



# State of Indigenous Equity Ownership Report

Understand Indigenous participation in  
Canada's energy transition.

2025 Preview Version



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# About **IEM**

Indigenous Energy Monitor (IEM) is a data, research, and advisory platform dedicated to tracking and advancing Indigenous participation across Canada's energy and resource sectors.

Built to meet the growing demand for clear, credible insight into Indigenous involvement in the energy transition, IEM supports industry, governments, investors, and Indigenous organizations in making informed decisions that strengthen partnerships and project outcomes.

IEM publishes regular research, analysis, case studies, and newsletters, supported by proprietary datasets that provide unique visibility into Indigenous ownership, financial participation, and project involvement across Canada. IEM is non-advocacy and data-driven.

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# About the **Data**

This report was made using data from the **Indigenous Energy Ownership Tracker (IEOT)**.

The IEOT is a proprietary dataset developed and maintained by IEM. The IEOT tracks publicly disclosed Indigenous equity ownership in major energy and resource projects across Canada, providing a centralized view of where and how Indigenous communities and organizations participate as owners.

The IEOT and this report cover 5 key sectors of the energy transition:

1. Oil & Gas (all public projects)
2. CCUS (all public projects)
3. Power & Utilities (all public projects greater than or equal to 0.5 MW)
4. Mining & Critical Minerals (all public projects)
5. Chemicals & Fuels (all public projects)

Please visit our website to learn more about the IEOT.

All data and analysis is for informational purposes and not financial, legal, or investment advice. While we strive for accuracy, some information may be inaccurate and or outdated and relies on public sources.

# Oil & Gas Sector **Snapshot**

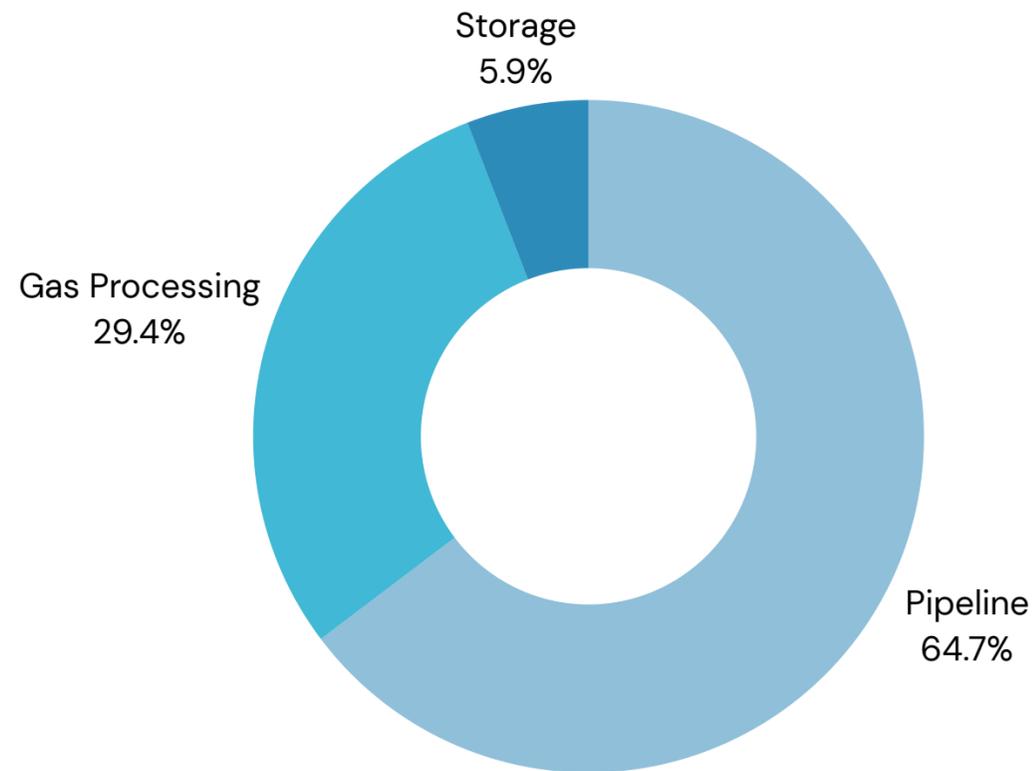
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Indigenous-owned projects

