

## 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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### ACTIVITIES OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE MINE RESCUE STATION

#### 1954, 1955 AND FIRST HALF OF 1956

There were no explosions in the coal mines in Kansas during 1954, 1955 and the first half of 1956.

Classes in first-aid training were held in Scammon, Kan., West Mineral and at Pittsburg-Midway Coal Mining Company mine.

Mr. Cartwright has the duties of the Deputy Mine Inspector.

First-aid demonstrations were held at the cleaning plant of the Pittsburg-Midway Coal Mining Company on April 14, 1954, June 10, 1954, and March 10, 1956. These demonstrations were put on by employees of the Pittsburg-Midway Coal Mining Company. Mr. Cartwright trained these employees for these demonstrations.

Much work was done in Cherokee and Crawford counties getting old abandoned coal mine shafts filled. To date there has been 60 mines filled in Cherokee county and 50 mines filled in Crawford county.

Following are the names of those who received first-aid training:

Battitori, Ed  
Bennett, Ross  
Bowman, Ray  
Cerne, Louis  
Dibble, Cecil  
Finley, John  
Justice, John  
Jolley, Nelle  
Lampton, Gladys

Lampton, W. J.  
Lashmet, Al  
Leroy, Mrs. John, Jr.,  
McCormick, Nelle  
Newport, A. F.  
O'Malley, Carmel  
Smith, Marion  
Sander, Ralph  
Summers, Marion



### COAL PRODUCTION FROM 1869 TO (JULY) 1956

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*			36,891			
1870*			32,938			
1871*			41,000			
1872*			44,800			
1873*			56,000			
1874*			85,009			
1875*			150,000			
1876*			225,000			
1877*			300,000			
1878*			375,000			
1879*			460,000			
1880*			771,000			
1881*			840,000			
1882*			750,000			
1883*			900,000			
1884	3	E. A. Seamon...	1,100,000			336,666
1885†	9	J. R. Braidwood...	1,440,000	4,175		160,006
1886†			1,350,000			
1887†	7	G. W. Findlay...	1,570,000			224,297
1888†	††	J. T. Stewart...	1,700,000			
1889†	12	J. T. Stewart...	2,112,166	5,956	210	176,013
1890†	8		2,516,054	4,523	222	314,506
1891†	13		2,753,722	6,201	224	211,824
1892†			3,007,276	6,559	208	
1893	15	A. C. Gallagher...	2,881,931	9,851	147	192,128
1894	26	A. C. Gallagher...	3,611,214	10,088	164	138,893
1895	10	Bennet Brown...	3,190,843	9,021	161	319,084
1896	12	Bennet Brown...	3,191,748	8,807	170	265,979
1897	6	George McGrath...	3,291,806	8,699	152	549,467
1898	17	George McGrath...	3,881,931	8,122	170	227,094
1899	16	Edward Keegan...	4,096,895	10,198	186	256,056
1900	20	Edward Keegan...	4,269,716	10,673	193	212,845
1901	10	Edward Keegan...	4,896,121	9,506	180	479,612
1902	30	D. R. Casselman...	5,230,433	9,315	170	174,347
1903	36	D. R. Casselman...	5,540,647	9,972	186	153,907
1904**	16	James A. Orr...	2,732,499	10,347	92	170,781
1905	36	James A. Orr...	6,374,671	12,109	183	176,322
1906	30	Frank Gilday...	5,754,616	10,175	166	191,820
1907	52	Frank Gilday...	6,591,013	11,957	204	126,750
1908	31	Frank Gilday...	5,588,016	11,334	179	180,258
1909	38	Frank Gilday...	5,727,653	10,542	190	150,728
1910	25	Frank Gilday...	5,135,391	10,619	165	205,415
1911*	††	Leon Besson...	6,254,228	10,918		
1912	37	Leon Besson...	6,350,396	11,364	197	171,578
1913	28	Francis Keegan...	7,090,579	12,506	196	253,235
1914	34	Francis Keegan...	7,186,918	12,498	200	211,380
1915	28	John Pellegrino...	6,687,521	11,451	176	238,840
1916	54	John Pellegrino...	6,775,076	11,775	192	125,468
1917	30	John Pellegrino...	7,250,000	11,421	194	241,066
1918	30	Fred Green...	7,250,000	11,600	198	241,066
1919	26	James Sherwood...	5,400,312	10,500	182	207,704
1920	26	James Sherwood...	6,130,341	10,509	202	235,782
1921	14	James Sherwood...	4,028,624	10,416	151	287,758
1922	9	James Sherwood...	3,518,243	9,626	139	390,915
1923	19	James Sherwood...	4,650,479	10,459	118	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	285,185
1927	10	James Sherwood....	3,585,764	7,073	139	258,576
1928	8	James Sherwood....	3,355,408	6,048	150	419,426
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	102½	1,394,842
1939	6	John Delplace.....	3,007,349	3,503	95½	501,225
1940	5	John Delplace.....	3,693,455	3,348	94	738,691
1941	10	John Delplace.....	4,048,080	3,091	105½	404,808
1942	4	John Delplace.....	4,209,386¾	2,668	139¼	1,052,346¾
1943§	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	2	John Delplace.....	2,519,516	1,701	125	1,259,758
1947	3	John Delplace.....	2,720,376	1,660	136	906,792
1948	2	John Delplace.....	2,503,612	1,372	115	1,251,806
1949	1	John Delplace.....	1,887,579	1,323	100	1,887,579
1950	0	John Delplace.....	2,145,714	1,261	92	.....
1951	0	John Delplace.....	1,951,132	998	108	.....
1952	0	John Delplace.....	2,016,096	754	124	.....
1953	0	John Delplace.....	1,720,306	654	121	.....
1954	0	John Delplace.....	1,331,241	635	108	.....
1955	0	John Delplace.....	738,988	512	106	.....
1956**	0	John Delplace.....	418,737	372	56	.....

