

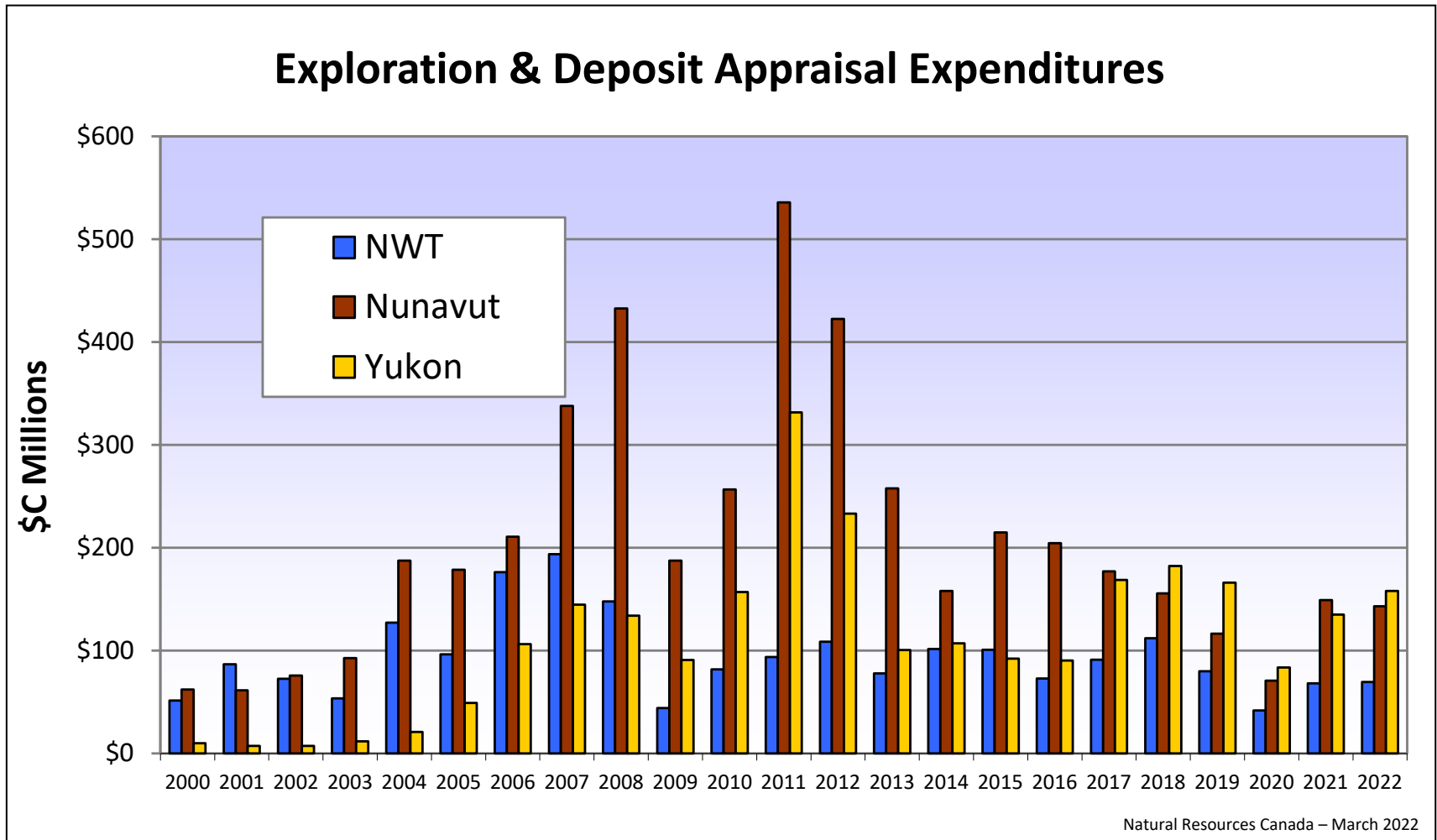


# **NRCan Exploration & Deposit Appraisal Statistics for Northern Canada**

NRCan Data current as of March 2022 is sourced here:

