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Summary of U.S. Coal Mine Methane Emissions & Available CMM Resources

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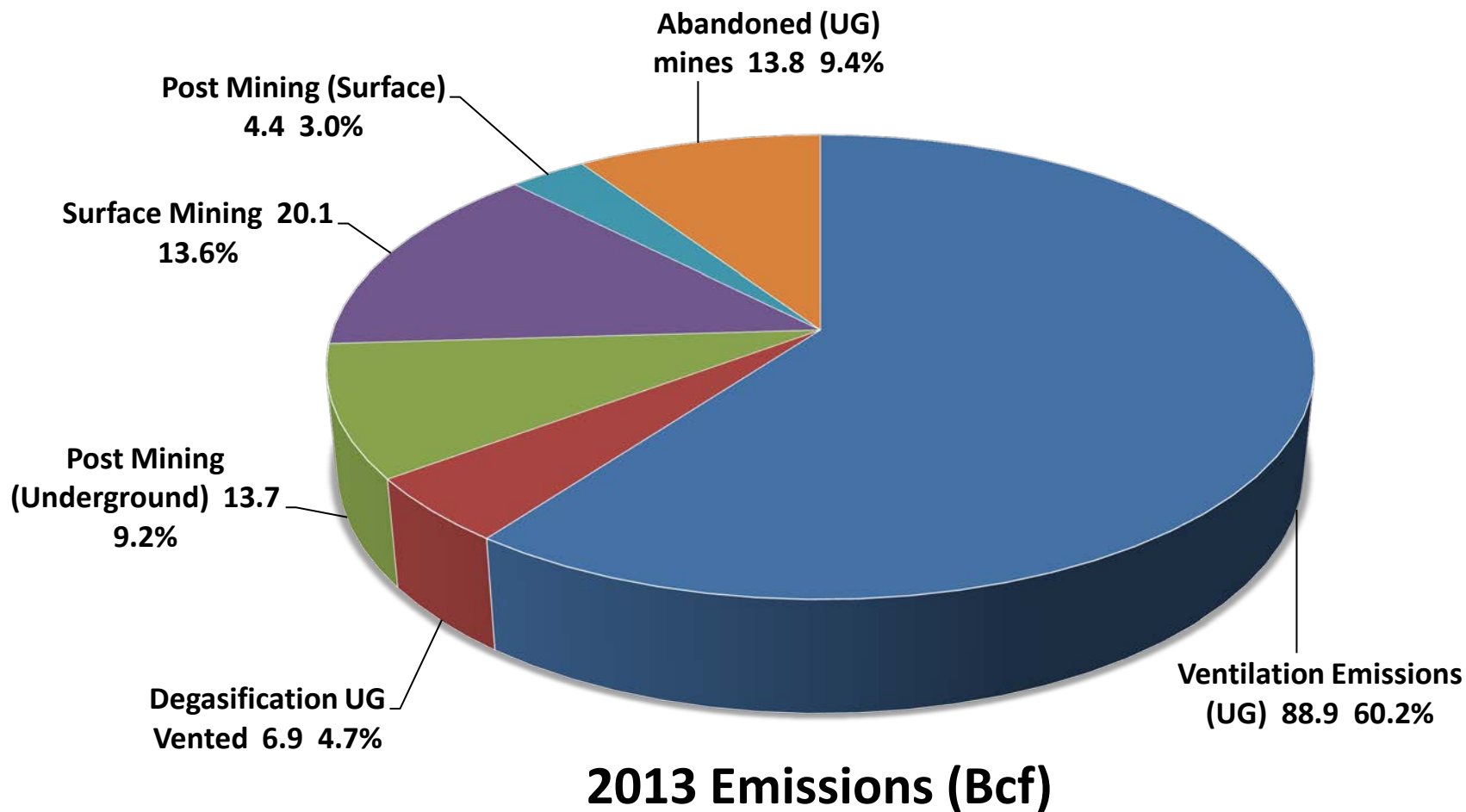
Overview

- 2013 coal mining emissions overview
- Historical trends in coal production & CMM emissions
- State by State emissions
- Methane Resources
 - Degas
 - AMM
 - VAM