\* 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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### REPORT OF COAL MINE INSPECTION DIVISION FOR CALENDAR YEAR OF 1955

Total coal production in the state of Kansas for the calendar year of 1955, was 738,988 tons. There were 14,550 tons produced from the deep mines and 724,438 tons produced from the strip mines.

There were 8 shaft, slope, and drift mines and 34 strip mines in operation during the calendar year of 1955, a total of 42 mines. These mines gave employment to 512 men and worked an average of 106 days.

There were 84 men employed in the deep mines and 428 men employed in the strip mines. The total amount of explosives used was 1,050 pounds of permissible powder, 246,885 pounds of dynamite, and 52,858 pounds of pellet powder. There were no fatal accidents, but there were 13 lost time accidents and 43 no lost time accidents making a total of 56 nonfatal accidents, reported during the calendar year of 1955.

Bourbon county strip mines produced 9,841 tons of coal. There were 4 mines in operation, employing 12 men and working an average of 143 days. The amount of explosives used was 295 pounds of dynamite, 16 kegs of powder, and 3,608 pounds of pellet powder. There were no fatal accidents and no nonfatal accidents.

Cherokee county strip mines produced 591,251 tons of coal. There were 8 mines in operation, employing 191 men and working an average of 152 days. The amount of explosives used was 850 pounds of permissible powder, 133,800 pounds of dynamite, and 46,250 pounds of pellet powder. There were no fatal accidents, but there were 24 no lost time accidents and 8 lost time accidents, making a total of 32 nonfatal accidents.

Coffey county strip mines produced 2,147 tons of coal. There were 2 mines in operation, employing 9 men and working an average of 110 days. The amount of explosives used was 300 pounds of dynamite. There were no fatal accidents and no nonfatal accidents.

Crawford county deep mines produced 8,433 tons of coal. There were 4 mines in operation, employing 55 men and working an average of 60 days. The amount of explosives used was 380 pounds of dynamite, 200 pounds of permissible powder, and 1,660 pounds of pellet powder. There were no fatal accidents and no nonfatal accidents.

Crawford county strip mines produced 115,455 tons of coal and there were 12 mines in operation, employing 184 men and working an average of 99 days. The amount of explosives used was 110,225 pounds of dynamite and 1,275 pounds of pellet powder. There were no fatal accidents, but there were 3 lost time and 18 no lost time accidents making a total of 21 nonfatal accidents.

Franklin county deep mines produced 1,048 tons of coal. There was 1 mine in operation employing 3 men and working an average of 80 days. There was no explosives used. There were no fatal accidents and no nonfatal accidents.

Labette county strip mines produced 998 tons of coal. There was 1 mine in operation employing 3 men and working an average of 100 days. The amount of explosives used was 100 pounds of dynamite. There were no fatal accidents and no nonfatal accidents.

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Linn county strip mines produced 452 tons of coal. There was 1 mine in operation employing 4 men and working an average of 98 days. The amount of explosives used was 65 pounds of pellet powder. There were no fatal accidents and no nonfatal accidents.