<https://mmsd.nrcan-rncan.gc.ca/expl-expl/prelim-eng.aspx>

# Northern Canada Mineral Exploration September 2021

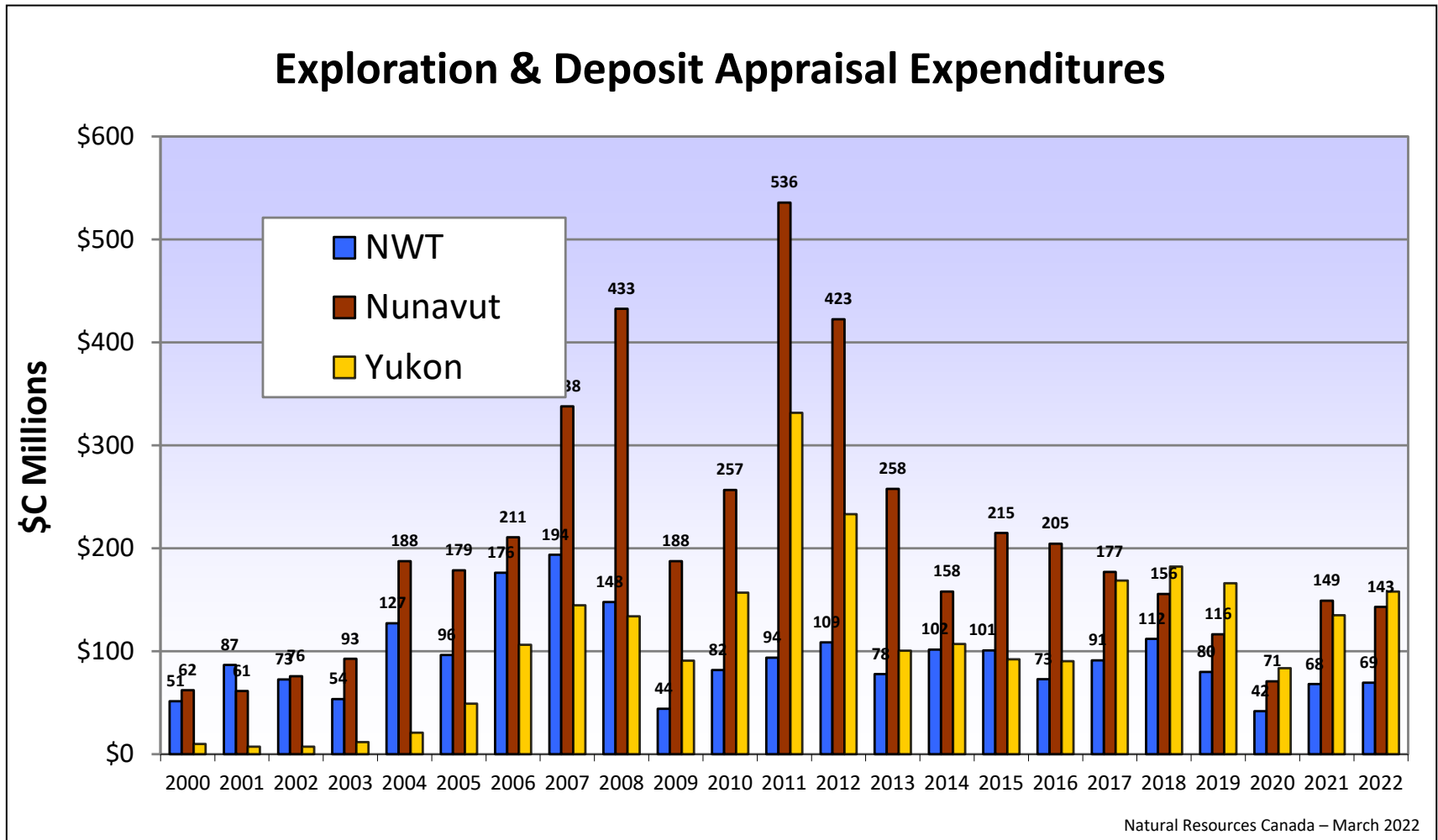


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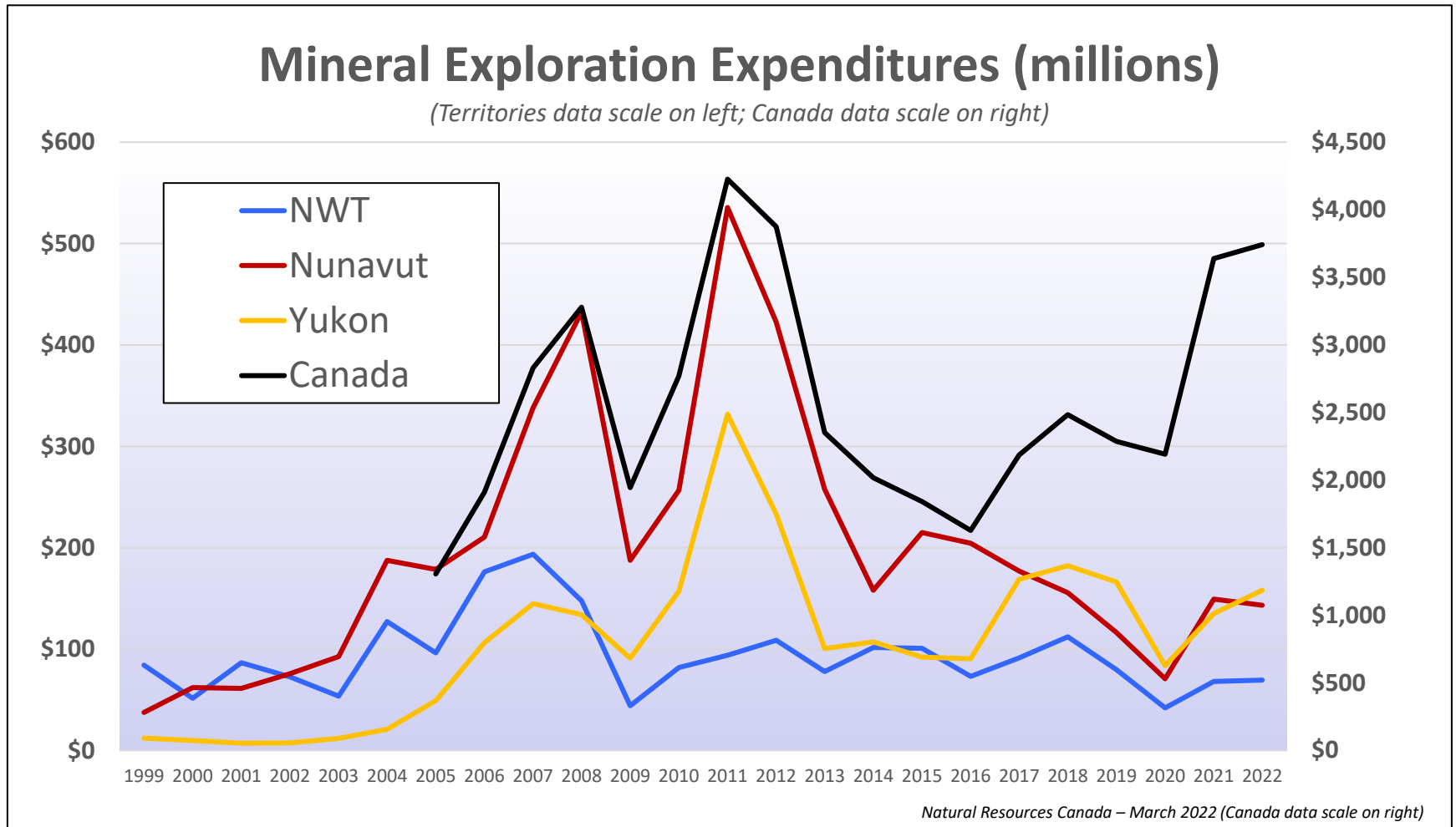


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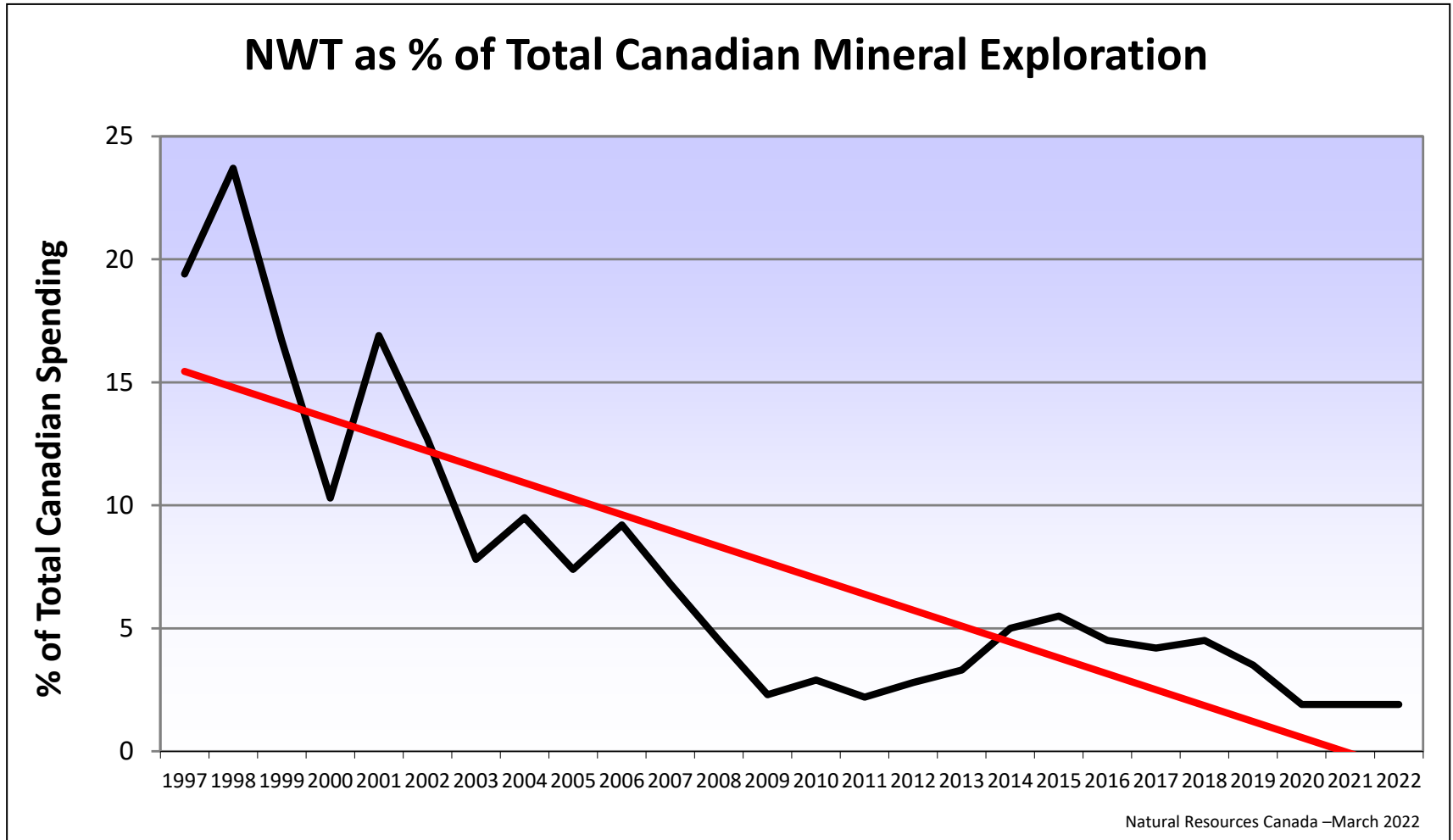


