

Coal extraction data

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North Korea

yellow column indicates original reported units

Pyongyang

Year	Production / Extraction data					
	Lignite		Hard Coal		Total Coal	
	Gross production	Gross production	Gross production	Gross production	Gross production	Gross production
	Million tons/yr	Million tonnes/yr	Million tons/yr	Million tonnes/yr	Million tons/yr	Million tonnes/yr



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lignite	anthracite	
million tonnes	million tonnes	
2.39	2.94	1943
2.49	3.11	1944
na	0.83	1945
0.47	1.30	1946
1.62	na	1947
na	na	1948
na	na	1949
na	na	1950

U.S. Bureau of Mines (1952)
Minerals Yearbook 1950, page 344.

Coal and Peat in Korea, Democratic People's Republic of in 2008

	Anthracite	Coking Coal	Other Bituminous Coal	Sub-Bituminous Coal	Lignite/Brown Coal	Peat	Patent Fuel	Coke Oven Coke	Gas Coke	Coal Tar	BKB Peat Briquettes	Gas Works Gas*	Coke Oven Gas*	Blast Furnace Gas*	Oxygen Steel Furnace Gas *
Unit	kt	kt	kt	kt	kt	kt	kt	kt	kt	kt	TJ	TJ	TJ	TJ	TJ
Production	2626	0	22472	7235	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1971	0
From Other Sources	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Imports	0	164	0	0	0	0	0	213	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Exports	-2626	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stock Changes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Domestic Supply	0	164	22472	7235	0	0	0	213	0	0	0	0	0	1971	0
Statistical Differences	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

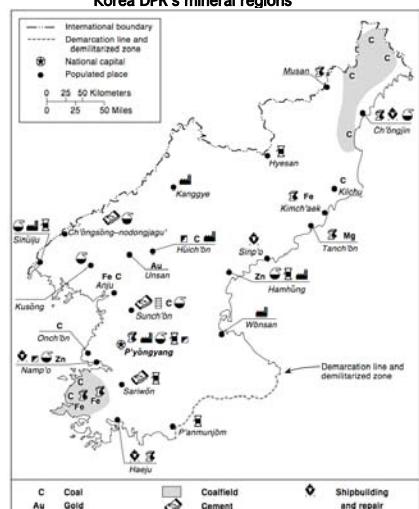
International Energy Agency, Coal and Peat in DPR Korea, ranks coal production differently from EIA data used below.

metallurgical coal not included in total

EIA data on North Korean coal production (see page 2 for details)

Lignite	Bituminous	Anthracite	Metallurgical coal
EIA coal stats:	EIA coal stats:	EIA coal stats:	EIA coal stats:
million tons	million tons	million tons	million tons
11.0	37.6	-	3.3
11.0	39.2	-	3.3
11.6	41.3	-	3.6
12.1	41.3	-	3.7
12.1	42.7	-	3.7
13.2	44.1	-	3.9
13.8	43.1	-	3.9
13.8	42.1	-	3.9
13.8	54.9	-	3.9
14.3	40.3	-	4.0
11.7	39.3	-	4.0
11.0	38.3	-	4.8
10.4	32.7	-	2.3
9.6	29.9	-	1.8
9.0	28.0	-	1.3
8.4	26.1	-	0.8
7.5	23.1	-	0.1
7.3	22.7	-	0.1
6.6	20.5	-	0.1
7.5	23.1	-	-
8.0	24.8	-	-
8.2	25.5	-	-
7.8	24.1	0.4	-
7.9	24.6	0.8	-
8.1	25.1	1.7	-
8.5	26.5	3.1	-
8.8	27.2	2.7	-
7.1	22.2	4.1	-
8.0	24.8	2.9	-
9.9	28.2	3.3	-
9.9	28.2	3.3	-
Total	308	991	22
			52
			1,322
			1,199

North Korea	North Korea
Total coal	Total coal
million tons	million tons
48.6	44.1
50.2	45.6
52.8	47.9
53.4	48.5
54.8	49.7
57.3	52.0
56.9	51.6
55.8	50.7
68.7	62.3
54.6	49.6
51.0	46.3
49.3	44.8
43.1	39.1
39.5	35.8
37.0	33.6
34.5	31.3
30.6	27.8
30.0	27.2
27.1	24.6
30.6	27.8
32.8	29.7
33.7	30.5
32.4	29.4
33.3	30.2
35.0	31.7
38.2	34.6
38.7	35.1
33.4	30.3
35.6	32.3
41.3	37.5
41.3	37.5



Library of Congress Country Studies (1993)
North Korea Mining and Metal Processing

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Coal production by coal mining companies and state-owned enterprises, including subsidiaries of oil and gas companies.

Coal types produced are not ordinarily reported by coal operators (except for metallurgical coal). We distinguish, where possible and reasonably well known, between hard (bituminous and subbituminous) and soft (lignite or peat) coals, especially for the larger companies operating in regions such as Australia and India where soft coals are predominant. Soft coals have lower carbon content per tonne than do hard coals.

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EIA (2011) International Energy Statistics on World Coal Production (lignite, bituminous, anthracite, and metallurgical coal), by country; data for 1980-2009; total Primary Coal Production data extends to 2010. www.eia.gov/emeu/internationalenergy.html or www.eia.gov/countries/data.cfm.

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EIA (2009) World Lignite Coal Production, 1980-2006, Table 5.4, and EIA online data.

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EIA (2009) World Bituminous Coal Production, 1980-2006, Table 5.3; and EIA online data.

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EIA (2009) World Anthracite Coal Production, 1980-2006, Table 5.2; and EIA online data.

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Institute for Far Eastern Studies (IFES) report from Chinese custom statistics, report 36 and 41 tons coal exported from N Korea to China; EIA website shows 2008-2009 production as 35.6 and 41.345 short tons; Rick needs to check (Rhea)

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EIA (2011) International Energy Statistics on World Coal Production (lignite, bituminous, anthracite, and metallurgical coal), by country; data for 1980-2009; total Primary Coal Production data extends to 2010. www.eia.gov/emeu/internationalenergy.html or www.eia.gov/countries/data.cfm.

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