

State inspector of coal mines reports

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These reports of the Kansas State Mine Inspector mostly concern coal mining, though by 1929 the scope of the reports broadens to include metal mines. The content of individual reports will vary. The reports address mining laws and mining districts; industry production and earnings; fatal and non-fatal accidents; accident investigations and transcripts of oral interviews; labor strikes; mine locations; mining companies and operators; and proceedings of mining conventions. The reports document the political, economic, social, and environmental impacts of more than seventy years of mining in southeastern Kansas.

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ffice No.	LOCATION OF MINE.	Railroad connection.	Depth of mine, feet.	Kind of hoist.	Remarks.
39	134 miles west of Baxter Springs		265 40 330 25	Electric Freeman Electric Freeman	
	Galena. Galena . Mile north of Galena . Cherokee county . I mile northeast of Lawton . Mile northeast of Lawton . Mile west of Waco, Mo . Mile west of Waco, Mo . Mile west of Baxter Springs .	Frisco. Frisco. Frisco. Frisco. Frisco. Kansas City Southern. St. L. & S. F.	90 286 286 288 170 190 200 283 343	Gasoline Electric	Reports on one blank for all shafts
54 55 56 57 58 59	Baxter Springs. 114 miles north of Treece. Lawton. 1 mile north of Baxter Springs Galena. 114 miles south of Baxter. Baxter Springs. 115 miles northwest of Baxter Springs.		225 245 230 130 130	Freeman Gasoline Electric Gasoline Gasoline	No production



PRODUCTION EMPLOYEES DAYS WORKED, EXPLOSIVES USED, AND ACCIDENTS FOR	METAL-MINES	IN CHEROKEE	COUNTY, 1944
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200			Number		Production.	
ffice No.	NAME OF COMPANY,	Mine name or number.	of days worked.	Tons of zine.	Tons of lead.	Total tons of lead and zinc.
1 2 3 4	Allen Mining Co. Beck Mining Co. Beck Mining Co. Beck Mining Co.	Ace-Deuce Smith Swalley No. 3	60 304 307 153 60	2,037 1,769 4,010	1 216 187 575	2,253 1,956 4,585
5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13	Bill Abbey Chat Co. Bilharz Mining Co. Bilwil Mining Co. Bullard Mining Co. C. K. & E. Mining Co. Dines Mining Co. Dines Mining Co. Dines Mining Co. Eagle-Picher Mining and Smelting Co. Eagle-Picher Mining and Smelting Co.	Brewster Ebenstein No. 1. Stebbins Lesse. Hartley No. 1. Mound Mill Big John Black Eagle.	311 311 260 312 308 308 313	3,506 1,827 26 1,221 854 3,351 2,099	127 241 5 43 92 655 247	3,633 2,068 31 1,264 946 4,006 2,346
14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26	Eagle-Picher Mining and Smelting Co.	Brown Illinois. Inspiration Leopard. Lucky-lew-Parmenter. Murnby. Sim C. No. 1 Webber No. 1 Webber No. 3 Westside Foley. Westside Foley. Westside No. 1 Westside No. 2 Wilbur. Windsor.	313 313 313 66 313 262 313 313 313 313	1, 196 534 4, 740 1, 845 2, 198 66 4, 175 6, 430 8, 169 9, 373 1, 076	231 174 983 78 34 14 463 1 154 1,173 361 748	1, 427 708 5, 723 1, 923 2, 232 80 4, 638 2, 176 6, 584 9, 342 9, 734 1, 824
27 28 29	Eagle-Picher Mining and Smelting Co. Eagle-Picher Mining and Smelting Co. Earl Keith Mining Co.	Youse-Slaughter	306	132 1,824	7 66	139 1,890
30 31 32	Eastern Mining Co. Federal Mining and Smelting Co. Galena Mining Co.	Glen C. Fletcher Muncie-Tar Creek-Semple Southside (Tulsa-Quapaw	311 303	2,197 954	366 29	2,563 983
33	Grace-Jarrett Mining Co	De Arman	296	2,276	397	2,673
34	Harris Mining Co	Bendelari	298	2,086	319	2,405



