Kentucky Quarterly Coal Report





Region	Q2 Tonnage	YOY Change	Quarter Change
Total	9,786,955	-7.1%	-4.2%
West KY	5,611,408	-5.7%	-2.5%
East KY	4,175,547	-9.0%	-6.3%

Second quarter production declined by 4.2 percent from the first quarter; year-over-year production decreased by 7.1 percent.



Eastern Kentucky decreased output by 9.0 percent from the second quarter of 2017 to 4.1 million tons. Western Kentucky decreased output by 5.7 percent to 5.6 million tons. Western Kentucky mines accounted for 57 percent of Kentucky coal production while eastern Kentucky accounted for 43 percent.



Mine Type	Q2 Tonnage	YOY Change	Quarter Change
Total	9,786,955	-7.1%	-4.2%
Underground	7,654,422	-4.7%	-5.1%
Surface	2,132,533	-14.8%	-0.8%

Coal production at underground mines totaled 7.6 million tons during the second quarter of 2018, a decrease of 4.7 percent from the previous year.



In the second quarter of 2018, surface mines in Kentucky produced over 2.1 million tons of coal, a 14.8 percent decrease from the second quarter of 2017. Underground mines accounted for 78 percent of coal production in the Commonwealth, while surface mines contributed 22 percent.

Eastern Kentucky Coal Production



Mine Type	Q2 Toppage	YOY Change	Quarter		
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Total	4,175,547	-9.0%	-6.3%		
Underground	2,164,017	-18.4%	-13.6%		
Surface	2,011,530	+4.0%	+3.0%		

Underground production in eastern Kentucky decreased by 18.4 percent from the second quarter of 2017.



Quarterly surface production increased by 4 percent from the 2nd quarter of 2017 and 3 percent from the previous quarter. Surface production totaled 2.0 million tons.



Eastern County	Q2 Tons	YOY Change	Quarter Change
Pike	1,037,306	-6.6%	-12.3%
Perry	1,027,096	-2.4%	+1.9%
Harlan	807,956	-12.2%	+0.3%
Leslie	330,191	+12.0%	+24.5%
Floyd	213,245	-29.2%	+9.2%
Bell	166,871	-40.4%	-32.9%
Magoffin	122,733	+309.2%	+5.6%
Knott	105,566	+10.7%	-27.6%
Letcher	94,566	+78.2%	-46.1%
Johnson	85,089	-52.0%	-7.1%
Whitley	73,907	+17.3%	+9.4%
Breathitt	39,620	+376.6%	-36.5%
Morgan	26,909	-	+30.1%
Knox	25,942	+721.7%	-47.5%
Lawrence	18,550	+106.0%	-9.2%

Preliminary data indicate that Pike County remained the top coal producing county in eastern Kentucky during the second quarter of 2018 by mining just under 1.03 million tons, a 12.3 percent decrease from the previous quarter and 6.6 percent decrease from the previous year. Perry County produced 10,000 tons less than Pike County to rank second in coal production in eastern Kentucky. Harlan remained in third in production with just over 800,000 tons.

Western Kentucky Coal Production

April to June 2018



Mine Type	Q2 Tonnage	YOY Change	Quarter Change
Total	5,611,408	-5.7%	-2.5%
Underground	5,490,405	+2.1%	-1.3%
Surface	121,003	-78.8%	-38.7%

Coal production in western Kentucky underground mines increased by 2.1 percent from the 2nd quarter of 2017.



Western Kentucky coal production decreased by 5.7 percent from the 2nd quarter of 2017, to just over 5.6 million tons. Underground production increased by 2.1 percent from the 2nd quarter of 2017 while surface mining operations showed a decrease of 78.8 percent to 121,000 tons.

Union County mined 2.2 million tons of coal during the second quarter of 2018, an 8.9 percent increase from the previous year and a 6.4 percent decrease from the previous quarter.



County	Q2 Tonnage	YOY Change	Quarter Change
Union	2,277,336	+8.9%	-6.4%
Hopkins	894,345	-2.1%	-11.5%
Muhlenberg	748,425	+0.1%	+20.5%
Ohio	699,029	-36.9%	+0.5%
Webster	596,696	-10.5%	-7.2%
McLean	341,269	-6.9%	+11.4%
Daviess	54,308	-2.3%	+12.2%



The photo above features equipment and a miner at River View Coal Mine in Union County. Photo taken by Aaron Camenisch for the Energy and Environment Cabinet in 2010.