Osage county deep mines produced 5,069 tons of coal. There were 3 mines in operation employing 26 men and working an average of 120 days. The amount of explosives used was 750 pounds of dynamite. There were no fatal accidents, but there was 1 lost time accident and no no-lost time accidents making a total of 1 nonfatal accident.

Osage county strip mines produced 4,294 tons of coal. There were 6 mines in operation employing 25 men and working an average of 66 days. The amount of explosives used was 1,035 pounds of dynamite. There were no fatal accidents but there was 1 lost time accident and 1 no-lost time accident making a total of 2 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 get an accurate record of this tonnage.

Again I want to report that we have not had any fatalities in the coal industry for the year of 1955. This makes six consecutive years without a fatality in the coal mines. I want to take this opportunity to thank the coal operators, the miners for their wonderful co-operation in assisting me in making this record possible.



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### COAL MINE DIRECTORY OF STRIP MINES IN BOURBON COUNTY, 1955

Office No.	NAME OF COMPANY	Name of superintendent	City and address	Location of mine							
				Sec.	Twp	R.	Miles from—				
							N.	S.	E.	W.	City or town
1	Garrett Coal Co.....	Chester Garrett.....	R. R. 2, Garland.....				1 1/2			1 1/2	Garland
2	Jones Coal Co.....	John C. Jones.....	Arcadia.....				1			3	Arcadia
3	Pellet Coal Co.....	R. C. Pellett.....	R. R. 5, Fort Scott.....				2 3/4			2 1/4	Garland
4	Wood Coal Co.....	W. L. Wood.....	R. R. 1, Pleasanton.....				2			4 1/2	Fulton

### COAL MINE DIRECTORY OF STRIP MINES IN BOURBON COUNTY, 1955—CONCLUDED

Office No.	Railroad connection	Kind of hoist	Depth of mine, feet	Height of coal		Remarks
				Feet	Inches	
1	None.....	Steam.....	11	1	3	_____
2	None.....	Steam.....	18	1	4	_____
3	None.....	Steam.....	10	1	2	_____
4	None.....	Gasoline.....	10	1	10	_____

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### COAL MINE DIRECTORY OF STRIP MINES IN CHEROKEE COUNTY, 1955

Office No.	NAME OF COMPANY	Name of superintendent	City and address	Location of mine							
				Sec.	Twp.	R.	Miles from—				
							N.	S.	E.	W.	City or town
1	Apex-Compton Coal Co.	H. W. Compton	Box 45, Monmouth					1½	4		McCune
2	Black Diamond Coal Co.	John Denham	Weir					½	4		Weir
3	Boyd Coal Co.	Raymond Boyd	301 W. Walnut, Columbus				4				Columbus
4	Markley Coal Co.	Perry Markley	R. R. 2, McCune					4			McCune
5	Pittsburg-Midway Coal Co. No. 19	Ed Phelps	314 Nat'l Bank, Pittsburg				2½			1½	Hallowell
6	C. Y. Semple Coal Co.	Earl Smith	R. R. 1, Scammon								Crowe No. 10
7	S & M Coal Co.	Earl Smith	R. R. 1, Scammon								Crowe No. 10
8	Wilkinson Coal Co.	Norman Wilkinson	Weir					4	2		Weir

### COAL MINE DIRECTORY OF STRIP MINES IN CHEROKEE COUNTY, 1955—CONCLUDED

Office No.	Railroad connection	Kind of hoist	Depth of mine, feet	Height of coal		Remarks
				Feet	Inches	
1	Frisco	Steam	30	1	6	
2	None	Diesel	18	1	2	
3	None	Gasoline	15	4		No production in fourth quarter.
4	None	Diesel	14	1	10	
5	M. K. T.	Electric	30	1	6	
6	Frisco	Diesel	18	3	8	Sold to S & M Coal Co. last of Sept., 1955.
7	Frisco	Diesel	18	3	8	Formerly C. Y. Semple Coal Co.
8	None	Diesel	12	1		

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COAL MINE DIRECTORY OF STRIP MINES IN COFFEY COUNTY, 1955

Office No.	NAME OF COMPANY	Name of superintendent	City and address	Location of mine							
				Sec.	Twp	R.	Miles from—				City or town
							N.	S.	E.	W.	
1	H. A. Rogers Coal Co.....	Sylvester L. Rogers..	Lebo.....								
2	Thorne Coal Co.....	A. N. Thorne.....	Box 171, Lebo.....				½	2½		1¾	Arvonia Lebo

