

Table 17. Recoverable Coal Reserves and Average Recovery Percentage at Producing U.S. Mines by Mine Production Range and Mine Type, 2010

(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	3,995	59.92	10,735	90.61	14,729	82.29
500 to 1,000	1,234	51.71	224	81.14	1,458	56.23
200 to 500	682	47.79	288	83.17	970	58.30
100 to 200	338	49.95	78	79.12	416	55.41
50 to 100	68	49.54	82	79.83	150	66.13
10 to 50	122	45.44	79	73.68	201	56.52
U.S. Total	6,452	56.14	11,485	89.97	17,937	77.80

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