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Total tons of lead and zinc.	Production. Tons of lead.	Tons of zinc.	Number of days worked.	Mine name or number.	NAME OF COMPANY.	Office No.
3,745 5,489 889 35 1,205 582 329 67 274 308 275 388 1154 217 6,909 16,733	527 527 861 23 9 68 60 183 14 25 26 15 23 1,944 25 179 22 97 32	3,218 4,628 866 2,1,137 1,146 53 2,49 282 2,60 3,88 1,14,789 114,789 102 811 3,220 71 714 1,420 604	307 329 305 210 308 238 304 100 91 1164 220 221 231 311 120 306 309 222 221 150 309 309 309 309 309 309 309 309 309 30	Liza Jane	L. & M. Mining Co. Lula Bell Mining Co. MacArthur Mining Co. MacArthur Mining Co. McCulley Mining Co. McCulley Mining Co. McSulley Mining Co. Mess Cave Mining Co. Mess Cave Mining Co. Mess Cave Mining Co. North End Mining Co. Robinson Mining Co. Robinson Mining Co. Robinson Mining Co. R. H. & G. Mining Co. St. Louis Smelting And Refining Co. St. Louis Smelting Co. Sonny Boy Mining Co. Sonny Boy Mining Co. Southern Mining Co. Stotts City Mining Co. Stotts City Mining Co. Swayze Mining Co. Tri-State Zine. Ine Wade Brothers Mining Co. Worley Custom Mill	35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 51 52
125,135	12,120	113,015	13,660	Lancard Control of the Control of th	Willow Creek Lead Co	60



=	MODECTION, EMPLOYEES, DATS	WORKED,			, AND ACC	IDENTS FO	OR METAI	L-MINES I	N CHEROKEE COUNTY, 1944	
			Employees		Number		Nonfatal	accidents.		
	Office No.	Under- ground men.	Number surface men.	Total men employed.	pounds of dynamite.	Fatal accidents.	Lost time.	Lost no time.	Remarks.	
	1	2 56 48 8 2 52 25 25 2 17 16 34 10 11 36 26 21 25 30 20 20 49 49 47 23	1 5 5 5 33 3 3 1 1 288 3 3 3 1 4 4 2 2 13 3 3 1 1 1 1 1 1 5 6 4 3 3 1 1 1 1 5 6 4 3 3 1 3 3 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	3 61 53 33 3 80 28 3 21 18 13 37 12 12 42 27 25 6 3 3 21 21 55 51 26	139,990 91,850 104,200 43,250 39,100 29,500 966 675 258 3,510 778 660	2	6 13 1 1 16 8 5 5 3 2 2 2 4 4 2 1 2 4 4 9	37 19 2 20 60 20 16 11 3 3 4 4 26 15 1 3 1 8 1 8 1 8 1 8 1 8 1 8 1 8 1 8 1 8	Abandoned No production No production No production	Mine Inspection Division
100000	28	30		30	15,143		2	7	Crew of Leopard Mine used at this operation. Form'ly Earl Childress Mng. Co.	
13	31. 32. 33.	10 40	2 3 6	46 13 46	68,250 20,400 39,050		6 1 6	28 6 10	Operates as one unit	



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		Employees.		NTY, 1944-	CONCLUDED	Nonfatal	accidents.	
Office No.	Under- ground men.	Number surface men.	Total men employed.	Number pounds of dynamite.	Fatal accidents.	Lost time.	Lost no time.	Remarks.
34	60	5	65	82,300	1	8	27	
36. 37. 38. 39. 40. 41. 42. 43. 44. 45. 45. 46. 47. 48. 48. 45. 50. 50. 50. 50. 57. 58. 59. 60.	33 34 74 74 21 22 26 5 5 5 14 14 7 4 6 6 3 3 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18	16 13 3 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	94 90 90 34 2 2 2 6 3 4 15 15 15 8 5 7 4 4 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20	115, 200 200, 100 31, 200 31, 200 43, 350 4, 800 1, 300 6, 000 6, 800 7, 050 2, 200 7, 050 6, 200 5, 800 7, 050 1, 300 1, 250 19, 300 1, 250 1, 250 1, 250 1, 250	1	4 17 4 2 2 3 2 1 7 7 70 2 2 2	28 57 4 14 14 2 2 31 316 37 37	Quit after last half, 1944 Abandoned November, 1944

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FATAL ACCIDENTS, METAL-MINES, 1944

1. Walter Casey, age 30, a machineman, was instantly killed at the Golden Rod No. 24 Mine, of the Harris Mining Company, on February 22, 1944, at about 2:50 p.m. The accident occurred about 20 feet southeast of the shaft. Mr. Casey was in the act of loading what is called a breast-hole. It was the opinion of Mr. Elliott, mine boss, that Mr. Casey had about five sticks of 30 percent dynamite in the hole when for some unknown reason the shot exploded. The full charge struck him in the chest and face.