# Northern Canada Mineral Exploration (with Canada)



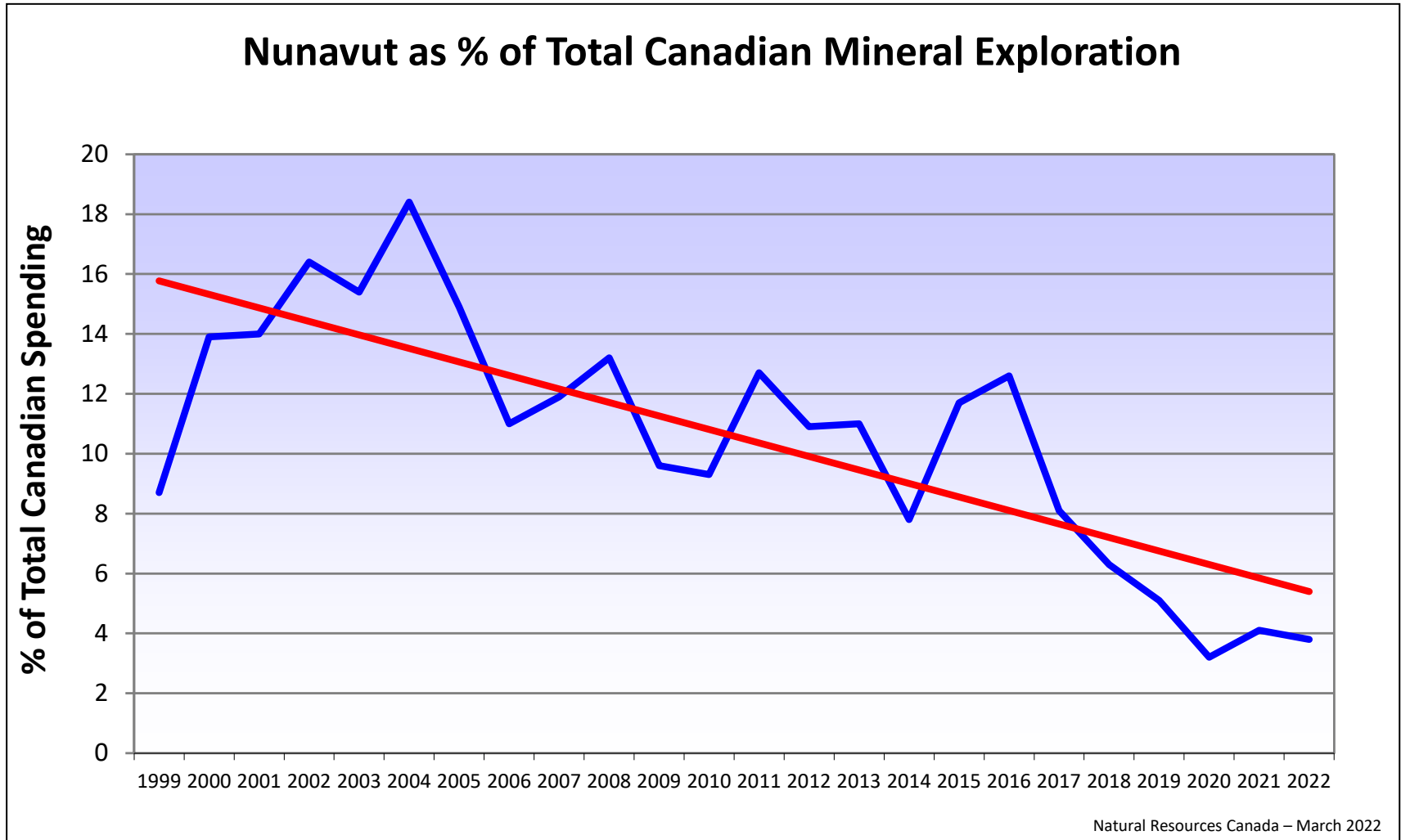
- Exploration is returning strongest in Yukon, very slightly in NWT, and decreasing slightly in NU. Canada is seeing a smaller increase this year than last.

# NWT Exploration Share



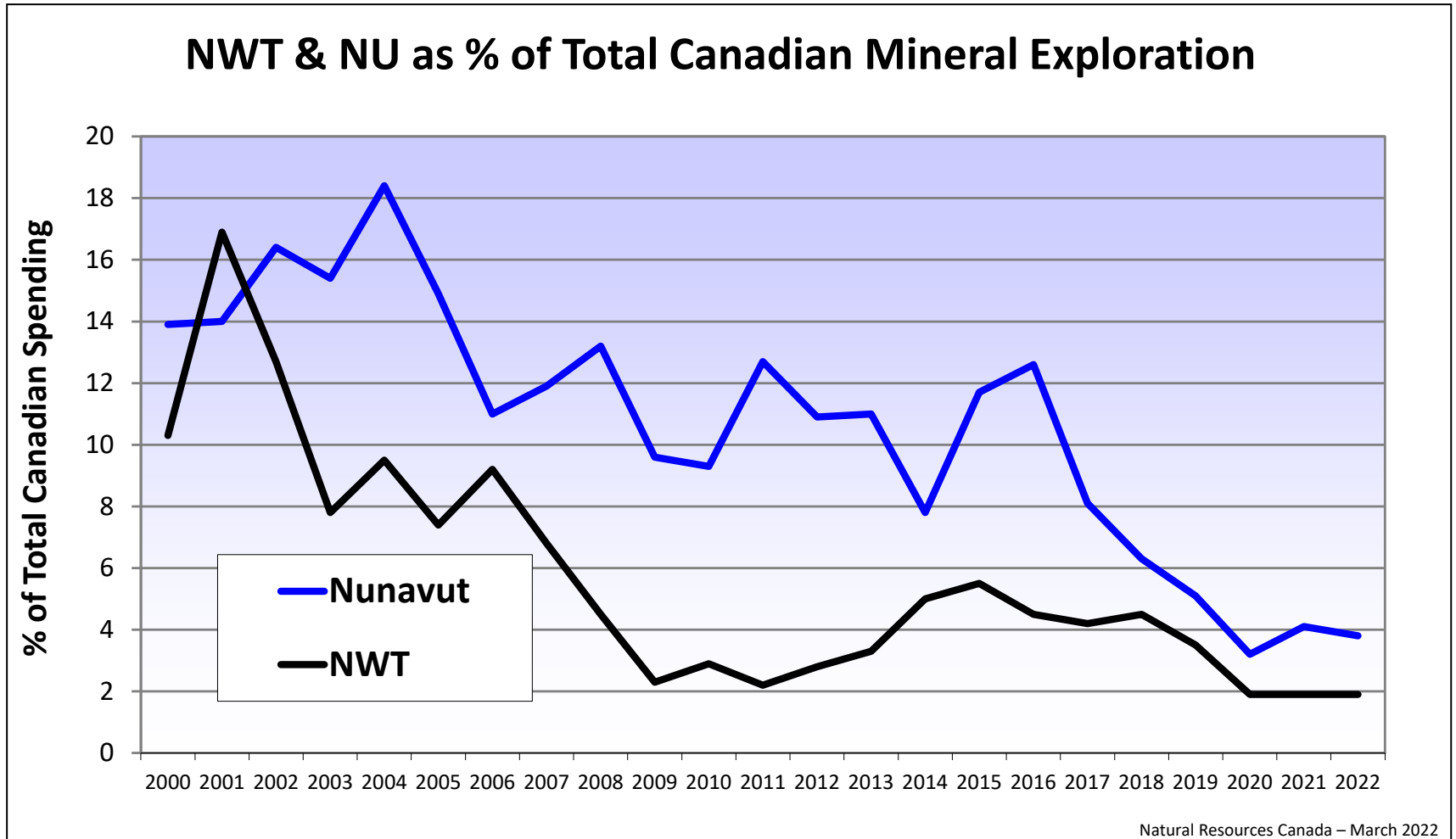
- The NWT is projected to continue capturing the same low share of Canadian exploration investment in 2022.

