

Table 3. Underground Coal Production by State and Mining Method, 2015

(thousand short tons)

Coal-Producing State and Region ¹	Continuous ²	Conventional and Other ³	Longwall ⁴	Total
Alabama	419	-	9,478	9,897
Arkansas	91	-	-	91
Colorado	815	-	12,327	13,141
Illinois	17,819	2,011	32,143	51,973
Indiana	15,589	19	-	15,608
Kentucky Total	43,216	162	-	43,378
Kentucky (East)	14,436	162	-	14,598
Kentucky (West)	28,780	-	-	28,780
Maryland	599	-	-	599
Montana	-	-	6,420	6,420
New Mexico	-	-	6,518	6,518
Ohio	2,209	7	10,005	12,220
Oklahoma	391	-	-	391
Pennsylvania Total	8,608	33	35,253	43,894
Pennsylvania (Anthracite)	55	32	-	86
Pennsylvania (Bituminous)	8,553	1	35,253	43,807
Tennessee	518	13	-	531
Utah	1,730	11	12,363	14,103
Virginia	5,271	53	4,353	9,677
West Virginia Total	25,105	65	50,119	75,290
West Virginia (Northern)	2,936	-	43,929	46,865
West Virginia (Southern)	22,169	65	6,190	28,424
Wyoming	-	-	3,090	3,090
Appalachia Total	57,165	332	109,208	166,706
Appalachia Central	42,394	293	10,543	53,230
Appalachia Northern	14,352	39	89,187	103,579
Appalachia Southern	419	-	9,478	9,897
Interior Region Total	62,671	2,030	32,143	96,843
Illinois Basin	62,189	2,030	32,143	96,361
Other Interior	482	-	-	482
Western Region Total	2,544	11	40,717	43,272
Uinta Basin	1,730	-	24,689	26,419
Other Western	815	11	16,027	16,853
East of Mississippi River	119,354	2,362	141,351	263,067
West of Mississippi River	3,026	11	40,717	43,754
U.S. Total	122,380	2,373	182,068	306,821

1 For a definition of coal producing regions, see the Glossary.

2 Mines that produce greater than 50 percent of their coal by continuous mining methods.

3 Mines that: 1. produce greater than 50 percent of their coal by conventional mining methods, 2. produce coal using shortwall, scoop loading, hand loading, or other methods, 3. have a 50/50 percent continuous/conventional split in mining methods, or 4. produce less than 25,000 short tons, which are not required to provide data.

4 Mines that have any production from the longwall mining method. A typical longwall mining operation uses 80 percent longwall mining and 20 percent continuous mining.

- = No data reported.

Note: Totals may not equal sum of components because of independent rounding.

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