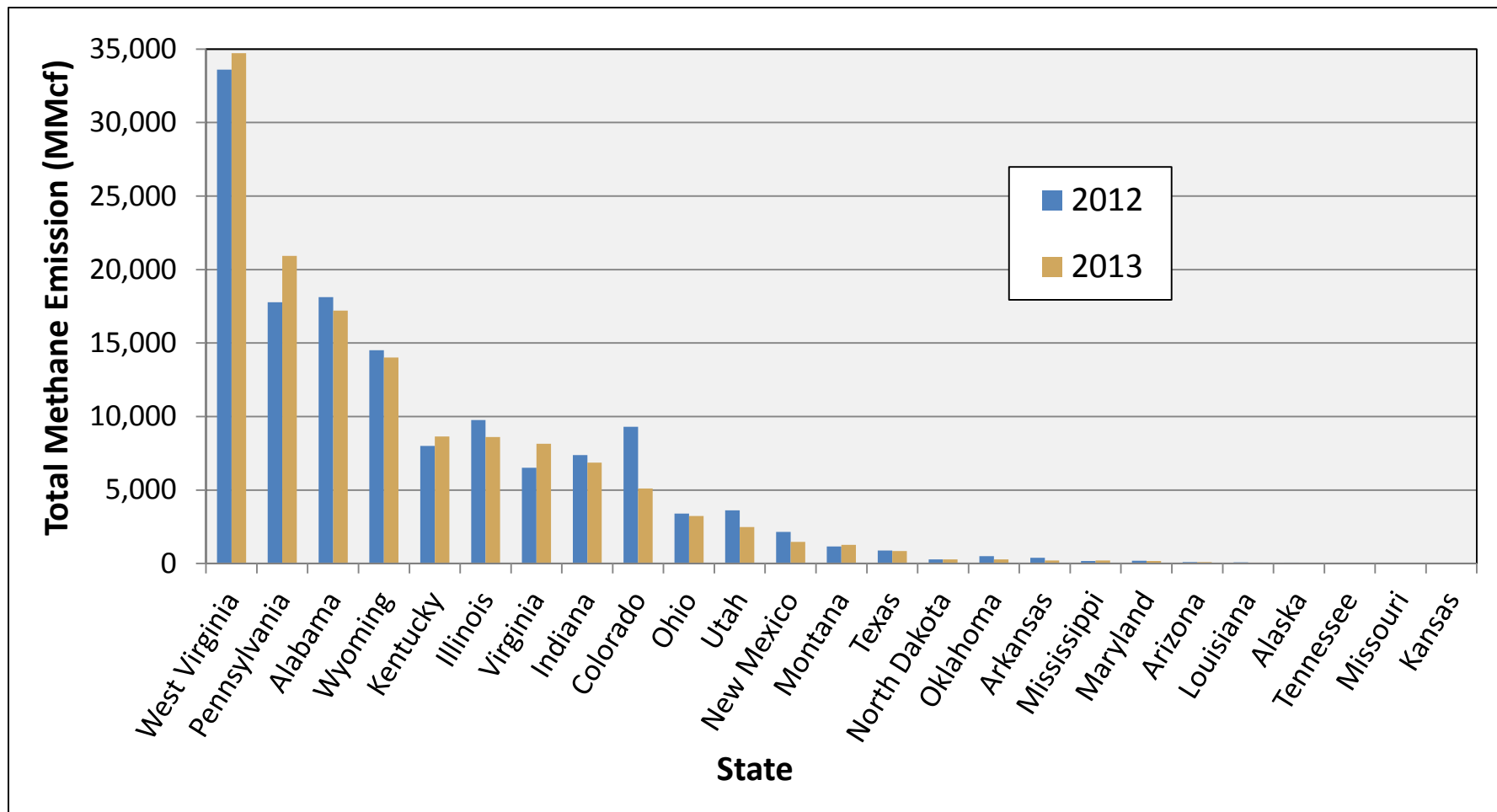


2013 CMM Emissions Overview

Total Coal Mine Methane Emission by Source



Total 2012-2013 Emissions by State*



* Emissions include post mining emissions



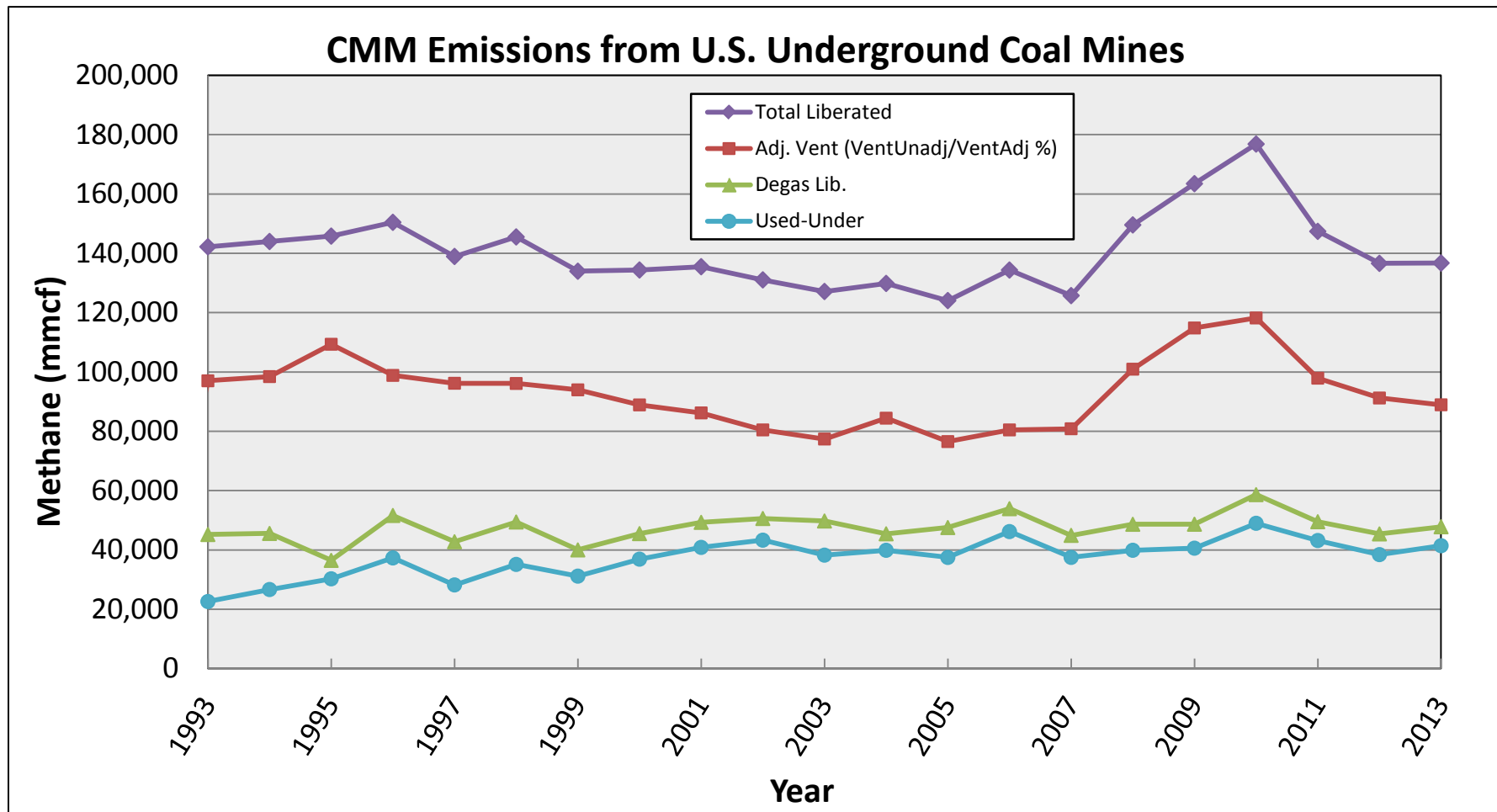
2013 Updates & Trends

- Coal production and methane emissions decreased slightly for both underground and surface mines
- VAM amount destroyed was highest ever
 - About 500 mmcf methane
- Vented degas methane remains about 7 Bcf
- Number of underground coal mines decreased from 488 to 395
- Eight gassy mines abandoned in 2013
 - Total gassy abandoned mines now = 509