# Nunavut Exploration Share



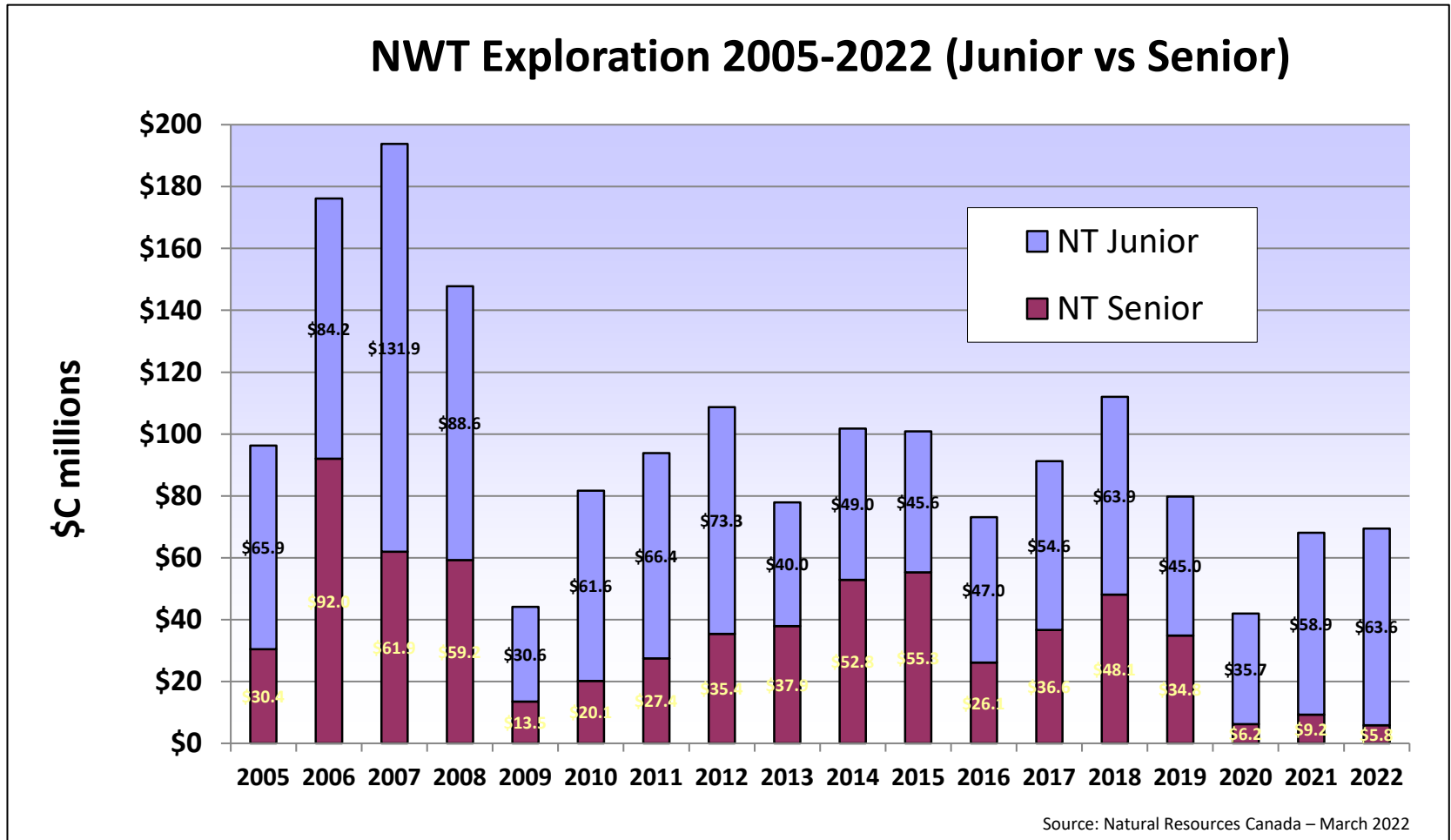
- Nunavut's share of Canadian exploration investment has declined over the last 20 years and is projected to decline again in 2022.

# Nunavut & NWT Exploration Share



- NWT's capture of total Canadian exploration investment will continue to be flat, while Nunavut's is projected to decrease slightly. Both territories are capturing low shares of total Canadian exploration investment.

