

Table 8.5b Consumption of Combustible Fuels for Electricity Generation: Electric Power Sector, Selected Years, 1949-2011 (Subset of Table 8.5a)

Year	Coal ¹ Thousand Short Tons	Petroleum					Natural Gas ⁶ Million Cubic Feet	Other Gases ⁷ Trillion Btu	Biomass		Other ¹⁰ Trillion Btu
		Distillate Fuel Oil ²	Residual Fuel Oil ³	Other Liquids ⁴	Petroleum Coke ⁵	Total ⁵			Wood ⁸	Waste ⁹	
		Thousand Barrels							Thousand Short Tons	Thousand Barrels	
1949	83,963	4,767	61,534	NA	NA	66,301	550,121	NA	6	NA	NA
1950	91,871	5,423	69,998	NA	NA	75,421	628,919	NA	5	NA	NA
1955	143,759	5,412	69,862	NA	NA	75,274	1,153,280	NA	3	NA	NA
1960	176,685	3,824	84,371	NA	NA	88,195	1,724,762	NA	2	NA	NA
1965	244,788	4,928	110,274	NA	NA	115,203	2,321,101	NA	3	NA	NA
1970	320,182	24,123	311,381	NA	636	338,686	3,931,860	NA	1	2	NA
1975	405,962	38,907	467,221	NA	70	506,479	3,157,669	NA	(s)	2	NA
1976	448,371	41,843	514,077	NA	68	556,261	3,080,868	NA	1	2	NA
1977	477,126	48,837	574,869	NA	98	624,193	3,191,200	NA	3	2	NA
1978	481,235	47,520	588,319	NA	398	637,830	3,188,363	NA	2	1	NA
1979	527,051	30,691	492,606	NA	268	524,636	3,490,523	NA	3	2	NA
1980	569,274	29,051	391,163	NA	179	421,110	3,681,595	NA	3	2	NA
1981	596,797	21,313	329,798	NA	139	351,806	3,640,154	NA	3	1	NA
1982	593,666	15,337	234,434	NA	149	250,517	3,225,518	NA	2	1	NA
1983	625,211	16,512	228,984	NA	261	246,804	2,910,767	NA	2	2	NA
1984	664,399	15,190	189,289	NA	252	205,736	3,111,342	NA	5	4	NA
1985	693,841	14,635	158,779	NA	231	174,571	3,044,083	NA	8	7	NA
1986	685,056	14,326	216,156	NA	313	232,046	2,602,370	NA	5	7	NA
1987	717,894	15,367	184,011	NA	348	201,116	2,844,051	NA	8	7	NA
1988	758,372	18,769	229,327	NA	409	250,141	2,635,613	NA	10	8	NA
1989 ¹¹	771,551	26,036	242,708	9	517	271,340	3,023,513	7	75	126	2
1990	781,301	16,394	183,285	25	1,008	204,745	3,147,289	6	106	180	(s)
1991	782,653	14,255	171,629	58	974	190,810	3,216,056	6	104	217	4
1992	793,390	12,469	137,681	118	1,490	157,719	3,324,963	12	120	252	3
1993	829,851	14,559	151,407	213	2,571	179,034	3,344,239	12	129	255	3
1994	836,113	20,241	137,198	667	2,256	169,387	3,758,484	12	134	269	2
1995	847,854	18,066	88,895	441	2,452	119,663	4,093,773	18	106	282	2
1996	894,400	18,472	98,795	567	2,467	130,168	3,659,810	16	117	280	2
1997	919,009	18,646	112,423	130	3,201	147,202	3,903,195	14	117	292	1
1998	934,126	23,166	165,875	411	3,999	209,447	4,415,813	23	125	287	2
1999	937,888	23,875	151,921	514	3,607	194,345	4,643,775	14	125	290	1
2000	982,713	29,722	138,047	403	3,155	183,946	5,014,071	19	126	294	1
2001	961,523	29,056	159,150	374	3,308	205,119	5,142,493	9	116	205	109
2002	975,251	21,810	104,577	1,243	5,705	156,154	5,408,279	25	141	224	137
2003	1,003,036	27,441	137,361	1,937	5,719	195,336	4,909,248	30	156	216	136
2004	1,012,459	18,793	138,831	2,511	7,135	195,809	5,075,339	27	150	206	131
2005	1,033,567	19,450	138,337	2,591	7,877	199,760	5,484,780	24	166	205	116
2006	1,022,802	12,578	56,347	1,783	6,905	105,235	5,891,222	28	163	221	117
2007	1,041,346	15,135	62,072	2,496	5,523	107,316	6,501,612	27	165	216	117
2008	1,036,891	12,318	37,222	2,608	5,000	77,149	6,342,331	23	159	242	122
2009	929,692	11,848	27,768	2,110	4,485	64,151	6,566,991	21	160	244	115
2010	R971,245	R13,677	R23,560	R1,848	R4,679	R62,477	R7,085,416	20	R177	R249	R116
2011 ^P	924,523	10,513	13,914	1,564	4,281	47,398	7,278,562	20	160	256	117