COAL MINE DIRECTORY OF STRIP MINES IN COFFEY COUNTY, 1955—CONCLUDED

Office No.	Railroad connection	Kind of hoist	Depth of mine, feet	Height of coal		Remarks
				Feet	Inches	
1	None.....	Steam.....	15	1	3	
2	None.....	Steam.....	16	1	4	



COAL MINE DIRECTORY OF DEEP MINES IN CRAWFORD COUNTY, 1955

Office No.	NAME OF COMPANY	Name of superintendent	City and address	Location of mine							
				Sec.	Twp.	R.	Miles from—				City or town
							N.	S.	E.	W.	
1	DeGasperi Coal Co.	Ernest DeGasperi	R. R. 2, Pittsburg				6		3½		Pittsburg
2	Illner Coal Co.	Frank Illner	802 N. Taylor, Pittsburg					4½		3	Pittsburg
3	Lucky Star Coal Co.	Frank Simone	2024 S. Broadway, Pittsburg				½			3	Pittsburg
4	Quality Coal Co.	Rudy Blazie	R. R. 3, Girard	25	28	24	1			1¼	Arma
5	True Cherokee Coal Co.	Ed Theys	Arma				2			½	Mulberry

COAL MINE DIRECTORY OF DEEP MINES IN CRAWFORD COUNTY, 1955—CONCLUDED

Office No.	Railroad connection	Kind of mine	Kind of hoist	Depth of mine, feet	Height of coal		Remarks
					Feet	Inches	
1	Missouri-Pacific	Shaft	Electric	105	3		No production.
2	None	Slope	None	35	3	2	Abandoned.
3	None	Shaft	Electric	135	3		Abandoned.
4	Missouri-Pacific	Shaft	Steam	285	2	10	Abandoned.
5	Frisco	Shaft	Electric	65	3		Abandoned, 3rd quarter.





COAL MINE DIRECTORY OF STRIP MINES IN CRAWFORD COUNTY, 1955

Office No.	NAME OF COMPANY	Name of superintendent	City and address	Location of mine							
				Sec.	Twp	R.	Miles from—				
							N.	S.	E.	W.	City or town
1	Apex-Compton Coal Co.	H. W. Compton	Box 45, Monmouth				2		3		McCune
2	Clemens Coal Co. No. 22	George F. Elliott	312 Globe Bldg., Pittsburg				7		3		Mulberry
3	Clemens Coal Co. No. 23	George F. Elliott	312 Globe Bldg., Pittsburg								Pittsburg
4	Cliff Carr Coal Co.	Clifford Carr	R. R. 1, Mulberry								Croweburg
5	Davis Coal Co.	Roy Davis	Cherokee					1/2		3	Cherokee
6	Joe F. Gobl Coal Co.	Joe F. Gobl	R. R. 1, Mulberry				4		1		Arma
7	Mark Coal Co.	Adam Mark	R. R. 1, Mulberry				2		5		Breezy Hill
8	N Coal Co.	Jimmy Nesch	1010 S. Catalpa, Pittsburg				2				Pittsburg
9	Palmer & Son Coal Co.	Ira Palmer	Mulberry								Croweburg
10	Savage Coal Co.	David E. Kennedy	704 N. Water, Pittsburg								Litchfield
11	Target Coal Co.	Per Boselli	Box 321, Mulberry				2			1/4	Mulberry
12	Victory Coal Co.	C. H. Cousins	3240 Gilham Plaza, Kansas City				4				Croweburg
13	Wilson Coal Co.	A. L. Wilson	402 W. 20th, Pittsburg								Pittsburg on 20th.



COAL MINE DIRECTORY OF STRIP MINES IN CRAWFORD COUNTY, 1955—CONCLUDED

Office No.	Railroad connection	Kind of hoist	Depth of mine, feet	Height of coal		Remarks
				Feet	Inches	
1	Frisco .....	Diesel .....	20	1	6	_____
2	Frisco .....	Electric .....	40	3	_____	_____
3	Missouri-Pacific .....	Electric .....	35	1	6	_____
4	None .....	Diesel electric .....	12	1	_____	_____
5	None .....	Gasoline .....	8	1	2	_____
6	None .....	Gasoline .....	11	1	5	Started up fourth quarter, 1955.
7	None .....	Steam .....	8	1	_____	_____
8	None .....	Diesel .....	20	2	8	_____
9	Frisco .....	Electric .....	12	1	6	_____
10	None .....	Diesel .....	18	3	6	_____
11	None .....	Gasoline .....	12	2	8	Abandoned fourth quarter, 1955.
12	Frisco .....	Diesel .....	18	1	5	Abandoned fourth quarter, 1955.
13	Frisco .....	Diesel .....	18	1	5	Abandoned fourth quarter, 1955.
13	None .....	Gasoline .....	14	3	4	_____

