

Table 20. Average Number of Employees at Underground and Surface Mines by State and Union Status, 2006

Coal-Producing State and Region ¹	Union ²		Nonunion ²	
	Underground	Surface	Underground	Surface
Alabama.....	2,533	41	85	1,519
Alaska.....	-	96	-	-
Arizona.....	-	418	-	-
Arkansas.....	-	-	41	-
Colorado.....	143	226	1,539	321
Illinois.....	1,610	50	1,897	420
Indiana.....	-	-	1,231	1,624
Kansas.....	-	-	-	61
Kentucky Total.....	770	89	10,816	5,783
Eastern.....	173	89	8,814	5,431
Western.....	597	-	2,002	352
Louisiana.....	-	-	-	243
Maryland.....	-	-	205	268
Mississippi.....	-	-	-	178
Missouri.....	-	-	-	20
Montana.....	-	709	58	175
New Mexico.....	368	765	-	239
North Dakota.....	-	281	-	666
Ohio.....	493	39	891	940
Oklahoma.....	-	-	73	149
Pennsylvania Total.....	2,335	280	2,712	1,922
Anthracite.....	3	206	171	324
Bituminous.....	2,332	74	2,541	1,598
Tennessee.....	-	-	325	318
Texas.....	-	1,288	-	850
Utah.....	557	-	1,468	8
Virginia.....	527	85	3,002	1,536
Washington.....	-	673	-	-
West Virginia Total.....	4,710	945	8,340	5,903
Northern.....	2,538	-	1,421	615
Southern.....	2,172	945	6,919	5,288
Wyoming.....	128	521	-	5,185
Appalachian Total.....	10,771	1,479	24,374	17,837
Northern.....	5,366	319	5,229	3,745
Central.....	2,872	1,119	19,060	12,573
Southern.....	2,533	41	85	1,519
Interior Total.....	2,207	1,338	5,244	3,897
Illinois Basin.....	2,207	50	5,130	2,396
Western Total.....	1,196	3,689	3,065	6,594
Powder River Basin.....	-	697	-	5,155
Uinta Region.....	700	198	2,952	329
East of Miss. River.....	12,978	1,529	29,504	20,411
West of Miss. River.....	1,196	4,977	3,179	7,917
U.S. Total.....	14,174	6,506	32,683	28,328

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

² Includes all employees at preparation plants and tipples not co-located with a mine.

- = No data are reported.

Note: • Includes all employees engaged in production, preparation, processing, development, maintenance, repair shop, or yard work at mining operations, including office workers. Excludes mines producing less than 10,000 short tons and preparation plants with less than 5,000 employee hours per year, which are not required to provide data.

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