



RADIOMETRIC MAP OF AUSTRALIA

SCALE 1:15 000 000

0 250 500 750 1000 km
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LAMBERT CONFORMAL CONIC PROJECTION

Central Meridian: 134°E Standard Parallels: 18°S, 36°S

Geocentric Datum of Australia

The ternary radiometric image shows the concentrations of the radioelements potassium (K), uranium (U) and thorium (Th) at

radioelements potassium (K), uranium (U) and thorium (Th) at the Earth's surface as measured using the airborne gamma-ray spectrometric method. The image is a false colour composite using the colours red, blue and green to represent potassium, uranium and thorium, respectively. These primary colours are mixed in the same proportions at each point on the map as the concentrations of the radioelements. Thus white areas have high concentrations of all the radioelements and dark areas have low concentrations. Areas high in K only appear red, and areas high in U and Th but low in K appear turquoise (a mixture of green and blue). So this representation of the data is useful for viewing the concentrations of all three radioelements in a single image.

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