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Generalized stratigraphic section of selected coal members in Illinois

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>Found near Campbell Hill, Jackson County

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup>Found near Belle Rive in Jefferson County and in Louden Township, Fayette County

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>C</sup>Found near Bristol Hill, Crawford County

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### ABSTRACT

Surface mining accounts for nearly 50 percent of recent coal production in Illinois. In previous publications, the Illinois State Geological Survey reported that over 20 billion tons of coal in Illinois were potentially strippable; however, current economic and environmental issues associated with surface mining have created a need for estimates of the amount of strippable coal that can be recovered economically under present conditions. In estimating strippable reserves, the criteria used were (1) reliability of data, (2) overburden and coal thicknesses, (3) the size of the block of coal, and (4) proximity to manmade and natural obstacles.

On the basis of the criteria, Illinois was determined to have 6 billion tons of surface-minable coal in the ground. This reserve is made up of 185 blocks of 6 million tons or more. The amounts of strippable reserves are large in western Illinois and especially in southwestern and southern Illinois, which are more attractive for surface mining because land costs are lower, the heating value of the coal is higher, and the tonnage recoverable per acre is greater. The southwestern and southern Illinois deposits are and will continue to be the major sources of surface-mined coal in the state; however, in view of current rates of production, the remaining reserves in this area are relatively small, and opportunities for new acquisitions and long-term development are limited. Only 38 percent of the strippable reserves mapped exceed 4 feet in thickness, and most of those reserves have overburden in excess of 50 feet.

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### INTRODUCTION

The amount of Illinois coal that is potentially recoverable by surface mining (also called strip mining) was first estimated by Culver (1925) to be 1,407 million tons. Although Culver included coal as thin as 24 inches in his estimate, he reported that many mining companies considered 48 inches the minimum thickness for economical surface mining. As data became available, the potential for surface mining in southwestern, southern, western, northern, and central Illinois was reported (Cady, 1925 and 1937, and Henbest, 1932).

Cady (1952) established criteria for evaluating strippable coal deposits and summarized the general geologic features of the known surface-minable coals. Since 1955, the Illinois State Geological Survey has mapped over 20 billion tons of coal considered to be potentially strippable, i.e., all coal 18 or more inches thick and not more than 150 feet deep (Smith, 1957, 1958, 1961, and 1968; Smith and Berggren, 1963; Reinertsen, 1964; and Searight and Smith, 1969). These deposits constitute 13 percent of all coal in Illinois. The numbered areas shown in figure 1 correspond closely to those studied for the early reports.

In 1969, Risser suggested that surface mining had reached a peak and that increased thickness of overburden and scarcity of large blocks of coal were putting pressures on the industry's growth. After rising to more than 50 percent of the state's coal production in the early 1960s, the percentage of coal that is surface-mined has declined to about 47 percent.

### **ESTIMATE OF STRIPPABLE RESERVES**

Although the technology exists to surface-mine all coal less than 150 feet deep, a large amount of the coal cannot be economically or legally recovered. Much of this coal is thinner and deeper than that currently surface-mined in the state, in deposits too small to justify development and rendered unminable by proximity to man-made and natural obstacles. Because of the current focus on environmental and energy issues involving surface mining, we have re-evaluated the original data on resources to estimate

the amount of coal economically and legally surface minable. This study is not intended to replace earlier resource estimates, but to supplement them with an evaluation of the current minability of deposits.

In this report, *strippable coal resources* refers to the coal classified in earlier reports to be potentially strippable. *Strippable coal reserves* refers to that portion of the strippable coal resources which is economically and legally minable according to the criteria used for this study: (1) reliability of data, (2) overburden and coal thicknesses, (3) the size of the block of coal, and (4) proximity to manmade and natural obstacles. We have determined the amount of coal reserves in Illinois to be 6 billion tons, or about 30 percent of strippable coal resources. In this study we report the location, extent, and thickness of the coals and the characteristics and thickness of overburden. No attempt has been made to assess impact of laws controlling surface mining of prime agricultural land, and no recovery factor has been applied to the reserves.

This report is an overview and should be used only as a guide to more detailed investigation for specific areas. Because the scope of the study is broad, the criteria we have used to classify reserves are generalized, and we did not take into account local factors such as composition of the overburden, quality of the coal, transportation facilities, local ordinances, and land ownership, which would have eliminated some areas classified as reserves and would have included some areas that have been eliminated. Nevertheless, we believe our criteria provide a reasonable overall estimate of the magnitude, characteristics, and locations of strippable coal reserves in Illinois.

The criteria used to classify reserves were applied on the basis of the economic conditions and mining practices prevailing during the study. A sharp rise in coal prices, a technological breakthrough in development of equipment, or the passage of new, more restrictive mining laws could significantly change the criteria used for judging economical minability. It should be noted that companies anticipate future conditions when they buy coal lands; exploration and leasing activities in areas classified as unminable by this report are not unusual.



### Figure 1

RESERVES AND RESOURCES OF SURFACE-MINABLE COAL IN ILLINOIS

### LOCATIONS OF RESERVES

Coal resources farther than 4 miles from an outcrop, mine, or drill-hole datum point have been considered insufficiently proven to constitute a reserve and have been excluded from our estimates. For some parts of the state which are believed to contain strippable coal, no data are available. Coal in these areas may be of local significance, but probably would not change the statewide coal-reserve picture to any great extent.

Coal in small or irregularly shaped blocks, or underlying topographic features that would make mining difficult or illegal, has been excluded from our estimates. Primarily involved are small areas in steep-walled, narrow stream valleys or sandwiched between abandoned mines, areas of thick overburden, or areas of cultural development.

Coal underlying densely populated areas, interstate highways, parks, reservoirs, lakes, and large cemeteries is considered to be impractical or is illegal to mine and has been excluded from estimates of reserves. State and county highways, railroads, pipelines, high-voltage transmission lines, and widely scattered buildings are hindrances to surface mining, but are not always serious barriers. Because the impact of these features must be judged on a site-by-



Figure 2



Figure 3

site basis, it has not been considered in this report. Appendix 2 includes indication of areas where these features may be a serious problem.

Strippable coal reserves are found in 38 counties. Fulton, Perry, Peoria, Knox, and St. Clair Counties have the largest reserves (fig. 2 and table 1). Large reserves are also found in Stark, Madison, and Randolph Counties. Twenty of these counties have never been surface-mined on a large scale, and, in 1978, only 12 counties had active surface mines (fig. 3). The reserves in those counties that do not have active surface mines are generally thinner than average of the coals now being mined. About 75 percent of the state's surface-mine production currently comes from southwestern and southern Illinois; the other 25 percent comes from Fulton, Peoria, and Knox Counties in western Illinois. In general, southwestern and southern Illinois are more suited for surface mining than other areas because land values are lower, coal heating value is higher, and the number of tons recoverable per acre is greater. These southern reserves will probably continue to be the major sources for surface-mined coal in the state in the near future; however, large parts of the remaining strippable reserves in these counties are probably committed to existing or planned mines. Therefore, oppor-

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County	Trowbridge	Shelbyville	Opdyke	Friendsville	Unnamed coal near Bristol Hill	Danville (No. 7)	Herrin (No. 6)	Harrisburg (No. 5)	Summum (No. 4)	Colchester (No. 2)	De Koven	Davis	Unnamed coal near Campbell Hill	Murphysbor	Coun o Tota
Adams										75.733					75.73
Bureau						55.062	94.453								149.51
Cass										2.243					2.24
Crawford					21.305										21.30
Cumberland	2.478														2.47
Edgar						64.051									64.05
Fulton						.389	133.986	268.267		269.370					672.01
Gallatin							45.811	5.742							51.53
Greene							52.339			173.894					226.23
Grundy									7.408	17.458					24.86
Hancock										28.511					28.51
Henry						39.848	141.656			19.742					201.24
lackson							70,643	41.166					9.801	61.464	183.07
Jefferson			22.616												22.61
lersey							30.765			53.264					84.02
Knox						2.060	167.076	221.567		129.124					519.82
La Salle							20.592								20.59
_ivingston							19.965								19.96
<b>V</b> cDonough										78.183					78.18
<b>Aacoup</b> in							82.346		•						82.34
Madison							218,061			34,337					252.39
lenard								43.023							43.02
Morgan							11.190			51.011					62.20
Peoria						40.423	455.733	146.083							642.24
Perry							530. <b>997</b>	119.142							650.13
Pike										15.759					15.75
Randolph							143.613	79.355							222.96
St. Clair							427.132								427.13
Saline						8.471	125.730	19.718			7.707	10.120	ַ		171.74
Sangamon								109.589							109.58
Schuyler								84.663		106.798					191.46
Scott				-						29.619					29.61
Shelby	13.891	13.539													27.43
Stark						3.119	264.872								267.99
Vermilion						100.332	46.167								146.49
Wabash				136.306											136.30
Warren										54,563					54.56
Williamson							66,689	29.427			5.042	4,345	i	4.641	110.14
Total	16 369	13 539	22.616	136 306	21.305	313,754	3,149.816	1.167.742	7,408	1.139.608	12,749	14.465	5 9.801	66 105	6.091.58

NOTE: Columns do not total because of rounding.

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<sup>a</sup>Data collected July 1975.

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tunities for developing new reserves may be more favorable in other parts of the state.

### SIZE OF RESERVE BLOCKS

Contiguous areas of coal or noncontiguous but nearly adjacent areas that are not separated by obstructions such as rivers, towns, or interstate highways are termed *blocks*. In order to be considered economically minable, coal must be in blocks of sufficient tonnage to justify an investment in mining equipment. In 1975, the production of the 36 surface mines in Illinois ranged from 1,100 to 4,532,466 tons per year. Although only 47 percent of these mines produced more than 500,000 tons per year, they accounted for 97 percent of that year's strip-mine production. On the basis of these data, 500,000 tons per year has been defined in this study as the minimum size for a mine in Illinois. Assuming a minimum mine life of 10 years at 80 percent recovery, the minimum block of coal required to support such a mine is 6 million tons in place.

Effort was made in this study to group all areas of minable coal within blocks of at least 6 million tons (fig. 4); however, no effort was made to combine larger blocks together into a single mine block. Depending on its size, a block can supply one or more mines, or several nearby blocks could be combined to support one mine. Coal that could not be reasonably combined into a block of 6 million tons was excluded from the estimate of reserves. This coal and some of the coal excluded because of natural barriers may be economically mined by small operators and thus may represent a valuable local resource

The 6 billion tons of strippable reserves are composed of 185 reserve blocks in 38 counties. Figure 5 shows the distribution of tonnage by block size. The average block size is 33 million tons; however, if the 10 largest blocks are excluded, the average size is reduced to 22 million tons. Because many small blocks are near one another and could easily be mined by one operation, block size is not necessarily an indication of the potential size of future strip mines.