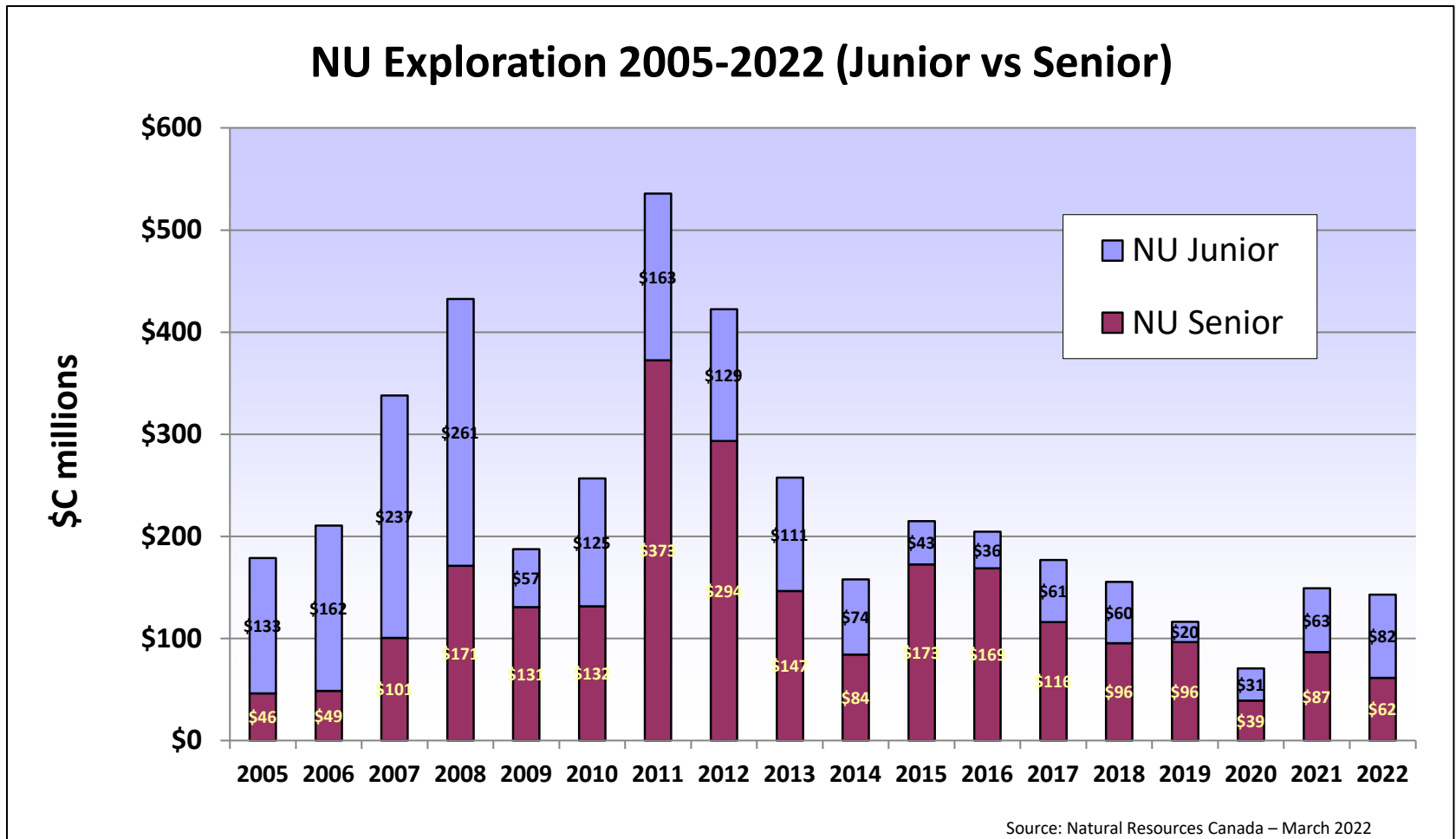
# NWT – Senior vs Junior Exploration



- Junior companies dominate NWT spending
- Exploration Plus Deposit Appraisal Expenditures<sup>1</sup>, by Junior and Senior Companies, by Province and Territory, 2016 - 2020<sup>2</sup> Annual, and 2021 Revised Spending Intentions<sup>3</sup>. (current as of March 2022)

