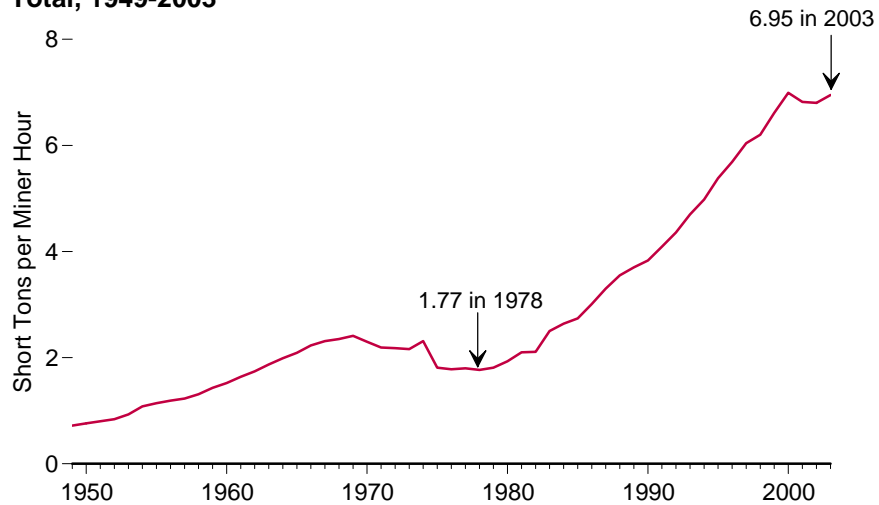
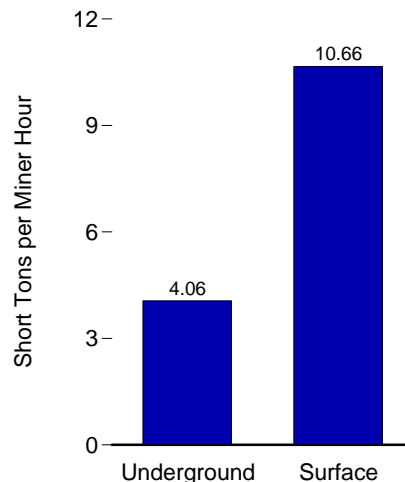


**Figure 7.6 Coal Mining Productivity**

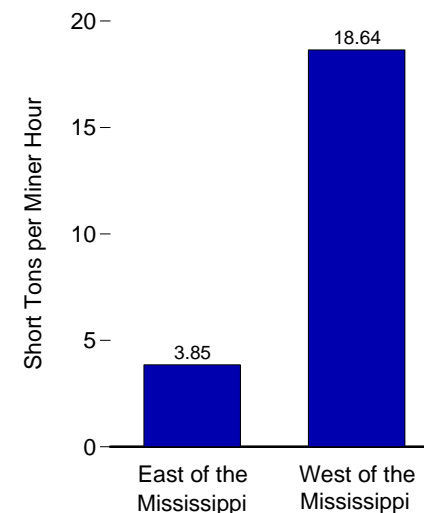
**Total, 1949-2003**



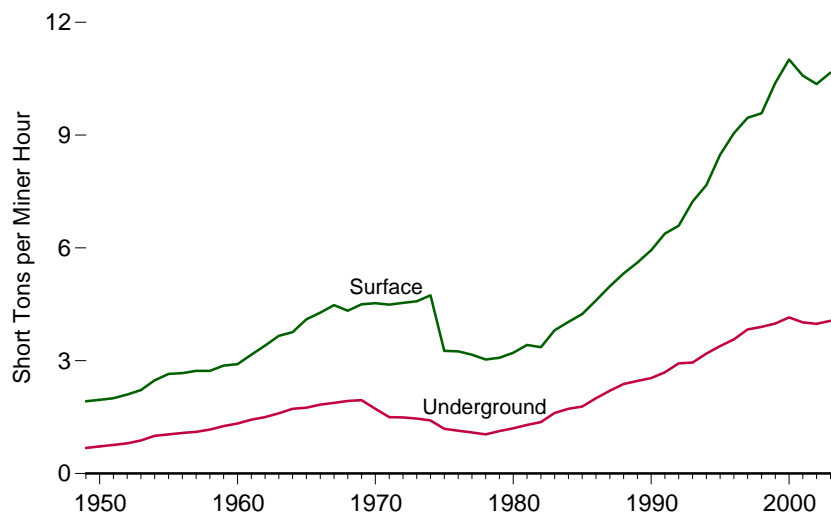
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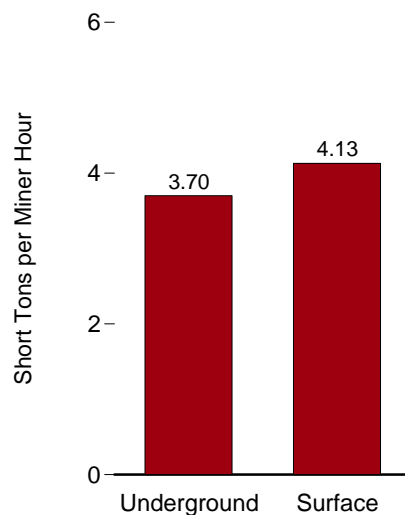
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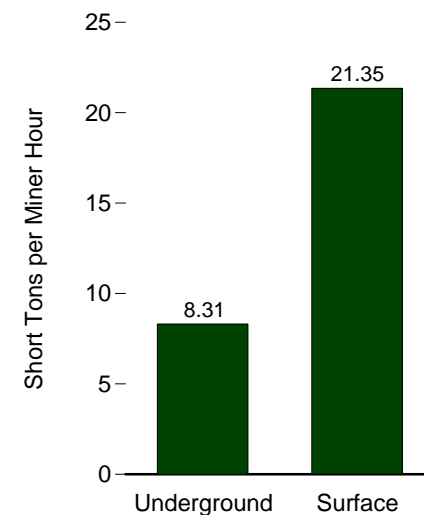
**Mining Method,<sup>1</sup> 1949-2003**



**East of the Mississippi, 2003**



**West of the Mississippi, 2003**



<sup>1</sup> For 1979 forward, includes all coal; prior to 1979, excludes anthracite.  
 Notes: • Beginning in 2001, surface mining includes a small amount of refuse recovery.

• Because vertical scales differ, graphs should not be compared.  
 Source: Table 7.6.