### THICKNESSES OF COAL AND OVERBURDEN

An important determinant of the amount of overburden that can be removed economically is the thickness of the overburden as compared to the thickness of the coal to be mined. A stripping ratio of the thickness of overburden to thickness of coal is often used as a means of determining the economic limit of mining. Removing 50 feet of overburden to mine 2 feet of coal is different from removing 150 feet of overburden to mine 6 feet of coal, however, even though the stripping ratio (25:1) is the same in each case. Mining greater thicknesses of overburden requires large, expensive machinery that may not be more efficient to operate than smaller, less expensive machinery (Malhotra, 1975). As the depth of mining increases, the percentage of consolidated material requiring blasting in the highwall is likely to increase, and highwall instability and ground water may be encountered. For these reasons, we have not used a constant stripping ratio to determine the economic limits of mining. All coal that did not fall within the overburden limits shown in table 2 has been excluded from our estimate of reserves. Although there may be many exceptions to these overburden limits because of local conditions, we believe the tonnages and acreages involved in the exceptions would not significantly change our estimate of reserves.

In general, we have not considered the effect of consolidation of overburden on the expense of removing it. Exceptions were made for the Colchester (No. 2) Coal Member in western Illinois, where several large areas of coal are less than 30 inches thick and have 50 to 60 feet of overburden. Because much of the overburden in this area is soft and unconsolidated, the limit of maximum overburden was raised to 60 feet. Other exceptions have been noted in appendix 2.

Most of the areas of thick shallow coal have been mined out. Only 38 percent of the coal classified as reserves is greater than 4 feet thick (fig. 6 and tables 3 and 4); however, in 1975, 69 percent of surface-mined coal came from seams greater than 4 feet thick. If surfacemining production continues at the present level or expands, companies will eventually mine the thinner reserves or mine thick coal at depths exceeding those used to define surface-minable reserves. A substantial amount of coal has less than 50 feet of overburden (fig. 7 and tables 3 and 4); however, 80 percent of this coal is less than 5 feet thick and 56 percent is less than 4 feet thick.

### **COAL MEMBERS**

On a seam-by-seam basis, the percentage of total resources that is included in the estimate of reserves ranges from none for the Rock Island (No. 1) Coal Member and some miscellaneous coals to 92 percent for the Opdyke Coal Member (table 5). The largest tonnages of reserves are in the Herrin (No. 6), Harrisburg-Springfield (No. 5), and Colchester (No. 2) Coals (fig. 8).

The relationship between coal thickness and depth of the reserves in each seam is shown in figures 9 through 13. The No. 6 and No. 5 Coals have the most favorable conditions of thickness and depth. No other coals have significant tonnages of coal 4 feet or greater in thickness. About 90 percent of the strippable coal produced in 1975 came from the No. 6 and No. 5 Coals, and, barring other factors, these two coals will probably continue to be most favored for strip mining. As the best blocks of these coals become mined out or unavailable, there will be an increasing shift to surface mining other coals, which in general are thinner.

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### Figure 4

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Figure 5. Sizes of strippable reserve blocks.

TABLE 2.	Maximum thickness of overburden
	for strippable coal reserves

Coal thickness (in.)	Maximum overburden limit (ft)	Stripping ratio
18 to 29	50	33:1 to 20:1
30 to 47	75	30:1 to 19:1
48 to 71	100	25:1 to 17:1
72 or more	125	<21:1

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Figure 6. Average thickness of strippable coal reserves in Illinois.

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Figure 7. Thickness of overburden of strippable coal reserves in Illinois.

TABLE 3.	Distribution	of	reserves	bγ	thickness	
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Thickness (in.)	Number of tons (millions)	Percentage of total reserves	Acreage	Percentage of total acreage
18	107.858	2	39,170	4
24	319.011	5	85,490	9
30	1,134.646	19	252,110	27
36	247.675	4	45,700	5
42	409.234	7	64,820	7
48	1,290.698	21	179.270	19
54	553.366	9	68,320	7
60	417.195	7	46.360	5
66	21.087	0	2,130	0
72	985.553	16	91,250	10
84	485,208	8	38,510	4
96	105.096	2	7,300	1
108	·14.956	0	920	0
Total	6,091.583		882,770 <sup>a</sup>	

NOTE: Column does not equal total because of rounding.

<sup>a</sup>Excludes overlapped acreage of 38,580.

TABLE 4. D	Distribution of	reserves by	thickness of	f overburden
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Overburden thickness (ft)	Number of tons (millions)	Percentage of total	Acreage	Percentage of total acreage
0-50	2.123.654	35	396,590	43
50-60	49.013	1	13,000	1
50-75	872.887	14	175,730	19
50-100	2.388.366	39	279,090	30
100-125	657.662	11	56,920	6
Total	6,091.583		882,770 <sup>8</sup>	

NOTE: Column does not equal total because of rounding. <sup>a</sup>Excludes overlapped acreage of 38,580.

TABLE 5.	Resources and	reserves of	strippable cos	nt in Illinois	, by coal	member, ir	h thousands	of to	ons
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			Reserves as a percentage	Production
Coal member	Resources <sup>a</sup>	Reserves	of resources	in 1975
Trowbridge	19,138	16,369	85.5	0
Shelbyville	70,370	13,539	19.2	0
Opdyke	24,609	22,616	91,9	614
Friendsville	167,232	136,306	81.5	0
Coal near Bristol Hill	43,161	21,305	49.4	Ó
Danville (No. 7)	1,446,766	313,754	21.7	15
Herrin (No. 6)	6,935,819	3,149,816	45.4	18.376
Harrisburg-Springfield (No. 5)	3,987,305	1,167,742	29.3	7.097
Summum (No. 4)	62,222	7,408	11.9	0
Colchester (No. 2)	7,164,105	1,139,608	15.9	687
De Koven	72,459	12,749	17.6	407
Davis	49,699	14,465	29.1	458
Rock Island (No. 1)	204,756	0	0	
Coal near Campbell Hill	11.882	9.801	82.5	õ
Murphysboro	165.866	66,105	39.9	Ň
Miscellaneous coals	18,548	0	0	3
Tota!	20,443,937	6,091,583	29.8	27.657

<sup>8</sup>As of January 1, 1976. <sup>b</sup>As of July 1, 1975.

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other coals.

### ADDITIONS TO RESERVES

In the future, additional surface-minable reserves will come from two sources-new discoveries of coal and coal that is now considered uneconomical to mine. The amount of additional strippable coal that will be discovered is probably not very great and will be of only local significance. The outcrops of all the major seams have been mapped, and the areas along the outcrops for which we have no data are not large.

Of the 14 billion tons of strippable coal resources that was not included in the estimate of reserves, about 7 percent (1 billion tons) were overlain by man-made obstacles and will probably never be mined. The remaining 13 billion tons are mostly coals that have been considered too deep to be economically minable. Some of this coal will undoubtedly be mined as new technology and increased demand for coal improves the economics of surface mining. How much of this 13 billion tons will be mined by surface methods is difficult to predict and depends on many interrelated variables, including availability of western coal, development of alternate forms of energy, restrictive legislation, and the economics of underground mining.

### DESCRIPTIONS OF AREAS CONTAINING RESERVES

For earlier studies of strippable coal resources, Illinois was divided into eight areas. This classification, with slight modification (fig. 1) is used here to summarize the nature of strippable reserves and resources throughout the state. More detailed information on the distribution, stratigraphy, and chemical quality of strippable coals in a particular area can be found in the original studies. For each area, we have included a table showing (1) the coal seams for which strippable resources have been mapped, (2) the estimated 1976 strippable resources for each seam, (3) the strippable reserves for each seam, (4) the percentage of strippable resources that have been classified as reserves, and (5) the number of mines that were operating in 1975 and produced more than 500,000 tons per year. Smaller mines are mentioned in the text, but are not indicated in the table. Because they usually have short-term contracts or sell their coal on the spot market, the number, location, production, and ownership of these small mines change frequently. Their contribution to the percentage of the state's total coal production is too small to have been considered within the scope of this study.

With the exception of the Rock Island (No. 1) Coal, the coals of the Abbott and Spoon Formations are strippable only in areas 1 and 2. The coals of the Bond and Mattoon Formations are strippable only in area 8. One or more of the coals in the Carbondale Formation are strippable in all areas except area 8.

### Area 1. (Gallatin, Hardin, Johnson, Pope, Saline, and Williamson Counties)

The strippable reserves in area 1 comprise 22 blocks in 6 seams. Because a large percentage of the overburden in this area is greater than 100 feet thick, excessive thickness of overburden is the primary reason for excluding resources from strippable reserves (table 6). Total production in 1975 from the 4 operating mines in the area was 2,823,968 tons, or about 10 percent of the total production of surface-mined coal in Illinois.

The area has long contained a number of small strip mines, i.e., those producing less than 500,000 tons per year. In 1975 ten small mines in area 1 produced a combined total of 426,392 tons, or about 1.5 percent of the state's total strip-mine production.

The Danville (No. 7) Coal (formerly called the "Cutler Coal") averages 18 to 24 inches thick throughout area 1 and is generally greater than 50 feet deep. Only one block

TABLE 6. Re	sources and reserves of	strippable coal	in area 1	1, in thousands of tons
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Coal member	Resources <sup>a</sup>	Reserves	Percentage of resources	Number of large mines operating in 1975
Danville (No, 7) <sup>b</sup>	135.444	8,471	6.3	0
Herrin (No. 6)	629,362	238.230	37.9	3
Harrisburg (No. 5)	401,479	54.887	13.7	0
De Koven	72,459	12,749	17.6	<b>)</b> .
Davis	49.699	14,465	29.1	} 1
Murphysborg	36,412	4,641 <sup>c</sup>	12.7	0
Total	1,324,855	333,443	25.2	4

<sup>8</sup>Data from Smith, 1957.

<sup>b</sup>Formerly "Cutler Coal" (Smith, 1957).

<sup>c</sup>The remainder of this block is in area 2.

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of Danville Coal has been classified as a reserve. No strippable resources of reserves of Danville Coal have been mapped in Gallatin County, even though that county may contain coal, because of insufficient data.

