

Worksheet on ancillary emissions of methane and CO2: coal mining and related operations

Background calculations on ancillary emissions of methane and carbon dioxide

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Coal fugitive methane: IPCC Tier 1 Guidelines values

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Table 1		m ³ CH4 per tonne coal mined		
	Low	Average	High	
Underground mining	m ³ /t mined	m ³ /t mined	m ³ /t mined	
Mining	10.00	18.00	25.00	39%
Post-mining	0.90	2.50	4.00	60%
Total	10.90	20.50	29.00	41%
Surface mining				
Mining	0.30	1.20	2.00	67%
Post-mining	-	0.10	0.20	100%
Total	0.30	1.30	2.20	69%
UG/SF	36.33	15.77	13.18	-16%

Table 2		kg CH4 per tonne coal mined		
	Low	Average	High	
Underground mining	kg CH4/t mined	kg CH4/t mined	kg CH4/t mined	
Mining	6.70	12.06	16.75	
Post-mining	0.60	1.68	2.68	
Total	7.30	13.74	19.43	
Surface mining				
Mining	0.20	0.80	1.34	
Post-mining	-	0.07	0.13	
Total	0.20	0.87	1.47	
UG/SF	36.33	15.77	13.18	

6.43	46.8%
5.70	41.5%

0.67	76.9%
0.60	69.2%

Table 3		CO2e per tonne coal mined		
	Low	Average	High	
Underground mining	kg CO2e/t mined	kg CO2e/t mined	kg CO2e/t mined	
Mining	140.70	253.26	351.75	39%
Post-mining	12.66	35.18	56.28	60%
Total	153.36	288.44	408.03	41%
Surface mining				
Mining	4.22	16.88	28.14	67%
Post-mining	-	1.41	2.81	
Total	4.22	18.29	30.95	

Table 4		kg CO2e per tonne coal mined		
	Low	Average	High	
Underground mining	kg CO2e/t mined	kg CO2e/t mined	kg CO2e/t mined	
Mining & post-mining	153.36	288.44	408.03	
Combustion factor	2,128.93	2,128.93	2,128.93	
Emission rate	7.20%	13.55%	19.17%	methane emissions as percent added to combustion emissions
Surface mining				
Mining & post-mining	4.22	18.29	30.95	
Combustion factor	2,128.93	2,128.93	2,128.93	
Emission rate	0.20%	0.86%	1.45%	methane emissions as percent added to combustion emissions
UG & SUR, averaged	3.70%	7.20%	10.31%	methane emissions as percent added to combustion emissions

Table 5		kg CO2e per tonne coal mined		
	Low	Average	High	
Combined mining	kg CO2e/t mined	kg CO2e/t mined	kg CO2e/t mined	
UG & SUR, averaged	78.79	153.36	219.49	
Combustion factor	2,129	2,129	2,129	
Emission rate	3.70%	7.20%	10.31%	

Table 6		kg CH4/ t coal mined converted to kg CH4/t CO2		
	Low	Average	High	
Combined mining	kg CH4/t CO2 comb.	kg CH4/t (or tCO2)	kg CH4/tonne	
Underground	7.30	13.74	19.43	kg CH4/t mined
Surface	0.20	0.87	1.47	kg CH4/t mined
Total	7.50	14.61	20.90	kg CH4/t mined
Average	3.75	7.30	10.45	kg CH4/t mined
Coal combustion EF	2.13	2.13	2.13	tCO2 emitted/t coal combusted
Methane rate, CH4	1.76	3.43	4.91	kg CH4/tCO2 from combusted coal
Methane rate, CO2e	37.01	72.04	103.10	kg CO2e/tCO2 from combusted coal
Methane rate, adjuste	2.10	4.03	5.75	kg CH4/tCO2 from combusted coal
Methane rate, adjuste	44.02	84.73	120.81	kg CO2e/tCO2 from combusted coal

Table 7		Percent	
Mining method			
Underground	60%		
Surface	40%		

Adjusted for mining method.
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linked to summary table 9, and thereto SumRanking.xls

IPCC 2006 Guidelines, vol. 2, chapter 4: Fugitive emissions; Surface mining: fugitive methane, page 4.19.

Listed conversion factor: 0.67 kg CH4 per m³ CH4

No discussion of fugitive CO2.

Except for page 4.10:

Low temperature oxidation:

"Oxidation of coal when it is exposed to the atmosphere by coal mining releases CO2. This source will usually be insignificant when compared with the total emissions from gassy underground coal mines. Consequently, no methods are provided to estimate it. Where there are significant emissions of CO2 in addition to methane in the seam gas, these should be reported on a mine-specific basis."

Table 8		Combustion factors for fuels		
	Combustion EF	Units	Combustion EF	Converted to
Coal	2.1289	MtCO2/Mt thermal coal	2,128.93	kg CO2/tonne

linked to emission factor in SumCoal.xls

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4.1.3.2 CHOICE OF EMISSION FACTORS FOR UNDERGROUND MINES

MINING
Tier 1 Emission Factors for underground mining are shown below. The emission factors are the same as those described in the *Revised 1996 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories* (BCTSR, 1992; Bibler et al, 1991; Lama, 1992; Pilcher et al, 1991; USEPA, 1993a,b and Zimmermeyer, 1989).

EQUATION 4.1.3
TIER 1: GLOBAL AVERAGE METHOD – UNDERGROUND MINING – BEFORE ADJUSTMENT FOR ANY METHANE UTILISATION OR FLARING
 $CH_4 \text{ emissions} = CH_4 \text{ Emission Factor} \bullet \text{Underground Coal Production} \bullet \text{Conversion Factor}$

Where units are:
Methane Emissions (Gg year⁻¹)
CH₄ Emission Factor (m³ tonne⁻¹)
Underground Coal Production (tonne year⁻¹)

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Volume 2: Energy

Emission Factor:
Low CH₄ Emission Factor = 10 m³ tonne⁻¹
Average CH₄ Emission Factor = 18 m³ tonne⁻¹
High CH₄ Emission Factor = 25 m³ tonne⁻¹

Conversion Factor:
This is the density of CH₄ and converts volume of CH₄ to mass of CH₄. The density is taken at 20°C and 1 atmosphere pressure and has a value of 0.67 • 10⁶ Gg m⁻³.

Countries using the Tier 1 approach should consider country-specific variables such as the depth of major coal seams to determine the emission factor to be used. As gas content of coal usually increases with depth, the low end of the range should be chosen for average mining depths of <200 m, and for depths of > 400 m the high value is appropriate. For intermediate depths, average values can be used.

For countries using a Tier 2 approach, basin-specific emission factors may be obtained from sample ventilation air data or from a quantitative relationship that accounts for the gas content of the coal seam and the surrounding strata affected by the mining process, along with raw coal production. For a typical longwall operation, the amount of gas released comes from the coal being extracted and from any other gas-bearing strata that are located within 150 m above and 50 m below the mined seam (*Good Practice Guidance*, 2000).

IPCC 2006: Underground mining: fugitive methane, page 4.11

POST-MINING EMISSIONS

For a Tier 1 approach the post-mining emissions factors are shown below together with the estimation method:

EQUATION 4.1.4
TIER 1: GLOBAL AVERAGE METHOD – POST-MINING EMISSIONS – UNDERGROUND MINES
 $\text{Methane emissions} = CH_4 \text{ Emission Factor} \bullet \text{Underground Coal Production} \bullet \text{Conversion Factor}$

Where units are:
Methane Emissions (Gg year⁻¹)
CH₄ Emission Factor (m³ tonne⁻¹)
Underground Coal Production (tonne year⁻¹)
Emission Factor:
Low CH₄ Emission Factor = 0.9 m³ tonne⁻¹
Average CH₄ Emission Factor = 2.5 m³ tonne⁻¹
High CH₄ Emission Factor = 4.0 m³ tonne⁻¹

TABLE 4.1.5 TIER 1 – ABANDONED UNDERGROUND MINES DEFAULT VALUES - PERCENTAGE OF COAL MINES THAT ARE GASSY		
Time Interval	Low	High
1900-1925	0%	10%
1926-1950	3%	50%
1950-1976	5%	75%
1976-2000	8%	100%
2001-Present	9%	100%

IPCC 2006, page 4.24

4.1.4.2 EMISSION FACTORS FOR SURFACE MINING

Although measurements of methane emissions from surface mining are increasingly available, they are difficult to make and at present no routine widely applicable methods exist. Data on *in situ* gas contents before overburden removal are also scarce for many surface mining operations.