Wasley R. Forgey, a machine helper, was back about 20 feet from the blast closing a water valve, and he received minor cuts and bruises.

Mr. Casey is survived by his wife, two sons and a daughter. His home is at Claremore, Okla. (Investigated by Dow Y. Downing and John Delplace.)

2. Vernie Smith, a machineman, age 40, and Robert Yockum, a machine helper, age 36, were killed at the C. K. & E. Mining Company, April 15, 1944, at 2:25 a.m.

They had drilled and loaded 11 holes in a drift, size 6 feet × 8 feet, 650 feet north of shaft, and had lit all of the holes but 4 and 7 of the holes fired while they were still in the face of the drift. We found Mr. Smith 40 feet from the face of the drift and Mr. Yockum 60 feet from the face of the drift. Both men were dead when they were found.

They were using 30 percent Gel. dynamite and orange color fuse. Their fuse was 8 feet long. (Investigated by Dow Y. Downing.)

3. Jessie A. Riggs, age 36 years, a tailing herder, at Mill No. 9 Waco, of the St. Louis Smelting and Refining Company, was injured May 23, 1944, at about 3:45 p.m.

The accident occurred on what is known as the ore ramp. The ramp is 16 feet from the concrete floor and Mr. Riggs was in the mill and walked out on the ramp to look at the tailing dummy. When he was about 14 feet from the mill for some unknown cause he fell from the ramp on about one ton of lead that was on the floor. The lead was about 2 feet thick on the floor.

The company had him taken to St. John's hospital, Joplin, Mo., and did not consider the accident to be fatal, but he died on May 27, 1944, at 1:00 a.m. Mr. Riggs is survived by his wife and three children. (Investigated by Dow Y.

4 and 5. Lloyd C. Gipson, age 40, a machineman, and Pleasant Hamilton, age 42, helper, were killed at the Bilwil Mining Company August 19, 1944. Mr. Gipson was killed at 11:15 p.m. Mr. Hamilton died at 1:30 p.m.

They were working about 650 feet northwest of the shaft when a rock fall occurred about 30 feet ahead of where they were working, and about 50 feet above them, back in some old ground. It fell on a sloping stope and slid down the stope. A boulder weighing about five tons rolled over Gipson, and he was killed instantly. Mr. Hamilton was taken to the hospital where he died at 1:30 p.m. There were about 40 or 50 tons of rock in the fall. (Investigated by Dow Y. Downing.)

6. Andrew J. Littledave, age 42, was killed at the Westside No. 2 Mine of the Eagle-Picher Mining and Smelting Company, August 19, 1944, at 3:45 p.m. Mr. Littledave, and his helper, John Daniels, were lighting 14 holes about 800 feet east of the shaft. Four of their holes were wet and they lit 10 holes



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above the bottom holes. They were on the floor of the mine lighting the bottom holes and running the shots as they lit them, when some of the holes above fired. Mr. Littledave was hit so hard he became unconscious, and all the rest of the holes went off on him. The distance from the floor to the roof where they were working was 30 feet.

Mr. Daniels was not seriously injured. His worst injury was a fractured leg. Mr. Littledave is survived by his wife and five children. (Investigated by Dow Y. Downing.)

