

Table 18. Average Number of Employees by State and Mine Type, 2006, 2005

Coal-Producing State and Region ¹	2006			2005			Percent Change		
	Underground	Surface	Total	Underground	Surface	Total	Underground	Surface	Total
Alabama.....	2,621	1,574	4,195	2,887	1,251	4,138	-9.2	25.8	1.4
Alaska.....	-	96	96	-	97	97	-	-1.0	-1.0
Arizona.....	-	418	418	-	567	567	-	-26.3	-26.3
Arkansas.....	41	2	43	-	2	2	-	-	NM
Colorado.....	1,682	547	2,229	1,640	586	2,226	2.6	-6.7	0.1
Illinois.....	3,507	470	3,977	3,393	424	3,817	3.4	10.8	4.2
Indiana.....	1,231	1,627	2,858	1,143	1,540	2,683	7.7	5.6	6.5
Kansas.....	-	61	61	-	25	25	-	144.0	144.0
Kentucky Total.....	11,902	6,057	17,959	11,137	5,853	16,990	6.9	3.5	5.7
Eastern.....	9,303	5,707	15,010	8,883	5,407	14,290	4.7	5.5	5.0
Western.....	2,599	350	2,949	2,254	446	2,700	15.3	-21.5	9.2
Louisiana.....	-	243	243	-	242	242	-	0.4	0.4
Maryland.....	205	285	490	272	230	502	-24.6	23.9	-2.4
Mississippi.....	-	178	178	-	193	193	-	-7.8	-7.8
Missouri.....	-	20	20	-	24	24	-	-16.7	-16.7
Montana.....	58	884	942	53	782	835	9.4	13.0	12.8
New Mexico.....	368	1,004	1,372	362	1,046	1,408	1.7	-4.0	-2.6
North Dakota.....	-	947	947	-	927	927	-	2.2	2.2
Ohio.....	1,384	1,029	2,413	1,384	1,150	2,534	-	-10.5	-4.8
Oklahoma.....	73	151	224	48	148	196	52.1	2.0	14.3
Pennsylvania Total.....	5,099	2,427	7,526	5,043	2,566	7,609	1.1	-5.4	-1.1
Anthracite.....	226	643	869	228	663	891	-0.9	-3.0	-2.5
Bituminous.....	4,873	1,784	6,657	4,815	1,903	6,718	1.2	-6.3	-0.9
Tennessee.....	333	327	660	318	373	691	4.7	-12.3	-4.5
Texas.....	-	2,138	2,138	-	2,196	2,196	-	-2.6	-2.6
Utah.....	2,030	6	2,036	1,812	5	1,817	12.0	20.0	12.1
Virginia.....	3,623	1,639	5,262	3,577	1,557	5,134	1.3	5.3	2.5
Washington.....	-	673	673	-	672	672	-	0.1	0.1
West Virginia Total.....	13,190	6,886	20,076	12,483	6,128	18,611	5.7	12.4	7.9
Northern.....	3,982	639	4,621	4,085	544	4,629	-2.5	17.5	-0.2
Southern.....	9,208	6,247	15,455	8,398	5,584	13,982	9.6	11.9	10.5
Wyoming.....	128	5,709	5,837	62	4,988	5,050	106.5	14.5	15.6
Appalachian Total.....	35,758	19,874	55,632	34,847	18,662	53,509	2.6	6.5	4.0
Northern.....	10,670	4,380	15,050	10,784	4,490	15,274	-1.1	-2.4	-1.5
Central.....	22,467	13,920	36,387	21,163	12,921	34,084	6.2	7.7	6.8
Southern.....	2,621	1,574	4,195	2,900	1,251	4,151	-9.6	25.8	1.1
Interior Total.....	7,451	5,240	12,691	6,838	5,240	12,078	9.0	-	5.1
Illinois Basin.....	7,337	2,447	9,784	6,790	2,410	9,200	8.1	1.5	6.3
Western Total.....	4,266	10,284	14,550	3,929	9,670	13,599	8.6	6.3	7.0
Powder River Basin.....	-	5,852	5,852	-	5,053	5,053	-	15.8	15.8
Uinta Region.....	3,657	525	4,182	3,394	562	3,956	7.7	-6.6	5.7
East of Miss. River.....	43,095	22,499	65,594	41,637	21,265	62,902	3.5	5.8	4.3
West of Miss. River.....	4,380	12,899	17,279	3,977	12,307	16,284	10.1	4.8	6.1
U.S. Subtotal.....	47,475	35,398	82,873	45,614	33,572	79,186	4.1	5.4	4.7
Refuse Recovery.....	-	-	86	-	-	97	-	-	-11.3
U.S. Total.....	47,475	35,398	82,959	45,614	33,572	79,283	4.1	5.4	4.6

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

- = No data are reported.

NM = Not meaningful due to changes of 500 percent or more.

Note: • Includes all employees engaged in production, preparation, production, processing, development, maintenance, repair shop, or yard work at mining operations, including office workers. Excludes preparation plants with less than 5,000 employee hours per year, which are not required to provide data.

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