The Tier 1 emission factors are shown together with the estimation method in Equation 4.1.7.

EQUATION 4.1.7
TIER 1: GLOBAL AVERAGE METHOD – SURFACE MINES
 $\text{Methane emissions} = CH_4 \text{ Emission Factor} \bullet \text{Surface Coal Production} \bullet \text{Conversion Factor}$

Where units are:
Methane Emissions (Gg year⁻¹)
CH₄ Emission Factor (m³ tonne⁻¹)
Surface Coal Production (tonne year⁻¹)
Emission Factor:
Low CH₄ Emission Factor = 0.3 m³ tonne⁻¹
Average CH₄ Emission Factor = 1.2 m³ tonne⁻¹
High CH₄ Emission Factor = 2.0 m³ tonne⁻¹

POST-MINING EMISSIONS – SURFACE MINING

For a Tier 1 approach the post-mining emissions can be estimated using the emission factors shown in Equation 4.1.8.

EQUATION 4.1.8
TIER 1: GLOBAL AVERAGE METHOD – POST-MINING EMISSIONS – SURFACE MINES
 $\text{Methane emissions} = CH_4 \text{ Emission Factor} \bullet \text{Surface Coal Production} \bullet \text{Conversion Factor}$

Where units are:
Methane Emissions (Gg year⁻¹)
CH₄ Emission Factor (m³ tonne⁻¹)
Surface Coal Production (tonne year⁻¹)
Emission Factor:
Low CH₄ Emission Factor = 0 m³ tonne⁻¹
Average CH₄ Emission Factor = 0.1 m³ tonne⁻¹
High CH₄ Emission Factor = 0.2 m³ tonne⁻¹
Conversion Factor:
This is the density of CH₄ and converts volume of CH₄ to mass of CH₄. The density is taken at 20°C and 1 atmosphere pressure and has a value of 0.67 • 10⁶ Gg m⁻³.
The average emission factor should be used unless there is country-specific evidence to support use of the low or high emission factor.

IPCC 2006: Surface mining: fugitive methane, page 4.18

Table 9		Final coal mining methane rates					
Table of factors calculated on this worksheet and linked to the entity summary worksheet (SumRanking.xls)							
Final coal mining methane rates				Draft coal mine CO2 liberation rates			
Methane				Carbon Dioxide			
Coal mining emissions				Coal mining emissions			
kg CH4/t coal	kg CH4/t CO2	kg CO2e/t CO2		kg CO2/t C	kg CO2/t CO2	kg CO2/t coal	
8.59	4.03	84.73		4.52	1.23126	2.62	
IPCC values: (applied 22Dec12)			speculative estimate by CMS, Jul12.				
Pre-IPCC values: (Dec12)			Excluded emissions from vented CO2 426.6 MtCO2				
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adjusted for mining method, Table 7			(per IPCC SAR)				
linked to Table 18	linked to Table 18	Cell F142 * 21					
linked to SumRanking			(per IPCC SAR)				

Summary of Ancillary methane factors for coal operations used in SumRanking.xls

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	
148	Other sources of methane emissions rates, coal mining																		
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155	Table 10									Table 11								Coal conversions	
156	Andronova & Karol (1993)		USSR, 1986		Low	0.7	0.7	8.0	2.0	2.9	1.53							1 Bcf CH4 = 0.01916 Mt CH4 1 cf CH4 = 19.16 g CH4	
157				High	23.0	14.0	11.0	24.0	18.0	9.67									
158				Average	11.9	7.4	9.5	13.0	10.4	5.60									
159				kgCH4/tCO2	6.36	3.95	5.10	6.98	5.60	na									
160					Line above: CH4 emissions divided by CO2 emissions (ave util coal) per tonne coal mined														
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166	Table 12			Ancillary emissions of Methane and Carbon Dioxide in Coal Mining															
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170	Delucchi, 2003:		US data	CH4 emissions		CH4 emissions		Coal production		Methane emissions rates						CMS adjusted	Coal Coefficient		
171			Year	Bcf	million t CH4	million tons	million tonnes	various	underground	surface mines	combined mines	as proportion of product combustion		# est	t CO2/t coal				
172					Tg CH4			cf/ton of coal	kg CH4/t coal	kg CH4/t coal	kg CH4/t coal	kg CH4/t CO2	kg CO2-eq/t CO2						
173												percent * 10							
174	US EPA 1993		1988, low	172.3	3.30	950.0	861.8				3.831	2.06	43.19	1	1.8623				
175	US EPA 1993		1988, high	271.4	5.20	950.0	861.8				6.034	3.24	68.04	2	1.8623				
176	US DOE / EIA 1995		1998	220.2	4.22	950.0	861.8				4.895	2.63	55.20	3	1.8623				
177	Kirchgessner et al		1989	193.2	underground coal	3.70	356.0	323.0	11.462						1.8623				
178	CIAB / Thakur		1990	190.9	3.66	931.0	844.6				4.331	2.33	48.83	4	1.8623				
179	Also cited in Delucchi:		US data													1.8623			
180	EIA, US underground r		1987	underground coal	3.86	372.9	338.3	540.3	11.410						1.8623				
181	EIA, US underground r		1992	underground coal	4.19	407.2	369.4	537.1	11.342						1.8623				
182	EIA, US underground r		1996	underground coal	3.92	407.7	369.9	501.9	10.599						1.8623				
183	EIA, US surface mines		1987	surface coal	0.42	545.9	495.2	40.2	underground	0.848					1.8623				
184	EIA, US surface mines		1992	surface coal	0.46	590.3	535.5	40.7		0.859					1.8623				
185	EIA, US surface mines		1996	surface coal	0.50	655.2	594.4	39.8		0.841					1.8623				
186	EIA, US total coal		1987	surface + underground	4.28	918.8	833.5	229.0	surface	5.135	2.76		57.90	5	1.8623				
187	EIA, US total coal		1992	surface + underground	4.65	997.5	904.9	224.0		5.139	2.76		57.94	6	1.8623				
188	EIA, US total coal		1996	surface + underground	4.42	1,062.9	964.3	192.5		4.584	2.46		51.69	7	1.8623				
189	EIA, US total coal		2004	surface + underground	2.93	1,112.1	1,008.9			2.904	1.56		32.75		1.8623				
190	Andronova & Karol		Russia, 1986	Coal Basin:	Donetski		198.0	low & high	0.7	23.0	11.850	6.36	133.62	8	1.8623				
191				Coal Basin:	Kuznetski		154.0	low & high	0.7	14.0	7.350	3.95	82.88	9	1.8623				
192				Coal Basin:	Karagandinski & Ekibastur		143.0	low & high	8.0	11.0	9.500	5.10	107.12	10	1.8623				
193				Coal Basin:	Pechorski		32.0	low & high	2.0	24.0	13.000	6.98	146.59	11	1.8623				
194	CIAB / Thakur		China, 1990		405.0	7.76	1,190.4	1,079.9			7.186	3.86	81.03	12	1.8623				
195	EPA, Scheehle 2001		OECD	million tonnes CO2-eq	million tonnes CH4	million tonnes	million tonnes									1.8623			
196	Australia		1990	15.9	0.76	225.8	204.8				3.697	1.98	41.68	13	1.8623				
197			1995	16.7	0.80	266.5	241.8				3.289	1.77	37.08	14	1.8623				
198			2000	19.7	0.94	338.2	306.8				3.058	1.64	34.48	15	1.8623				
199			2005	22.6	1.08	391.0	354.7				3.034	1.63	34.22	16	1.8623				
200	Russia		1995	38.2	1.82	270.9	245.7				7.403	3.97	83.47	17	1.8623				
201			2000	31.9	1.52	264.9	240.3				6.321	3.39	71.27	18	1.8623				
202			2005	31.3	1.49	308.9	280.2				5.319	2.86	59.98	19	1.8623				
203	Poland		1990	16.8	0.80	237.1	215.1				3.720	2.00	41.94	20	1.8623				
204			1995	15.6	0.74	221.2	200.7				3.701	1.99	41.73	21	1.8623				
205			2000	14.8	0.70	179.5	162.8				4.328	2.32	48.81	22	1.8623				
206			2005	14.1	0.7	177.7	161.2				4.165	2.24	46.96	23	1.8623				
207	UK		1990	17.2	0.8	104.1	94.4				8.677	4.66	97.84	24	1.8623				
208			1995	7.6	0.4	52.5	47.6				7.601	4.08	85.71	25	1.8623				
209			2000	5.2	0.2	34.7	31.5				7.858	4.22	88.60	26	1.8623				
210			2005	5.0	0.2	27.0	24.5				9.704	5.21	109.42	27	1.8623				
211	Ukraine		1995	30.1	1.4	94.6	85.8				16.701	8.97	188.32	28	1.8623				
212			2000	28.1	1.3	69.1	62.7				21.352	11.47	240.77	29	1.8623				
213			2005	26.1	1.2	69.3	62.8				19.780	10.62	223.05	30	1.8623				
214	USA		1990	87.9	4.2	1,029.1	933.6				4.484	2.41	50.56	31	1.8623				
215			1995	74.6	3.6	1,033.0	937.1				3.791	2.04	42.75	32	1.8623				
216			2000	77.9	3.7	1,073.6	974.0				3.809	2.05	42.95	33	1.8623				
217			2005	81.8	3.9	1,112.1	1,008.9				3.861	2.07	43.54	34	1.8623				

