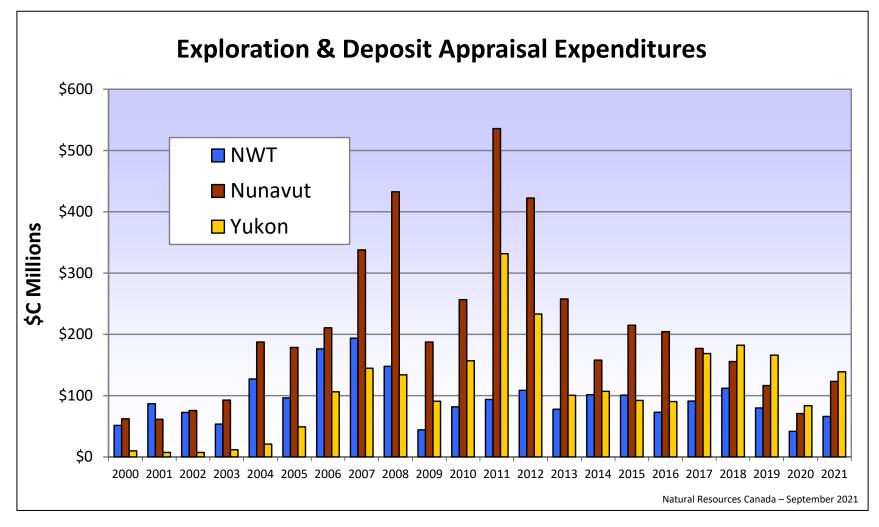


# NRCan Exploration & Deposit Appraisal Statistics for Northern Canada

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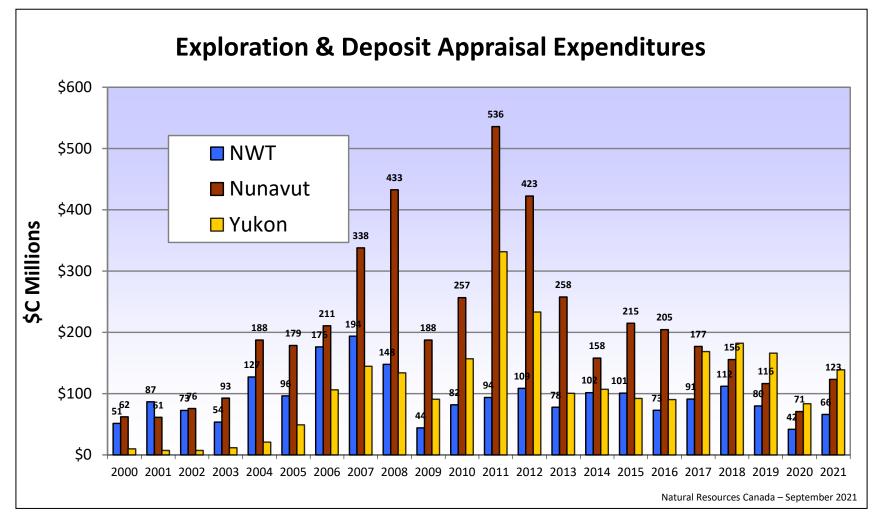
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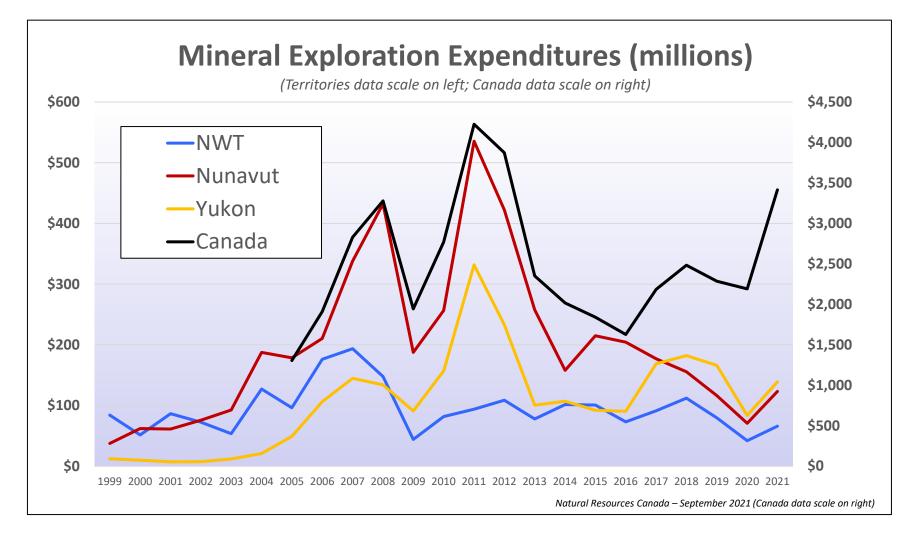
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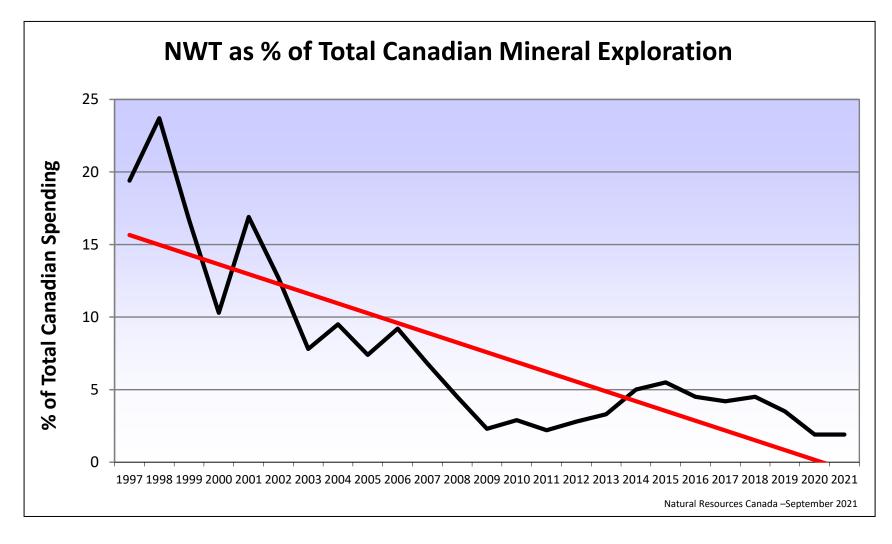