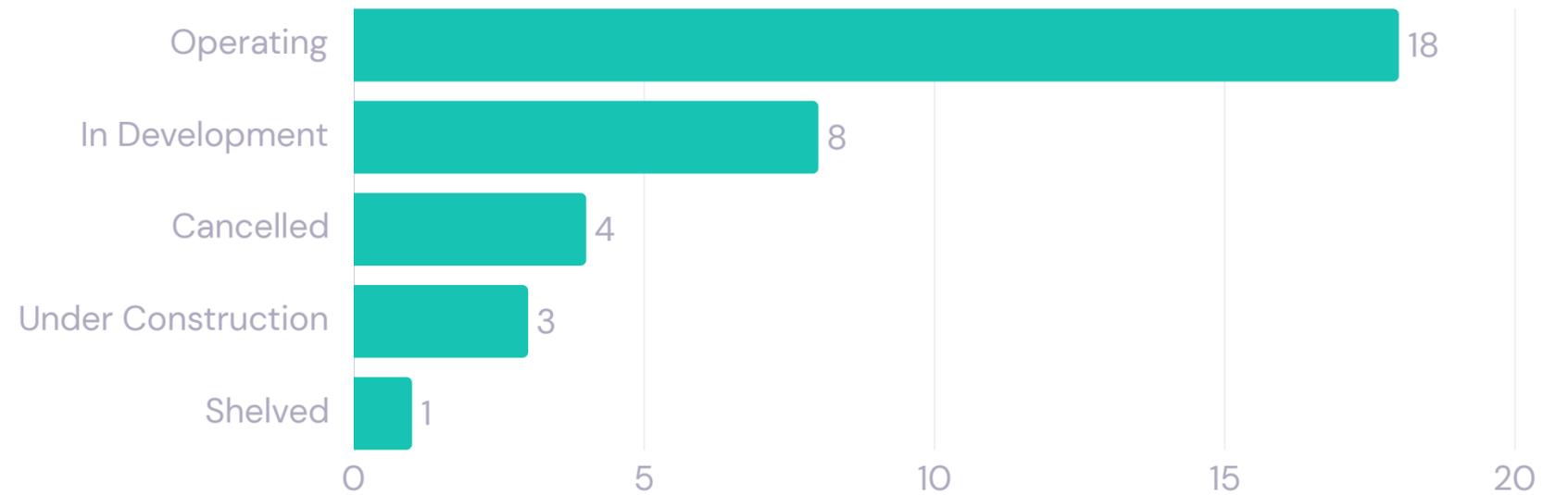
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Unique Indigenous owners

## Indigenous-Owned Projects by Type



## Indigenous-Owned Projects by Status



## Key Insights

- Most of the projects are minority-owned by Indigenous partners.
- The majority of Indigenous-owned oil & gas projects are pipelines.
- Alberta has the most Indigenous-owned oil & gas projects.