Coal ancillary CH4

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221																	
222	Total OECD	1990		303.3	14.4	na											1.8623
223		1995		228.8	10.9	na											1.8623
224		2000		216.5	10.3	na											1.8623
225		2005	coal 2004	216.9	10.3	na											1.8623
226											Methane emissions rates						
227											combined mines		as proportion of product combustion				
228	EPA, Scheehle 2002	non-OECD		Gg CH4	million tonnes CH4	million tons	million tonnes				kg CH4/tonne coal	kg CH4/t CO2	kg CO2-eq/t CO2				1.8623
229													aka percent * 10				
230	China	1990		8,775	8.78	1,190.4	1,079.9				8.126	4.36	91.63	35			1.8623
231		1995		10,373	10.37	1,537.0	1,394.3				7.439	3.99	83.89	36			1.8623
232		2000		8,180	8.18	1,314.4	1,192.4				6.860	3.68	77.35	37			1.8623
233		2005	coal 2004	9,438	9.44	2,156.4	1,956.3				4.825	2.59	54.40	38			1.8623
234	India	1990		330	0.33	247.6	224.6				1.469	0.79	16.57	39			1.8623
235		1995		421	0.42	320.6	290.8				1.448	0.78	16.32	40			1.8623
236		2000		464	0.46	370.0	335.7				1.382	0.74	15.59	41			1.8623
237		2005	coal 2004	680	0.68	443.7	402.5				1.689	0.91	19.05	42			1.8623
238	South Africa	1990		320	0.32	193.2	175.3				1.826	0.98	20.59	43			1.8623
239		1995		317	0.32	227.3	206.2				1.537	0.83	17.33	44			1.8623
240		2000		337	0.34	248.9	225.8				1.492	0.80	16.83	45			1.8623
241		2005	coal 2004	353	0.35	267.7	242.8				1.454	0.78	16.39	46			1.8623
242	World Total	1990		27,129	27.13	5,347.5	4,851.3				5.592	3.00	63.06	47			1.8623
243		1995		24,731	24.73	5,095.8	4,622.9				5.350	2.87	60.32	48			1.8623
244		2000		21,715	21.72	4,935.0	4,477.0				4.850	2.60	54.69	49			1.8623
245		2005	coal 2004	23,449	23.45	6,078.6	5,514.4				4.252	2.28	47.95	50			1.8623
246											Total	300.98	161.614	3,393.90			1.8623
247											Average of above	6.02	3.232	67.88			1.8623

Table 13														CDIAC 2000 EF		
				CH4 emissions			Coal production			Methane emissions rates						
				million tonnes CH4	million tons	million tonnes	million tonnes	million tons	million tonnes	combined mines	as proportion of product combustion		kg CO2/t coal			
World estimates, in Kirchgessner et al, 2000				Tg CH4	Mt	Mt	kg CH4/t coal	kg CH4/t CO2	kg CO2e/t CO2							
251	Kirchgessner, 1993	1989	World	45.6	5,310.1	4,817.3	1989	9.466	5.083	106.74	51					1.8623
252	CIAB, 1994	1990	World	26.0	5,347.5	4,851.3	1990	5.359	2.878	60.43	52					1.8623
253	Fung et al, 1991	circa 1985	World	39.0	4,887.2	4,433.6	circa 1985	8.796	4.723	99.19	53					1.8623
254	Boyer et al, 1990	1987	World	53.5	5,115.9	4,641.1	1987	11.527	6.190	129.99	54					1.8623
255	Cicerone & Oremland, 1987	circa 1985	World	35.0	4,887.2	4,433.6	circa 1985	7.894	4.239	89.02	55					1.8623
256	Crutzen, 1987	circa 1985	World	37.0	4,887.2	4,433.6	circa 1985	8.345	4.481	94.10	56					1.8623
257							Average	8.565	4.599	96.578						1.8623

Table 14														CDIAC Coal Prodn C data 1860-2010		
				CH4 emissions			Coal production			Methane emissions rates						
				Tg CH4	MtC	MtCO2	million t coal	million tonnes	million tons	million tonnes	combined mines	as proportion of product combustion				
Stern & Kaufmann (CDIAC), 1996				kg CH4/tonne coal	MtC	MtCO2	million t coal	kg CH4/t coal	kg CH4/t CO2	kg CO2e/t CO2						
263	Dataset	1860	World	8.5	91	333	179	1860	47.288	25.392	533.23	57				1.8623
264		1880	World	5.2	233	854	458	1880	11.358	6.099	128.08	58				1.8623
265		1900	World	11.5	515	1,887	1,013	1900	11.321	6.079	127.66	59				1.8623
266		1920	World	19.3	843	3,089	1,659	1920	11.620	6.239	131.03	60				1.8623
267		1940	World	22.3	1,017	3,726	2,001	1940	11.161	5.993	125.86	61				1.8623
268		1960	World	30.3	1,410	5,167	2,774	1960	10.913	5.860	123.06	62				1.8623
269		1980	World	38.8	1,947	7,134	3,831	1980	10.134	5.442	114.27	63				1.8623
270		2000	World	43.8	2,370	8,684	4,663	2000	9.387	5.041	105.85	64				1.8623
271		2010	World	63.6	3,807	13,950	7,491	2010	8.490	4.559	95.73	65				1.8623
272								Ave 1860-2010	10.359	5.562	116.81	66				1.8623

Simple average of world estimates reported in Kirchgessner et al and Stern & Kaufmann 9.46 5.211 106.69 67

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Average global coal mining methane rates

Stern & Kaufmann (1998)
US Environmental Protection Agency (2011) Draft: Global Anthropogenic Non-CO2 Greenhouse Gas Emissions: 1990 - 2030.