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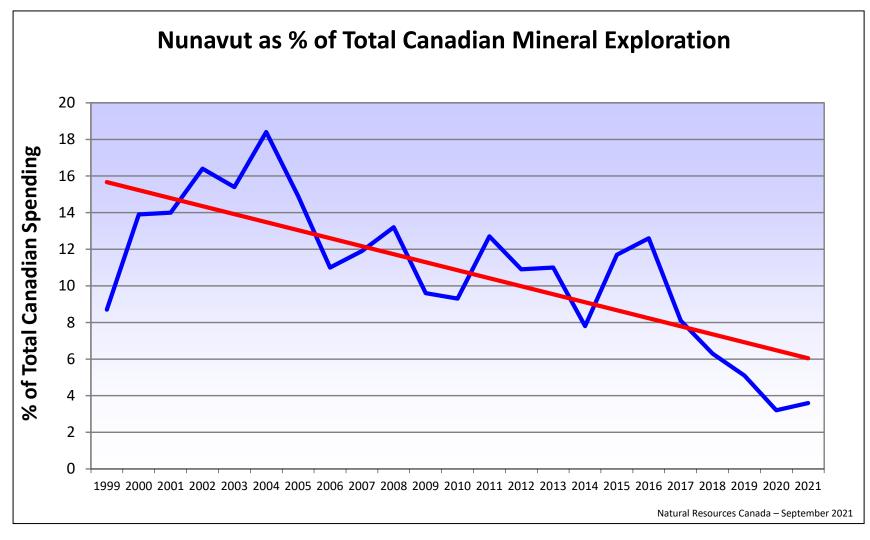
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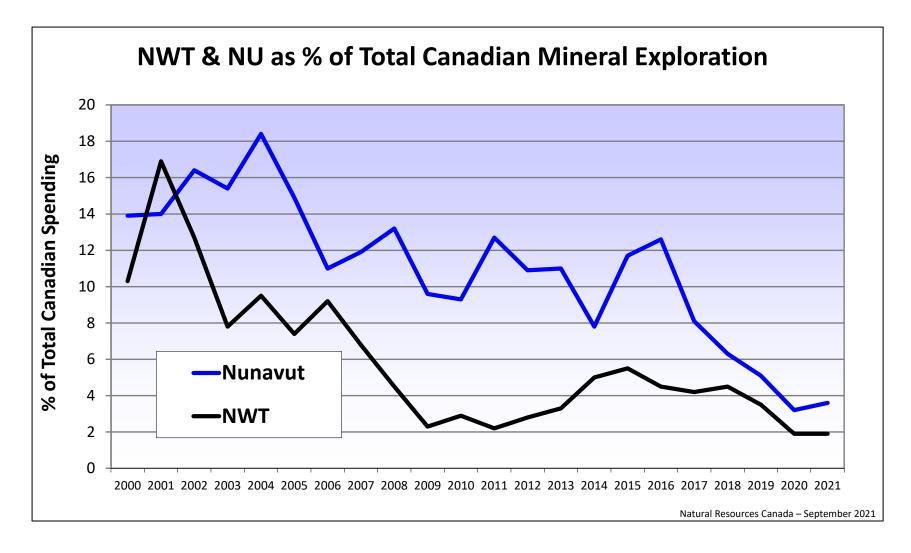
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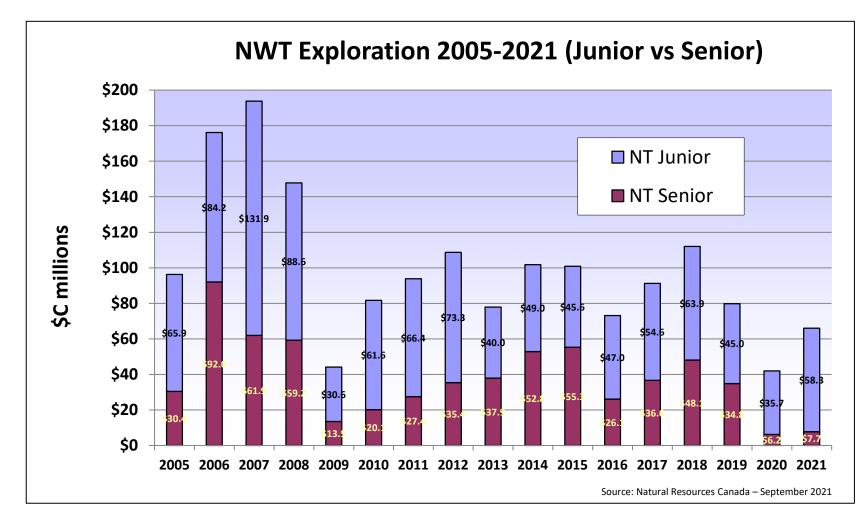
