

# Russia Is Sitting on “Trillions of Carats” of Diamonds

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Enough to Supply the Global Diamond Market for 3,000 Years

Russia has just declassified a secret it has been keeping for 40 years: it is sitting on [trillions of carats of diamonds](#), enough to supply the global diamond market for 3,000 years.

The diamonds are “[twice as hard](#)” as normal, making them ideal for industrial applications, such as diamond saws.

We’ve previously discussed an even bigger stash of diamonds which may *eventually* flood the markets: one which is [10 billion trillion trillion carats](#).

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