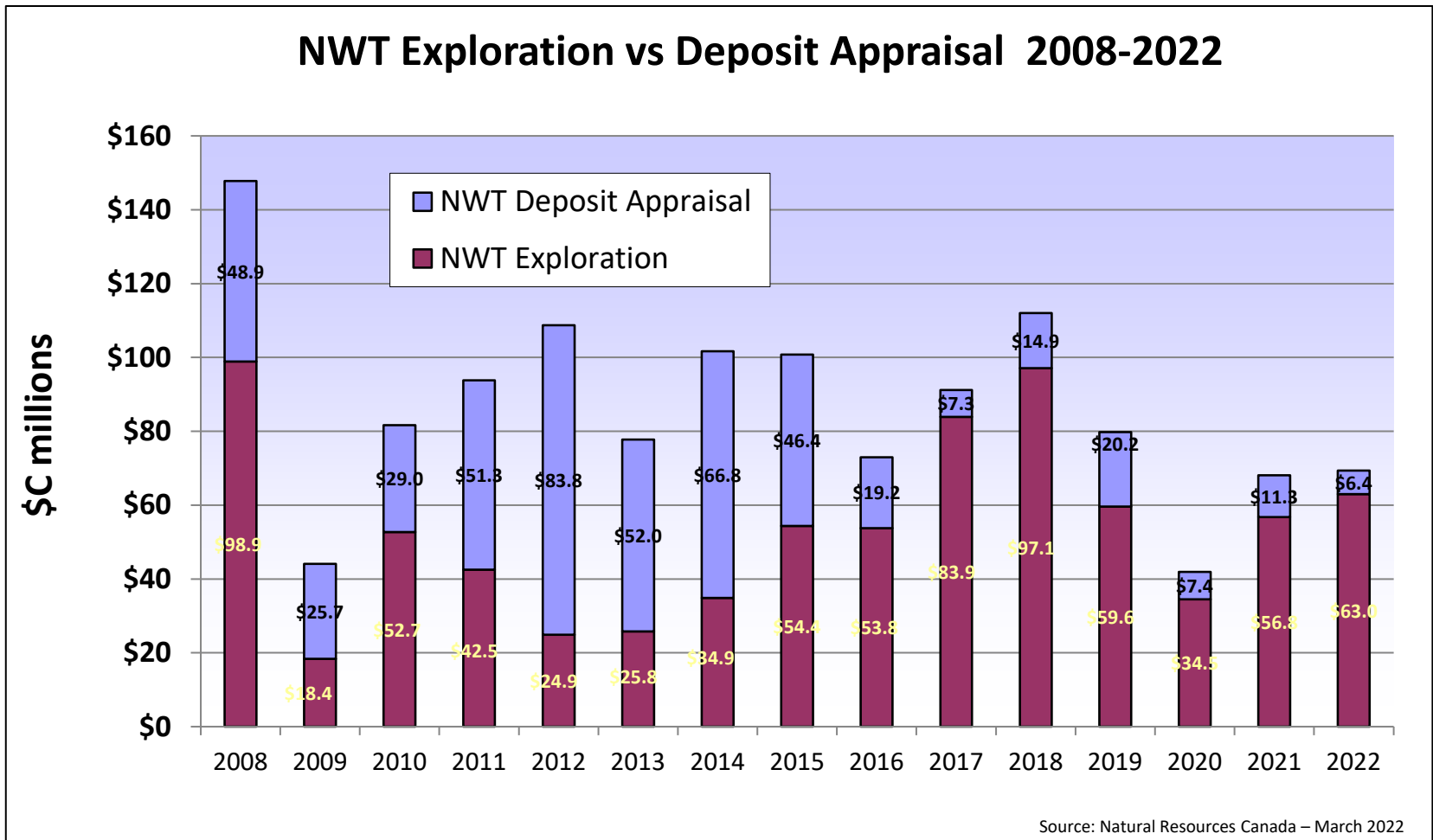


# Nunavut – Senior vs Junior Exploration



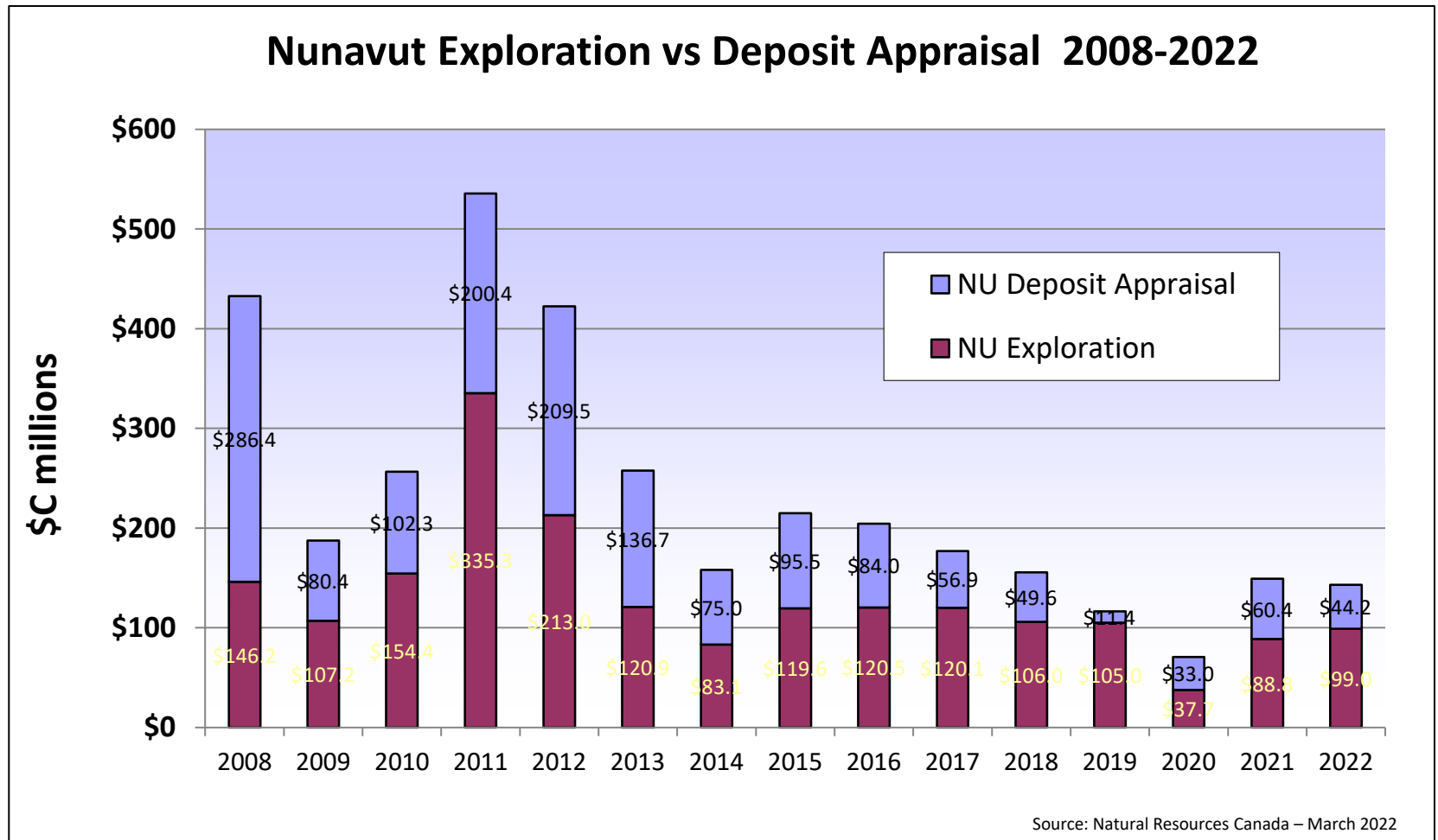
- Senior company spending generally has dominated in Nunavut but has decreased with junior share increasing.
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# NWT