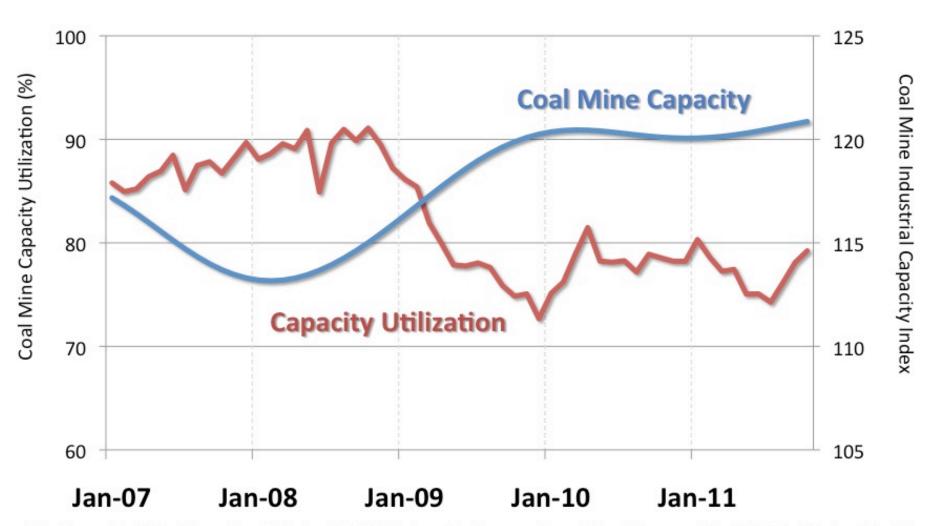
Average Number of Mining Jobs, Q1-Q3

			Appalachian States and Regions			
	U.S. Total	Appalachia	CAPP	VA	wv	KY
1983	174,294	122,989	63,912	12,683	38,027	32,688
1984	183,916	131,345	70,122	13,995	40,206	35,835
1985	171,940	119,489	64,253	13,133	35,502	34,186
1986	161,081	112,573	61,682	12,599	32,469	33,152
1987	147,217	101,532	56,218	11,734	28,633	31,603
1988	140,764	97,993	55,491	11,681	28,364	30,310
1989	135,819	94,845	53,911	10,467	28,602	29,024
1990	137,454	96,318	55,563	10,737	29,259	30,279
1991	126,698	87,359	50,952	10,077	27,605	27,135
1992	117,872	80,706	47,701	9,460	25,687	25,158
1993	104,747	71,755	43,849	8,899	21,532	23,938
1994	105,366	71,270	42,881	8,223	22,279	23,581
1995	97,432	66,270	39,806	7,163	21,387	21,091
1996	90,728	61,853	36,600	6,426	20,050	18,715
1997	88,181	60,488	36,006	6,534	19,150	18,326
1998	84,563	57,248	33,473	5,849	17,770	17,798
1999	78,691	52,274	30,600	5,128	15,838	16,453
2000	71,314	47,289	28,470	5,052	15,047	14,768
2001	74,024	50,069	30,905	5,165	16,466	15,622
2002	74,383	49,415	31,161	4,861	16,358	16,123
2003	69,853	45,293	28,030	4,510	15,276	14,340
2004	72,127	47,434	28,944	4,682	16,276	14,480
2005	77,660	51,985	32,313	5,046	18,487	15,980
2006	81,605	54,283	34,783	4,994	20,157	17,159
2007	80,966	53,203	34,037	4,811	20,508	16,222
2008	84,344	56,377	35,966	4,629	22,127	17,318
2009	87,590	57,556	36,506	4,594	22,235	18,320
2010	84,825	55,253	34,109	4,808	21,424	16,954
2011	90,354	59,059	36,514	5,164	23,353	18,022