#### **Nunavut & NWT Exploration Share**



• Nunavut and NWT are projected to capture lower shares of total Canadian exploration investment.



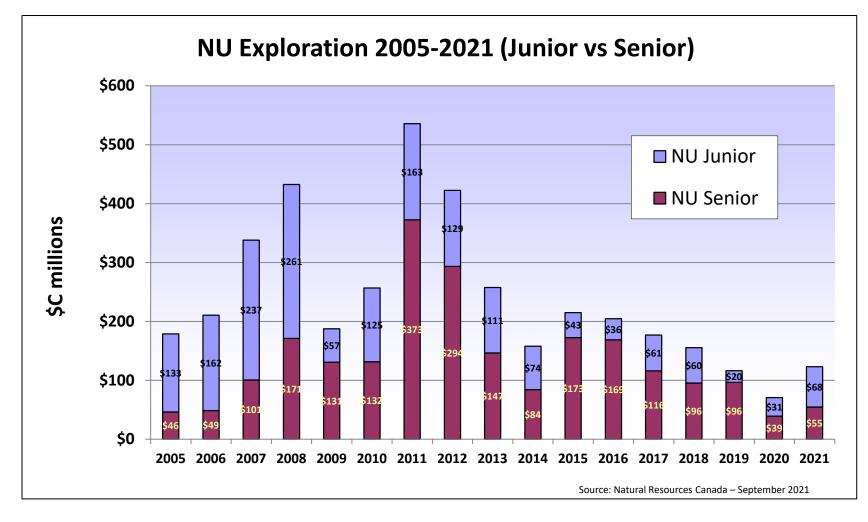
### **NWT – Senior vs Junior Exploration**



- Junior companies dominate NWT spending
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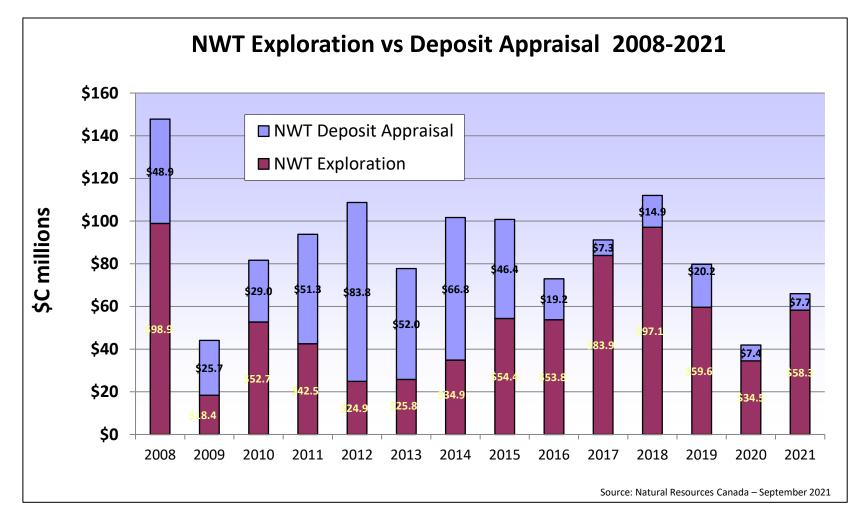