Exploration vs Deposit Appraisal 2008-2022



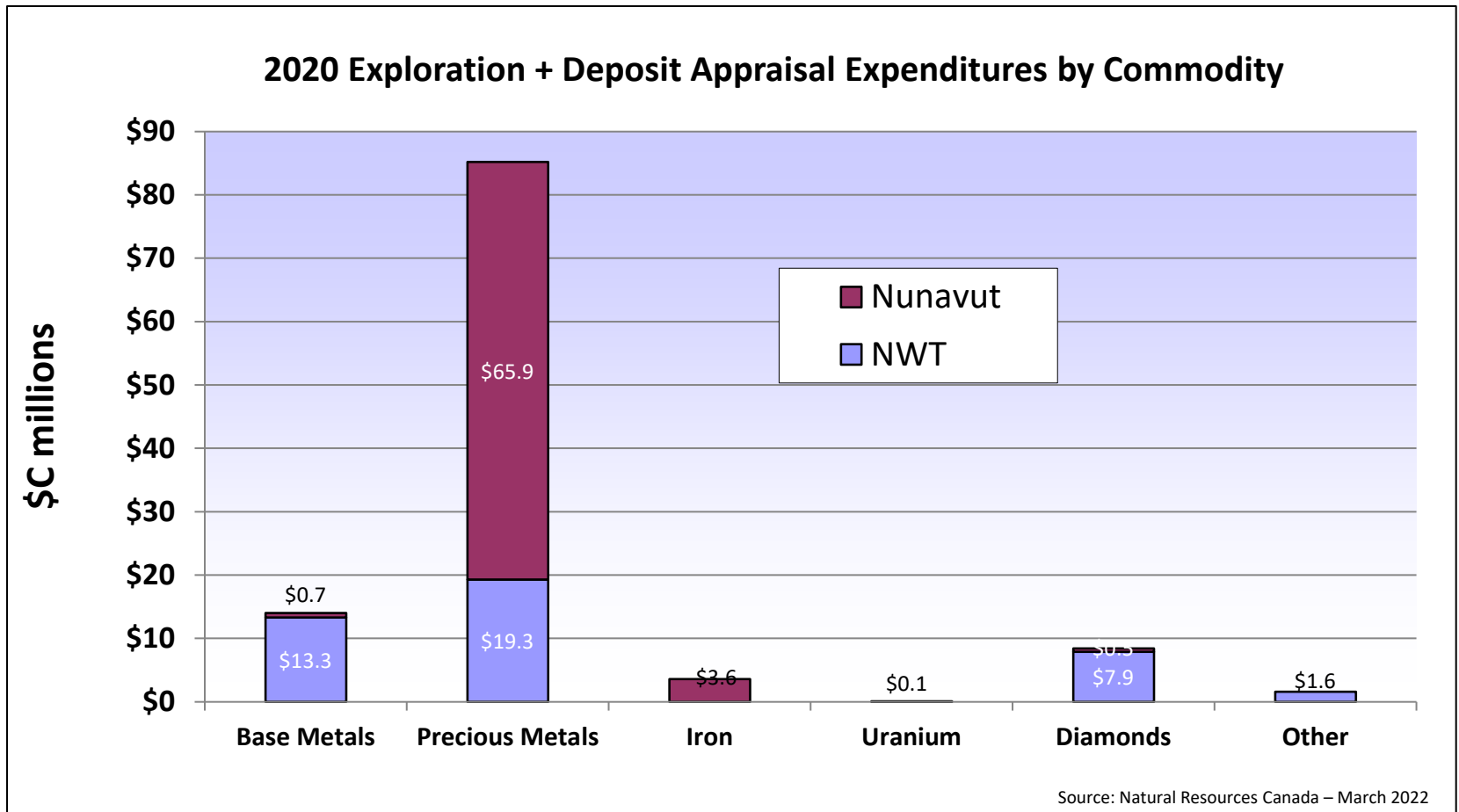
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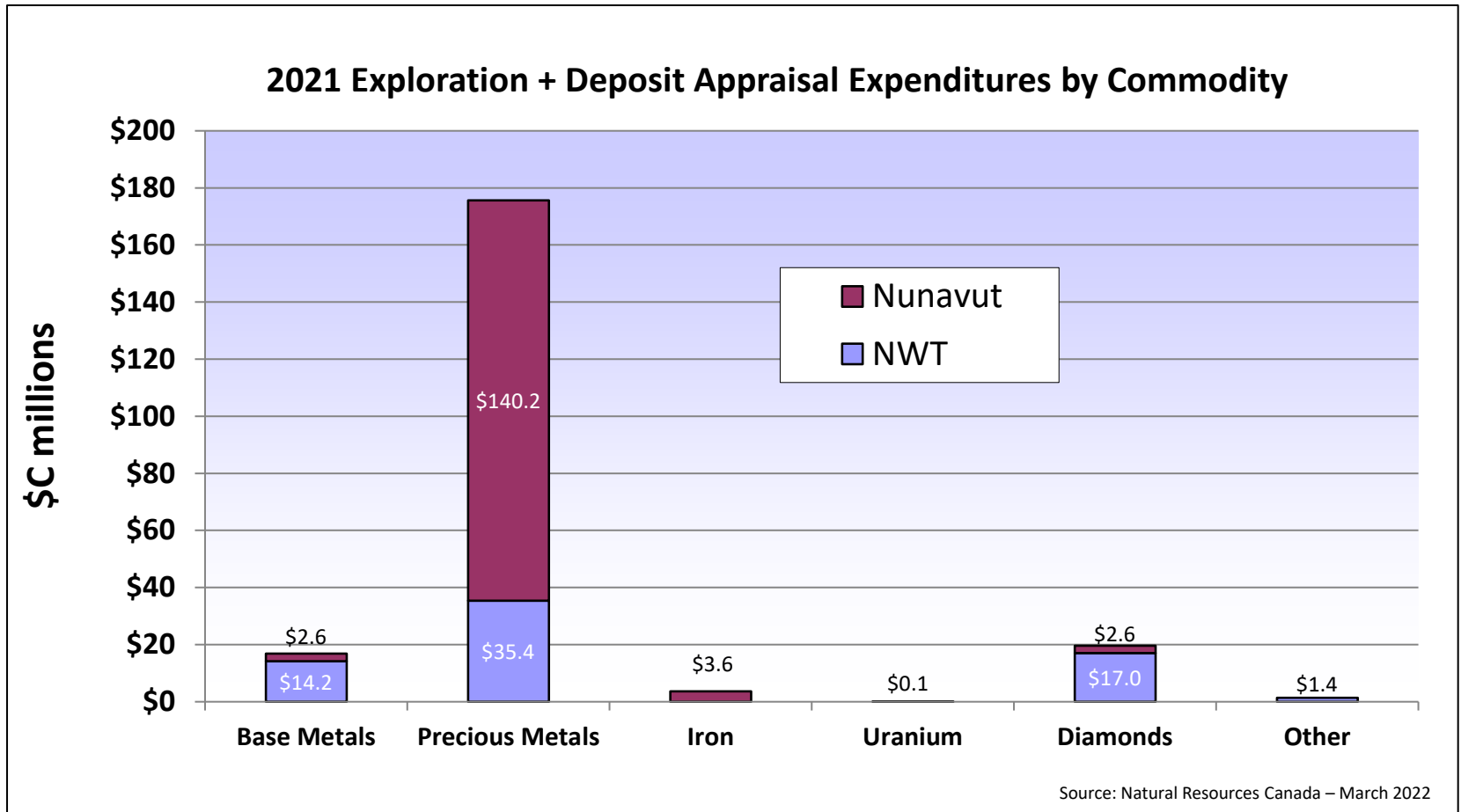
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# Exploration + Deposit Appraisal by Commodity