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COAL MINE DIRECTORY OF DEEP MINES IN FRANKLIN COUNTY, 1955

LIST OF DEEP MINES IN FRANKLIN COUNTY, 1955											
Office No.	NAME OF COMPANY	Name of superintendent	City and address	Location of mine							
				Sec.	Twp.	R.	Miles from—				
							N.	S.	E.	W.	City or town
1	Red Star Coal Co. ....	George Huddleston .	Homewood .				1¾		1¾	Williamsburg	

COAL MINE DIRECTORY OF DEEP MINES IN FRANKLIN COUNTY, 1955—CONCLUDED

Office No.	Railroad connection	Kind of mine	Kind of hoist	Depth of mine, feet	Height of coal		Remarks
					Feet	Inches	
1	None.....	Drift.....	None.....	25	1	6	



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COAL MINE DIRECTORY OF STRIP MINES IN LABETTE COUNTY, 1955

Office No.	NAME OF COMPANY	Name of superintendent	City and address	Location of mine							
				Sec.	Twp.	R.	Miles from—				
							N.	S.	E.	W.	City or town
1	Gallagher Coal Co.....	F. J. Gallagher.....	Box 65, Oswego.....					1 1/4	1		Oswego

COAL MINE DIRECTORY OF STRIP MINES IN LABETTE COUNTY, 1955—CONCLUDED

Office No.	Railroad connection	Kind of hoist	Depth of mine, feet	Height of coal		Remarks
				Feet	Inches	
1	None.....	Steam.....	18	1	4	

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COAL MINE DIRECTORY OF STRIP MINES IN LINN COUNTY, 1955

Office No.	NAME OF COMPANY	Name of superintendent	City and address	Location of mine						
				Sec.	Twp.	R.	Miles from—			
							N.	S.	E.	W.
1	Fyock Coal Co.....	Virgil Fyock.....	Prescott.....						3	
										Prescott

COAL MINE DIRECTORY OF STRIP MINES IN LINN COUNTY, 1955—CONCLUDED

Office No.	Railroad connection	Kind of hoist	Depth of mine, feet	Height of coal		Remarks
				Feet	Inches	
1	None.....	Gasoline.....	10	2	2	

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COAL MINE DIRECTORY OF DEEP MINES IN OSAGE COUNTY, 1955

Office No.	NAME OF COMPANY	Name of superintendent	City and address	Location of mine							
				Sec.	Twp.	R.	Miles from—				
							N.	S.	E.	W.	City or town
1	A B Coal Co.	A. B. Vietta	Burlingame				1				Burlingame
2	Bell Coal Co.	William Isaacs	Burlingame					1			Burlingame
3	Central Coal & Mining Co.	Neal Hotchkiss	Burlingame				2				Burlingame

COAL MINE DIRECTORY OF DEEP MINES IN OSAGE COUNTY, 1955—CONCLUDED

Office No.	Railroad connection	Kind of mine	Kind of hoist	Depth of mine, feet	Height of coal		Remarks
					Feet	Inches	
1	None	Shaft	Electric	110	1	8	No longer operating.
2	None	Shaft	Electric	90	1	4	
3	None	Shaft	Electric	114	1	6	

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### COAL MINE DIRECTORY OF STRIP MINES IN OSAGE COUNTY, 1955

Office No.	NAME OF COMPANY	Name of superintendent	City and address	Location of mine						
				Sec.	Twp	R.	Miles from—			
							N.	S.	E.	W.
1	Johnson Coal Co.	C. O. Johnson.	Seranton				2	1½		Seranton
2	Linville & Sons	R. A. Linville.	Box 266, Carbondale				1½			Carbondale
3	New Coal Co.	C. L. New.	Burlingame				2½	2		Burlingame
4	Osage Coal Co.	Chester Peterson.	Osage City				4			Osage City
5	Oxbow Coal Co.	Charles Boatright.	Osage City			1		2		Osage City
6	Rowe Coal Co.	Clyde Johnson.	Seranton				2	1½		Seranton

### COAL MINE DIRECTORY OF STRIP MINES IN OSAGE COUNTY, 1955—CONCLUDED

Office No.	Railroad connection	Kind of hoist	Depth of mine, feet	Height of coal		Remarks
				Feet	Inches	
1	None		17	1	4	Formerly Rowe Coal Co.
2	None	Steam	22	1	7	
3	None	Gasoline	12	1	2	Started up fourth quarter.
4	None		12	1	4	
5	None	Diesel	18	1	3	Abandoned third quarter.
6	None		16	1	4	Leased to Johnson Coal Co., fourth quarter.