The thickness of the Herrin (No. 6) Coal in this area ranges from 36 to 108 inches, but is generally 48 to 60 inches. About 38 percent of the strippable resources of the Herrin (No. 6) Coal has been classified as strippable reserves and comprises 12 blocks ranging from 9 million to 93 million tons in place. In some parts of area 1, the Herrin Coal has a relatively low sulfur content.

The thickness of the Harrisburg (No. 5) Coal averages 48 to 60 inches throughout this area. The Harrisburg Coal is in four reserve blocks, which range from 6 million to 18 million tons. The Harrisburg Coal is low in sulfur in some parts of area 1.

The De Koven Coal is generally 36 inches thick; the Davis Coal ranges in thickness from 36 to 48 inches. The Davis Coal is 15 to 25 feet beneath the De Koven and has usually been mined with the De Koven in a single operation. The two reserve blocks mapped in the De Koven Coal completely overlap the two reserve blocks mapped in the Davis Coal. Since both coals would undoubtedly be mined together in these blocks, the overburden limit for the Davis Coal has been extended somewhat in order to match that of the overlying De Koven block, and their tonnage combined to meet the minimum block size. For large parts of Gallatin, Williamson, and Saline Counties, available data are insufficient to map the De Koven and Davis Coals. Future exploration may disclose significant reserves in these places. A large strip mine in one such place in Gallatin County has mined the Davis and De Koven Coals for several years.

The Murphysboro Coal has been mapped only in extreme western Williamson County, where its thickness ranges from 36 to 96 inches. Much of the mapped resources of this coal lie within the Crab Orchard Lake Wildlife Refuge and cannot be mined. Because of a lack of data, no resources or reserves of the New Burnside, Reynoldsburg, or Willis Coals have been mapped. These coals are mined locally, and further exploration may reveal additional reserve blocks.

### Area 2. (Jackson, Monroe, Perry, Randolph, and St. Clair Counties)

The thick, relatively flat-lying coals in area 2 represent some of the best surface-mining conditions in the state. Of the coal resources in area 2, 21 blocks of coal ranging from 9 million to 374 million tons have been classified as reserves (table 7). Heavy urban development in the Belleville area and excessive overburden thickness of some resources have excluded them from reserves. Many small blocks of coal below the minimum size, sandwiched between abandoned mines and other obstacles, have also been excluded. Area 2 contains the largest surface mines in the state. Each of seven mines produces more than 1 million tons per year, and three of these produce more than 3 million tons per year each. The combined production of the seven mines represents 67 percent of the total strippable coal production in the state. In 1975 three small surface mines operated in this area, but their combined production amounted to just over 100,000 tons.

With the development of large stripping equipment in the last 15 years, several companies have been mining the Herrin (No. 6) together with the Harrisburg (No. 5), which are well-suited for multi-seam mining because the interval between them is only 20 to 30 feet in this area. Multiseam mining may permit economic recovery of coal with overburden thicknesses greater than the maximums set for this study.

The thickness of the Herrin (No. 6) Coal ranges from 42 to 96 inches, but averages between 72 and 84 inches over most of the area. The 12 reserve blocks in the Herrin Coal, among the largest in the state, are currently being mined, and reserves are sufficient to support production

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Coal member	. Resources <sup>a</sup>	Reserves	Percentage of resources	Number of large mines operating in 1975
Herrin (No. 6) Harrisburg (No. 5)	2,118,877 433,711	1,172,385 239,663	55.3 55.3	} 4
Unnamed coal near Campbell Hill, Jackson County Murphysboro	11,882 129,454	9,801 61,464	82.5 47.5	0
Total	2,693,924	1,483,313	55.1	8

TABLE 7. Resources and reserves of strippable coal in area 2, in thousands of to	TABLE 7.	<b>Resources and</b>	reserves of	strippable	coal in area	2, in	thousands	of tons
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<sup>a</sup>Date from Smith, 1958.

for many years. Because the roof sequence of the Herrin Coal in Randolph and St. Clair Counties contains several thick limestones, several companies have developed underground mines in what has been mapped in this area as strippable coal. The Herrin Coal is low in sulfur in a small part of area 2.

The Harrisburg (No. 5) Coal, which ranges from 28 to 54 inches thick, is currently being mined in conjunction with the Herrin Coal, which lies about 20 feet above. The Harrisburg Coal has not been mapped in large parts of Jackson, Randolph, Perry, and St. Clair Counties, where the Harrisburg Coal is believed to be thin or absent.

A coal near Campbell Hill (Cady, 1952) averaging 48 inches thick has been mapped in a small part of Jackson County. W. H. Smith (1958) referred to it as the "Seahorne Coal," which may be correlative with the Wise Ridge Coal further to the southeast (Nance, personal communication). This coal has not been extensively mapped because of a lack of sufficient data.

The Murphysboro Coal, which has been mapped in scattered places in Jackson County, ranges from 24 to 96 inches thick. In some places the Murphysboro Coal has been reported to have a relatively low sulfur content. Exploration may reveal additional reserve blocks.

### Area 3. (Madison, Macoupin, Jersey, Greene, Scott, Morgan, Sangamon, Menard, and Cass Counties)

The strippable coal reserves mapped in area 3 comprise 18 blocks ranging in size from 10 million to 137 million tons. Cultural development in the Collinsville-Edwardsville-Alton urban belt is responsible for the exclusion of much of the coal in Madison County from reserves (table 8). Several large industrial pipelines pass through the reserve blocks in this area, and a detailed evaluation of these blocks may prove them uneconomical to surface-mine. North of Madison County, the primary factors causing exclusion of coal are excessive thickness of overburden or insufficient data. No strip mining has taken place in area 3.

The thickness of the Herrin (No. 6) Coal averages 60 to 72 inches in central and southern Madison County,

where it lies at strippable depths, but thins northward. No data are available for large parts of Jersey, Macoupin, Morgan, and Cass Counties, where the Herrin Coal may lie at strippable depths. Where data are available, the Herrin Coal varies in thickness from 24 to 84 inches, but generally it is 30 to 36 inches. The overburden appears to be fairly thick (75 to 150 feet) over most of the area, so any coal discovered would have to be proportionally thick to be classified as a strippable reserve.

One reserve block is delineated in the Springfield (No. 5) Coal in northwestern Sangamon and southwestern Menard Counties. Here the Springfield Coal averages 72 inches thick at depths from 50 to 125 feet below the surface. The overburden is greater than 100 feet thick over 81 percent of the block. The Springfield Coal has not been mapped west or north of this block because of a lack of data; significant reserves may exist there.

The Colchester (No. 2) Coal ranges from 24 to 36 inches throughout the area. A large part of Jersey and Greene Counties has been mapped as having 50 or less feet of overburden, but data on thickness is insufficient. Most of the Colchester Coal has been excluded from reserve estimates because the thickness of overburden is excessive. The overburden is generally greater than 50 feet thick, and over large areas it is more than 100 feet thick.

### Area 4. (Adams, Brown, Calhoun, Hancock, McDonough, Pike, Schuyler, Warren, and Henderson Counties)

With the exception of the Peabody Key Mine, which operated in Schuyler County from 1958 to 1966, mining activity in area 4 has consisted entirely of small local operations (table 9). In recent years the Colchester (No. 2) Coal has been actively prospected by several companies.

The Springfield (No. 5) Coal is found only in a very small part of Warren County and in a large outlier in Schuyler County. In Schuyler County, the thickness of coal ranges from 18 to 60 inches and averages 60 inches over a large area.

The Colchester (No. 2) Coal covers a large part of area 4. It ranges in thickness from 18 to 36 inches, but is generally less than 30 inches thick. Of the 19 reserve blocks of

Coal member	Resources <sup>8</sup>	Reserves	Percentage of resources	Number of large mines operating in 1975
Herrin (No. 6)	1,346,703	394,701	29.3	0
Springfield (No. 5)	1,064,679	152,612	14.3	0
Colchester (No. 2)	1,605,781	344,368	21.4	0
Total	4,017,163	891,681	22.2	0

#### TABLE 8. Resources and reserves of strippable coal in area 3, in thousands of tons

<sup>a</sup>Data from Smith, 1961, and Nance, in preparation.

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this coal. one has 118 million tons, but the rest have less than 40 million tons. Blocks in several parts of the area are less than the minimum size required to be classified as reserves; nevertheless, these blocks may be of interest to small operators or to large operators with equipment already in the area.

Excessive thickness of overburden is the reason for classifying only a small amount of Colchester Coal as a reserve. Because most of the coal is less than 30 inches thick, 50 feet is the maximum overburden thickness for the reserves, according to our criteria; however, some exceptions to this limit were made where large blocks of coal less than 30 inches thick lie at depths of 50 to 60 feet. The overburden in this area is relatively unconsolidated and contains little or no limestone; even greater stripping depths may prove economical.

The Rock Island (No. 1) Coal ranges in thickness from 0 to 52 inches over a short distance. Data are insufficient to map strippable reserves for this coal.

### Area 5. (Fulton, Henry, Knox, Peoria, Stark, Tazewell, Bureau, Marshall, Mercer, and Rock Island Counties)

Area 5 has the largest strippable resources (7,644 million tons) and the largest strippable reserves (2,453 million tons) of any area in Illinois (table 10). Strip mines have been active in this area since 1924; however, in 1975 there were only seven mines producing a total of 5 million tons, 18 percent of the state's total coal production. Only one

small (less than 500,000 tons per year) mine operated in this area in 1975. In addition to excessive thickness of overburden, urban developments around Peoria, Galesburg, and along I-74, which either overlie the coal or divide it into small blocks, led to exclusion of large amounts of resources from reserves.

Clay-filled intrusions, called horsebacks or clay dikes, have been found in all coals in this area. In some cases, these features are so abundant that they reduce the quality of coal significantly and make the coal less desirable for mining.

The Danville (No. 7) Coal is present in the eastern half of area 5. It ranges in thickness from 18 to 30 inches and in most cases is too deep to be a strippable reserve. Data on thickness are insufficient to assess reserves in several large parts of the Danville Coal in Henry, Stark, and Peoria Counties, where additional small reserve blocks may be found. The eight reserve blocks mapped range in size from 6 to 68 million tons, but are generally less than 10 million tons. Several blocks are too small to constitute a reserve, but could be mined in conjunction with the underlying Herrin (No. 6) Coal or by a small, mobile operation.

There are several large outliers of Herrin Coal in this area. This coal ranges in thickness from 18 to 54 inches (averaging 48 inches) and is the most extensively mined coal in the area. There is a large area of Herrin Coal in Stark, Marshall, and northeastern Peoria Counties which has not been mapped because of insufficient data.