# CCUS Sector Snapshot

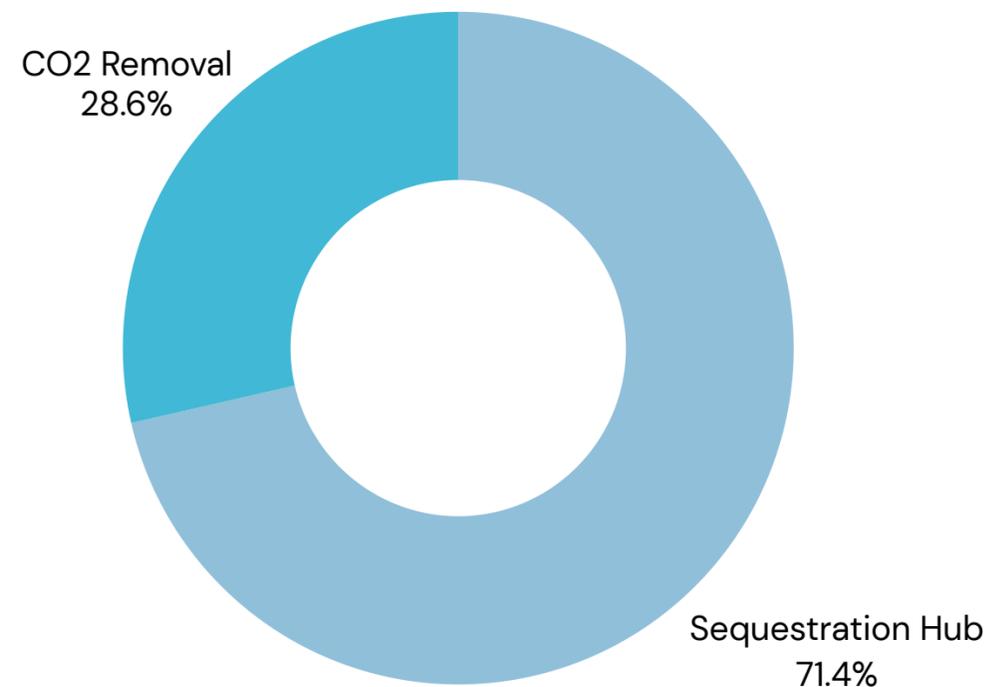
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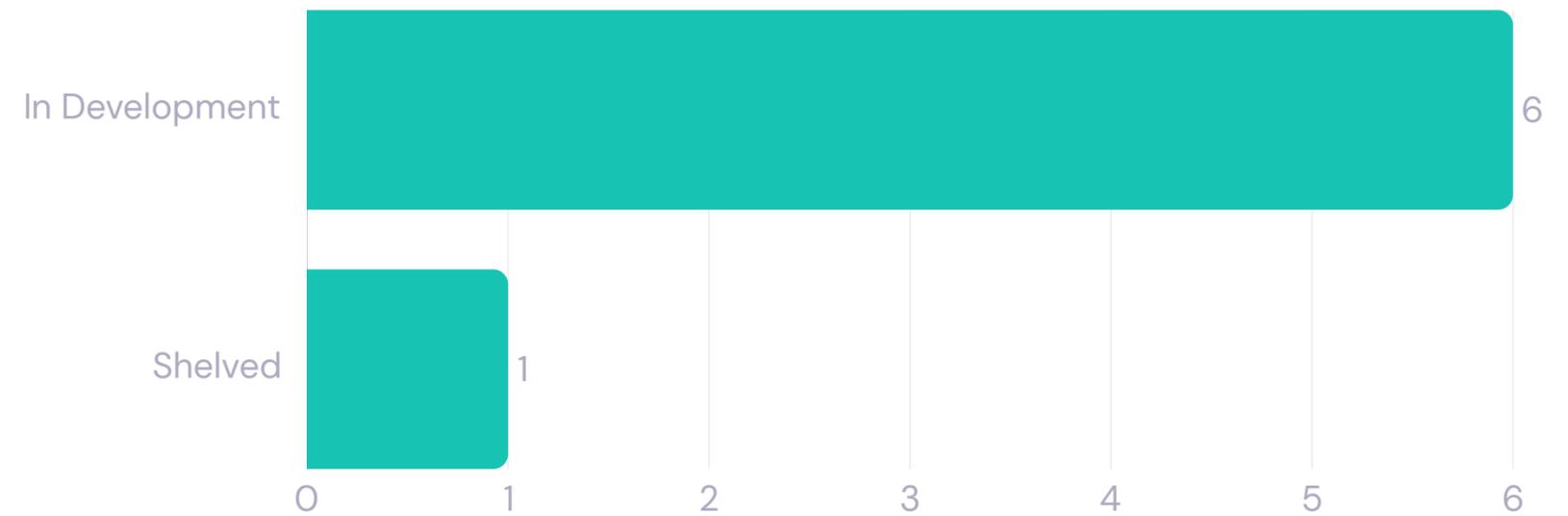
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Unique Indigenous owners

## Indigenous-Owned Projects by Type



## Indigenous-Owned Projects by Status



## Key Insights

- Most projects are half or majority-owned by Indigenous partners.
- The majority of Indigenous-owned CCUS projects are sequestration hubs.
- Alberta has the most Indigenous-owned CCUS projects.