¹ Anthracite, bituminous coal, subbituminous coal, lignite, waste coal, and coal synfuel.
² Fuel oil nos. 1, 2, and 4. For 1949–1979, data are for gas turbine and internal combustion plant use of petroleum. For 1980–2000, electric utility data also include small amounts of kerosene and jet fuel.
³ Fuel oil nos. 5 and 6. For 1949–1979, data are for steam plant use of petroleum. For 1980–2000, electric utility data also include a small amount of fuel oil no. 4.
⁴ Jet fuel, kerosene, other petroleum liquids, and waste oil.
⁵ Petroleum coke is converted from short tons to barrels by multiplying by 5.
⁶ Natural gas, plus a small amount of supplemental gaseous fuels.
⁷ Blast furnace gas, propane gas, and other manufactured and waste gases derived from fossil fuels.
⁸ Wood and wood-derived fuels.
⁹ Municipal solid waste from biogenic sources, landfill gas, sludge waste, agricultural byproducts, and other biomass. Through 2000, also includes non-renewable waste (municipal solid waste from non-biogenic sources, and tire-derived fuels).
¹⁰ Batteries, chemicals, hydrogen, pitch, purchased steam, sulfur, miscellaneous technologies, and, beginning in 2001, non-renewable waste (municipal solid waste from non-biogenic sources, and tire-derived fuels).
¹¹ Through 1988, data are for electric utilities only. Beginning in 1989, data are for electric utilities and independent power producers.
R=Revised. P=Preliminary. NA=Not available. (s)=Less than 0.5 trillion Btu.

Notes: • Data are for fuels consumed to produce electricity. Data also include fuels consumed to produce useful thermal output at a small number of electric utility combined-heat-and-power (CHP) plants.
• The electric power sector comprises electricity-only and combined-heat-and-power (CHP) plants within the NAICS 22 category whose primary business is to sell electricity, or electricity and heat, to the public.
• See Table 8.5d for commercial and industrial CHP and electricity-only data. • See Note 1, "Coverage of Electricity Statistics," and Note 2, "Classification of Power Plants Into Energy-Use Sectors," at end of section. • Totals may not equal sum of components due to independent rounding.
Web Pages: • See <http://www.eia.gov>/totalenergy/data/monthly/#electricity for updated monthly and annual data. • See <http://www.eia.gov>/totalenergy/data/annual/#electricity for all annual data beginning in 1949. • See <http://www.eia.gov>/electricity/ for related information.
Sources: • 1949-September 1977—Federal Power Commission, Form FPC-4, "Monthly Power Plant Report." • October 1977-1981—Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Form FPC-4, "Monthly Power Plant Report." • 1982-1988—U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA), Form EIA-759, "Monthly Power Plant Report." • 1989-1997—EIA, Form EIA-759, "Monthly Power Plant Report," and Form EIA-867, "Annual Nonutility Power Producer Report." • 1998-2000—EIA, Form EIA-759, "Monthly Power Plant Report," and Form EIA-860B, "Annual Electric Generator Report—Nonutility." • 2001-2003—EIA, Form EIA-906, "Power Plant Report." • 2004-2007—EIA, Form EIA-906, "Power Plant Report," and Form EIA-920, "Combined Heat and Power Plant Report." • 2008 forward—EIA, Form EIA-923, "Power Plant Operations Report."