Coal member	Resources <sup>a</sup>	Reserves	Percentage of resources	Number of large mines operating in 1975
Springfield (No. 5)	107,895	84,663	78.5	0
Colchester (No. 2)	2,801,058	359,547	12.8	0
Rock Island (No. 1)	39,000	0	0	0
Total	2,947,953	444,210	15.0	0

TABLE 9. Resources and reserves of strippable coal in area 4, in thousands of tons

<sup>a</sup>Data from Smith and Berggren, 1963; Reinertsen, 1964; and Searight and Smith, 1969.

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Coal member	Resources <sup>a</sup>	Reserves	Percentage of resources	Number of large mines operating in 1975
Danville (No. 7)	763.921	140.901	18.4	0
Herrin (No. 6)	2.520.811	1,257,776	50.4	4
Springfield (No. 5)	1,979,541	635,917	32.1	2
Colchester (No. 2)	2,213,782	418,236	18, <del>9</del>	1
Rock Island (No. 1)	165,756	0	0	0
Total	7,643,811	2,452,830	32.1	7

<sup>a</sup>Data from Smith and Berggren, 1963, and Searight and Smith, 1969.

The 34 reserve blocks of Herrin Coal range from 6 million to 228 million tons. Although many of the blocks contain less than 35 million tons, they are close to each other and could be mined in a single operation.

The Springfield (No. 5) Coal is present over the eastern two-thirds of this area. The Springfield Coal is not mapped in Marshall, Bureau, Henry, and northern Stark Counties because of a lack of data, but is believed to be thin. What little data are available in northern Knox and southern Stark Counties indicate that the coal is less than 18 inches thick. In the rest of this area, the Springfield Coal ranges in thickness from 18 inches in Knox County to 72 inches in southern Fulton County.

Most of the 23 reserve blocks of Springfield Coal contain less than 20 million tons of coal. As with the Herrin Coal, the reasons for exclusions are primarily excessive thickness of overburden and the obstacles caused by cultural development. The Springfield Coal is 50 to 80 feet below the Herrin Coal. Although it represents an uncommon practice in this area, at least one mine has produced both coals in a dual-seam operation.

The Colchester (No. 2) Coal averages 24 to 30 inches thick and underlies most of area 5, but is shallow enough for stripping only in the western part. The primary reason for exclusion of Colchester Coal resources from strippable reserves is excessive thickness of overburden; however, as was noted for area 4, the composition of the overburden may permit economical strip mining at greater depths. For some parts of Henry County which may contain potential reserve blocks of Colchester Coal, data are insufficient.

Although the largest reserve block of Colchester Coal has reserves of 52 million tons, most blocks contain 20 million tons or less. Many of these blocks are sufficiently close together to permit the mining of several blocks in one operation.

The Rock Island (No. 1) Coal crops out in the western part of this area. The coal is highly variable in thickness and is not identified in any area in sufficient quantity to constitute a strippable reserve block.

### Area 6. (La Salle, Livingston, Grundy, Kankakee, and Will Counties)

Some of the earliest mining in the state took place in area 6. Strip mining has been generally restricted to the eastern part of the area where the overburden is thinnest. The best sites for strip mining have been mined out and no mines currently operate in the area (table 11).

The Danville (No. 7) Coal, although probably present over a large part of the area, is mapped only in a small part of the area south of Streator in Livingston County, where the coal ranges in thickness from 18 to 30 inches. Tonnage of Danville Coal is insufficient to be classified as reserveş.

The Herrin (No. 6) Coal has been mapped only in a small part of area 6 near Streator. Although fairly shallow and only 48 to 60 inches thick, much of the Herrin Coal is rendered unminable by cultural features near Streator and terrain associated with the Vermilion River. Further exploration in this area could reveal additional strippable coal.

The Summum (No. 4) Coal is found in Grundy, Livingston, and Kankakee Counties in several small deposits, some of which were mined during the 1960s and early 1970s. The coal ranges in thickness from 18 to 60 inches, but in most of the area it is generally not of minable thickness. Only one block is of sufficient size to be classified as a reserve.

The Colchester (No. 2) Coal outcrops in an eastwardtrending belt along the Illinois River. Most of this coal, which ranges from 18 to 36 inches thick, is too deep to be classified as a reserve. Cultural development and terrain limitations associated with the Illinois River also make this coal unattractive for strip mining.

#### Area 7. (Vermilion and Edgar Counties)

Area 7 has been the site of strip-mining activity since the mid-1800s. Since 1970, only an occasional small strip-

Coal member	Resources <sup>a</sup>	Reserves	Percentage of resources	Number of large mines operating in 1975
Danville (No. 7)	10,362	0	0	0
Herrin (No. 6)	99,248	40,557	40.9	Ō
Summurn (No. 4)	62,222	7,408	11.9	0
Colchester (No. 2)	543,484	17,458	3.2	. 0
Total	715,316	65,423	9.1	0

#### TABLE 11. Resources and reserves of strippable coal in area 6, in thousands of tons

<sup>8</sup>Data from Smith, 1968.

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mining operation has produced coal. Danville and surrounding suburbs render some of the best remaining coal in the area unminable. Excessive thickness of overburden is also a major factor in eliminating resources from classification as reserves (table 12).

The Danville (No. 7) Coal varies greatly in thickness in the area. Its thickness averages 72 inches in the northern one-third of the area, 30 to 42 inches in the central portion, and 48 to 60 inches in the southern one-third. Nearly all of the blocks of strippable reserves are smaller than 25 million tons.

The Herrin (No. 6) Coal is classified here as a strippable reserve only in the central part of area 7 where the coal ranges from 36 to 84 inches thick at depths generally greater than 100 feet. Herrin Coal, which is relatively low in sulfur, has been mined northwest of these reserves; however, no data on the sulfur content of the coal in the reserve block are available. A few blocks northwest of Danville are too small to be classified as strippable reserves as defined in this study. Throughout the rest of the area, the Herrin Coal is too thin or too deep for strip mining. An area of several square miles in northern Edgar County has not been mapped because data are insufficient.

### Area 8. (Crawford, Cumberland, Effingham, Fayette, Franklin, Jefferson, Richland, Shelby, and Wabash Counties)

Area 8 includes central and eastern portions of Illinois where thick coal seams of the Carbondale Formation are generally several hundred or more feet deep. The only strippable coals in this area are coals from the Bond and Mattoon Formations. These coals are characteristically thin, and limited data has prohibited extensive mapping. Most of the northern portion of area 8 contains unconsolidated surficial sediments (drift) in excess of 100 feet and has therefore been eliminated from study. Only small mining operations have produced coal in this area; however, a large strip mine, operated by Eads Coal Company, has been stripping the Opdyke Coal in Jefferson County since 1971. Because cultural development in this area is not extensive and most of the coal mapped is less than 50 feet deep, a large percentage of the resources have been classified as reserves (table 13).

The Trowbridge Coal has been mapped only in a small area of southeastern Shelby and northwestern Cumberland Counties where the coal averages 28 inches thick and is generally less than 50 feet deep. One block of this coal has been classed as a strippable reserve. Additional reserves may exist north and south of the area.

The Calhoun Coal ranges from 12 to 30 inches in thickness where it is mapped in Richland County. The tonnage of resources mapped is insufficient to constitute a strippable reserve.

The Shelbyville Coal has been mapped in small areas of Effingham, Fayette, and Shelby Counties. The only block that met the criteria for strippable reserves is located in Shelby County, where the coal averages 18 inches thick.

The Opdyke Coal is the only seam in area 8 currently being strip-mined on a large scale. The mine and the reserve blocks are in eastern Jefferson County. The Opdyke Coal there averages 18 to 20 inches thick.

Near Belle Rive, an unnamed coal lies about 30 to 40 feet below the Opdyke Coal. Where it has been mined in the vicinity of Belle Rive in Jefferson County, it averages 18 inches thick. Resources are insufficient to constitute a strippable reserve.

An unnamed coal has been mapped in a very small part of Louden Township, Fayette County. The coal averages 18 inches in thickness. Tonnages of this coal are insufficient to constitute a strippable reserve.

The Friendsville Coal has been mapped in Wabash County, where the coal ranges from 30 to 48 inches thick. Three reserve blocks have been mapped, and several other places in Wabash County may contain additional reserves of strippable coal. Some reserves may be found to the north in Lawrence County; however, the coal is thought to thin northward and may be too thin outside of Wabash County to mine.

The Friendsville Coal is believed to lie near the base of the Mattoon Formation (see frontispiece); however, the coal may correlate with the coal near Bristol Hill in the Bond Formation (Nance, 1977, personal communication).

TABLE 12. Resources and reserves of strippable coal in area 7, in thousar	nds of tons
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Coal member	Resources <sup>a</sup>	Reserves	Percentage of resources	Number of large mines operating in 1975
Danville (No. 7)	537,039	164,383	30.6	0
Herrin (No. 6)	220,818	46,167	20.9	0
Total	757,857	210,550	27.8	0

<sup>a</sup>Data from Bengal and Jacobson, in preparation.

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Coal member	Resources <sup>8</sup>	Reserves	Percentage of resources	Number of large mines operating in 1975
Trowbridge	19 138	16.369	88.5	0
Calhoun	7.401	0	0	õ
Shelbyville	70.370	13.539	19.2	Ō
Opdyke	24,609	22,616	91.9	1
Unnamed coal near Belle Rive,				
Jefferson County Unnamed coal in Louden Township,	9,747	0	0	0
Fayette County	1,400	0	0	0
Friendsville Unnamed coal near Bristol Hill,	167,232	136,306	81.5	0
Crawford County	43,161	21,305	49.4	0
Total	343,058	210,135	61.3	1

<sup>8</sup>Data from Nance, in preparation.

The coal mapped in the vicinity of Bristol Hill in southern Crawford County varies from 12 to 36 inches thick. East of Flat Rock, a block of strippable reserves in which this coal is estimated to average 18 to 20 inches thick has been mapped. Additional strippable reserves may exist there.

### CONCLUSION

Six billion tons of coal in the ground in Illinois have been classified as strippable reserves, i.e., coal considered to be economically and legally minable at the present time according to the criteria used in this report. This reserve represents about 30 percent of the 20 billion tons of potentially strippable coal in Illinois mapped by previous studies of the Illinois State Geological Survey.