**ANNUAL PRODUCTION  
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PRODUCTION, EMPLOYEES, DAYS WORKED, EXPLOSIVES USED, AND ACCIDENTS FOR STRIP MINES IN BOURBON COUNTY, 1955

Office No.	NAME OF COMPANY	Production					Employees					Explosives			Accidents		
		Number of days worked	Tons of lump coal	Tons of nut or slack	Tons of mine-run	Total tons produced	Number miners	Underground day-men	Total underground	Top men	Total men employed	Kegs of powder	Pounds of dynamite	Pounds of pellet powder	Fatal	Nonfatal	
1	Garrett Coal Co.....	145	2,812	.....	1,893	4,705	.....	.....	.....	3	3	16	.....	2,350	.....	.....	.....
2	Jones Coal Co.....	130	3,826	.....	.....	3,826	.....	.....	.....	3	3	.....	50	1,050	.....	.....	.....
3	Pellet Coal Co.....	110	683	.....	.....	683	.....	.....	.....	3	3	.....	100	30	.....	.....	.....
4	Wood Coal Co.....	186	602	11	14	627	.....	.....	.....	3	3	.....	145	178	.....	.....	.....
	Totals.....	571	7,923	11	1,907	9,841	.....	.....	.....	12	12	16	295	3,608	.....	.....	.....

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PRODUCTION, EMPLOYEES, DAYS WORKED, EXPLOSIVES USED, AND ACCIDENTS FOR STRIP MINES IN CHEROKEE COUNTY, 1955

Office No.	NAME OF COMPANY	Production					Employees					Explosives			Accidents		
		Number of days worked	Tons of lump coal	Tons of nut or slack	Tons of mine-run	Total tons produced	Number miners	Under-ground day-men	Total under-ground	Top men	Total men employed	Pounds of permissible powder	Pounds of dynamite	Pounds of pellet powder	Fatal	Lost time	Nonfatal
1	Apex-Compton Coal Co. No. 1	133	14,036	43,763	.....	57,799	.....	.....	.....	57	57	.....	37,550	.....	.....	1	11
2	Black Diamond Coal Co. ....	160	5,432	1,315	.....	6,747	.....	.....	.....	5	5	.....	1,850	1,900	.....	.....	.....
3	Boyd Coal Co. ....	98	81	793	.....	874	.....	.....	.....	3	3	.....	100	.....	.....	.....	.....
4	Markleys Coal Co. ....	165	800	2,106	3,865	6,771	.....	.....	.....	6	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
5	Pittsburg-Midway Coal Co. ....	325	48,782	435,832	.....	484,614	.....	.....	.....	96	96	.....	84,850	32,200	.....	1	13
6	S & M Coal Co. ....	75	589	1,594	.....	2,183	.....	.....	.....	4	4	.....	850	150	.....	.....	.....
7	C. Y. Semple Coal Co. ....	77	340	11,310	.....	11,850	.....	.....	.....	8	8	.....	9,300	100	.....	.....	.....
8	Wilkinson Coal Co. ....	180	12,309	8,104	.....	20,413	.....	.....	.....	12	12	.....	.....	12,000	.....	.....	.....
	Totals .....	1,213	82,599	504,817	3,865	591,251	.....	.....	.....	191	191	850	133,800	46,250	.....	8	24

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### PRODUCTION, EMPLOYEES, DAYS WORKED, EXPLOSIVES USED, AND ACCIDENTS FOR STRIP MINES IN COFFEY COUNTY, 1955

Office No.	NAME OF COMPANY	Production					Employees					Explosives			Accidents		
		Number of days worked	Tons of lump coal	Tons of nut or slack	Tons of mine-run	Total tons produced	Number miners	Underground day-men	Total underground	Top men	Total men employed	Pounds of permissible powder	Pounds of dynamite	Pounds of pellet powder	Fatal	Nonfatal	
1	Rogers Coal Co.....	100	1,122			1,122				4	4		300				
2	Thorne Coal Co.....	120	1,025			1,025				5	5						
	Totals.....	220	2,147			2,147				9	9		300				