Table 15

Stern & Kaufmann on global coal mining methane emissions

Total carbon coal production 1860-2010	Total methane from coal mining 1860-2010	Weighted average 1860-2010	Weighted average 1860-2010	Methane per tonne of coal produced	Methane equivalent of coal CO2	% adder for methane
MtC	Tg CH4 (MtCH4)	kg CH4/tC	kgCH4/tCO2	kgCH4/t coal	kgCO2e/tCO2	
CDIAC data	Stern & Kaufmann	calculated	calculated	average thermal coal	SAR 21 * cell H168	
1995-2010 extrapolated						
Total methane 1860-2010 and average CH4 rate	173,414	3,534	20.38	5.562	11.84	116.81
	MtC	Tg CH4 (MtCH4)	kg CH4/tC	kgCH4/tCO2	kgCH4/t coal	kgCO2e/tCO2
Total methane in 2010 and CH4 rate	3,807	63.59	16.70	4.56	9.70	95.73
	linked to CDIAC		linked to Stern & Kaufmann			

Table 16

EPA data and projections on global coal mining methane emissions

US Environmental Protection Agency (2011) Draft: Global Anthropogenic Non-CO2 Greenhouse Gas Emissions: 1990 - 2030.

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World coal prod million tonnes	Coal emissions MtCO2	Coal mining CH4 MtCO2e	Coal mining CH4 MtCH4	CH4 rate kg CH4/t coal	CH4 rate t CH4/t coal	CH4 rate kg CH4/t CO2
EIA	CDIAC	EPA 2011 Table 3-2	at SAR 21xCO2	calculated	calculated	calculated
*Internat'l Energy Statistic CDIAC MtCO2 from coal						
1980	3,794	7,134				
1990	4,850	8,864	511.54	24.36	5.02	0.0050
1995	4,605	8,963	444.51	21.17	4.60	0.0046
2000	4,440	8,684	392.94	18.71	4.21	0.0042
2005	5,945	11,586	515.28	24.54	4.13	0.0041
2010	7,364	13,950	583.82	27.80	3.78	0.0038
2015			628.55	29.93		
2020			673.56	32.07		
2025			730.90	34.80		
2030			790.22	37.63		
2035			855.62	40.74		
Total 1990-2010	27,205	52,047	2,448	117	21.7	0.02
Weighted average 1990-2010				4.2851		2.240
Average 1990-2010				4.3470	0.0043	2.275
excludes closed mines EPA 2011, page 3-7						

Table 17

Comparing global coal mining methane emissions under four scenarios

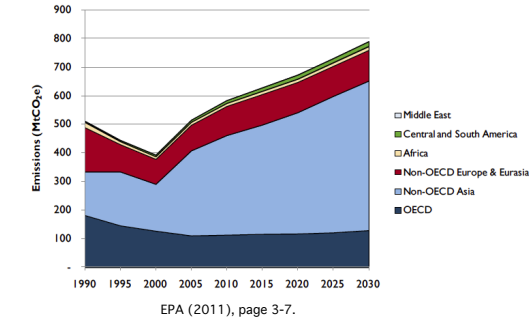
	MtCO2	Methane Tg CH4	Methane MtCO2e	kg CH4/tC	kgCH4/tCO2	Tg CO2e (MtCO2e)	% adder for methane
Global emissions 2010 if ave. of Stern & Kaufmann and EPA (2011)	13,950	54.42	1,143	14.29	3.901	1,143	8.19%
Global emissions 2010 from Stern & Kaufmann (extrapolated)	13,950	63.59	1,335	16.70	4.559	1,335	9.57%
Global emissions 2010 from EPA (2011)	13,950	27.80	584	7.30	1.993	584	4.18%
Global emissions 2010 from EPA (2011) using average 1990-2010	13,950	31.25	656	8.21	2.240	656	4.70%

Table 18

Pre-IPCC Tier 1 Coal methane rates

	kgCH4/tCO2	kg CH4/t coal
Stern & Kaufmann (see Table 15)	5.562	11.84
EPA (2011) (see Table 16)	2.240	4.29
Average	3.901	8.063
Shifted to IPCC Tier 1 factors, Dec12	Source for Table 9	Source for Table 9

Exhibit 3-4: CH₄ Emissions from Coal Mining Activities 1990 - 2030 (MtCO₂e)



EPA (2011), page 3-7.

Table 3-2: Total CH₄ Emissions from Coal Mining Activities (MtCO₂e)

Gas	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010	2015	2020	2025	2030
Total CH₄	511.5	444.5	392.9	515.3	583.8	628.6	673.6	730.9	790.2

US Environmental Protection Agency (2011) Global Anthropogenic Non-CO2 Greenhouse Gas Emissions 1990-2030, Climate Change Division, EPA 430-D-11-003, Aug11, page 3-7

EPA data and on U.S. coal mining methane emissions

Table 19

EPA data on underground (UG) coal mining and associated methane emissions

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GcCH4 to MtCH4	UG = underground						
	US coal (UG)	US coal CO2 (UG)	CH4, UG mining	CH4, abandoned mines	Total CH4 (UG)	CH4 rate	CH4 rate
	million tonnes	MtCO2	MtCH4	MtCH4	MtCH4	kg CH4/tonne mined	kg CH4/tCO2
	EPA 2012 Table 3-30	calculated	EPA 2012 Table 3-29	EPA 2012 Table 3-33	summed	calculated	calculated
	*Internat'l Energy Statistic (bituminous EF)		*includes post-mining all from UG mines				
1990	384	937	3.336	0.288	3.624	9.43	3.868
2005	334	815	1.969	0.264	2.233	6.68	2.738
2006	326	794	1.992	0.261	2.253	6.92	2.836
2007	319	778	1.988	0.254	2.242	7.02	2.880
2008	324	790	2.394	0.253	2.647	8.17	3.351
2009	301	735	2.627	0.244	2.871	9.53	3.908
2010	306	746	2.729	0.237	2.966	9.70	3.977
Total 1990-2010	2,295	5,596	17.0	1.8	18.8	57.4	23.6

Weighted average US 1990-2010 8.209 3.366

Table 3-30: Coal Production (Thousand Metric Tons)

Year	Underground	Surface	Total
1990	384,244	546,808	931,052
2005	334,398	691,448	1,025,846
2006	325,697	728,447	1,054,144
2007	319,139	720,023	1,039,162
2008	323,932	737,832	1,061,764
2009	301,241	671,475	972,716
2010	305,862	693,732	999,594

EPA (2012) U.S draft inventory 2010, page 3-41.

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Table 20

EPA data on surface coal mining and associated methane emissions

	US coal (surface)	US coal CO2 (surface)	Emissions, surface	CH4 rate	CH4 rate
	million tonnes	MtCO2	MtCH4	kg CH4/tonne mined	kg CH4/tCO2
	EPA 2012 Table 3-30	calculated	EPA 2012 Table 3-29	calculated	calculated
	(sub-bituminous EF)		*includes post-mining		
1990	547	992	0.667	1.22	0.672
2005	691	1,254	0.736	1.06	0.587
2006	728	1,322	0.777	1.07	0.588
2007	720	1,306	0.766	1.06	0.586
2008	738	1,339	0.791	1.07	0.591
2009	671	1,218	0.714	1.06	0.586
2010	694	1,259	0.728	1.05	0.578
Total 1990-2010	4,790	8,689	5.2	7.6	4.2

Weighted average US 1990-2010 1.081 0.596

Table 3-28: CH4 Emissions from Coal Mining (Tg CO2 Eq.)