Large strippable reserves have been found in western, southwestern, and southern Illinois. The reserves in southwestern and southern Illinois are generally more suited for surface mining than other regions because land costs are lower, the heating value of coal is greater, and coal tonnage recoverable per acre is higher. These reserves are and will continue to be the major source of surface-mined coal in the state throughout the near future. Because a large part of these reserves are probably committed to existing or planned mines, opportunities for new acquisition of strippable reserves are limited and are more likely to be available in other parts of the state.

Seventy-one percent of the state's surface-minable reserves are in the No. 6 and No. 5 Coals, which are currently the largest sources of the state's production of coal by strip mining (90 percent in 1975). Because these two coals constitute large reserves of strippable coal that is of favorable depth and thickness, they will probably continue to be the major surface-mined coals. As the best blocks of No. 6 and No. 5 Coal become unavailable or mined out, mining will ultimately shift to other coals that are generally thinner and have larger stripping ratios.

Thirty-eight percent of the strippable reserves are coals greater than 4 feet thick. This reserve contrasts sharply with production of coal by strip mining in 1975, when 69 percent of the tonnage came from coals greater than 4 feet thick. In the future, limited availability of reserves may force surface mining of the thinner coal reserves or of thicker seams at greater depths than projected in this report.

How future political, economic, and technical developments will affect the conclusions of this report is difficult to assess. New reclamation laws and high land values may cause areas of strippable reserves in western and central Illinois to be less desirable than reserves in southern Illinois. New technical developments and increasing demands for sources of energy may make strip mining of thinner or deeper coal profitable. As major developments take place, new evaluations of strippable coal reserves in Illinois will be necessary.

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### **APPENDIX 1. Mapping procedure**

Reserves of strippable coal were delineated by using the base maps constructed by previous resource studies. The mined-out areas on these maps were updated to July 1, 1975, and some minor corrections of subcrop lines were made. The original base maps showed only 50-foot, 100-foot, and 150-foot overburden thickness lines; 75-foot and 125-foot thickness lines were added where needed. The criteria determined for this study were then used to out-line reserve blocks.

The accuracy of the coal outcrop lines and overburden lines and the coal thicknesses indicated on these maps depends on the number and distribution of drill holes, mines, and outcrops; the local topography; and the degree of glaciation the area has undergone. In some areas these lines are generalized and outcrop lines may be inaccurate by several hundred feet, or even a mile or more in extreme cases. These inaccuracies will not alter the regional picture of surface-minable coal, but are important considerations for evaluating individual blocks. An example of one of the work maps used is shown in figure A. The coal in the lower right is not reliably substantiated by data and so is excluded from the estimate of reserves. Boundaries of excluded cultural areas, in this case the town of Atkinson and Interstate 80, were taken from plat books. No coal was excluded where the railroad might be an obstacle, because the line is not an insurmountable barrier to surface mining and the amount of coal directly beneath it cannot be accurately calculated at the scale of this study. In this example, the coal is 30 inches thick, so the maximum thickness of overburden allowed by the reserve criteria is 75 feet. The areas of limiting terrain are too small and irregular for recovery of coal by large mining operations and have been excluded from our estimate of reserves.

All 185 blocks classified as strippable reserves by this study are shown on work maps similar to figure A and are available on open file for reference at the Illinois State Geological Survey in Urbana.

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		<b>D</b>				Distribu	ition of tonn	age			Overlap		Page	
<b>.</b>	~ .	Heserves		BY	thickness	Ву а		Ву с	Deserves	Disal	Cool	<u>.</u>	reterence	
number	member	of tons)	Acreage	e (in.)	of total	(ft)	of total	County	of total	number	member	Acreage	(app. 3)	Remarks
Adams (	County													2
66	No. 2	118.782	26.250	24	5	0-50	31	Adams	55				38	About 7 mi of 30-in. No. 2 coal beneath 7!
				30	90	50-75	69	Hancock	17					to 85 ft of overburden lies south of block
				36	5			Schuvler	28				•	66.
					-									
67	No. 2	10.042	2,790	24	100	0-50	99						38	Sugar Creek runs through block 67.
07						50-60	1							•
Bureau	County													
4	No. 7	6.660	1,480	30	100	0-50	52			108	No. 6	630	37	
						50-75	48							
5	No. 7	10.103	2,250	30	100	0-50	53			109	No. 6	1,070	37	
						50-75	47							х.
6	No. 7	9,489	2,640	24	100	0-50	99			110	No. 6	2,310	37, 39	
						50-60	1							
7	No. 7	See Ho	enry Co	unty.							•			
108	No. 6	5.956	830	48	100	0-50	12			4	No. 7	630	40	
						50-100	88							
109	No. 6	18,163	2,240	54	100	0-50	46			5	No, 7	1,070	40	
						50-100	54							
110	No. 6	35.585	4,430	48	7	0-50	36			6	No. 7	2,310	40	
				54	93	50-100	63							
						100-125	1							
111	No. 6	See H	enry Co	ounty.										
113	No. 6	9.987	1,310	48	49	0-50	27	Bureau	51	7	No. 7	970	40	
				54	51	50-100	73	Henry	49					
114	No. 6	64.872	8,890	48	88	0-50	2	Bureau	44	7	No. 7	5,470	40	
				54	12	50-100	98	Henry	31					
	JATY No 2	Coo M	~~~~~ (	'ount	,			Stark	25					
74	IWO. 2	See M	oryan c	Jounty	/.									
Crawfor	d County													
182	Unnamed	coal 21.305	7,420	18	100	0-50	100						44	
	near Brist	ol												
	Hill													Areas of untested coal lie north and south
														of block 182.
Cumber	land Cour	ity												
185	Trowbridg	je See She	elby Cou	inty.										
Edgar C	ounty													
99	No. 7	19.336	1,970	48	15	0-50	33						37	
				60	18	50-100	) 61							
				72	58	100-125	56							
				84	9									
100	No.7	24,446	3,370	36	3	0-50	14						37	•
				48	87	50-100	86						-	
				60	10									

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						Distribut	tion of tonn	age			Overlap		Page	
		Reserves		By	thickness	By d	epth	By cou	inty				reference	
Block	Coal	(in millions	;		Percentage		Percentage		Percentage	Block	Coal		to map	
number	member	of tons)	Acreage	(in.)	of total	(ft)	of total	County	of total	number	member	Acreage	(app. 3)	Remarks
Edgar Co	ountyCo	ntinued				-								
101	No. 7	20.269	3,570	36	81	0-50	4						37	A small area of untested No. 7 coal lies o
				48	19	50-100	96							the north side of block 101.
Fulton (	County													
14	No. 7	See Pe	oria Cou	nty.										
133	No. 6	See Ki	nox Cour	ity.										
134	No. 6	126.266	16,840	36	1	0-50	26	Fulton	99	37	No. 5	1,390	40	Block 134 contains about 3 mi <sup>2</sup> of 18-ir
				48	58	50-100	74	Peoria	1	38				No. 7 coal that has not been classified as
				54	40					39				reserve. The interval between the No.
														and No. 7 coals is 30 to 40 ft thick. A
400	N- 0	44.075	4 540	20	c	0.50	c	Farlers	F0 .				40	8-in. pipeline passes through block 134
135	NO. 6	11.875	1,540	30	6	0-50	6	Fuiton	80				40	
				48	12	50-100	94	Peorla	42					
45	AL. C	Con K		54	82	•								
15	No. 5	12.057	1 600	1TY.	100	0.50	14			124	Nia G	200	20	
3/	140. 5	12.007	1,000	48	100	0-50	14			134	INO, D	290	39	Active sufface mine.
20		77 000	10 500	40	00	50-100	00			124			30	
38	NO. 5	//.202	10,520	48 r.4	82	0-50	20			134	No. 6	400	33	A few small shar doped upderground mice
				54	18	50-100	80							A rew small apandoned underground mine
		50.050	C 400	- 4	400	0.50	40			404			30	he in the southern part of block 36.
39	NO. 5	50.052	6,180	54	100	0-50	13			134	No. 6	700	55	
			0 050	- 4		50-100	87						20	
40	NO, 5	21.442	2,050	54	100	0-50	13						03	
	·	40.040	0 400	- 4		50-100	8/						30	
41	No. 5	19.616	2,420	54	100	0-50	4						55	A star to star
40		6 310	700	~~		50-100	96						30	Active surface mine.
42	110. 5	0.310	700	60	100	0-50	39						55	
40	No. E	7 200	000	- 4		50-100							36	Antino surface mine
43	NO. 5	7.200	900	54	100	0-50	02							Active surface mine.
44	No E	14 392	1 600	~~	400	50-100	93						39	A
44	NO. 5	14.502	1,000	60	100	0-50	20						00	A state highway and an 8-in, gas pipeling
						50-100	/4							pass through the middle of block 44. Cir
														cular 348 (Smith and Berggren, 1963
														shows a portion of block 44 as mined out
45	No 5	6 467	800	54	100	0.50	99						39	however, we can find no evidence that the
	110.0	0.407	000	<u>.</u> т	100	50-100	1						00	area has been mineo.
46	No 5	6 636	820	54	100	0.50	100						39	
53	No. 5	11 391	1 150	66	100	0-50	100						36	
32	No. 2	Soa i		Intu	100	0.00							00	
47	No. 2	8986	2 000	30	100	0-50	96						39	
		0.000	2,000		100	50-75	4						20	
48	No. 2	10 034	2 790	24	100	0-50	23						39	
		, 0,004	2,130	•		50-60	77						20	
49	No. 2	12 91 1	2 870	30	100	0-50	31						39	
- 🛩		12.011	2,070			50-75	69							
50	No. 2	37 934	8 490	24	9	0-50	52	Fulton	91				39	An 8-in cas pipeline passes through bloc
		- / . <b>UV</b> T	0,100	30	Q1	60.75	48	McDanaua	ь 9				-	50