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Office No.	NAME OF COMPANY.	Mine nan	ne or numb	er.	Name of supe	erintendent a	nd address.	L	ocation	of mine, mile	es from	
1 2 3 4 5	Barr Clean-Up Co Cardin Mining & Mill. Corp Carson Mining & Mill. Corp R. H. & G. Mill Semple Mining & Mill. Co	Webber & We Captain Peacock Early Bird		F.	Wm. R. Ellison, Treece. L. W. Gains, Route 1, Carl Junction, Mo F. W. Evans, Picher, Okla.			12 mile	1 mile east of Treece ½ mile west of Treece 12 miles northeast of Galena 1 mile northeast of Lawton 1 mile north and 1½ miles west of Treece			
	PRODUCTION, EMPLO	OYEES, DAY	s worki	ED, EXPLO	SIVES USED	, AND AC	CIDENTS I	FOR TAILI	NG-M	IILLS, 1944		
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No.	NAME OF COM				Mine name or number. of days worked.			S		Tons of lead.	Total tons of lead and zinc.	Mine I
1 2 3 4 5	Barr Clean-Up Co Cardin Mining & Milling Corp. Carson Mining & Milling Corp. R. H. & G. Mill. Semple Mining & Milling Co		Captain Peacock Early Bi			Captain Peacock Early Bird			866 ,392 285 ,253	2 4,392 5 6 291 3 2,253		Inspection
	Totals						1,19	7	796	108	7,904	
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	Office No.	Under- ground men.	Number surface men.	Total men employed.	pounds of dynamite.	Fatal accidents.	Lost time.	Lost no time.		Remark	ks.	
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	REP	ORT OF	MIN	E RESCUE	E DEPAR'	IMENT	
	FO	R THE PE	RIOD J	JANUARY 1,	1944—JUNE	30, 1946	
	SUPI	ERINTEN	DENT,	STATE MINE	E-RESCUE S	TATION	
	JOHN (CARTWRIGHT	٠			Pittsburg	
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ACTIVITIES OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE MINE RESCUE STATION

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1944, 1945 AND FIRST HALF OF 1946

There were no explosions in the coal mines of Kansas during 1944, 1945, and the first half of 1946.

January 20, 1944, 8:00 p.m.

Mr. Cartwright was called to Picher, Okla., by Mr. H. B. Hutchens, safety engineer, Eagle-Picher Mining and Smelting Company, to give a lecture and demonstration of first-aid practices for their class in safety engineering.

August 30, 1944, 11:30 p.m.

Mr. Delplace received a call from Mr. Bowlus, superintendent of the Arcadia high school.

The coal that was stored in the high-school basement was on fire, and the gas fumes were so great that no one could enter the basement. Mr. Delplace and Mr. Cartwright, with the Mine Rescue Truck and equipment, went at once to the school. On arriving, ways were provided to force air into the basement and drive out the gases and fumes. After the fumes and gases were cleared, the coal was turned and the fire extinguished, with no loss to the school prop-

This year, 1946, some of the larger coal companies have started safety and first-aid meetings. We hope to see more of the same at all the coal mining companies in the near future.

Classes in first-aid training were held by Mr. Cartwright in Columbus and Weir, Kan. He instructed a total of thirty-four (34) persons in first-aid.

Following are the names of those who received first-aid certificates in 1944, 1945 and the first half of 1946:

Booth, Richard: Columbus Brandenburg, Harold; Columbus Breneman, Kenneth; Columbus Baker, Russell; Weir Flood, Wilbur; Weir Gilham, Edward: Columbus Hamilton, Billie Marie; Weir Kennedy, Russell; Weir Lochead, Bill; Weir

Mishler, Louella; Weir Mishler, Thelma; Weir Price, Bill; Columbus Rice, Robert; Columbus Ricketts, Lawrence; Columbus Sullivan, Philomena; Weir Theis, Jack; Weir Winders, Paul; Columbus Wolverton, Ben; Columbus



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COAL PRODUCTION FROM 1869 TO (JULY) 1946

AVERAGE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES, AVERAGE NUMBER OF DAYS WORKED, NUMBER OF TONS PRODUCED FOR EACH FATAL ACCIDENT, AND NUMBER OF FATAL ACCIDENTS.