# Power & Utilities Sector **Snapshot**

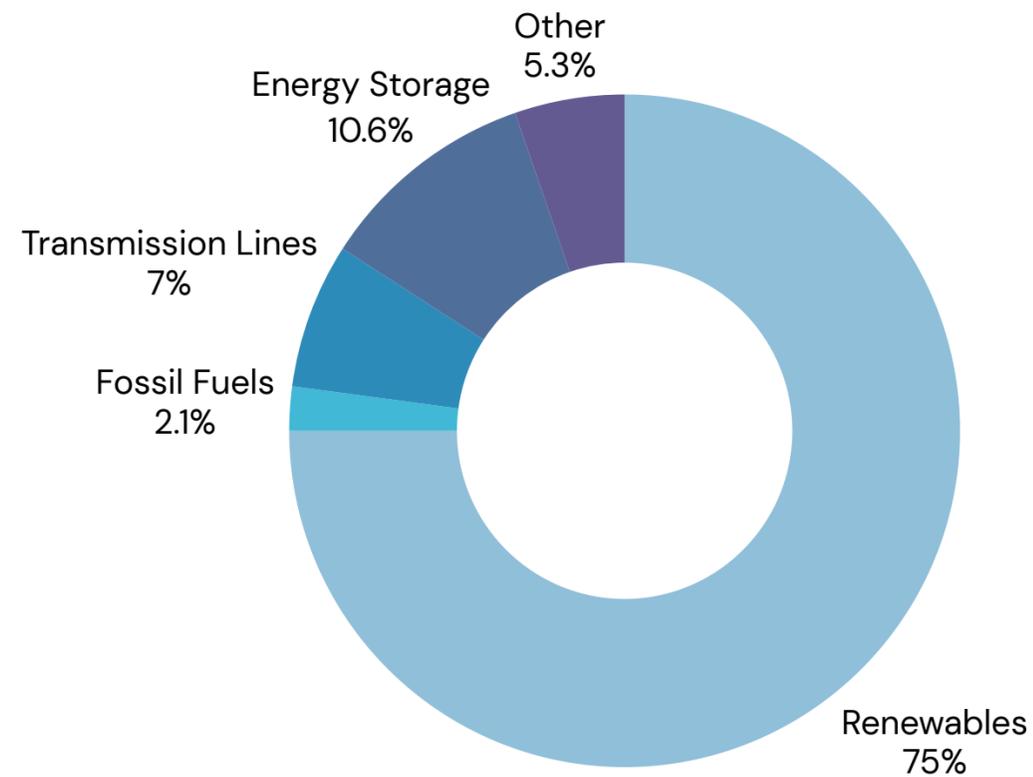
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Indigenous-owned projects

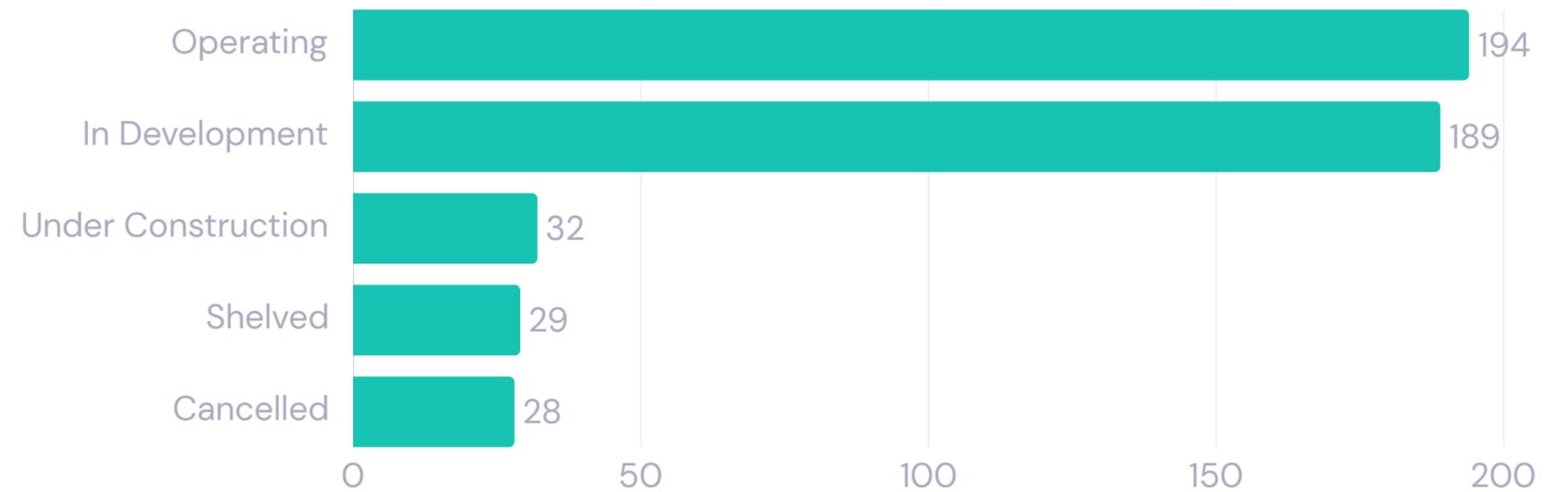
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Unique Indigenous owners