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						Distrib	ution of tonn	age		Overlap	Page	
		Reserves	•	By	thickness	Ву	depth	By co	ounty		reference	
Block	Coal	(in million	S		Percentage		Percentage		Percentage	Block Coal	to map	
number	member	of tons)	Acreage	(in.)	of total	(ft)	oftotal	County	of total	number member Acreage	(app. 3)	Remarks
Fulton (	County-(	Continued										
51	No. 2	17.054	3,810	24	2	0-50	47	Fulton	98		36	A large area of untested No. 2 coal lies
				30	98	50-75	53	McDonou	igh 2			southwest of block 51.
52	No. 2	1 <b>1.972</b>	2,680	24	3	0-50	34				36	
				30	97	50-75	66					
54	No, 2	22.699	5,050	30	100	0-50	48				36	
						50-75	52					
55	No. 2	<b>52.444</b> 1	11 <b>,6</b> 50	30	100	0-50	42				36	
						50-75	58					
56	No. 2	14.236	3,170	30	100	0-50	47				36	A 22-in. crude-oil pipeline passes through
						50-75	53					block 56.
57	No. 2	7.855	1,750	30	100	0-50	45				36	
						50-75	55					
58	No. 2	17.516	3,890	30	100	0-50	51				36	
						50-75	49					
59	No. 2	See S	chuyler C	ounty	1.							
60	Na. 2	21.529	4,780	30	100	0-50	32				36	Active surface mine.
						50-75	68					
61	No. 2	See N	cDonoug	h Cou	inty.							
62	No. 2	See S	chuyler C	ounty	/.							
Gallatin	County											
172	No. 6	23.582	4.000	36	67	0-50	66	Gallatin	76		44	A fault lies on the east side of block 172
			•	48	33	50-100	34	Saline	24			
175	No. 6	24.714	2.830	48	12	0-50	59	Gallatin	74		44	
				60	88	50-100	41	Saline	26			
176	No. 6	9.627	1,340	48	100	0-50	15				44	
			•			50-100	85					
97	No. 5	See S	aline Cour	ntv.								
98	No. 5	See S	aline Cour	ntv.								
(	Sound:											
		40.004	2 240	20	20	0.50	50				40	
141	NO, 6	16.801	3,340	30	30	0-50	50				42	
			4 000	30	04	50-75	50				40	
142	NO. 6	11,014	1,080	72	100	50-100	37				42	
4.40		C 14				100-125	63					
143	NO. 6	See M	acoupin (	Jount	γ. 100	0.50	20				20	
79	NO, 2	15,322	3,410	30	100	0-50	80 14				30	
00	No. 0	00.054	10.000	20	100	50-75	14				20	
80	NO. 2	60.804	19,080	30	100	0-50	59 41				30	
01	No. 0	46 040	10.200	-		0 =0	41				32	As 9 is the sizeline serves through black 91
<b>0</b> 1	ING, 2	40.242	10,380	24	4	U-5U	00				30	An ohn, gas pipenne passes through block of
07	No 7	26 475	E 000	3U 20	30	0-15	40				38	
ō2	190, Z	20.475	0,000	30	100	0-50 E0 75	41				30	
						50-75	59					

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		Reserves		By	thickness	By e	<b>Je</b> pth	By co	unty				reference	
Block	Coal	(in million	s		Percentage		Percentage		Percentage	Block	Coal		to map	
number	member	of tons)	Acreage	(in.)	of total	(ft)	of total	County	of total	number	member	Acreage	(app. 3)	Remarks
Grundy	County		-		·									
1	No. 4	7.408	1,650	30	100	0-50	2						37	
						50-75	98							
2	No. 2	10.808	2,400	30	100	0-50	48						37	
			•			50-75	52						••	
3	No. 2	6.650	1,480	30	100	0-50	18						37	
						50-75	82						07	
Hancock	c County													
65	No. 2	9.087	2.020	30	100	0-50	96	Hancock	90				38	
						50-75	4	Schuvler	10				00	
66	No. 2		See Ada	ms Co	ounty.	0070	•	Condyna						
Henry C	ounty													
•	•													
7	No. 7	68.658	15,800	24	14	0-50	60	Bureau	42	111	No. 6	8,800	39	Block 7 is adjacent to Kewanee. A large
				30	86	50-75	40	Henry	58	112				area of untested No. 7 coal lies south of
										113				block 7.
								Stark	<1	114				
111	No. 6	23.184	2,860	54	100	0-50	16	Bureau	4	7	No. 7	1,330	40	
						50-100	84	Henry.	96					
112	No. 6	11.409	1,580	48	100	0-50	23			7	No. 7	1,040	40	Block 112 contains numerous small, un
			_			50-100	77							mapped, abandoned mines.
113	No. 6	See B	ureau Cou	unty.										
114	No. 6	See B	ureau Cou	inty.										
115	No. 6	See S	tark Cour	ity.										
117	No. 6	25.484	4,050	42	100	0-50	95						40	Several small abandoned mines lie in bloch
•		44 000				50-60	5							117.
8	NO. 2	11.997	2,670	30	100	0-50	98						39	Block 8 is adjacent to Atkinson.
~		2 246	4			50-75	2							
9	NO. 2	7.745	1,/20	30	100	0-50	20						39	A large area of untested No. 2 coal lies
In all a second	<b>A</b>					50-75	80							north of block 9.
Jackson	County	<u> </u>	-											
156	No. 6	See Po	erry Coun	ty.									• •	
163	No, 6	32.892	2,450	84	50	0-50	21			91	No. 5	490	41	Active surface mine.
				96	50	50-100	42							
						100-125	36						• •	
165	No. 6	38.461	2,720	84	12	0-50	6	Jackson	69	91	No. 5	30	41	Active surface mine; block 165 is adjacent
				96	88	50-100	52	Williamson	31					to Hurst in Williamson County.
		-	_			100-125	42							
90	No. 5	See Po	erry Coun	ty.										
91	No. 5	40.624	5,620	48	96	0-50	33			163	No. 6	520	38	Active surface mine; an area of untested
				54	4	50-100	67			165				No. 5 coal lies north of block 91.

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						Distribu	tion of tonn	age		Overlap		Page	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
		Reserves		By	thickness	By e	depth	By co	unty			reference	
Block	Coal	lin millions		<i>i</i> . 1	Percentage	10.)	Percentage	<u></u>	Percentage	Block Coal		to map	Dame I
number	member	of tons)	Acreage	(10.)	of total	(11)		County	of total	number member /	Acreage	(app. 3)	Remarks
Jackson	County-C	ontinued											
159	Unnamed coal near Campbell Hill	9.801	1,360	48	100	0-50 50-60	98 2					41	
4.00		05 054	2 620	40		0.50	07						Plant, 160 is poskated by several entral
100	wurpnysbo	ro 35.204	3,030	48 72	78 78	50-75	3					41	abandoned mines. The Murphysboro Coal has not been mapped in the area around block 160 because of insufficient data
161	Murphys- boro	13.278	1,890	36 72	54 46	0-50 50-100	76 24					41	Block 161 is adjacent to Murphysboro
162	Murphys- boro	17.573	1,720	48 60 72 84 96	22 8 33 21 15	Q-50 50-100	68 32	Jackson Williamso	74 n 26			41	Block 162 is adjacent to Carbondale and Crab Orchard Lake Wildlife Refuge.
lofforte	on County												
177	Opdyke	16.296	5 <b>,64</b> 0	18	100	0-50	100					44	Active surface mine; large areas of untested Opdyke Coal surround block 177
178	Opdyke	6.320	2,340	18	100	0-50	100					44	Large areas of untested Opdyke Coa surround block 178.
Jersey (	County						·						
144	No. 6	30.765	4,850	24 36 48 60	< 1 41 57 2	0-50 50-100	39 61					42	Piasa Creek divides block 144. A large area of untested No. 6 coal lie north of block 144.
83	No. 2	29.357	6,520	30	100	0-50 50-75	80 20					38	
84	No. 2	23.627	5,250	30	100	0-50 50-75	59 41					38	Some small areas of cultural development liv within block 84.
85	No. 2	See Madi	son Cour	nty.									
Knox C	County												
14	No. 7	See Peori	ia Count	<b>y</b> .			<b>A</b> -					40	
118	No. 6	11.328	1,800	42	100	0-50 50-60	97 3					40	
119	No. 6	58.349	9,260	42	100	0-50	48					40	Active surface mine.
			_			50-75	52						
120	No. 6	39.734	6,310	42	100	0-50 50-75	35 65					40	
121	No. 6	25.545	4,050	42	100	0-50 50-75	56 44					40	A major railroad bisects block 121.

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APPENDIX 2-Continued Distribution of tonnage Overlap Page Reserves By thickness By depth By county reference Coal Coal (in millions Percentage Percentage Percentage Block to map Block of tons) Acreage (in.) of total (ft) of total number member Acreage (app. 3) Remarks number member of total County Knox County-Continued 122 No. 6 7.271 1,160 42 100 0-50 100 40 See Peoria County. 132 No. 6 133 No. 6 20.708 2,560 54 0-50 9 40 100 15 Fulton 50-100 85 Knox 91 11 No. 5 See Peoria County. 15 No. 5 80.453 11,180 48 0-50 28 44 100 Fulton Active surface mine. 39 50-100 72 56 Knox An 8-in, pipeline passes through the south edge of block 15. 16 No. 5 26.451 5,880 30 100 0-50 54 39 A 12-in, pipeline passes through block 16. 50-75 46 17 No. 5 11.733 2,610 30 100 0-50 31 39 Knox 95 50-75 69 Peoria 5 18 No. 5 15.036 3,350 24 1 0-50 86 39 30 99 50-75 14 19 2,290 18 99 39 No. 5 6.195 100 0-50 Areas of untested No. 5 coal lie north and 50-60 1 west of block 19. 20 39 No. 5 3,210 24 100 11.572 100 0-50 2,670 24 21 9.814 94 100 39 No. 5 0-50 Block 21 is adjacent to Galesburg. 36 6 22 39 No. 5 26.645 5,700 30 78 0-50 100 Block 22 is adjacent to Galesburg and 36 22 Knoxville. Five pipelines pass through block 22. 31 36 39 No. 5 10.863 1.720 42 0-50 100 48 58 23 No. 2 6.624 1,620 24 40 0-50 45 Knox 97 39 30 60 50-75 54 Warren 3 26 12.163 3,380 24 100 0-50 99 39 No. 2 Knox 51 A small creek runs through block 26. 49 50-60 1 Warren 29 88 No. 2 6.930 1,930 24 100 0-50 99 39 Knox A small creek runs through block 29. 50-60 Warren 12 1 30 2,380 24 100 0-50 91 39 No. 2 8.573 50-60 9 32 36.434 8,700 24 71 39 No. 2 30 0-50 Fulton 1 30 70 50-75 29 Knox 99 33 No. 2 9.047 2,430 24 83 94 39 0-50 30 17 50-75 6 34 22.018 6,050 39 No. 2 24 95 0-50 95 30 5 50-75 5 35 No. 2 25.519 6,940 24 39 89 60 0-50 30 11 50-60 40 39 36 No. 2 9.263 2,060 30 100 0-50 39 50-75 61