Year.	Number of fatal accidents.	Name of Mine Inspector.	Tonnage.	Total number of men employed.	Average number of days worked.	Number of tons produced for each fatal accident.
1869* 1870* 1871* 1872* 1873*			36,891 32,938 41,000 44,800 56,000			
1874* 1875* 1876* 1877* 1878*			85,000 150,000 225,000 300,000 375,000			
1879* 1880* 1881* 1882* 1883*			460,000 771,000 840,000 750,000 900,000			
1884 1885† 1886† 1887† 1888†	3 9 7 ††7	E. A. Scammon J. R. Braidwood	1,100,000 1,440,000 1,350,000 1,570,000 1,700,000	4,175		336,666 160,006 224,297
1889† 1890† 1891† 1892‡ 1893	12 8 13	J. T. Stewart.	2,112,166 2,516,054 2,753,722 3,007,276 2,881,931	5,956 4,523 6,201 6,559 9,851	210 222 224 208 147	176,013 314,506 211,824 192,128
1894 1895 1896 1897 1898	26 10 12 6 17	A. C. Gallagher Bennet Brown Bennet Brown George McGrath George McGrath	3,611,214 3,190,843 3,191,748 3,291,806 3,881,931	10,088 9,021 8,807 8,699 8,122	164 161 170 152 170	138,893 319,084 265,979 549,467 227,094
1899 1900 1901 1902 1903	16 20 10 30 36	Edward Keegan Edward Keegan Edward Keegan	4,096,895 4,269,716 4,896,121 5,230,433 5,540,647	10,198 10,673 9,506 9,315 9,972	186 193 180 170 186	256,056 212,845 479,612 174,347 153,907
1904** 1905 1906 1907 1908	16 36 30 52 31	James A. Orr James A. Orr Frank Gilday Frank Gilday Frank Gilday	2,732,499 6,374,671 5,754,616 6,591,013 5,588,016	10,347 12,109 10,175 11,957 11,334	92 183 166 204 179	170,781 176,322 191,820 126,750 180,258
1909 1910	38 25	Frank Gilday		10,542 10,619	190 165	150,728 205,415
1911* 1912 1913	37 28	Leon Besson Francis Keegan	5,727,653 5,135,391 6,254,228 6,350,396 7,090,579	10,918 11,364 12,506	197 196	171,578 253,235
1914 1915 1916 1917 1918	34 28 54 30 30	Francis Keegan John Pellegrino John Pellegrino John Pellegrino Fred Green	7,186,918 6,687,521 6,775,076 7,250,000 7,250,000	12,498 11,451 11,775 11,421 11,600	200 176 192 194 198	211,380 238,840 125,468 241,066 241,066
1919 1920 1921 1922 1923	26 26 14 9 19	James Sherwood James Sherwood James Sherwood James Sherwood	5,400,312 6,130,341 4,028,624 3,518,243	10,500 10,509 10,416 9,626 10,459	182 202 151 139 118	207,704 235,782 287,758 390,915 244,762



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COAL PRODUCTION-FATAL ACCIDENTS-Concluded

Year.	Number of fatal accidents.	Name of Mine Inspector.	Tonnage.	Total number of men employed.	Average number of days worked.	Number of tons produced for each fatal accident.
1924	7	Leon Besson	4,491,069	9,743	120	641,581
1925	11	James Sherwood	4,813,088	9,471	122	437,553
1926	16	James Sherwood	5,562,955	8,130	144 139	285,185 258,576
1927	10	James Sherwood	3,585,764	7,073	150	419,426
1928	8	James Sherwood	3,355,408	6,048	150	419,420
1929	14	James Sherwood	3.546.144	5.577	138	253,296
1930	10	James Sherwood	2,603,156	5,514	108	260,315
1931	6	Wm. P. Keegan	2,247,636	4,316	100	374,606
1932	11	Wm. P. Keegan	2,348,140	4,150	93	213,467
1933	9	Wm. Glennon	2,411,584	4,233	94	267,953
1934	12	Wm. Glennon	2,550,684	4,340	97	212,557
1935	9	Wm. Glennon	2,773,450	4,253	113	308,161
1936	8	Wm. Glennon	3,147,225	4,206	113	393,403
1937	3	Dan J. O'Donnell	3,148,401	4,283	107	1,049,467
1938	2	Dan J. O'Donnell	2,789,684	3,585	1021/2	1,394,842
1939	6	John Delplace	3,007,349	3,503	951/2	501,225
1940	5	John Delplace	3,693,455	3,348	94	738,691
1941	10	John Delplace	4,048,080	3,091	1051/2	
1942	4	John Delplace	4,209,38634	2,668	1391/4	1,052,3469
943-'44\$	5	John Delplace	3,387,766	2,236	132	677,553
1944	4	John Delplace	3,316,360	1,909	127	829,090
1945	2	John Delplace	3,197,908	1,585	151	1,598,954
1946**	0	John Delplace	1,086,449	1,416	52	1,086,449

^{*}Production of coal from 1869 to 1884 and for 1911 taken from the United States Geological Survey.