## Indigenous-Owned Projects by Type



## Indigenous-Owned Projects by Status



## Key Insights

- Most projects are half to majority-owned by Indigenous partners.
- The majority of Indigenous-owned power & utilities projects are renewables.
- Ontario has the most Indigenous-owned power & utilities projects.

# Mining & Critical Minerals Sector **Snapshot**

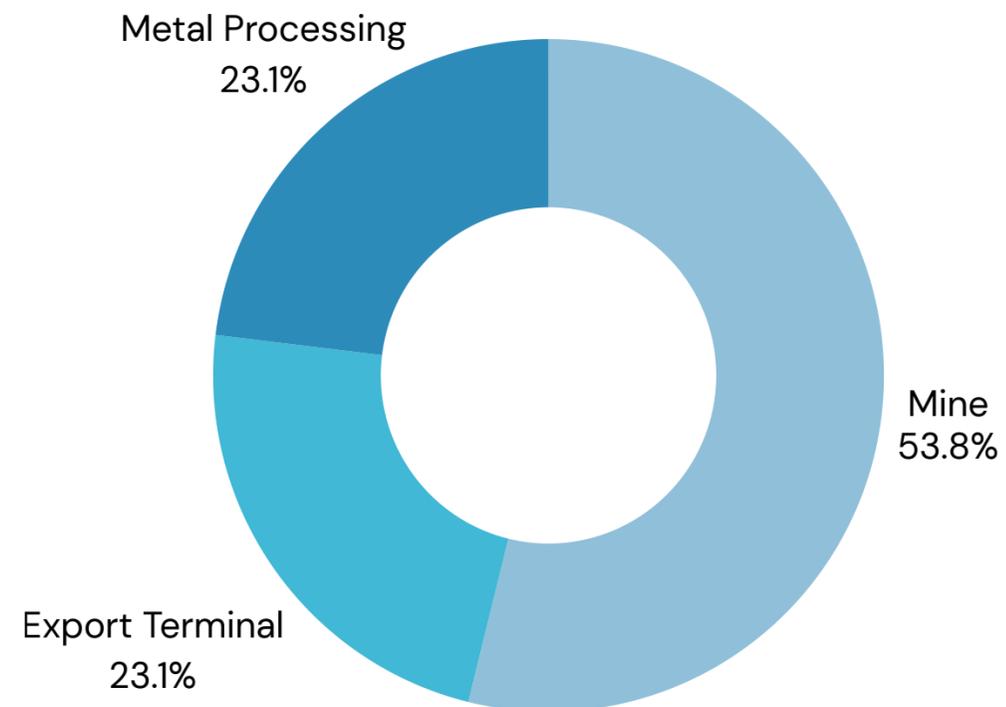
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Indigenous-owned projects