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		Reserves		By	thickness	By c	lepth	By cou	nty				reference	
Block number	Coal member	(in million of tons)	s Acreage	e (in.)	Percentage of total	(ft)	Percentage of total	County	Percentage of total	Block number	Coal member	r Acreage	to map (app. 3)	Remarks
La Salle	County													
105	No. 6	See Livir	naston Co	ountv.										
106	No. 6	20.350	2.510	48	45	0-50	68	La Salle	56				43	Block 106 is adjacent to Streator; three
			-,	60	55	50-100	32	Livingston	44					large crude-oil pipelines pass through block 106. An area of untested No. 6 coal lies to the south.
107	No 6	7 208	820	48	24	50-100	100						43	
		,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		60	67									
				96	<u>a</u>									
	ton Count			50	5									
106		, 17,000	1 550	48	20	0.50	7	La Salle	16				43	Block 105 is adjacent to Streator: three
105	100.0	12.555	1,000	<b>6</b> 0	71	50-100	98	Livingston	84				40	pipelines pass through the block. An area of untested No. 6 coal lies to the east
106	No. 6	See La S	alle Cour	nty.										
McDon	ough Cou	nty												
50	No. 2	See Fulte	on Count	γ.										
51	No. 2	See Fult	on Count	ý.										
61	No. 2	36.728	8,160	30	100	0-50	60	Fulton	31				36	
						50-75	40	McDonoug Schuyler	h 67 2					
62	No. 2	See Schu	yler Cou	nty.										
63	No. 2	10.399	2,440	24	75	0-50	91						36	
				30	25	50-75	9							
64	No. 2	35.881	8,570	24	98	0-50	71						36	
				30	2	5 <b>0-6</b> 0	29							
Macoup	in County	,												•
143	No. 6	97.220	12,790	48	85	0-50	62	Greene	25				42	A large area of untested No. 6 coal fies
			•	60	1	50-100	38	Macoupin	75					south of block 143.
				72	8									
				84	5									
145	No. 6	See Mad	ison Cou	ntv.	-									
Madiso	n County													
145	No. 6	53.024	7.810	36	33	0-50	45	Macoupin	17				42	
				48	45	50-100	56	Madison	83					
				60	19									
				72	3									
146	No. 6	11.919	1,450	36	5	0-50	7						42	
			.,	48	30	50-100	92							
				60	56		~~							
				72	8									
147	No. 6	136 982	13 560	1 4 8	1	0-50	14						42	Block 147 is adjacent to Rethalto and Ed-
			10,000	60	32	50-100	56						• •	wordevilles ein major ninelings nass through
				72	67	100-12	5 30							the block.

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		Reserves		B	y thickness	By de	pth	By co	ounty				reference	
Block	Coal	(in millions	i		Percentage		Percentage		Percentage	Block	Coal		to m#P	
number	member	of tons)	Acreage	(in.)	) of total	(ft)	of total	County	of total	number	member	Acreage	(app, 3)	Remarks
Madison	County-	-Continued												
148	No. 6	25.186	2,330	72	100	50-100	60						42	Five major pipelines pass through block
						100-125	40							148.
85	No. 2	10.699	2,380	30	100	0-50	63	Jersey	3				38	Block 85 borders Alton.
						50-75	37	Madison	97					
86	No. 2	23.918	5,130	30	79	0-50	50						38	Block 86 borders Alton.
				36	21	50-75	50							
Menard	County			•										
73	No. 5	See Sanga	emen Co	unty	•									
Moroan	County													
140	No 6	11 190	1 790	24	2	0.50	10						<u> </u>	
			1,150	36	54	50-75	91						42	
				40	23	30-75	01							
				40 60	20									
74	No. 2	11.090	2 460	20	100	0.50	£0	Com	20					•
/4	100. 2	11.030	2,400	30	100	60.7E	30	Margan	20				36	
76	No 2	10 164	0 270	20	100	50-75	42	morgan	80					
75	110. 2	42.104	9,310	30	100	50-30 50-75	49 51						36	
Peoria (	County					50-75	51							
10	No. 7	25 091	5 850	74	20	0.50	72	Peoria	88	193	No 6	690	30	Areas of untested No. 7 cost lie to the
		10.001	0,000	30	80	50-75	28	Stark	12	125	110.0	000	35	Both south and southwest
13.	No. 7	13 256	4 910	18	100	0-50	100		12	136	No 6	4 700	20	north, south, and southwest.
14	No 7	7 644	2 920	18	100	0.50	100	Knov	26	132	No.6	2 4 70	39	
••			2,020			0.00	100	Peoria	69	102	110.0	1,470	33	
								Fulton	5					
123	No 6	207 152	31,660	18	1	0-50	33	Peoria	q	10	No 7	680	40	Four pipelines_one 8-in two 12-in and
120	140.0	207.102	01,000	42	57	50-100	66	Sterk	1	10	NU. 7	000	40	one 20-inness through block 123
				48	42	56-166	00		•					
174	N- 6	6 407	1 020	40	100	0.50	06						40	
124	NO. D	0.497	1,030	42	100	0-50	14						40	
105	No P	10 271	1 700	40	100	50-75	14						40	
120	NO. D	12.371	1,720	40	100	0-50	22						40	
100	AL. 0	40.000	0 770	40	100	50-100	70 22						40	
120	NO. 6	19.926	2,770	48	100	0-50	23						40	
4.07	AL- 0		2 620	-4	100	50-100	77						40	
127	NO. 6	29.439	3,030	54	. 100	0-50	22						40	Adjacent to Peoria suburbs; contains som
						50-100	78							small areas of culture. An 8-in, gas pipelin
179	No 6	12 716	1 770	48	100	0.50	35						40	passes (mough the block,
.20	140. 0	12.710	1,770	70	100	0-00 60.100	65							
1 20		0 022	1 240	40	100	0.50	26						40	Anting autono mina
(23	NO. 0	0.922	1,240	-+0	100	U-DU 60 400	20						-10	nouve surrace mine.
1 20		17 400	2 420	40		0.50	22						40	Active surface mine
130	140. 0	17.483	2,430	40 <u>.</u> 64	99 1	0-00 E0 400	32 69						-+0	Active surface mine.
1 21		16 770	2 220	40	100	0.50	00 66			44	No E	1 020	40	Active surface mine
131	NO. 0	10.772	2,330	40	100	0-50	30			11	NO, 9	1,030	-+0	Active sufface mine.
						50-100	44							

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						Distribut	tion of tonna	age			Overlap		Page	
		Reserves		Ву	thickness	By d	epth	By co	unty				reference	
Block	Coal	(in million	5		Percentage		Percentage	<del>.</del> .	Percentage	Block	Coal		to map	
number	member	of tons)	Acreage	(in,)	of total	(ft)	of total	County	of total	number	member	Acreage	(app. 3)	Remarks
Peoria (	County-C	ontinued			<u></u>									
132	No 6	37.758	4.660	54	<b>´ 100</b>	0-50	50	Knox	16	11	No. 5	) 2 7 20	40	Active surface mine.
			.,			50-100	50	Peoria	84	14	No, 7	} 3,730		
134	No. 6	See Fulto	n County											,
135	No. 6	See Fulto	n County											
136	No. 6	53.189	7.390	48	100	0-50	21			13	No. 7	4,700	40	
				-		50-100	79							
137	No. 6	19.503	2.710	48	100	0-50	23						40	Adjacent to Peoria suburbs.
			-,			50-100	77							
138	No. 6	6.349	1.180	36	100	0-50	20						40	
						50-75	80							
139	No. 6	10.603	1.310	54	100	0-50	6						40	Adjacent to Glasford and to Kingston Mines.
		/0100-	-,	-		50-100	94							
11	No. 5	194,278	30.090	30	3	0-50	33	Knox	30	131,	No. 6	2,280	39	Block 11 surrounds Elmwood; a large area of
••				36	20	50-100	66	Peoria	70	132				untested No. 5 coal lies to the north; active
				42	19									surface mines. One 12-in. and two 8-in. gas
				48	57									pipelines pass through block 11.
12	No. 5	9.986	1.390	48	100	0-50	11						39	Two 6-in. and two 8-in. gas pipelines pass
•=			.,			50-100	89							through block 12.
17	No. 5	See Knox	County.											-
Perry C	ounty						_	_	-		<b>.</b>			A st
154	No. 6	374.533	35,040	60	11	0-50	8	Perry	85	88, 89	9, No.5	6,930	41	Active surface mines. A 20-in, crude-oil
				72	82	50-100	71	Randolph	n 15	90				pipeline passes through the west edge of
				84	7	100-125	5 21							block 154.
				96	<1									
155	No. 6	160.890	14,300	60	8	0-50	5						41	Active surface mine. Three large gas pipelines
				72	53	50-100	71							pass through block 155.
				84	37	100-125	24							
				96	1									
156	No.6	38.207	3,340	72	61	0-50	36	Jackson	29				41	
				84	37	50-100	64	Perry	71					
				96	1						<u>-</u>			
157	No. 6	13.999	1,370	60	29	0-50	100			90	No. 5	1,350	41	Active surface mine.
				72	71		_							
158	No.6	10.072	950	60	7	50-100	76						41	
				72	93	100-125	24							
89	No. 5	See Rand	olph Cou	nty.										and the standard frame between
90	No. 5	107.592	14,300	36	8	0-50	25	Jackson	1	154,	No.6	7,500	37	Active surface mines; the No. 5 Coal has not
				48	29	50-100	75	Perry	99	157				been mapped north and east of block 90
				54	63									because of insufficient data.
Pike Co	ounty													
76	No. 2	6.861	2,190	18	45	0-50	92						38	
				24	55	50-60	8							
77	No. 2	8.897	3,300	18	100	0-50	93						38	
						50-60	7							