Union County experienced the largest year over year production increase at 8.9 percent. Muhlenberg County had the largest quarterly increase at 20.5 percent.

All other counties in western Kentucky except Muhlenberg County and Union County experienced declines in production since the second quarter of 2017.

Kentucky Coal Mine Employment

April to June 2018





East KY	Q2	YOY Change		Quarte	r Change
Total	3,909	-42	-1.1%	-39	-1.0%
Harlan	955	+71	+8.0%	+128	+15.5%
Pike	915	+20	+2.2%	-61	-6.3%
Perry	687	-1	-0.2%	-32	-4.5%
Leslie	295	+84	+39.8%	+37	+14.3%
Bell	233	-152	-39.5%	-99	-29.8%
Floyd	231	+2	+0.9%	+0	+0.0%
Whitley	124	-1	-0.8%	+0	+0.0%
Knott	97	+15	+18.3%	-4	-4.0%
Letcher	94	+65	+224.1%	13	+16.1%
Knox	57	+13	+29.6%	-13	-18.6%
Johnson	49	-27	-35.5%	-8	-14.0%
Martin	48	-133	-73.5%	+22	+84.6%
Magoffin	42	+21	+100.0%	-5	-10.6%
Lawrence	29	+8	+38.1%	4	+16.0%
Boyd	16	-11	-40.7%	-14	-46.7%
Clay	16	+2	+14.3%	+2	+14.3%
Breathitt	8	+2	+33.3%	-7	-46.7%
Morgan	7	-	-	+1	+16.7%
McCreary	4	+0	+0.0%	+0	+0.0%
Laurel	2	-2	-50.0	-3	-60.0

West KY	Q2	YOY Change		Quarte	r Change
Total	2,329	-275	-10.6%	-17	-0.7%
Union	687	+18	+2.7%	+6	+0.9%
Hopkins	447	+1	+0.2%	-4	-0.9%
Muhlenberg	374	-29	-7.2%	+49	+15.1%
Webster	291	-17	-5.5%	-7	-2.4%
Ohio	286	-209	-42.2%	-34	-10.6%
McLean	164	-15	-8.4%	-18	-9.9%
Marshall	44	-16	-26.7%	-1	-2.2%
Daviess	24	+4	+20.0%	-2	-7.7%
Livingston	12	-7	-36.8%	-1	-7.7%

Description	Q2	YOY	Change	Quarte	r Change
KY Total	6,238	-317	-4.8%	-56	-0.9%
Underground	3,819	-115	-2.9%	+96	+2.6%
Surface	1,326	-118	-8.2%	-121	-8.4%
Preparation Plant	847	-41	-4.6%	+20	+2.4%
Office	246	-43	-14.9%	-51	-17.2%

During the second quarter of 2018, Kentucky coal mines decreased total employment by 56 jobs, a 0.9 percent drop from the first quarter of 2018. On a year over year basis, Kentucky coal mines decreased total employment by 4.8 percent or 317 jobs.

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Eastern Kentucky coal mines decreased employment by 42 jobs or 1.1 percent on a year over year basis. Western Kentucky decreased employment by 275 or 10.6 percent on a year over year basis. Western Kentucky decreased employment by 17 jobs or 0.7 percent compared to the previous quarter.