† One report made for two years.

‡ No report made; statistics for that year taken from the United States Geological Survey.

**One-half year's report. Reports changed from the calendar year ending December 31 to fiscal year ending June 30.

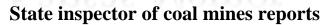
†† Explosion at mine No. 2, Frontenac. No record was made of loss of life, but it is known that forty-five lives were lost.

‡‡ Records destroyed.

§ Eighteen months.



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FIRST HALF OF 1945

Total coal production in the state of Kansas for the first half of the year ending June 30, 1945, was 1,582,763 tons. There were 1,444,503 tons produced from the strip mines, and 138,260 tons produced from the shaft mines.

There were 36 shaft, slope, and drift mines and 38 strip mines in operation during the first half of the year, a total of 74 mines. These mines gave employment to 1,640 men and worked an average of 67 days.

There were 972 men employed in the strip mines, and 668 men employed in the deep mines. The total amount of explosives used was 1,186 kegs of powder, 1,079,838 pounds of dynamite, and 80,236 pounds of pellet powder. There were no fatal accidents, but there were 99 nonfatal accidents.

Bourbon county strip mines produced 91,210 tons of coal. There were six mines in operation, employing 68 men and working an average of 73 days. The amount of explosives used was 40,500 pounds of dynamite, and 1,700 pounds of pellet powder. There were no fatal accidents, but there were nine nonfatal accidents.

Cherokee county deep mines produced 4,868 tons of coal. There were five mines in operation, employing 30 men and working an average of 51 days. The amount of explosives used was 148 kegs of powder, 200 pounds of dynamite, and 4,350 pounds of pellet powder. There were no fatal accidents, but there was one nonfatal accident.

Cherokee county strip mines produced 667,849 tons of coal. There were 15 mines in operation, employing 426 men and working an average of 86 days. The amount of explosives used was 485,550 pounds of dynamite, 168 kegs of powder, and 14,580 pounds of pellet powder. There were no fatal accidents, but there were 36 nonfatal accidents.

Crawford county deep mines produced 88,988 tons of coal. There were 13 mines in operation, employing 245 men and working an average of 93 days. The amount of explosives used was 870 kegs of powder, 3,758 pounds of dynamite, and 11,425 pounds of pellet powder. There were no fatal accidents, but there were 15 nonfatal accidents.

Crawford county strip mines produced 679,651 tons of coal. There were 11 mines in operation, employing 456 men and working an average of 67 days. The amount of explosives used was 546,675 pounds of dynamite, and 35,766 pounds of pellet powder. There were no fatal accidents, but there were 32 nonfatal accidents.

Franklin county deep mines produced 1,597 tons of coal. There were three mines in operation, employing nine men and working an average of 73 days. The amount of explosives used was 450 pounds of dynamite. There were no fatal accidents and no nonfatal accidents.

Labette county strip mines produced 1,108 tons of coal. There were three mines in operation, employing seven men and working an average of 34 days. The amount of explosives used was 500 pounds of pellet powder. There were no fatal accidents and no nonfatal accidents.

The one deep mine in Leavenworth county produced 24,747 tons of coal.



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There were 241 men employed, and the mine worked an average of 102 days. The amount of explosives used was 600 pounds of dynamite. There were no fatal accidents, but there were two nonfatal accidents.

Linn county deep mines produced 5,315 tons of coal. There were eight mines in operation, employing 49 men and working an average of 52 days. The amount of explosives used was 200 pounds of dynamite, and 11,915 pounds of pellet powder. There were no fatal accidents, but there were three nonfatal

Osage county deep mines produced 12,745 tons of coal. There were six mines in operation, employing 94 men and working an average of 95 days. The amount of explosives used was 1,300 pounds of dynamite. There were no fatal accidents, but there was one nonfatal accident.