Activity	1990	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
UG Mining	62.3	34.9	34.9	35.7	44.9	49.6	51.6
Liberated	67.9	50.2	50.2	50.9	60.5	66.1	71.4
Recovered & Used	(5.6)	(15.2)	(18.8)	(15.2)	(16.3)	(16.6)	(19.6)
Surface Mining	12.0	13.3	14.0	13.8	14.3	12.9	13.1
Post-Mining (UG)	7.7	6.4	6.3	6.1	6.1	5.6	5.7
Post-Mining (Surface)	2.0	2.2	2.3	2.2	2.3	2.1	2.1
Total	84.1	56.8	56.8	57.8	66.9	70.1	72.6

Note: Totals may not sum due to independent rounding. Parentheses indicate negative values.

Table 3-29: CH4 Emissions from Coal Mining (Gg)

Activity	1990	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
UG Mining	2,968	1,663	1,693	1,698	2,102	2,360	2,459
Liberated	3,234	2,389	2,588	2,422	2,881	3,149	3,402
Recovered & Used	(266)	(726)	(895)	(724)	(779)	(789)	(943)
Surface Mining	573.6	633.1	668.0	658.9	680.5	614.2	626.2
Post-Mining (UG)	368.3	305.9	298.5	289.6	292.0	266.7	270.2
Post-Mining (Surface)	93.2	102.9	108.5	107.1	110.6	99.8	101.8
Total	4,003	2,705	2,768	2,754	3,186	3,340	3,458

Note: Totals may not sum due to independent rounding. Parentheses indicate negative values.

EPA (2012) U.S draft inventory 2010, page 3-40.

Table 21

EPA data on surface & underground coal mining and associated methane emissions

	US coal (total)	US coal CO2 (total)	Emissions, total	CH4 rate	CH4 rate
	million tonnes	MtCO2	MtCH4	kg CH4/tonne mined	kg CH4/tCO2
	summed	summed	EPA 2012 Table 3-29	calculated	calculated
1990	931	1,929	4.291	4.61	2.224
2005	1,026	2,070	2.969	2.89	1.434
2006	1,054	2,116	3.029	2.87	1.432
2007	1,039	2,084	3.008	2.89	1.443
2008	1,062	2,128	3.438	3.24	1.615
2009	973	1,953	3.585	3.69	1.836
2010	1,000	2,004	3.694	3.70	1.843
Total 1990-2010	7,084	14,285	24.0	23.9	11.8

Weighted average US 1990-2010 3.390 1.681

Table 3-32: CH4 Emissions from Abandoned Coal Mines (Tg CO2 Eq.)

Activity	1990	1995	2000	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Abandoned									
Underground Mines	6.0	8.9	8.9	7.0	7.6	8.9	9.0	8.1	7.6
Recovered & Used	+	0.7	1.5	1.5	2.2	3.6	3.7	3.0	2.7
Total	6.0	8.2	7.4	5.5	5.5	5.3	5.3	5.1	5.0

+ Does not exceed 0.05 Tg CO2 Eq.

Note: Totals may not sum due to independent rounding.

Table 3-33: CH4 Emissions from Abandoned Coal Mines (Gg)

Activity	1990	1995	2000	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Abandoned									
Underground Mines	288	424	422	334	364	425	429	388	364
Recovered & Used	+	32	72	70	103	172	177	143	126
Total	288	392	350	264	261	254	253	244	237

+ Does not exceed 0.05 Tg CO2 Eq.

Note: Totals may not sum due to independent rounding.

EPA (2012) U.S draft inventory 2010, page 3-43.

1 million tonnes coal (ave thermal):	2.1289	MtCO2	(CMS worksheet on coal emissions)
1 million tonnes coal (bituminous):	2.4386	MtCO2	(CMS worksheet on coal emissions)
1 million tonnes coal (sub-bituminous):	1.8141	MtCO2	(CMS worksheet on coal emissions)

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Table 1-2: IPCC Suggested Underground Emissions Factors for Selected Countries

Country	Emissions Factor (m³/ton)	Emissions Factor* (tCO₂eq/ton)
FSU	17.8-22.2	0.25-0.32
United States	11.0-15.3	0.16-0.22
Germany	22.4	0.32
United Kingdom	15.3	0.22
Poland	6.8-12.0	0.10-0.17
Czechoslovakia	23.9	0.34
Australia	15.6	0.22

Source: IPCC, 1996. Adapted from Reference Manual Table 1-54.

FSU = Former Soviet Union.

* Conversion factor of 1 m³ = 0.0143 tCO₂eq = 35.31 m³ × 0.00404 tCO₂eq

U.S. EPA (2006) Global Mitigation of Non-CO2 Greenhouse Gases,

EPA Office of Atmospheric Programs and RTI International, 484 pp., page II-5.

Bibler, Carol J., James S Marshall, & Raymond C Pilcher (1998) Status of worldwide coal mine methane emissions and use, International Journal of Coal Geology, volume 35:283-310, Feb98. Abstract: "Underground coal mines worldwide liberate an estimated 29-41x10^9 m3 of methane annually, of which less than 2.3 x109 m3 are used as fuel."

Table 1-3: Historical Baseline Emissions for Coal Mine CH4 for Selected Countries (MTCO2eq)

Country	1990	1995	2000
China	126.1	149.1	117.6
United States	81.9	65.8	56.2
India	10.9	13.7	15.8
Australia	15.8	17.5	19.6
Russian Federation	60.9	36.8	29.0
Ukraine	55.3	30.1	26.3
North Korea	25.3	27.2	26.9
Poland	16.8	15.6	11.9
South Africa	6.7	6.7	7.1
United Kingdom	18.3	12.6	7.0
Germany	25.8	17.6	10.2
Kazakhstan	24.9	17.2	10.0
Colombia	1.9	2.0	3.0
Mexico	1.5	1.8	2.1
Czech Republic	7.6	5.8	5.0
Rest of the world	37.2	32.3	27.1
World Total	516.7	451.5	376.9

Source: USEPA, 2006.

US EPA (2006) Global Mitigation of Non-CO2 Greenhouse Gases, Jun06, page II-5

Table 1-4: Projected Baseline Emissions for Coal Mine CH4 for Selected Countries (MTCO2eq)

Country	2005	2010	2015	2020
China	135.7	153.8	171.8	189.9
United States	55.3	51.1	46.4	46.4
India	19.5	23.1	28.4	33.6
Australia	21.8	26.4	28.2	29.7
Russian Federation	26.3	27.5	26.9	26.3
Ukraine	26.3	24.5	23.8	23.2
North Korea	25.6	24.3	23.1	21.9
Poland	11.3	10.8	10.3	9.8
South Africa	7.4	7.2	7.1	7.4
United Kingdom	6.7	6.6	6.4	6.2
Germany	8.4	7.7	7.1	5.9
Kazakhstan	6.7	6.4	6.1	5.8
Colombia	3.4	4.0	4.7	5.5
Mexico	2.5	2.8	3.3	3.7
Czech Republic	4.8	3.9	3.1	3.0
Rest of the world	26.5	27.5	28.9	31.1
World Total	388.1	407.6	425.6	449.5

Source: USEPA, 2006.

US EPA (2006) Global Mitigation of Non-CO2 Greenhouse Gases, Jun06, page II-6.

TABLE 2
ESTIMATE OF GLOBAL METHANE EMISSIONS FROM COAL MINING (1990)

Country	Coal Production (Mt)			CH ₄ Emissions (Tg)	
	Underground	Surface	Total	Low	High
China	1,024	43	1,066	9.5	16.6
United States	385	548	934	3.6	5.7
Former USSR	393	309	701	4.8	6.0
Germany	77	359	436	1.0	1.2
India	109	129	238	0.4	0.4
Poland	154	58	212	0.6	1.5
Australia	52	154	206	0.5	0.8
South Africa	112	63	175	0.8	2.3
Czechoslovakia*	22	85	107	0.3	0.5
United Kingdom	75	14	89	0.6	0.9
Subtotal (Top 10)	2,043	1,762	4,164	22.1	35.9
World Total			4,740	24.4	39.6

Source: USEPA (1994).

