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The information pertaining to anthracite and bituminous coal is in compliance with Pennsylvania Anthracite Coal Mining Act (November 10, 1965, P.L. 346) as amended and the Pennsylvania Bituminous Coal Mine Act (July 17, 1961, P.L. 659) as amended.

This edition represents the 124 consecutive Annual Report concerning Anthracite and Bituminous Coal Mining Activities.

Anthracite deep production increased in 1993 by about 41,084 tons. The industry accounted for 497,551 tons produced. Employment decreased over the previous year, and employed about 350 deep miners in 77 operations. There were 138 non-fatal accidents, an increase, and an increase in fatal accidents to 1.

In the bituminous coal region, deep mine production decreased 7,164,133 tons (37,852,271) over 1992 with approximately 6,141 miners employed, a decrease of 910. The number of deep mines operating was 67, a decrease of 12 over the previous year. There was a decrease of non-fatal accidents, with 689 in 1993 compared to 787 in 1992. Fatal accidents 2, same as previous year.

In the metal and non-metal deep mine region, a total of 8 operations produced 2,985,950 tons of minerals, a decrease of 1,641,002 tons and employed 182 miners. Fatal accidents 3, an increase, and increase in non-fatal accidents to 35.

The Bureau continues to train approximately 7,500 miners per year in mine safety techniques and prides itself on maintaining four first-rate mine rescue stations that are strategically located throughout the coal fields.