Osage county strip mines produced 4,685 tons of coal. There were three mines in operation, employing 15 men and working an average of 54 days. The amount of explosives used was 605 pounds of dynamite. There were no fatal accidents and no nonfatal accidents.

As in the past, we have in this field, a great many men who go into the old strip mines and scrape their own coal. This individual operation amounts to considerable tonnage. Men with trucks also get this coal and sell it on the open market. This division is unable to obtain an accurate record of this tonnage.

REPORT OF COAL-MINE INSPECTION

LAST HALF OF 1945

Total coal production in the state of Kansas for the last half of the year ending December 31, 1945, was 1,615,145 tons. There were 1,460,018 tons produced from the strip mines, and 155,127 tons produced from the shaft mines.

There were 35 shaft, slope, and drift mines and 39 strip mines in operation during the last half of the year, a total of 74 mines. These mines gave employment to 1,526 men and worked an average of 84 days.

There were 872 men employed in the strip mines, and 654 men employed in the deep mines. The total amount of explosives used was 1,755 kegs of powder, 1,144,452 pounds of dynamite, and 62,825 pounds of pellet powder. There were two fatal accidents and 121 nonfatal accidents reported during the last half of the year ending December 31, 1945.

Bourbon county strip mines produced 88,209 tons of coal. There were six mines in operation, employing 80 men and working an average of 77 days. The amount of explosives used was 42,450 pounds of dynamite, and 4,400 pounds of pellet powder. There were no fatal accidents, but there were two nonfatal accidents.

Cherokee county deep mines produced 5,542 tons of coal. There were six mines in operation, employing 30 men and working an average of 40 days. The amount of explosives used was 461 kegs of powder, 240 pounds of dynamite, and 2,550 pounds of pellet powder. There were no fatal accidents, but there was one nonfatal accident.

Cherokee county strip mines produced 596,253 tons of coal. There were 12 mines in operation, employing 342 men and working an average of 80 days.



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The amount of explosives used was 628,700 pounds of dynamite, and 13,750 pounds of pellet powder. There were no fatal accidents, but there were 45 nonfatal accidents.

Crawford county deep mines produced 97,649 tons of coal. There were 13 mines in operation, employing 253 men and working an average of 108 days. The amount of explosives used was 1,288 kegs of powder, 4,912 pounds of dynamite, and 10,800 pounds of pellet powder. There was one fatal accident and 17 nonfatal accidents.

Crawford county strip mines produced 769,130 tons of coal. There were 13 mines in operation, employing 426 men and working an average of 69 days. The amount of explosives used was 462,800 pounds of dynamite, and 19,625 pounds of pellet powder. There was one fatal accident and 52 nonfatal accidents.

Franklin county deep mines produced 1,833 tons of coal. There were three mines in operation, employing 11 men and working an average of 82 days. The amount of explosives used was 500 pounds of dynamite. There were no fatal accidents and no nonfatal accidents.

Labette county strip mines produced 775 tons of coal. There were three mines in operation, employing three men and working an average of 20 days. The amount of explosives used was 800 pounds of pellet powder. There were no fatal accidents and no nonfatal accidents.

The one deep mine in Leavenworth county produced 24,292 tons of coal. There were 241 men employed, and the mine worked an average of 103 days. The amount of explosives used was 600 pounds of dynamite. There were no fatal accidents, but there were three nonfatal accidents.

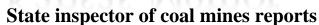
Linn county deep mines produced 4,420 tons of coal. There were six mines in operation, employing 21 men and working an average of 58 days. The amount of explosives used was 150 pounds of dynamite, and 10,900 pounds of pellet powder. There were no fatal accidents and no nonfatal accidents.

Osage county deep mines produced 21,391 tons of coal. There were six mines in operation, employing 98 men and working an average of 139 days. The amount of explosives used was 2,400 pounds of dynamite. There were no fatal accidents, but there was one nonfatal accident.

Osage county strip mines produced 5,151 tons of coal. There were four mines in operation, employing 17 men and working an average of 64 days. The amount of explosives used was six kegs of powder, and 1,200 pounds of dynamite. There were no fatal accidents and no nonfatal accidents.

The one strip mine in Wilson county produced 500 tons of coal. There were four men employed and the mine worked an average of 50 days. The amount of explosives used was 500 pounds of dynamite. There were no fatal accidents and no nonfatal accidents.

