

Table 17. Recoverable Coal Reserves and Average Recovery Percentage at Producing U.S. Mines by Mine Production Range and Mine Type, 2005
(Million Short Tons)

Mine Production Range (thousand short tons)	Underground		Surface		Total	
	Recoverable Coal Reserves	Average Recovery Percentage	Recoverable Coal Reserves	Average Recovery Percentage	Recoverable Coal Reserves	Average Recovery Percentage
Over 1,000.....	3,546	58.21	12,502	91.95	16,048	84.50
500 to 1,000.....	481	47.17	379	84.02	860	63.40
200 to 500.....	575	55.89	255	82.88	830	64.20
100 to 200.....	550	70.83	108	82.31	658	72.70
50 to 100.....	246	61.83	84	83.34	330	67.32
10 to 50.....	104	52.52	114	77.04	218	65.31
U.S. Total.....	5,502	58.32	13,442	91.30	18,944	81.72

Note: • Recoverable coal reserves at producing mines represent the quantity of coal that can be recovered (i.e. mined) from existing coal reserves at reporting mines. Average recovery percentage represents the percentage of coal that can be recovered from coal reserves at reporting mines, weighted for all mines in the reported geographic area. Excludes mines producing less than 10,000 short tons, which are not required to provide data and refuse recovery.

Source: • Energy Information Administration Form EIA-7A, "Coal Production Report," and U.S. Department of Labor, Mine Safety and Health Administration, Form 7000-2, "Quarterly Mine Employment and Coal Production Report."