

**Table 17. Recoverable Coal Reserves and Average Recovery Percentage at Producing U.S. Mines by Mine Production Range and Mine Type, 2015**

(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	6,034	62.49	10,074	91.21	16,108	80.45
Over 500 to 1,000	400	49.35	82	83.76	483	55.22
Over 200 to 500	339	51.87	178	59.74	517	54.58
Over 100 to 200	195	51.12	746	84.60	941	77.66
Over 50 to 100	134	57.11	49	81.15	183	63.52
Over 10 to 50	13	52.36	78	57.12	90	56.45
10 or Under	4	50.00	s	67.00	4	50.18
<b>U.S. Total</b>	<b>7,120</b>	<b>60.81</b>	<b>11,207</b>	<b>89.94</b>	<b>18,327</b>	<b>78.62</b>

s = Absolute percentage less than 0.05 or value is less than 0.5 of the table metric.

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.

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 Mines Employment and Coal Production Report.'