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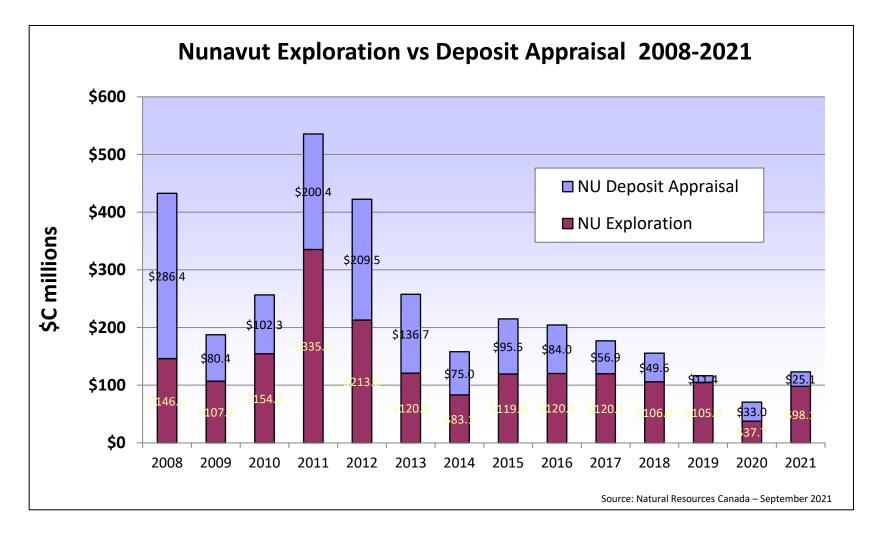
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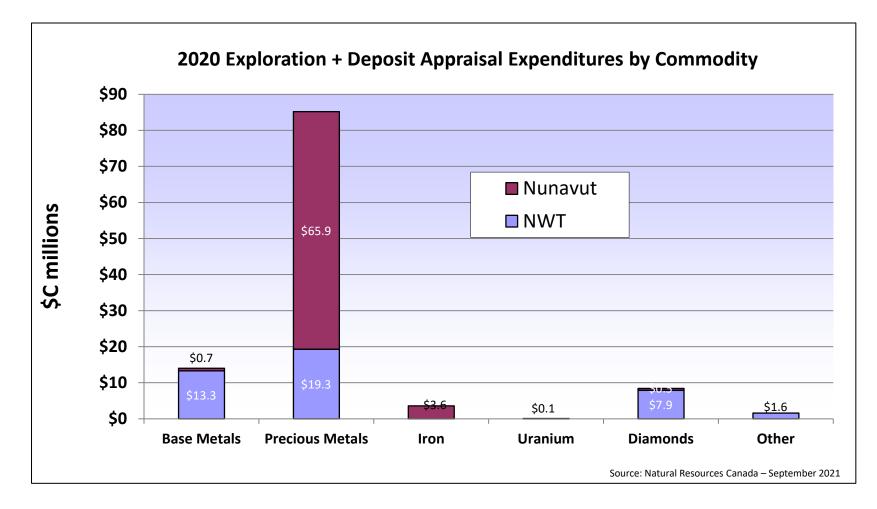
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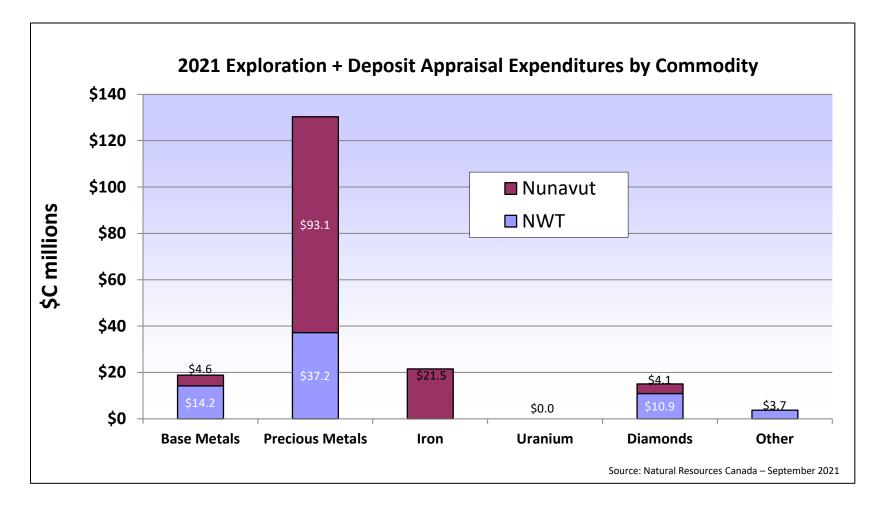
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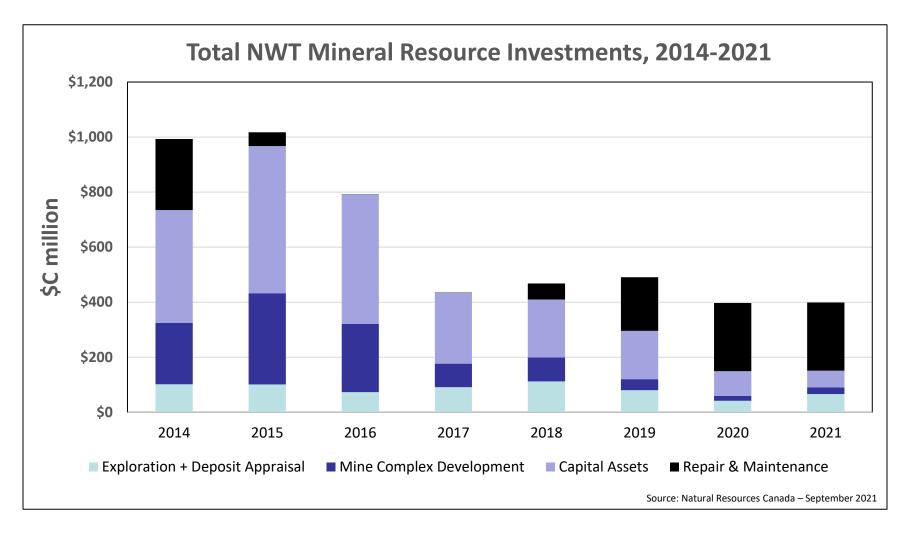