As in the past, we have in this field, a great many men who go into the old strip mines and scrape their own coal. This individual operation amounts to considerable tonnage. Men with trucks also get this coal and sell it on the open market. This division is unable to obtain an accurate record of this tonnage.





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REPORT OF COAL-MINE INSPECTION

FOR 1945

Total coal production in the state of Kansas for the calendar year ending December 31, 1945, was 3,197,908 tons. There were 2,904,521 tons produced from the strip mines, and 293,387 tons produced from the shaft mines.

There were 37 shaft, slope, and drift mines and 42 strip mines in operation during the calendar year, a total of 79 mines. These mines gave employment to 1.585 men and worked an average of 151 days.

There were 924 men employed in the strip mines, and 661 men employed in the deep mines. The total amount of explosives used was 2,941 kegs of powder, 2,224,290 pounds of dynamite, and 143,061 pounds of pellet powder. There were two fatal accidents and 220 nonfatal accidents reported during the calendar year ending December 31, 1945.

Bourbon county strip mines produced 179,419 tons of coal. There were six mines in operation, employing 74 men and working an average of 150 days. The total amount of explosives used was 82,950 pounds of dynamite, and 6,100 pounds of pellet powder. There were no fatal accidents, but there were 11 nonfatal accidents.

Cherokee county deep mines produced 10,410 tons of coal. There were six mines in operation, employing 30 men and working an average of 91 days. The amount of explosives used was 609 kegs of powder, 440 pounds of dynamite, and 6,900 pounds of pellet powder. There were no fatal accidents, but there were two nonfatal accidents.

Cherokee county strip mines produced 1,264,102 tons of coal. There were 15 mines in operation, employing 384 men and working an average of 166 days. The amount of explosives used was 168 kegs of powder, 1,114,250 pounds of dynamite, and 28,330 pounds of pellet powder. There were no fatal accidents, but there were 81 nonfatal accidents.

Crawford county deep mines produced 186,637 tons of coal. There were 13 mines in operation, employing 249 men and working an average of 201 days. The amount of explosives used was 2,158 kegs of powder, 8,670 pounds of dynamite, and 22,225 pounds of pellet powder. There was one fatal accident and 32 nonfatal accidents.

Crawford county strip mines produced 1,448,781 tons of coal. There were 13 mines in operation, employing 441 men, and working an average of 136 days. The total amount of explosives used was 1,009,475 pounds of dynamite, and 55,391 pounds of pellet powder. There was one fatal accident and 84 nonfatal accidents.

Franklin county deep mines produced 3,430 tons of coal. There were three mines in operation, employing 10 men and working an average of 155 days. The amount of explosives used was 950 pounds of dynamite. There were no fatal accidents and no nonfatal accidents.

Labette county strip mines produced 1,883 tons of coal. There were three mines in operation, employing five men and working an average of 54 days. The total amount of explosives used was 1,300 pounds of pellet powder. There were no fatal accidents and no nonfatal accidents.



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The one deep mine in Leavenworth county produced 49,039 tons of coal. There were 241 men employed, and the mine worked an average of 205 days. The amount of explosives used was 1,200 pounds of dynamite. There were no fatal accidents, but there were five nonfatal accidents.

Linn county deep mines produced 9,735 tons of coal. There were eight mines in operation, employing 35 men and working an average of 110 days. The amount of explosives used was 350 pounds of dynamite, and 22,815 pounds of pellet powder. There were no fatal accidents, but there were three nonfatal accidents.

Osage county deep mines produced 34,136 tons of coal. There were six mines in operation, employing 96 men and working an average of 234 days. The amount of explosives used was 3,700 pounds of dynamite. There were no fatal accidents, but there were two nonfatal accidents.

Osage county strip mines produced 9,836 tons of coal. There were four mines in operation, employing 16 men and working an average of 118 days. The amount of explosives used was six kegs of powder, and 1,805 pounds of dynamite. There were no fatal accidents and no nonfatal accidents.

The one strip mine in Wilson county produced 500 tons of coal. There were four men employed and the mine worked an average of 50 days. The amount of explosives used was 500 pounds of dynamite. There were no fatal accidents and no nonfatal accidents.

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