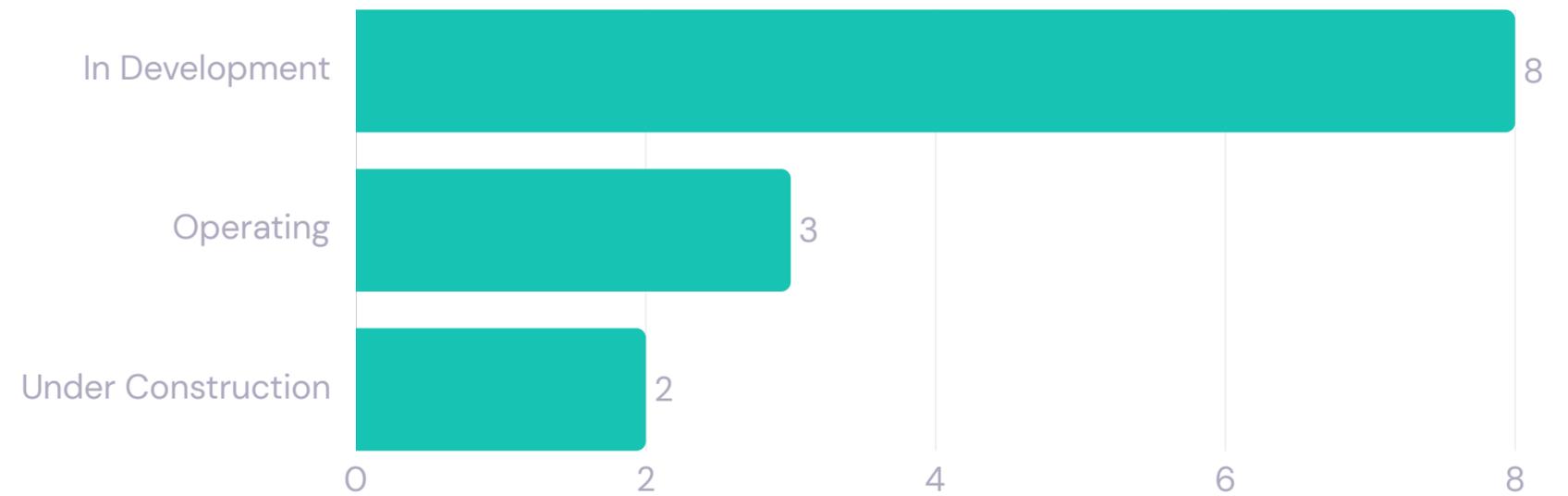
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Unique Indigenous owners

## Indigenous-Owned Projects by Type



## Indigenous-Owned Projects by Status



## Key Insights

- Most projects are half to majority-owned by Indigenous partners.
- The majority of Indigenous-owned mining & minerals projects are mines.
- BC has the most Indigenous-owned mining & minerals projects.

# Chemicals & Fuels Sector **Snapshot**

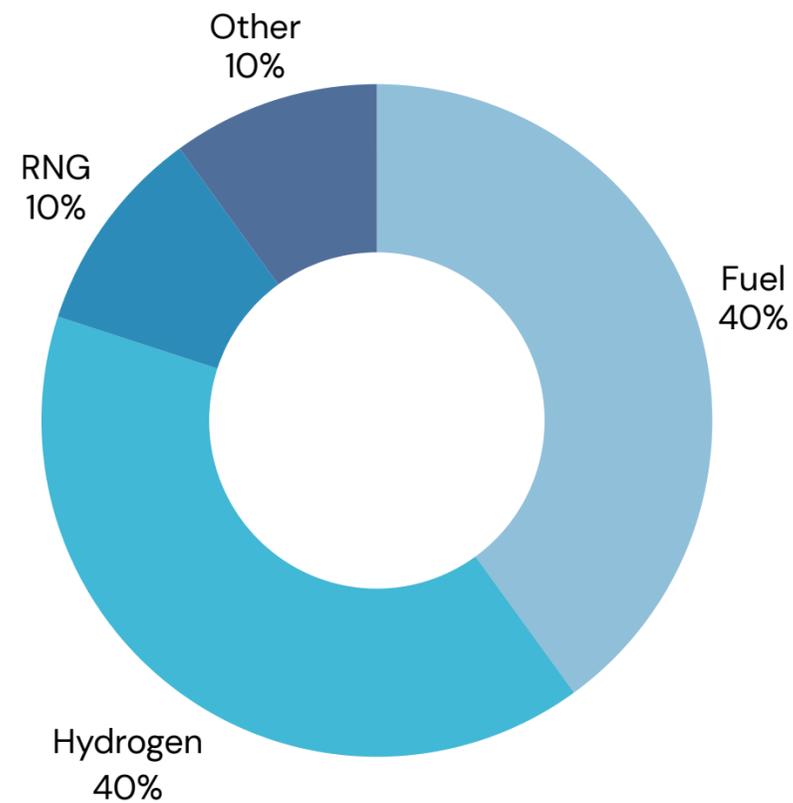
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Indigenous-owned projects

