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Below are the top 15 most valuable Initial Resource Estimates from 2013 to 2017. Base metals like \$Copper, \$Zinc and \$Nickel dominate the top 15. Major \$Gold discoveries are few and far between.

Top 15 Most Valuable Initial Resources Estimates 2013-2017					
Year	Owner	Project	Country	Primary Metal	In-Situ Value (\$B)
2016	Ivanhoe Mines	Kamoa	DRC	Copper	\$50.7
2015	Freeport-McMoRan	Malmyzh	Russia	Copper	\$46.0
2014	AngloGold	Quebradona	Colombia	Copper	\$33.4
2014	Seabridge Gold	KSM	Canada	Copper	\$23.6
2016	Teck Resources	Reward	Australia	Zinc	\$14.2
2014	Reservoir Minerals / Freeport	Timok	Serbia	Copper	\$13.5
2015	AuRico Gold	Kemess East	Canada	Gold	\$12.7
2014	NGEx Resources	Filo del Sol	Argentina	Copper	\$11.2
2015	Bellzone Mining	Kalia	Guinea	Nickel	\$10.3
2013	Torex Gold	Morelos	Mexico	Gold	\$8.0
2013	NovaCopper	Ambler	US	Copper	\$7.2
2015	Xanadu	Kharmagtai	Mongolia	Copper	\$6.9
2015	Seabridge Gold	KSM	Canada	Gold	\$6.8
2017	Mexican Gold Corp	Las Minas	Mexico	Gold	\$6.1
2013	Castle Mountain Mining	Castle Mountain	U.S.	Gold	\$5.9