IPCC (1996) Guidelines: CH4 Emissions: Coal Mining and Handling, page 130. by William Irving (US EPA) and Oleg Tailakov (Russia Coalbed Methane Center) Note: the IPCC(2006) Revised Guidelines does not estimate global emissions

4 Table A- 119: Underground Coal Mining CH₄ Emissions (Billion Cubic Feet)

Activity	1990	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Ventilation Output	112	100	90	96	94	92	87	84	79	76	83	75	79	81	100	114	117
Adjustment Factor for Mine Data	97.8%	91.4%	91.4%	100.0%	97.8%	97.8%	97.8%	97.8%	97.8%	97.8%	97.8%	97.8%	97.8%	100.0%	99.0%	99.0%	99%
Adjusted Ventilation Output	114	109	99	96	96	94	89	86	80	77	84	77	80	81	101	115	118
Degasification System Liberated	54	36	52	43	49	40	45	49	51	50	45	48	54	45	49	49	58
Total Underground Liberated	168	146	150	139	146	134	134	135	131	127	130	124	134	126	150	163	177
Recovered & Used	(14)	(30)	(37)	(28)	(35)	(31)	(37)	(41)	(43)	(38)	(40)	(38)	(46)	(38)	(40)	(41)	(49)
Total	154	116	113	111	110	103	98	95	88	89	90	86	88	88	109	123	128

* Refer to .
Note: Totals may not sum due to independent rounding.

8 Table A- 120: Total Coal Mining CH₄ Emissions (Billion Cubic Feet)

Activity	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Underground Mining	154	150	145	120	117	116	113	111	110	103	98	95	88	89	90	86	88	88	109	123	128
Surface Mining	30	28	28	28	29	28	29	30	31	31	30	33	32	31	32	33	35	34	35	32	33
Post-Mining (Underground)	19	18	18	16	17	17	18	18	17	17	17	16	16	16	16	16	15	15	15	14	14
Post-Mining (Surface)	5	5	5	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	6	6	6	6	5	5
Total	208	201	195	167	168	166	165	164	165	156	149	149	140	141	144	140	144	143	165	173	180

Note: Totals may not sum due to independent rounding.

EPA (2012) Draft Inventory of U.S. Emissions and Sinks 2010, Annex 3: Methodological Descriptions for Additional Source or Sink Categories, Table A-120: Total Coal Mining CH4 Emissions (Billion Cubic Feet)

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Table 5-20. Average U.S. Coal Mining CH₄ Emission Factors

Activity	Emission Factor ^a , Original Units			Emission Factor, Converted Units					
	scf CH ₄ /short ton coal			tonne CH ₄ /short ton coal			tonne CH ₄ /tonne coal		
	2005	2006	2007	2005	2006	2007	2005	2006	2007
Underground Mining (Ventilation and Degasification)	241	248	242	0.00463	0.00476	0.00463	0.00511	0.00524	0.00511
Underground Post-Mining (coal handling)	43.4	41.8	42.6	0.000833	0.000801	0.000818	0.000918	0.000883	0.000902
Surface Mining	43.3	43.6	42.8	0.000830	0.000836	0.000822	0.000915	0.000922	0.000906
Surface Post-Mining (coal handling)	6.56	7.47	7.56	0.000126	0.000143	0.000145	0.000139	0.000158	0.000160

Footnotes and Sources:
^a Derived from data presented in: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), *Inventory of U.S. Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Sinks: 1990-2007*, Annexes, April 15, 2009. See derivation in Appendix B.

American Petroleum Institute (2009) Compendium of Greenhouse Gas emissions Methodologies for the Oil and Gas Industry, Aug09, 807 pp. Table 5-20, page 5-83

Table 5-21. Australian Coal Mining CH₄ Emission Factors

State	tonnes CO ₂ e/tonne run-of-mine coal extracted ^a	tonnes CH ₄ /tonne run-of-mine coal extracted
<i>Open Cut Coal Extraction, by State</i>		
New South Wales	0.045	0.945
Victoria	0.0007	0.0147
Queensland	0.017	0.357
Western Australia	0.017	0.357
South Australia	0.0007	0.0147
Tasmania	0.014	0.294
<i>Coal Extraction, by Mine Type</i>		
Gassy Mine	0.305	6.405
Non-gassy mine	0.008	0.168
<i>Post-Mining</i>		
Gassy Mine	0.014	0.294

Footnote and Source:
^a Australian Government, Department of Climate Change, *National Greenhouse Accounts (NGA) Factors*, Section 2.4.1, November 2008. Original units are tonnes CO₂e/tonne run-of-mine coal.

American Petroleum Institute (2009) Compendium of Greenhouse Gas emissions Methodologies for the Oil and Gas Industry, Aug09, 807 Table 5-21, page 5-84.

Note: Column headers appear to be reversed, at CH₄ = 21xCO₂.

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Table 4: Coal production and estimated average methane releases during 2003 at potentially productive mines in the Kuznetskiy and Pechorskiy basins

Mine	Average daily production of coal, t/day	Volumes of gas released per minute, including captured CH ₄ , m ³ /min		Volumes of gas released per tonne of coal produced, m ³ /t		Average output of methane drainage vacuum pumps, m ³ /min	Mine rating by methane hazard ¹⁴
		CH ₄	CO ₂	CH ₄	CO ₂		
<i>Siberian Coal Energy Company (SUEK) (Kuznetskiy basin)</i>							
Kirova	9 225	99.0	20.8	18.6	3.3	64.8	Super hazardous
7 November	6 755	31.9	25.5	15.7	15.9	6.6	Super hazardous
Oktiabrskaya	5 200	54.7	21.5	15.2	6.0	40.9	Super hazardous
Polysayevskaya	4 717	79.3	13.0	31.4	6.5	40.9	Super hazardous
Komsomolets	4 363	88.1	17.4	29.1	5.9	61.9	Super hazardous
<i>Yuzhkuzbassugol (Kuznetskiy basin)</i>							
Yesaulskaya	12 531	165.4	30.5	20.6	3.9	1.1	Super hazardous
Yubileynaya	5 569	59.5	–	28.1	–	0.2	Hazardous with risk of sudden outbursts
Ulianovskaya	5 964	16.7	–	4.1	–	–	Category 3
Abashevskaya	6 148	133.4	–	31.2	–	61.7	Category 3
Alardinskaya	3 192	72.1	18.9	32.6	8.5	4.9	Super hazardous
Gramoteinskaya	4 947	10.9	8.1	3.1	2.1	2.2	Category 3
Osinnikovskaya	3 110	84.3	34.2	39.0	15.7	0.2	Hazardous with risk of sudden outbursts
Tayzhina	2 702	51.3	8.9	28.7	5.0	11.3	Hazardous with risk of sudden outbursts
Tomskaya	1 030	30.3	14.8	41.6	20.3	0.7	Hazardous with risk of sudden outbursts
Kusheyakovskaya	3 075	10.2	–	3.4	–	–	Super hazardous
Tomusinskaya 5-6	3 236	35.9	11.7	16.0	5.2	–	Super hazardous

¹⁴ Coal mines in Russia are classified according to their relative methane content and nature of risks. There are five mine categories: Category 1 with methane content up to 5 m³ per tonne (m³/t) of daily coal production; Category 2: 5-10 m³/t; Category 3: 10-15 m³/t; Super-hazardous: over 15 m³/t; and a fifth category for mines where coal seams with possible outbursts of coal, gas and rock are mined, "Hazardous with risk of sudden outbursts".

International Energy Agency (2009) Coal Mine Methane in Russia: Capturing the safety and environmental benefits, 66 pp.

