

# Senator Manchin Weekly Energy Report

September 25, 2017\*

## COAL

Spot prices (dollars/short ton) for thermal coal for the week ending September 22, 2017.

- \$54.25 in Central Appalachia
- \$46.10 in Northern Appalachia
- \$11.55 in Powder River Basin

For the week ending September 16, 2017, EIA's coal production estimates are:

- US coal production: Approximately 15.5 million short tons (mmst). This estimate is 1.1% lower than the previous week and 7.2% higher than the comparable week in 2016;
- East of the Mississippi River: 5.7 mmst;
- West of the Mississippi River: 9.8 mmst; and
- National year-to-date coal production totaled 563.7 mmst which is 13.3% than the year-to-date production in 2016.

## MET COAL\*\*

Average price: \$122.27 (July 2017)

## WEST VIRGINIA ANNUAL PRODUCTION

2009	2016	2017
158 million short tons (peak)	80 million short tons	Projected at up to 88 million short tons (approx.)

## NATURAL GAS

Average weekly prices for report week (September 13th to September 20th):

South Louisiana (Henry Hub)	Appalachia (Dominion South)
\$3.14/mmbtu	\$ 1.78/mmbtu

## GASOLINE

Today's average retail price: \$2.55 per gallon

## ELECTRICITY\*\*\*

National Average	West Virginia Average
13.22 cents/kwh	11.69 cents/kwh

Note: In EIA's most recent Short-Term Energy Outlook, the share of US total utility-scale electricity generation from coal is predicted "to rise from 30% last year to 31% in 2017. The projected generation share for natural gas and coal in 2018 average 31% and 32% respectively."

\*Sources: Energy Information Administration, GasBuddy

\*\*EIA reports metallurgical coal price averages on a monthly basis.

\*\*\*According to EIA's August 2017 monthly report with data for June 2017.