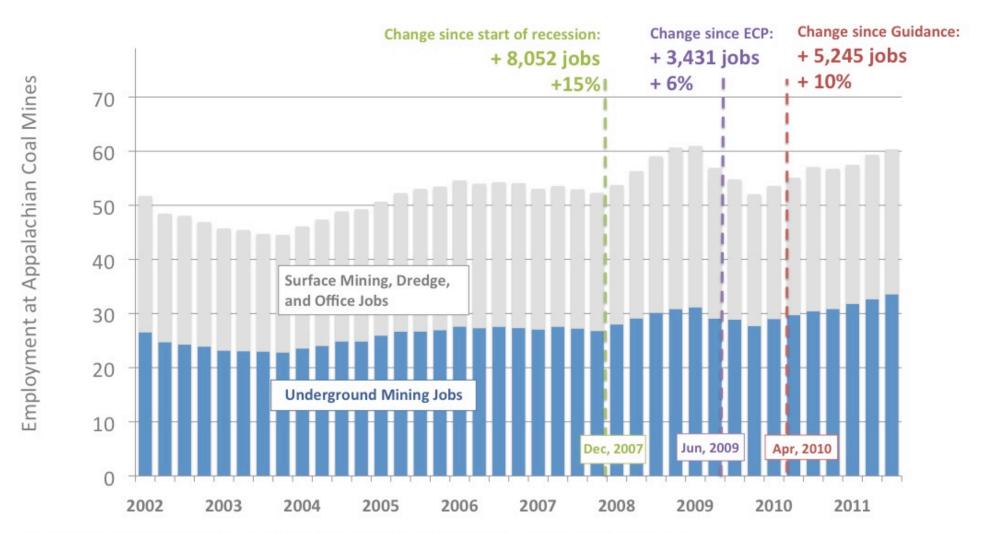
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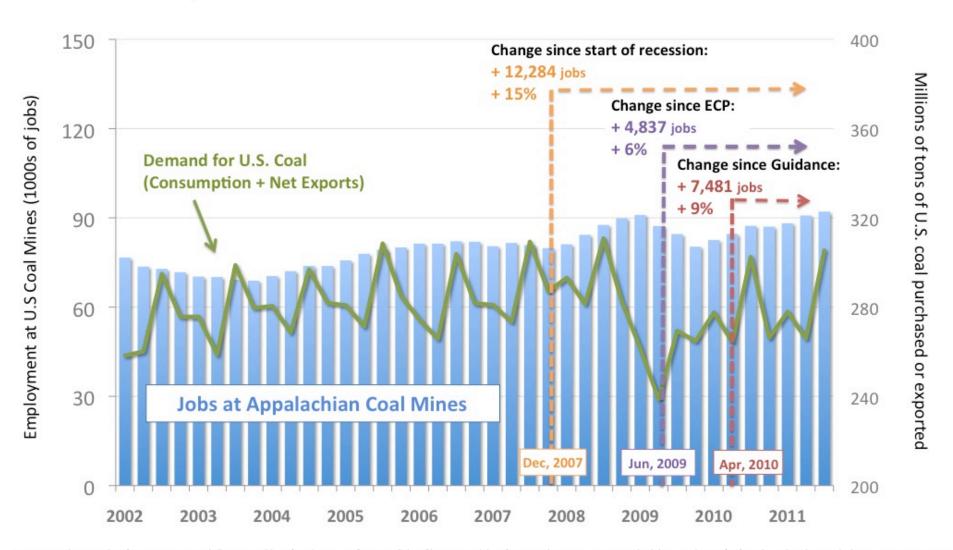
Source: Federal Reserve, Industrial Production and Capacity Utilization - Table G.17 (http://www.federalreserve.gov/releases/g17/caputl.htm-- accessed Nov 18, 2011). Analysis by Appalachian Voices

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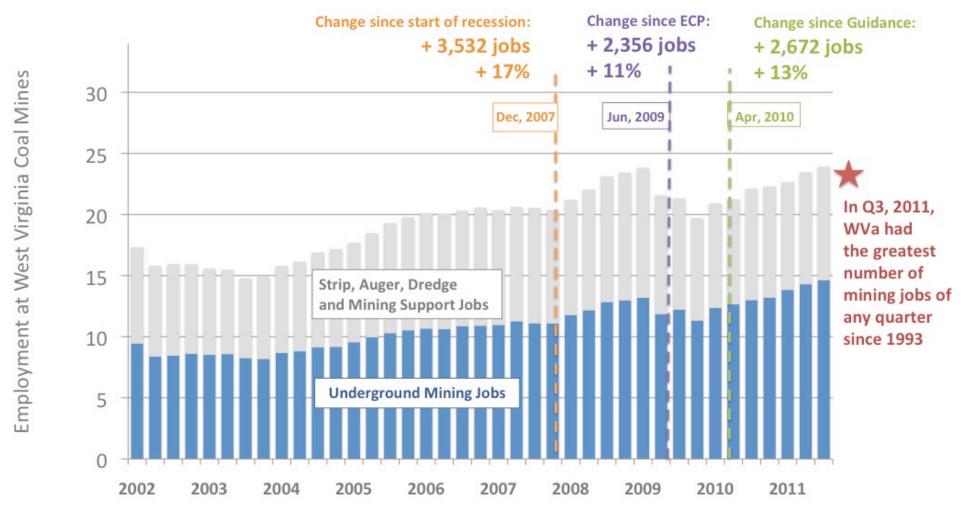
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U.S. Mining jobs are at their highest level in 15 years, despite a recent decline in the demand for U.S. coal



Sources: Employment data from MSHA Quarterly "Part 50: Address/Employment Information" data files; Demand data from EIA Short Term Energy Outlook (accessed on 11/15/2011); Analysis by Appalachian Voices - Nov, 2011

Mining jobs have increased in West Virginia to their highest level in 18 years, despite (or because of) EPA's enhanced scrutiny of mountaintop removal permits



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Mining Jobs in Virginia are at a 10-year high and underground production is up since EPA began stricter review of mountaintop removal permits

