

Table 3.1 Surface Coal Production by State and Mining Method, 2023

(thousand short tons)

Coal-Producing State and Region ¹	Contour Strip	Area	Open Pit	Mountaintop Mining	Other ²	Total
Alabama	716	-	84	-	113	913
Alaska	504	-	504	-	-	1,009
Colorado	994	-	715	-	3,219	4,928
Illinois	-	655	-	-	118	773
Indiana	308	938	7,404	-	1,404	10,054
Kentucky Total	2,859	1,425	s	-	2,499	6,783
Kentucky (East)	2,859	1,425	s	-	2,499	6,783
Louisiana	-	289	-	-	-	289
Maryland	273	422	-	-	187	882
Mississippi	2,685	-	-	-	-	2,685
Missouri	140	-	-	-	-	140
Montana	14,491	6,999	-	-	-	21,491
New Mexico	3,390	-	4,597	-	-	7,987
North Dakota	20,186	-	3,901	-	-	24,087
Ohio	624	434	-	-	177	1,235
Oklahoma	-	-	-	-	2	2
Pennsylvania Total	1,463	-	2,789	-	929	5,181
Pennsylvania (Anthracite)	995	-	1,553	-	242	2,789
Pennsylvania (Bituminous)	468	-	1,236	-	687	2,392
Texas	481	9,550	3,784	-	-	13,815
Utah	-	-	52	-	15	67
Virginia	1,469	391	-	-	995	2,855
West Virginia Total	7,006	3,729	875	1,784	3,898	17,292
West Virginia (Northern)	297	-	-	-	135	431
West Virginia (Southern)	6,710	3,729	875	1,784	3,763	16,860
Wyoming	110,864	1,602	124,795	-	-	237,261
Appalachia Total	14,410	6,402	3,748	1,784	8,797	35,141
Appalachia Central	11,038	5,545	875	1,784	7,256	26,498
Appalachia Northern	2,656	857	2,789	-	1,427	7,729
Appalachia Southern	716	-	84	-	113	913
Interior Region Total	3,613	11,431	11,188	-	1,524	27,756
Illinois Basin	308	1,592	7,404	-	1,522	10,827
Other Interior	3,305	9,839	3,784	-	2	16,930
Western Region Total	150,430	8,601	134,566	-	3,233	296,830
Powder River Basin	122,634	6,999	122,317	-	-	251,950
Uinta Basin	994	-	715	-	3,219	4,928
Other Western	26,803	1,602	11,534	-	15	39,953
East of Mississippi River	17,403	7,994	11,152	1,784	10,319	48,652
West of Mississippi River	151,050	18,440	138,349	-	3,235	311,075
U.S. Total	168,453	26,435	149,502	1,784	13,554	359,727

- = No data reported.

s = Value is less than 0.5 of the table metric.

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

2 Mines that: 1. produce coal using auger, highwall mine, or punch, or 2. produce less than 50,000 short tons, which are not required to provide data.

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

Sources: 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.'