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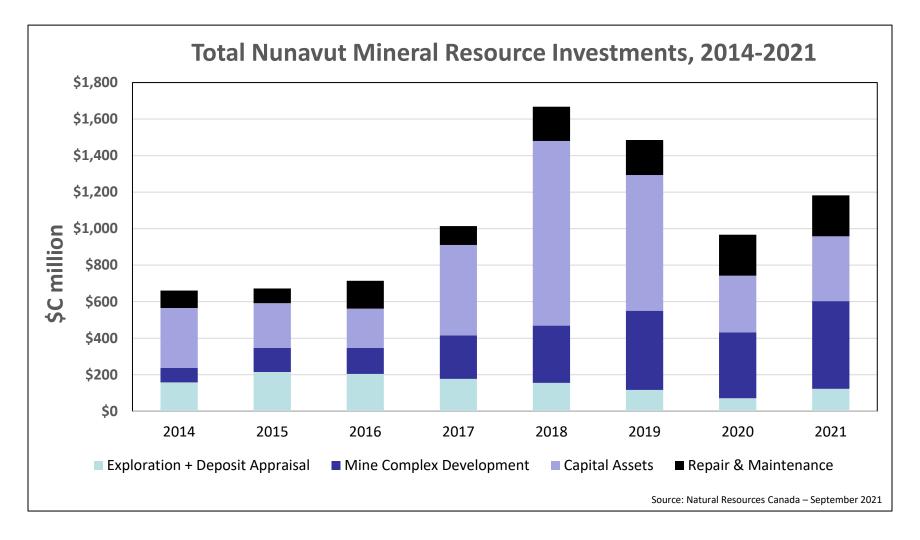
### **Total NWT Mineral Resource Development Investments**



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#### **Total Nunavut Mineral Resource Development Investments**



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