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Mine	Average daily production of coal, t/day	Volumes of gas released per minute, including captured CH ₄ , m ³ /min		Volumes of gas released per tonne of coal produced, m ³ /t		Average output of methane drainage vacuum pumps, m ³ /min	Mine rating by methane hazard ¹⁴
		CH ₄	CO ₂	CH ₄	CO ₂		
<i>Sibir-Ugol (Kuznetskiy basin)</i>							
Chertinskaya	1 716	69.9	–	58.6	–	27.1	Hazardous with risk of sudden outbursts
OAO "KuzbassUgol" Berezhovskaya	3 111	12.0	9.1	19.1	15.0	–	Hazardous with risk of sudden outbursts
Pervomayskaya	2 547	19.3	6.9	21.8	10.5	–	Hazardous with risk of sudden outbursts
<i>Uzhnii Kuzbass (Kuznetskiy basin)</i>							
V.I. Lenin	2 748	45.0	–	26.5	–	13.0	Hazardous with risk of sudden outbursts
Usinskaya	1 427	28.8	8.5	28.6	8.5	3.2	Hazardous with risk of sudden outbursts
OAO "Raspadskaya mine"	15 100	120.8	–	31.0	–	0.4	Super hazardous
<i>Vorkutaugol (Pechorskiy basin)</i>							
Severnaya	6 096	153.9	–	36.4	–	103.0	Hazardous with risk of sudden outbursts
Vorkutinskaya	2 114	142.8	–	97.3	–	86.3	Hazardous with risk of sudden outbursts
Komsomolskaya	3 176	126.2	–	57.2	–	54.6	Hazardous with risk of sudden outbursts
Zapoliarnaya	2 812	931	–	47.7	–	23.3	Hazardous with risk of sudden outbursts
Ayach-Yata	2 360	115.0	–	70.2	–	38.6	Super hazardous
Vorgashorskaya	12 200	70.5	–	13.0	–	10.9	Super hazardous

Source: mine rating data collected annually by regional RosTechNadzor offices (Ruban and Zaborudayev, 2008).

Cell: C21**Comment:** Rick Heede:

Stern & Kaufmann estimate coal-mining methane emissions from 1860 through 1994 in Tg CH4 per year. CMS extrapolates methane emissions from 1995-2010 by applying a methane rate per tonne of carbon emitted per year (using CDIAC data) but decreasing by one percent per year 1995-2010. This lowers the rate from 19.62 kg CH4 per tC in 1994 to 16.70 kg CH4 per tC in 2010.

Stern, David I., & Robert K. Kaufmann (1998) Annual Estimates of Global Anthropogenic Methane Emissions: 1860-1994, U.S. DOE, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Carbon Dioxide Information Analysis Center, 4 pp., <http://cdiac.esd.ornl.gov/trends/meth/ch4.htm>

Cell: C26**Comment:** Rick Heede:

IPCC 2006 Guidelines, vol. 2, chapter 4: Fugitive emissions; Surface mining: fugitive methane, page 4.18.

Cell: C59**Comment:** Rick Heede:

World Coal Institute (2005) The Coal Resources: A Comprehensive Overview of Coal, London, 44 pp., www.worldcoal.org/resources/wca-publications/

Cell: J137**Comment:** Rick Heede:

CMS, 23July2012:

Data for underground coal seams in the Appalachian Basin (USA) suggests CO2 content ranging from 0.5 to 10 percent in coal bed methane studies. As a thought experiment, let's assume an average of 4 percent CO2 content in gas emissions vented from underground coal mining. The United States underground production totaled 305.86 million tonnes (Mt), and 693.73 Mt from open cast mines, 30.6 percent of the 999.59 Mt total in 2010. Methane liberated from underground mines (including post-mining of 0.27 MtCH4) totaled 3.672 MtCH4, and equivalent to 77.1 MtCO2e; thus a methane rate (when divided by UG production) of 9.70 kgCH4/tonne for UG mining, and equivalent to 203.7 kg CO2e/t. Next we dilute methane and CO2 from vented gases by total U.S. coal production, since surface mines have much lower gas content, most of the gases already having migrated, we can broadly estimate that 203.7 kg CO2e/t * 30.6 percent equals 62.3 kg CO2e/t. If we assume 4 percent CO2 content in liberated mine gas - most of which is directly vented (not flared) along with the methane, or captured and used - then the average CO2 rate is 2.4933 kg CO2/tonne coal mined. Multiply this by 2010 global production by Carbon Major entities of 5,692 million tonnes and we estimate global vented CO2 totaling 14.2 MtCO2 (global production [EIA data] of 7,364 t would yield ~18.4 MtCO2 globally vented). The rate per unit of coal-emissions is quite small: the emission factor for coal combustion averaged over all Carbon Major coal producers is 2,025 kg CO2/tonne coal, thus 2.493 kg CO2 / 2,025 kg CO2 equals 0.123 percent, or 1.23 kg CO2/tCO2 from coal combustion.

Sources: Lyons, Paul C. (1996) Coalbed methane potential in the Appalachian states of Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Maryland, Ohio, Virginia, Kentucky, and Tennessee--An overview, USGS Open-File Report 96-735. Cites CO2 content ranging from 0.5 to 10 percent.

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (2012) Draft Inventory of U.S. Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Sinks: 1990-2010, 471 pp., Feb12, Table 3-30. See also: U.S. Energy Information Administration (2011) Annual Coal Report, Tables 1 and 3.

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (2008b) Upgrading Drained Coal Mine Methane to Pipeline Quality: A Report on the Commercial Status of System Suppliers, EPA Publication: EPA-430-R08-004, Jan08, Coalbed Methane Outreach Program, US EPA,

www.epa.gov/coalbed/docs/red24.pdf. Table 2, Operating CMM Upgrade Facilities: shows CMM N and CO2 in IL, VA, PA, WV, AL ranging in CO2 1% to 5%.

U.S Dept of Energy (2009) Capture and Use of Coal Mine Ventilation Air Methane, Deborah A. Kosmack, Sep09, U.S. Department of Energy & CONSOL Energy Inc. Table 1. Gas Chromatography Analysis of Gas Samples Taken During Vent Capacity Tests: Methane 40 to 44%, N: 50-53%, CO2: 3.6-4.1%.

Cell: K138**Comment:** Rick Heede:

Carbon Majors coal production of 162.7 billion tonnes; * 2.62 kg CO2/tonne = 426.6 MtCO2 excluded from CM analysis.

Cell: B157**Comment:** Rick Heede:

Andronova, N. G., & I. L. Karol (1993) "The contribution of USSR sources to global methane emission," Chemosphere, vol. 26(1-4):111-126.

Cell: O166**Comment:** Rick Heede:

This table summarizes several sources of methane emissions from coal mines in regions and countries of the world. The focus is on methane. A few figures are offered for CO2 emissions -- chiefly from Australian operators -- even though such CO2 emissions are from diesel fuel and electricity consumption, and (as far as CMS can determine) is typically offsite fuel and electricity. Thus, to avoid double counting of fuels already accounted for elsewhere (eg, in crude oil or coal production data), these CO2 emissions estimates are ignored as ancillary emissions sources. There may be cases in which electricity is generated using coal mined on-site, in which case the presumption would be a reduction in reported coal sales; CMS does not have sufficient data to estimate this true ancillary emissions source.

Note: CMS has, necessarily, used production data typically reported by coal operators as "saleable production" or "sales". Run of mine (ROM) production is typically higher but seldom reported. At Centennial Coal Company's proposed Anvil Hill opencast mine, the company estimates average saleable production equal to 76 percent of ROM production. The disposition of the coal not marketed is unknown, and CMS has no indication that any of this coal is used for on-site generation of electricity. CMS does not account for emissions from diesel fuel or electricity, assumed to be procured from third parties, as explained above.

