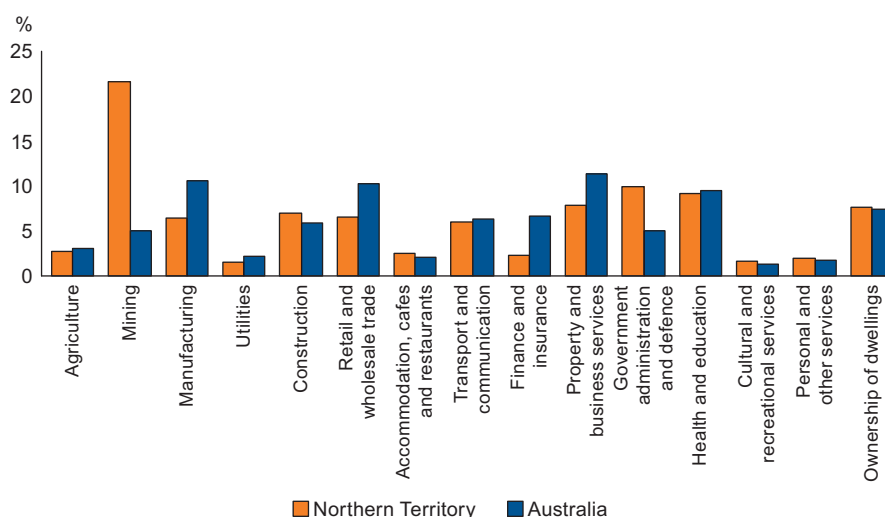


Structure of the Economy

- » The Northern Territory economy is markedly different to other Australian jurisdictions. It has an abundance of natural resources, a large public sector and a significant defence presence.
- » The Territory economy is highly influenced by global economic conditions due to its relatively small size and commodity-focused base.
- » The importance of mining and mining-related production will grow as production reaches full capacity following the completion of major infrastructure projects.
- » The manufacturing base has increased with the liquefied natural gas (LNG) plant at Wickham Point commencing production in February 2006, and will increase further when the Alcan G3 expansion is completed in the first half of 2007.
- » A relatively large mineral and energy sector means that the Territory economy is capable of high growth as resources are developed.

Industry Proportion of GDP and
GDP, 2001-02 to 2005-06
(five year average)



Source: ABS Cat. No. 5220.0