

EIA Coal Mine Operator Employment by State,
Region and Method of Mining, 2019
(Thousand short tons)



State	Underground	Surface	Total
East:			
Alabama	2,371	559	2,930
Illinois	2,776	329	3,105
Indiana	1,646	1,285	2,931
Kentucky	4,827	1,430	6,257
Eastern	2,432	1,368	3,800
Western	2,395	62	2,457
Maryland	138	122	260
Mississippi	0	194	194
Ohio	688	295	983
Pennsylvania	3,886	1,546	5,432
Bituminous	3,818	698	4,516
Anthracite	68	848	916
Tennessee	86	27	113
Virginia	1,883	865	2,748
West Virginia	10,647	3,341	13,988
Northern	4,130	158	4,288
Southern	6,517	3,183	9,700
Total East	28,948	9,993	38,941
West:			
Alaska	0	101	101
Arizona	0	243	243
Arkansas	0	0	0
California	0	0	0
Colorado	858	414	1,272
Iowa	0	0	0
Kansas	0	0	0
Louisiana	0	242	242
Missouri	0	14	14
Montana	274	1,028	1,302
New Mexico	271	655	926
North Dakota	0	1,241	1,241
Oklahoma	0	56	56
Texas	0	1,531	1,531
Utah	1,397	49	1,446
Washington	0	0	0
Wyoming	133	5,266	5,399
Total West	2,933	10,840	13,773
Refuse Recovery	0	0	90
Grand Total - US	31,881	20,833	52,804
Percent of Total	60%	39%	100%
Regional Production:			
Appalachian	22,131	8,123	30,254
Interior	6,817	3,713	10,530
Western	2,933	8,997	11,930
Northern Appalachia	8,842	2,121	10,963
Central Appalachia	10,918	5,443	16,361
Southern Appalachia	2,371	559	2,930
Illinois Basin	6,817	1,676	8,493
Other Interior	-	2,037	2,037
Powder River Basin	0	5,628	5,628
Uinta Region	2,167	437	2,604
Other Western	766	2,932	3,698

Note: EIA employment data exclude contract workers at mines and prep plants with less than 5,000 employees hours.

Source: U.S. Department of Energy / Energy Information Administration

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