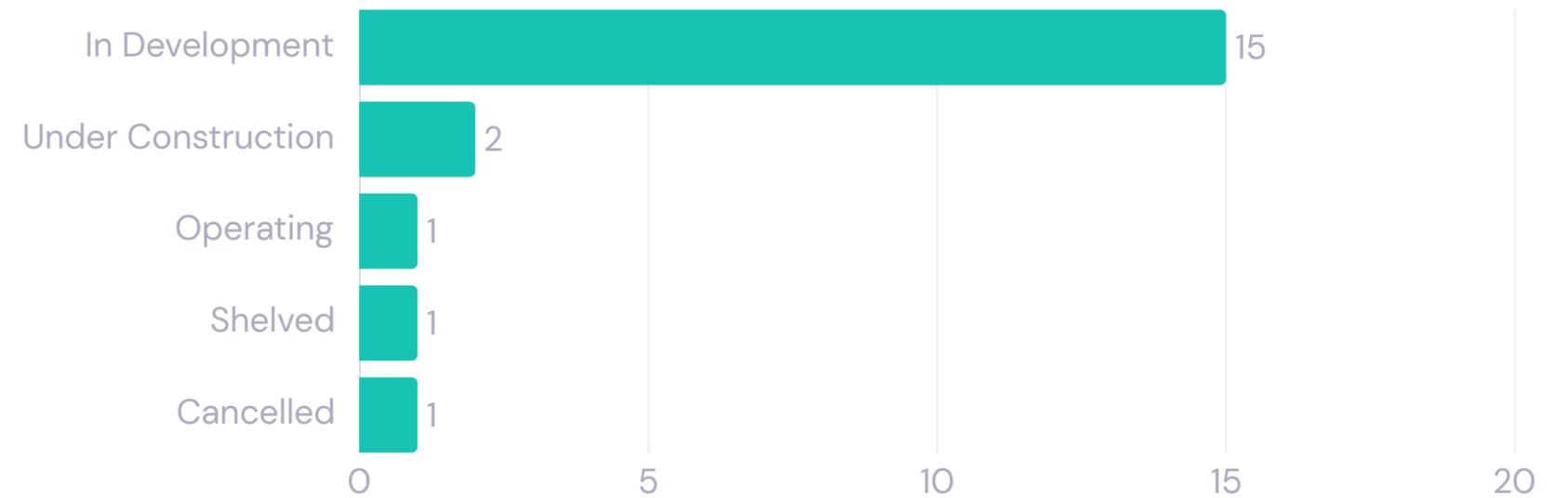
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Unique Indigenous owners

## Indigenous-Owned Projects by Type



## Indigenous-Owned Projects by Status



## Key Insights

- Most projects have an undisclosed Indigenous equity stake.
- The majority of Indigenous-owned chemicals & fuels projects are low-carbon fuel production projects.
- BC has the most Indigenous-owned chemicals & fuels projects.

# Key Growth Drivers

Indigenous equity ownership growth is being driven by how projects are conceived, procured, financed, and risk-assessed—not by voluntary participation alone.



# Key Growth **Barriers**

Despite strong momentum, Indigenous equity ownership growth remains constrained by systemic, market, and project-specific barriers.

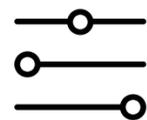
**Access to Capital**



**Lack of Market  
Transparency**



**Capacity Constraints**



**Ownership Risks**



# 2026 Outlook

Trends and expectations in Indigenous equity ownership across Canada.

1

Future growth of Indigenous-owned projects will be Indigenous-led developments (majority to complete ownership).

2

Expect most future Indigenous investment in the power & utilities sector due to upcoming RFPs and increasing electricity demand.

3

Anticipate some of the largest Indigenous investments to date due to expanded funding programs and the recent national infrastructure push.

4

More Indigenous groups will form consortiums with multiple partners to leverage larger stakes in major projects.

Indigenous-Owned Projects Entering Operation Over Time



We expect to see at least 47 Indigenous-owned projects come in to operation in 2026.

# Full Report Coming **April 2026**

This is a Preview Version of the 2025 State of Indigenous Equity Ownership Report.

Visit our website and sign up for our mailing list to be notified when the full report is released. You can also explore our IEOT database and browse all Indigenous-owned projects across Canada.

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