Table 13. Productive Capacity and Capacity Utilization of Underground Coal Mines by State and Mining Method, 2017

(thousand short tons)

Coal-Producing State	Continuous ¹		Conventional and Other ²		Longwall ³		Total	
	Productive Capacity	Capacity Utilization Percent	Productive Capacity	Capacity Utilization Percent	Productive Capacity	Capacity Utilization Percent	Productive Capacity	Capacity Utilization Percent
Alabama	355	81.90	-	-	13,111	77.77	13,466	77.88
Colorado	1,000	54.66	-	-	13,000	81.32	14,000	79.41
Illinois	17,599	87.45	2,300	88.34	30,216	90.96	50,115	89.61
Indiana	14,893	96.66	-	-	-	-	14,893	96.66
Kentucky Total	41,424	75.57	360	39.19	-	-	41,784	75.26
Kentucky (East)	16,182	60.26	360	39.19	-	-	16,542	59.80
Kentucky (West)	25,242	85.39	-	-	-	-	25,242	85.39
Maryland	840	88.63	-	-	-	-	840	88.63
Montana	-	-	-	-	10,000	58.84	10,000	58.84
New Mexico	-	-	-	-	9,000	59.19	9,000	59.19
Ohio	1,710	65.02	-	-	6,500	87.33	8,210	82.69
Oklahoma	500	63.85	-	-	-	-	500	63.85
Pennsylvania Total	10,021	67.26	30	60.19	41,224	89.19	51,274	84.89
Pennsylvania (Anthracite)	46	77.54	30	60.19	-	-	76	70.66
Pennsylvania (Bituminous)	9,975	67.21	-	-	41,224	89.19	51,199	84.91
Tennessee	394	78.87	-	-	-	-	394	78.87
Utah	3,258	52.61	-	-	15,900	74.77	19,158	71.00
Virginia	7,217	60.85	-	-	5,353	100.00	12,570	77.52
West Virginia Total	31,265	73.45	1,200	31.17	62,810	78.26	95,276	76.09
West Virginia (Northern)	2,418	85.77	-	-	56,300	79.10	58,718	79.38
West Virginia (Southern)	28,847	72.42	1,200	31.17	6,510	70.96	36,558	70.80
Wyoming	-	-	-	-	2,300	74.60	2,300	74.60
U.S. Total	130,476	76.81	3,890	65.94	209,414	81.19	343,780	79.36

^{- =} No data reported.

Notes: Productive capacity is the maximum amount of coal that can be produced annually. Capacity utilization is the ratio of total production to annual productive capacity. Excludes refuse recovery and mines producing less than 25,000 short tons, which are not required to provide data. 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,' for productive capacity, and U.S. Department of Labor, Mine Safety and Health Administration Form 7000-2, 'Quarterly Mines Employment and Coal Production Report,' for annual production.

¹ Mines that produce greater than 50 percent of their coal by continuous mining methods.

² Mines that produce greater than 50 percent of their coal by conventional methods or mines that produce coal using shortwall, scoop loading, hand loading, or other methods or a 50/50 percent continuous/conventional split in mining method.

³ Mines that have any production from the longwall mining method. A typical longwall mining operation uses 80 percent longwall mining and 20 percent continuous mining.