Cell: Q167**Comment:** Rick Heede:

Calculated by CMS in worksheet on "Coal C Coefficients" in this workbook.

CMS re-calculated this factor: CDIAC emissions in 2010 / 2000 coal production (EIA data). The 2010 factor (based on forecast coal production, hence not used): 1.894 tCO2/t coal.

Cell: B175**Comment:** Rick Heede:

Coal Industry Advisory Board 1992 estimates of methane emissions from mining activities in ten countries is reported in Thakur et al (1994). CMS reports the CIAB estimate for China below.

Cell: B188**Comment:** Rick Heede:

EIA (2006) Emissions of Greenhouse Gases in the United States, 2005, Table 16, p. 39; units in million tonnes CH4. Coal production also from EIA (2006) International Energy Annual 2004, Table 2.5 World Coal Production, 1980-2004.

Note: The methane emissions are net to the atmosphere, and account for 0.76 MtCH4 recovered for energy, and is thus combusted into CO2. In 1990, EIA reports 0.26 MtCH4 recovered for energy. The 2004 datum also includes 0.60 MtCH4 of post-mining emissions (0.55 from underground mines and 0.05 from surface mines).

Cell: B190

Coal ancillary CH4

Comment: Rick Heede:

Andronova, N. G., & I. L. Karol (1993) "The contribution of USSR sources to global methane emission," Chemosphere, vol. 26(1-4):111-126.

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Comment: Rick Heede:

Thakur et al (1996) "Global Coalbed Methane Recovery and Use," Energy Conversion and Mngnt, vol. 37: 789-794.

Cell: B197

Comment: Rick Heede:

EPA (2001) Non-CO2 Greenhouse Gas Emissions from Developed Countries: 1990-2010, Appendix B-3 Methane Emissions from Coal Mining Activities, 1990-2010 (MMTCO2), EPA-430-R-01-007. CK: units in MMTCO2, defined on page 1-1: "million metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent". Presumably at 21xCO2; confirmed at page 2-1 (per IPCC 1996).

Cell: D201

Comment: Rick Heede:

All country coal production data from US EIA (2006) International Energy Annual 2004, Table 2.5 World Coal Production, 1980-2004; units in million short tons.

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Comment: Rick Heede:

Scheehle, Elizabeth (2002) Emissions and Projections of Non-CO2 Greenhouse Gases for Developing Countries: 1990-2020, draft, 73 pp., US EPA, (still "out for review").

Cell: Q249

Comment: Rick Heede:

Calculated Jul12 for 2000: CDIAC coal emissions / 2000 coal production (EIA data); see SumCoal.xls

Cell: D251

Comment: Rick Heede:

Kirchgessner, David A., Stephen Piccot, & Sushma S. Masemore (2000) "An Improved Inventory of Methane Emissions from Coal Mining in the United States," J. of Air & Waste Management Association, vol. 50:1904-1915; also U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, National Risk Management Research Laboratory, 55 pp. epa.gov/ttn/chief/ap42/ch14/related/mine.pdf

The world methane emissions estimates shown below are from Table 1, p. 38; CMS does not listed earlier global estimates from Koyama (1963), Hitchcock & Wechsler (1972), Ehhalt & Schmidt (1978), and Seiler (1984).

Kirchgessner et al provide improved estimates of U.S. methane emissions from coal operations based on direct measurements of coal types. Since the present purpose is to represent estimates of global methane emissions, CMS quotes at length from this important paper on the methodological differences between the global estimates listed below (Kirchgessner et al, p. 3):

"The estimate produced by the Coal Industry Advisory Board (CIAB) yields a relatively low estimate of 26 million tons because of the low emissions factors used. ... Methodological and other differences among the estimates in Table 1 make direct comparisons difficult. One problem is that the estimates represent different base years with different coal production rates and, presumably, different methane emissions. Some estimates did not include that all the coal produced globally account for hard coal only, excluding brown coals and lignite which contain low quantities of methane. Only the estimates of Boyer et al., CIAB, and Kirchgessner et al. include estimates of post-mining operations, and none address the emissions characteristics of abandoned mines. Perhaps the most important difference to understand is that different emissions factors have been employed by the various researchers and, while it is not always explicit from the published papers, factors used range from 160 to 670 ft3 of methane per ton of coal mined. The lowest emissions factors appear to have been based on the assumption that the amount of methane liberated during mining is limited to the methane originally contained in the mined coal. This is a negatively biased assumption for most underground coal mines, since it is now known that actual emissions are usually several times higher than the emissions associated with the mined coal alone."

Cell: B252

Comment: Rick Heede:

Kirchgessner, D., S. D. Piccot, & J. D. Winkler (1993) "Estimate of Global Methane Emissions From Coal Mines," Chemosphere, vol. 26:453-472.

Cell: B253

Comment: Rick Heede:

Coal Industry Advisory Board (1994) Global Methane and the Coal Industry, Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development, Paris.

Cell: B254

Comment: Rick Heede:

Fung, I., J. John, J. Lerner, E. Matthews, M. Prather, L. P. Steele, & P. J. Fraser (1991) J. Geophys. Res., vol. 96:13033-13065.

Cell: B255

Comment: Rick Heede:

Boyer, C. M., J. R. Kelafant, V. A. Kuuskraa, K. C. Manger, & D. Kruger (1990) Methane Emissions from Coal Mining: Issues and Opportunities for Reduction, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Air and Radiation; EPA-400/9-90/008.

Cell: B256

Comment: Rick Heede:

Cicerone, R.J., & R. Oremland (1988) Global Biogeochemical Cycles, vol. 2:299-327.

Cell: B257

Comment: Rick Heede:

Crutzen, Paul J. (1991) Methane's sinks and sources, Nature, vol. 350:380-381, 4Apr91.

Cell: C263

Coal ancillary CH4

Comment: Rick Heede:

Stern, David I., & Robert K. Kaufmann (1998) Annual Estimates of Global Anthropogenic Methane Emissions: 1860-1994, U.S. DOE, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Carbon Dioxide Information Analysis Center, 2 pp., <http://cdiac.esd.ornl.gov/trends/meth/ch4.htm>

Note: Stern & Kaufmann's emissions estimates run from 1860-1994, and CMS has extrapolated their trends through 2004 assuming a gradually declining methane emissions rate per tonne of coal mined (in order to account for rising utilization of captured methane, especially in Europe and North America).

Cell: N273

Comment: Rick Heede:

CMS calculation, 9Jan07. Note that CDIAC coal emissions of Carbon is summed for the same years (1860-2004) as the Stern & Kaufmann estimate of coal-mining emissions of methane. In CO2-eq terms, 5.77 kg CH4/tCO2 = 121.2 kg CO2-eq/tCO2, or 12.12 percent.

Cell: G326

Comment: Rick Heede:

"The decrease in coal mining CH4 emissions from 1995 to 2000 is caused primarily by mine closures and a significant reduction in coal production during this time period.2 Between 1998 and 2002, the government of China closed tens of thousands of small mines (Andrews-Speed et al, 2005). While EPA's methodology captures the impact of these closures on overall production, the methodology does not distinguish between mining at large and small mines. It is unclear how emissions intensity may differ at various types of mines, and the extent to which production shifted from small to large mines. Moreover, EPA does not estimate emissions from abandoned mines, so emissions resulting from these closures are not reflected in the estimates. China and India, among other countries, have extensive uncontrolled fires in their coal mining regions which may add to fugitive emissions, but are not included in the estimates (Stracher and Taylor, 2004)."

US EPA (2011) Draft Global Anthropogenic Non-CO2 Greenhouse Gas Emissions: 1990-2030, Offc Atm Programs, Aug11, page 3-7.

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Comment: Rick Heede:

EPA (2011) uses SAR (IPCC, 1996) GWP values; CH4 is 21xCO2; page 1-2.

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