		Kentucky Total			Eastern Kentucky				Western Kentucky				
Da		Aver	age	Tons o	f Coal	Ave	erage	Tons o	of Coal	Average		Tons	of Coal
		Employ	yment	Prod	uced	Emplo	oyment	Prod	uced	Emplo	oyment	Produced	
		Annual	Quarter	Annual	Quarter	Annual	Quarter	Annual	Quarter	Annual	Quarter	Annual	Quarter
2009	Q3		17,075		25,979,240		13,278		17,850,570		3,797		8,128,670
2009	Q4		16,380		24,127,190		12,729		15,902,420		3,651		8,224,772
	Q1	_	16,378		26,304,890		12,404		16,883,820		3,974	_	9,421,068
2010	Q2	17,115	17,217	105,554,104	26,510,520	13,020	13,051	68,222,672	17,339,430	4,095	4,166	37,331,432	9,171,091
2010	Q3	17,115	17,517	105,554,104	26,682,350	13,020	13,308	00,222,072	17,187,870	4,095	4,209	37,331,432	9,494,482
	Q4		17,796		25,972,700		13,484		16,727,910		4,312		9,244,791
	Q1		17,684		27,889,220		13,331		17,282,860		4,353		10,606,360
2011	Q2	19.040	18,191	109,018,240	27,222,030	12 470	13,695	49.007.490	17,385,220	4 200	4,496	41 010 740	9,836,813
2011	Q3	18,069	18,810	109,018,240	27,804,080	13,679	14,301	68,007,480	17,340,210	4,390	4,509	41,010,760	10,463,880
	Q4		18,087		26,047,990		13,581		15,944,280		4,506		10,103,710
	Q1		17,932		26,571,280		13,203		15,171,750		4,729		11,399,530
	Q2	15 (00	16,278	01.050.1/0	22,924,670		11,731	(0.011.0.(0	12,568,670	4 50 5	4,547		10,356,000
2012	Q3	15,622	14,406	91,358,160	21,173,110	11,117	9,892	49,311,848	11,094,450	4,505	4,514	42,046,316	10,078,670
	Q4	F	14,107		20,555,240		9,564	1	10,343,130		4,543		10,212,120
	Q1		13,223		20,590,860		8,897		10,144,620		4,326		10,446,240
	Q2	10.550	12,882	00.050.000	20,752,660	0.000	8,490		10,464,560	4,310	4,392	40,878,964	10,288,110
2013	Q3	12,550	12,548	80,359,000	19,876,820	8,239	8,180	39,480,036	9,667,612		4,368		10,209,210
	Q4		11,892		19,081,980		7,443		9,146,575		4,449		9,935,408
	Q1		11,790		19,494,440		7,366		8,969,519		4,424		10,524,930
	Q2		11,574		19,864,630		7,447	-	10,240,600	4,267	4,127		9,624,035
2014	Q3	11,508	11,681	77,468,336	19,866,500	7,242	7,239	37,499,304	9,742,734		4,442	39,969,028	10,123,770
ł	Q4		11,619		18,204,500		7,186	1	8,508,199		4,433	1	9,696,298
			10,465		16,938,520		6,639		7,788,933		3,826		9,149,591
ł	Q2		9,674		15,817,610		5,958	1	7,421,363		3,716		8,396,251
2015	Q3	9,493	9,094	61,424,920	15,574,200	5,897	5,579	28,000,918	6,867,600	3,597	3,515	33,424,002	8,706,595
ŀ	Q4		8,401		12,884,260		5,077	1	5,712,695		3,324		7,171,565
	Q1		7,022		11,407,838		4,087		4,643,300		2,935		6,764,538
	Q2		6,539		9,928,305		3,835	1	3,989,977		2,704	-	5,938,328
2016	Q3	6,580	6,302	42,773,250	10,276,810	3,860	3,692	16,889,605	3,812,385	2,720	2,610	25,883,645	6,464,425
	Q4		6,456		11,160,297		3,824	-	4,443,943		2,632	-	6,716,354
	Q1		6,550		11,438,661				4,678,957		2,594		6,759,704
	Q2		6,555		10,536,178		<u>3,956</u> 3,951	1	4,587,255		2,604	-	5,948,923
2017	Q2 Q3	6,599	<u> </u>	41,714,506	9,791,107	4,039	4,115	18,108,948	4,207,783	2,560	2,004	23,605,558	5,583,324
ŀ	Q4		6,633		9,948,560		4,113	1	4,207,783		2,342	-	5,313,607
	Q4 Q1						3,948						
2018			6,294		10,213,276			-	4,455,523		2,346	-	5,757,753
	Q2		6,238		9,786,955		3,909	n Darta faz 02 2019	4,175,547		2,329		5,611,408

In order to provide the public with timely access to these data, this report uses the best-available estimate for each factor at the time of publication. Data for Q2-2018 are preliminary and subject to revision. Data for previous dates have been revised.

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