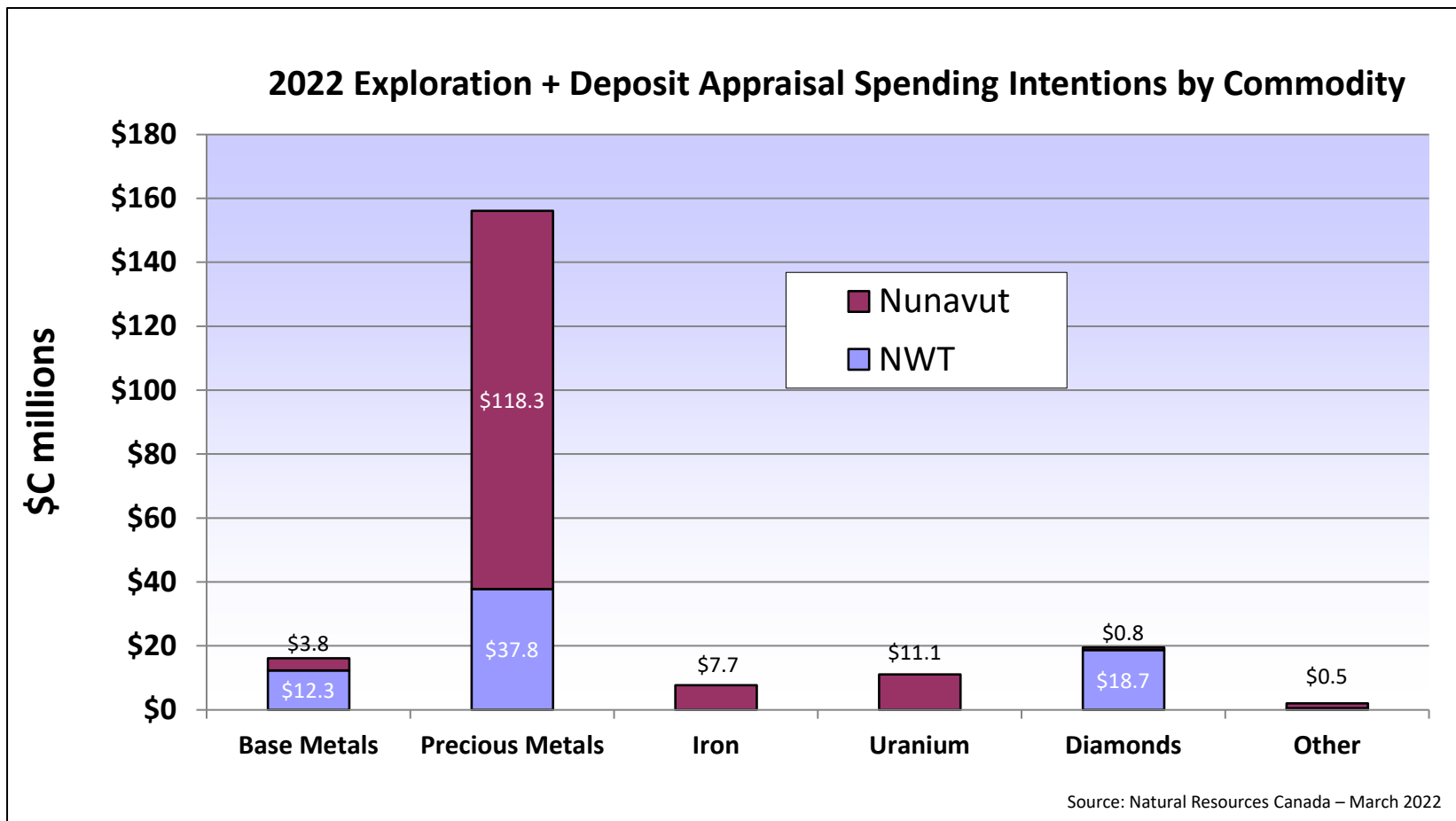
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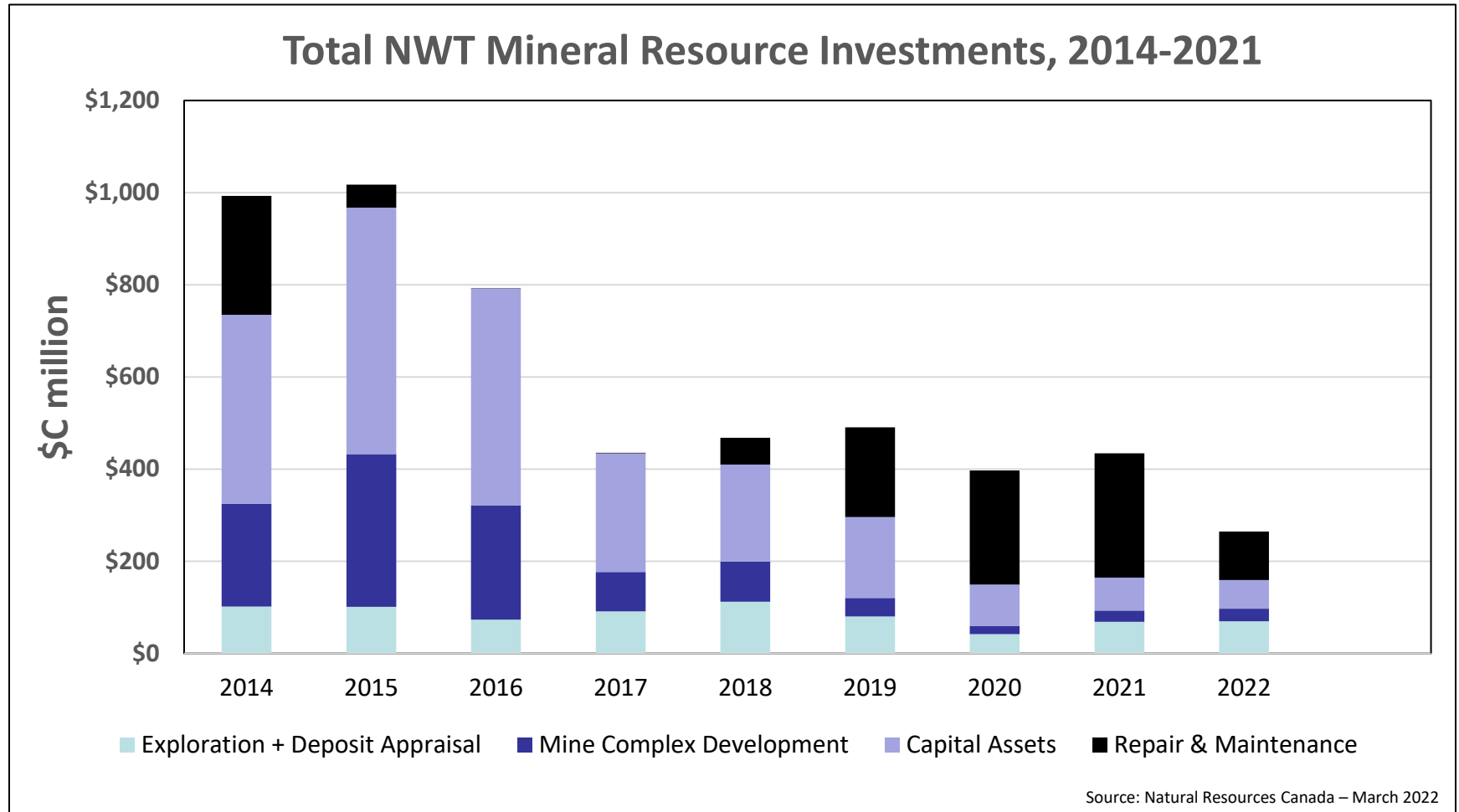
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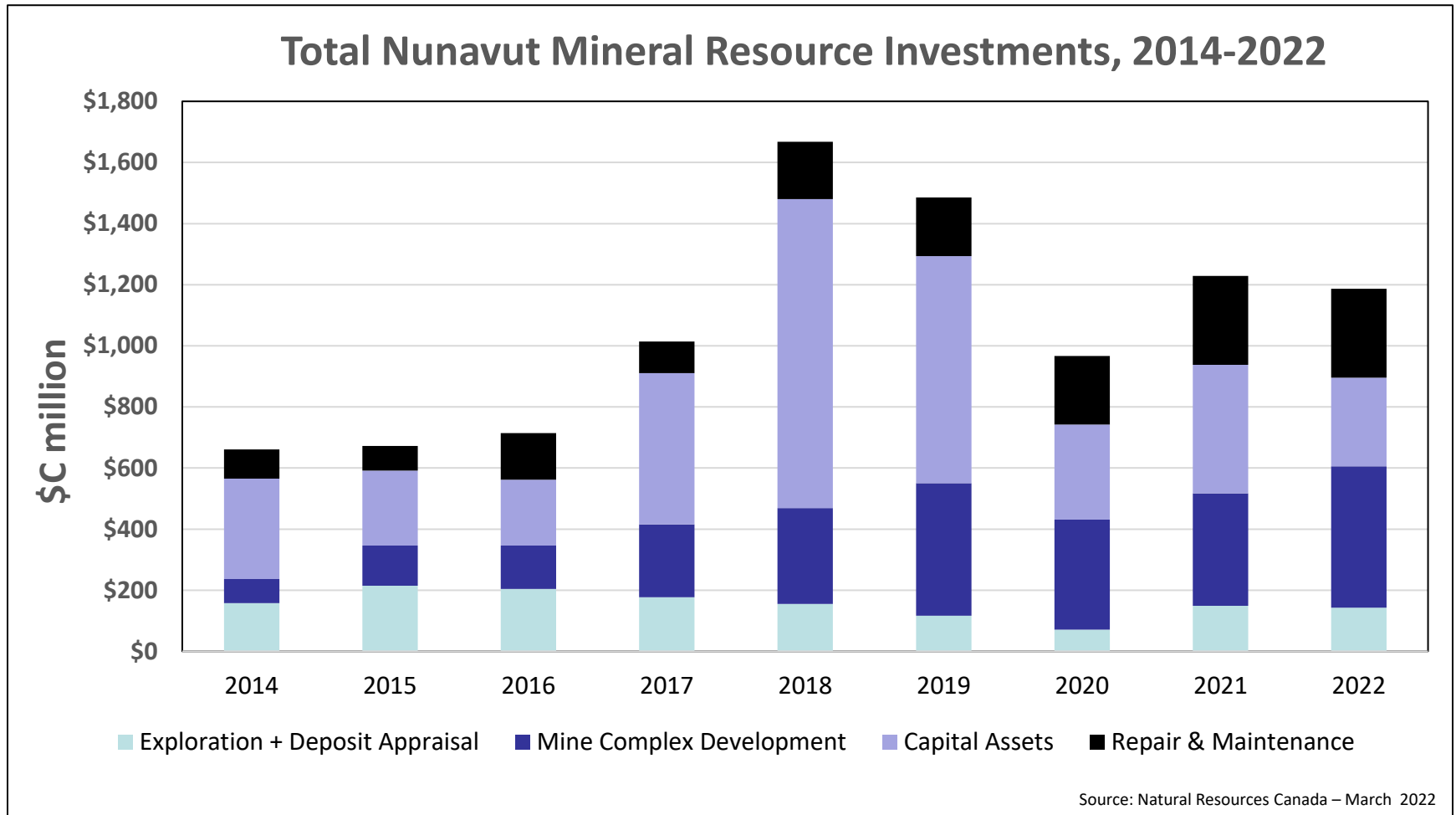
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# Total Nunavut Mineral Resource Development Investments



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