

**Table 17. Recoverable Coal Reserves and Average Recovery Percentage at Producing U.S. Mines by Mine Production Range and Mine Type, 2004**  
(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.....	3,699	58.86	12,074	91.93	15,773	84.18
500 to 1,000.....	408	55.50	234	78.93	642	64.05
200 to 500.....	634	51.71	223	83.54	857	59.98
100 to 200.....	335	57.63	107	82.88	442	63.75
50 to 100.....	107	53.25	84	88.29	191	68.58
10 to 50.....	155	58.07	61	80.27	217	64.36
<b>U.S. Total.....</b>	<b>5,339</b>	<b>57.54</b>	<b>12,783</b>	<b>91.39</b>	<b>18,122</b>	<b>81.42</b>

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."