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		Reserves	•	By	thickness	By d	lepth	By cou	inty				reference	
Block	Coal	(in million	5		Percentage		Percentage	F	Percentage	Block	Coal		to map	_
number i	member	of tons)	Acreage	e (in.)	of total	(1t)	of total	County	of total	number	member	Acreage	(app. 3)	Hemarks
Randolp	h County	i												
53	No. 6	88.088	8,220	36	<1	0-50	15			87	No. 5	660	41	Two active surface mines.
				-48	1	50-100	52							
				60	19	100-125	33							·
				72	53									
				84	27									
54	No. 6	See Perry	County.											
87	No. 5	28.539	3,730	48	47	0-50	42			153	No. 6	660	37	Active surface mine. An area of untest
				54	53	50-100	58							No. 5 coal lies north of block 87.
88	No. 5	37.377	5,730	36	13	0-50	24			154	No. 6	670	37	Active surface mine. An area of untest
				42	60	50-100	76							No. 5 coal lies to the northeast.
				48	3									
				54	24									
89	No. 5	25.530	3,150	54	100	0-50	49	Perry	34	154	No. 6	110	37	
						50-100	51	Randolph	66					
St. Clair	County													
149	No. 6	19.591	1,550	84	100	0-50	11						41	Block 149 is in the highly developed Ea
						50-100	64							St. Louis-Belleville area,
						100-125	24							
150	No. 6	32,985	3,120	60	11	0-50	100						41	Block 150 contains small areas of culture at
			., -	72	89									numerous small abandoned mines.
151	No. 6	359.206	28.630	72	10	0-50	1						41	The Kaskaskia River passes through the sou
				84	81	50-100	47						• 1	end of block 151. The block is adjacent
				96	9	100-125	53							Belleville and contains an operating surfa
				108	<1									mine and an underground mine.
152	No. 6	15.351	1.260	72	19	0-50	7						41	Block 152 is adjacent to Freeburg and to a
			.,	84	81	50-100	80							operating underground mine.
					•••	100-125	13							
Saline Co	unty													
95	No. 7	8.471	2,350	24	100	0-50	100			171	No. 6	1,890	38	A fault lies in block 95; displacement u determined.
71	No. 6	93.048	10,200	48	10	0-50	13	Saline	95	95	No.7	1,890	44	Active surface mine.
				60	66	50-100	65	Williamson	5					
				72	24	100-125	22							
72	No. 6	See Gallati	in County	<i>ı</i> .										
73	No. 6	10.476	1,340	36	10	0-50	27						44	
				48	35	50-100	72							
				60	55									
174	No. 6	14.387	1,760	48	39	0-50	31						44	
				60	61	50-100	69							
75	No. 6	See Galiati	in County		•									
97	No 5	18,807	2 180	48	14	0-50	10	Gallatio	16				38	A fault lies in block 97 displacement u
	· •		_,	60	86	50-100	90	Saline	84				40	determined.
98	No.5	6 653	<b>25</b> /	48	60	0.50	50	Galatin	40				38	
		0.000	000	60	40	50.100	48	Saline	60					
70		en 7 707	1 430	36	100	0.50	43	Jan 10	~~	96	Davie	1 430	лл	Active surface mine
		VIT 7.707	.,30		100	50-50	57			50	Davis	1,-00		
90	Davie	10 120	1 610	42	100	0.50	29			170	De Kor	un 1 430	1 38	Active surface mine
90	Davis	10.120	1,010	72	100	50.100	23 71			110	DG 1/01	1,400	50	

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		Reserves		Βy	thickness	By d	epth	By cou	nty				reference	
Block	Coal	(in millions	1		Percentage		Percentage	F	ercentage	Block	Coal		to map	
number	member	of tons)	Acreage	: (in.)	of total	(ft)	of total	County	of total	number	member	Acreage	(app. 3)	Remarks
Sangam	on Count	Ŷ												
פר	No 5	152611	14 250	60	4	50-100	19	Sangamon	72				36	An 8-in, ges pipeline passes through block 73
/5	140.5	152.011	14,200	72	96	100-125	81	Menard	28					Large areas of untested coal border block 73 in Cass and Morgan Counties.
Schuyle	er County													
71	No. 5	27.929	5, <b>89</b> 0	18	32	0-50	90						36	Adjacent to Rushville. 22-in. crude-oi
				36	22	50-100	10							pipeline passes through the north edge o
				60	46								36	Block /1.
72	No. 5	56.734	6,300	60	100	0-50	69						50	
						100 126	20							
-0	N- 0	27 617	0 270	24	7	00-125	53	Fulton	48				36	
59	NO. 2	37.517	0,070	30	93	50-75	47	Schuyler	52					
61	No 2	See McDor	nough Co	ountv.	00									
62	No. 2	36.602	8,130	30	100	0-50	44	Fulton	22				36	
						50-75	56	McDonoug Schuyler	h10 68					
65	No. 2	See Hanco	ck Coun	ty.										
66	No. 2	See Adams	County	•									20	
68	No. 2	8.703	2,070	24	100	0-50	98						30	
						50-60	2						36	About 11 mi <sup>2</sup> of No. 2 coal beneath 50-75
69	No. 2	6.889	1,910	24	100	0-50	100							feet of overburden lie north of block 69.
70	No. 2	12.376	3,440	24	100	0-50	61						36	A 12-in, gas pipeline passes through block 70
						50-60	39							
Scott C	County												36	Adjacent to Winchester.
78	No. 2	29.619	6,580	30	100	0-50	17						00	Adjubant te think the term
						50-75	63							
Shelby	County	16 360	3 000	24	100	0-50	97	Cumberlar	nd 15				43	Block 185 is bisected by the southwester
185	hridas	10.305	0,000	24	100	50-60	3	Shelby	85					edge of Lake Mattoon.
	phoge												43	
183	Shelb <sup>.</sup> ville	y- 13.539	5,020	18	100	0-50	100							Block 183 is bisected by a small creek.
Stark C	ountv													
7	No. 7	See Hen	ry Count	y.										
10	No. 7	See Peor	ia Count	γ.										
114	No. 6	See Bure	au Cour	ty.									40	The Succe Diver percent through block 115.
115	No. 6	292.671	40,010	1 42	6	0-50	11	Stark	84				40	A 16-in an nineline passes through the west
				48	73	50-100	8 <del>9</del>	Henry	16					edge of the block. An area of untested No.
				54	21	100-125	<1							6 coal borders the southeast side of the

block.

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		Reserves		By thickness		By depth		By county				reference		
Block	Coal	(in millions			Percentage		Percentage		Percentage	Block	Coal		to map	
number	member	of tons)	Acreage	age (in.) of total (ft) of total	County	of total	number	membe	r Acreage	(app. 3)	Remarks			
Stark O	ounty_Ca	ntinued												
116	No 6	10 710	1 700	42	100	0-50	100						40	
123	No 6	See Peoria	County	72	100	0-00	100							
125				•										
Vermilio 102	DO County	9 516	1 590	26	100	0.50	0						37	Block 102 is adjacent to Georgetown: two
102	HU. /	0.010	1,000	50	100	E0 76	00							12-in cas ninelines pass through the block.
102	N 7	10 501	0 070	26	41	0.50	92 6						37	Rlock 103 is adjacent to Westville: two 12-
103	NO. 7	10.591	2,670	30	40	50.100	07						5,	in loss ninelines pass through the block.
		•		40	40	50-700	90							In ga pipellier pare en augit ene stookt
	AL	72.004	e 000	00	13	0.50							37	Riock 104 is adjacent to Catlin and Dan-
104	NO. /	/3.224	6,920	70	12	0-50	4						57	willes it is packeted by purperous small
				12	86	50-100	24							underground mines and part is separated by
				84	2	100-125	71							an abandoned strip mine
		40 400		~~	-	0.50							40	an abandoned scrip mine.
184	No.6	46.167	5,290	35	2	0-50	21						42	
				48	43	50-100	40							
				60	11	100-125	33							
				72	34									
				84	10									
Wabash	County													Amount of contract E-instantials Cost border
179	Friends-	19.529	3,390	36	89	0-50	48						44	Areas of untested Friendsville Coal border
	ville			42	11	50-75	52							DIOCK 179. The DIOCK is adjacent to bei-
														mont.
100	Esian da	02 010	10 1/0	20	71	0.60	71						44	Some small oil fields are within block 180.
100	r rienus-	92.016	19,140	30	<i>``</i>	E0.100	29							Untested areas of Friendsville Coal lie west
	ville			26	10	50-100	23							and north of the block.
				30	19									
				42	8									
				48	2									
181	Friends-	24.759	4.520	30	49	0-50	93						44	Some small oil fields are within block 181.
	ville		.,	42	42	50-75	7							An untested area of Friendsville Coal lie
				48	10									north of the block.
Warren	County	- 14 ·												
23	No. 2	See Knox	County.	<b>.</b> .									10	
24	No. 2	11.865	3,300	24	100	0-50	99						~~	
						50-60	1						30	Block 25 is adjacent to Monmouth
25	No. 2	16.168	4,490	24	100	0-50	90						43	Diver 20 is aujovent to monimouth.
			_			50-60	10							
26	No. 2	See Knox	County.	-		~ ~ ^	05						30	Block 27 is adjacent to Recevilla Four-in
27	No. 2	7.832	2,180	24	100	0-50	95							and 7-in as pipeline neet through the
						50-60	5							and vin, ges pipennes pass unough the

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	Coal (i r member					Distribution of tonnage					Overlap			
		Reserves		By	thickness	By depth		By county					reference	
Block number		(in millions of tons)	Acreage (	in.)	Percentage of total	(ft)	Percentage of total	County	Percentage of total	Block	Coal member	Acreage	to map (app. 3)	Remarks
—												-		
Warren (	CountyCo	ntinued												· · · · ·
28	No. 2	11.672	3,240	24	100	0-50	77						39	Block 28 is adjacent to Roseville.
						50-60	23							·
29	No. 2	See Knox	County.											
Williams	on County													
164	No. 6	15.164	1,050	96	95	50-100	32						41	This block is sandwiched between the Big
				108	5	100-125	68							Muddy River and a large abandoned under ground mine.
165	No. 6	See Jacks	on County	<i>ı</i> .										•
166	No. 6	14.005	870	108	100	0-50	74			93	No. 5	660	44	This block is adjacent to the communities
						50-100	26							of Energy and Carterville,
167	No. 6	11.632	1,290	60	100	0-50	3						44	Active surface mine in this block.
						50-100	97							
168	No. 6	9.706	980	66	5 100	0-50	100						" <b>44</b>	
171	No. 6	See Saline	County.											
93	No. 5	12.525	1,740	48	100	0-50	51			166	No. 6	660	38	Block 93 borders Energy and Carterville
						50-100	49							active surface mine.
94	No. 5	16.902	2,350	48	100	0-50	37						38	Block 94 is adjacent to Marion.
100	0. K		000	00	400	50-100	53			00	Dente	010	44	
169	De Kove	n 5.042	930	30	100	0-50	04 AG			92	Davis	810	-+-+	
67	Davie	1 245	010	26	100	50-75 0.50	40			160	De Ko	uan 910	38	
92	Davis	4.040	010	30	100	60.100	67			105	De NO	Venioro		
162	Murphys	-				50-100	0,							
	born	See Jacks	on Count											

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