### PRODUCTION, EMPLOYEES, DAYS WORKED, EXPLOSIVES USED, AND ACCIDENTS FOR DEEP MINES IN CRAWFORD COUNTY, 1955

Office No.	NAME OF COMPANY	Production					Employees					Explosives			Accidents		
		Number of days worked	Tons of lump coal	Tons of nut or slack	Tons of mine-run	Total tons produced	Number miners	Underground day-men	Total underground	Top men	Total men employed	Pounds of permissible powder	Pounds of dynamite	Pounds of pellet powder	Fatal	Nonfatal	
1	Hlmer Coal Co.....	19	33			33	1		1	1	2						
2	Lucky Star Coal Co.....	127		1,144	3,107	4,251	8	4	12	2	14		300	1,300			
3	Quality Coal Co.....	17			1,300	1,300	22		22	3	25	200					
4	True-Cherokee Coal Co.....	78	1,732	1,117		2,849	10	3	13	1	14		80	360			
	Totals.....	241	1,765	2,261	4,407	8,433	41	7	48	7	55	200	380	1,660			

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PRODUCTION, EMPLOYEES, DAYS WORKED, EXPLOSIVES USED, AND ACCIDENTS FOR STRIP MINES IN CRAWFORD COUNTY, 1955

Office No.	NAME OF COMPANY	Production					Employees					Explosives			Accidents		
		Number of days worked	Tons of lump coal	Tons of nut or slack	Tons of mine-run	Total tons produced	Number miners	Under-ground day-men	Total under-ground	Top men	Total men employed	Pounds of permissible powder	Pounds of dynamite	Pounds of pellet powder	Fatal	Nonfatal Lost time	No lost time
1	Apex-Compton Coal Co. No. 2	139	10,471	42,766		53,237				57	57		40,900				12
2	Clemens Coal Co. No. 22	212								51	51					1	2
3	Clemens Coal Co. No. 23	52	7,374	35,406		42,780				48	48		52,450			2	4
4	Cliff Carr Coal Co.	130	1,770	168		1,938				4	4			300			
5	Davis Coal Co.	126	208			208				2	2			125			
6	Gobl Coal Co.	40			180	180				2	2		25				
7	Mark Coal Co.	52	202			202				2	2						
8	Morris Coal Co.	70	218			218				2	2		50	50			
9	N Coal Co.	137	6,764	2,492		9,256				7	7		1,150	900			
10	Palmer & Son Coal Co.	150	700	4,600		5,300				4	4		5,600				
11	Victory Coal Co.	20		2,000		2,000				3	3						
12	Wilson Coal Co.	65	125		11	136				2	2		50				
	Totals	1,193	27,832	87,432	191	115,455				184	184		110,225	1,275		3	18

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### PRODUCTION, EMPLOYEES, DAYS WORKED, EXPLOSIVES USED, AND ACCIDENTS FOR DEEP MINES IN FRANKLIN COUNTY, 1955

Office No.	NAME OF COMPANY	Production					Employees				Explosives			Accidents		
		Number of days worked	Tons of lump coal	Tons of nut or slack	Tons of mine-run	Total tons produced	Number miners	Under-ground day-men	Total under-ground	Top men	Total men employed	Pounds of permissible powder	Pounds of dynamite	Pounds of pellet powder	Fatal	Nonfatal Lost time    No lost time
1	Red Star Coal Co.....	80			1,048	1,048	2		2	1	3					
	Totals.....	80			1,048	1,048	2		2	1	3					

### PRODUCTION, EMPLOYEES, DAYS WORKED, EXPLOSIVES USED, AND ACCIDENTS, FOR STRIP MINES IN LABETTE COUNTY, 1955

Office No.	NAME OF COMPANY	Production					Employees				Explosives			Accidents		
		Number of days worked	Tons of lump coal	Tons of nut or slack	Tons of mine-run	Total tons produced	Number miners	Under-ground day-men	Total under-ground	Top men	Total men employed	Pounds of permissible powder	Pounds of dynamite	Pounds of pellet powder	Fatal	Nonfatal Lost time    No lost time
1	Gallagher Coal Co.....	100	998			998				3	3		100			
	Totals.....	100	998			998				3	3		100			

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### PRODUCTION, EMPLOYEES, DAYS WORKED, EXPLOSIVES USED, AND ACCIDENTS FOR STRIP MINES IN LINN COUNTY, 1955

Office No.	NAME OF COMPANY	Production					Employees					Explosives			Accidents		
		Number of days worked	Tons of lump coal	Tons of nut or slack	Tons of mine-run	Total tons produced	Number miners	Underground day-men	Total underground	Top men	Total men employed	Pounds of permissible powder	Pounds of dynamite	Pounds of pellet powder	Fatal	Nonfatal	
1	Fyock Coal Co.....	98	452			452				4	4			65			
	Totals.....	98	452			452				4	4			65			

### PRODUCTION, EMPLOYEES, DAYS WORKED, EXPLOSIVES USED, AND ACCIDENTS FOR DEEP MINES IN OSAGE COUNTY, 1955

Office No.	NAME OF COMPANY	Production					Employees					Explosives			Accidents		
		Number of days worked	Tons of lump coal	Tons of nut or slack	Tons of mine-run	Total tons produced	Number miners	Underground day-men	Total underground	Top men	Total men employed	Pounds of permissible powder	Pounds of dynamite	Pounds of pellet powder	Fatal	Nonfatal	
1	A B Coal Co.....	70			880	880	7		7	1	8		150			1	
2	Bell Coal Co.....	125	1,747			1,747	5	2	7	1	8		250				
3	Central Coal Co.....	167	2,442			2,442	7	2	9	1	10		350				
	Totals.....	362	4,189		880	5,069	19	4	23	3	26		750			1	

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PRODUCTION, EMPLOYEES, DAYS WORKED, EXPLOSIVES USED, AND ACCIDENTS FOR STRIP MINES IN OSAGE COUNTY, 1955

Office No.	NAME OF COMPANY	Production					Employees					Explosives			Accidents		
		Number of days worked	Tons of lump coal	Tons of nut or slack	Tons of mine-run	Total tons produced	Number miners	Underground day-men	Total underground	Top men	Total men employed	Pounds of permissible powder	Pounds of dynamite	Pounds of pellet powder	Fatal	Nonfatal	
1	Johnson Coal Co.....	79		620		620				3	3		35				1
2	Linville & Sen Coal Co.....	114			1,156	1,156				3	3						
3	New Coal Co.....	30			102	102				3	3						
4	Osage Coal Co.....	60			200	200				3	3						
5	Oxbow Coal Co.....	60	1,137	931		2,068				10	10		1,000				
6	Rowe Coal Co.....	50			148	148				3	3						
	Totals.....	393	1,137	1,551	1,606	4,294				25	25		1,035			1	1

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COAL PRODUCTION, DAYS WORKED, EMPLOYEES, EXPLOSIVES USED, AND ACCIDENTS BY COUNTIES, 1955

Office No.	COUNTY	Total number mines	Total days worked	Average days worked	Production			
					Tons of lump coal	Tons of nut or slack	Tons of mine-run	Total tons produced
1	Bourbon (strip).....	4	571	143	7,923	11	1,907	9,841
2	Cherokee (strip).....	8	1,213	152	82,569	504,817	3,865	591,251
3	Coffey (strip).....	2	220	110	2,147			2,147
4	Crawford (deep).....	4	241	60	1,765	2,261	4,407	8,433
5	Crawford (strip).....	12	1,193	99	27,832	87,432	191	115,455
6	Franklin (deep).....	1	80	80			1,048	1,048
7	Labette (strip).....	1	100	100	998			998
8	Linn (strip).....	1	98	98	452			452
9	Osage (deep).....	3	362	120	4,189		880	5,069
10	Osage (strip).....	6	393	66	1,137	1,551	1,606	4,294
	Totals.....	42	4,471	106	129,012	596,072	13,904	738,988

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COAL PRODUCTION, DAYS WORKED, EMPLOYEES, EXPLOSIVES USED, AND ACCIDENTS BY COUNTIES, 1955

Office No.	COUNTY	Employees					Explosives			Accidents		
		Total number miners	Under-ground daymen	Total under-ground	Topmen	Total men employed	Pounds of permissible powder	Pounds of dynamite	Pounds of pellet powder	Fatal	Nonfatal	
											Lost time	No lost time
1	Bourbon (strip).....				12	12		295	3,608			
2	Cherokee (strip).....				191	191	850	133,800	46,250		8	24
3	Coffey (strip).....				9	9		300				
4	Crawford (deep).....	41	7	48	7	55	200	380	1,660			
5	Crawford (strip).....				184	184		110,225	1,275		3	18
6	Franklin (deep).....	2		2	1	3						
7	Labette (strip).....				3	3		100				
8	Linn (strip).....				4	4			65			
9	Osage (deep).....	19	4	23	3	26		750			1	
10	Osage (strip).....				25	25		1,035			1	1
	Totals.....	62	11	73	439	512	1,050	246,885	52,858		13	43

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### FATAL ACCIDENTS

No fatal accidents occurred during 1955.

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## METAL MINE DIRECTORY, 1955

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