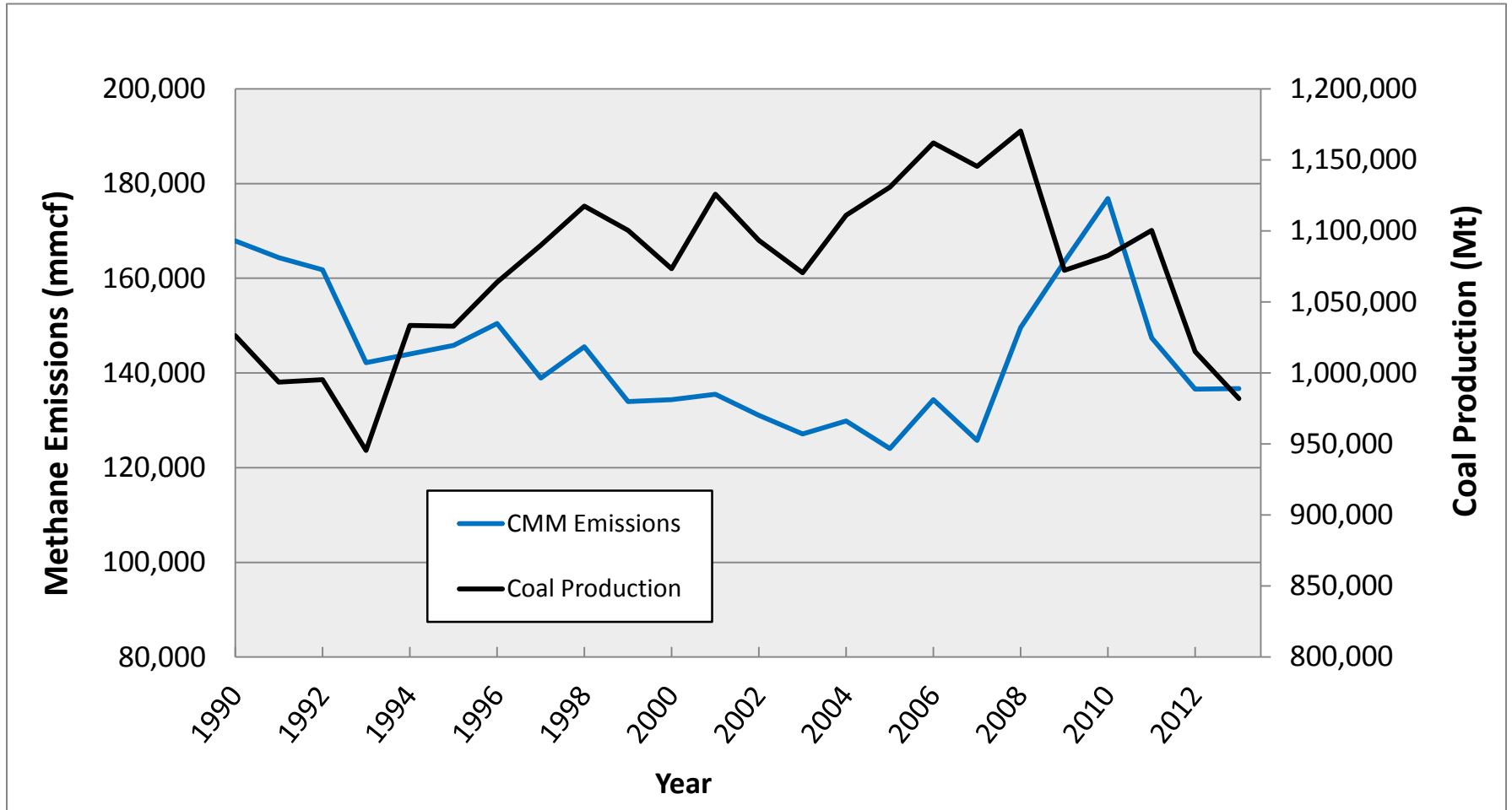


Historical Trends

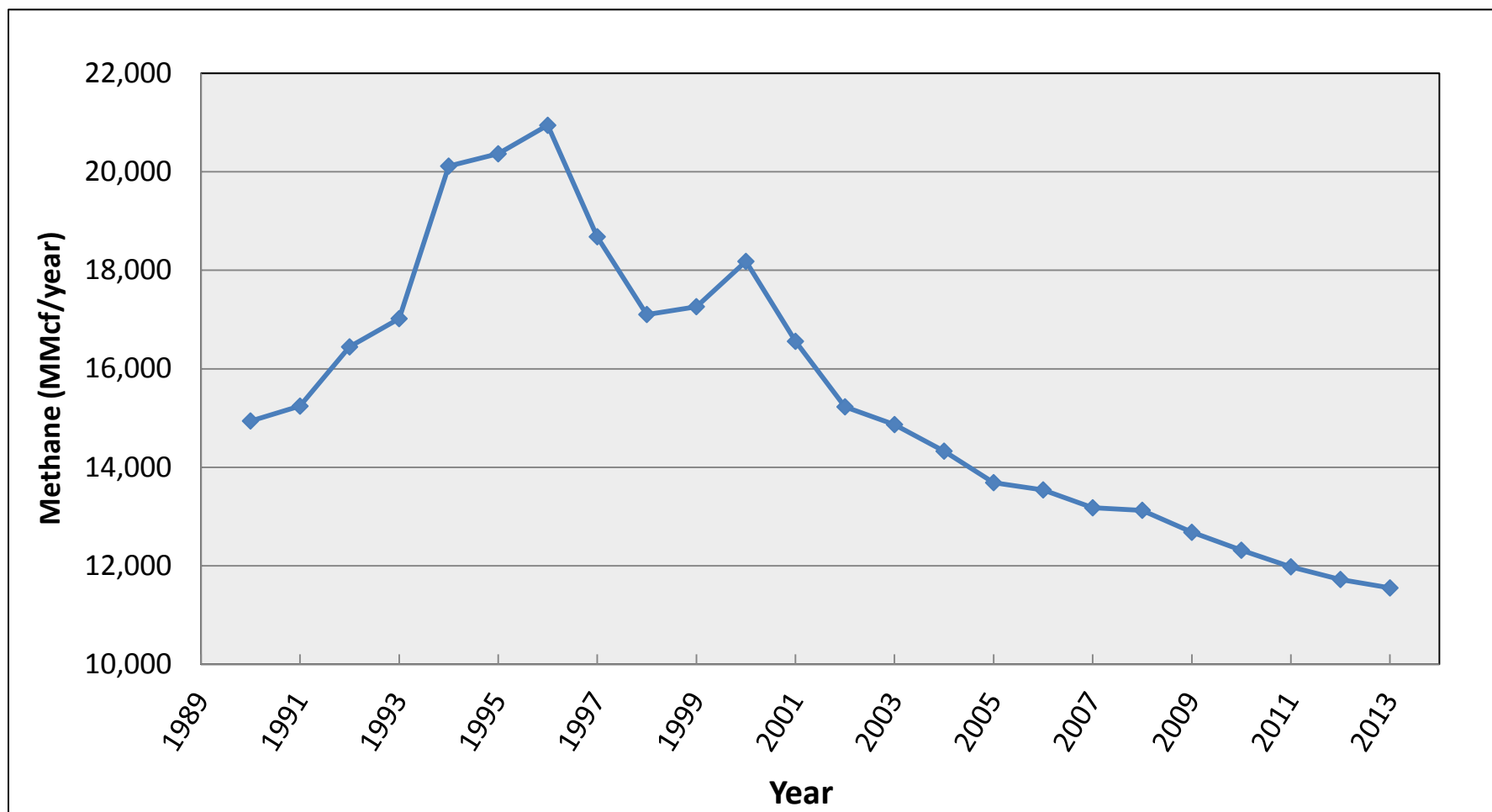
20 Years of Underground Coal Mine Emissions



U.S. Coal Production and Net CMM Emissions 1990-2013



AMM Emissions Since 1990





2013 Updates & Trends

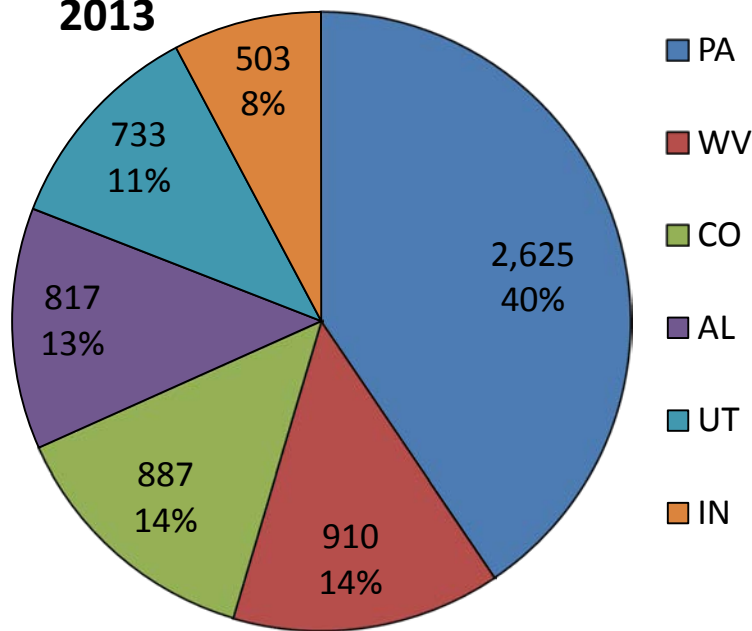
- VAM emissions peaked in 2010
 - Have remained flat for past two years
- Degas emissions also peaked in 2010
 - 20% lower in 2013
- AMM emissions continue a steady 13-year decline
- No real correlation between overall U.S. coal production and CMM emissions



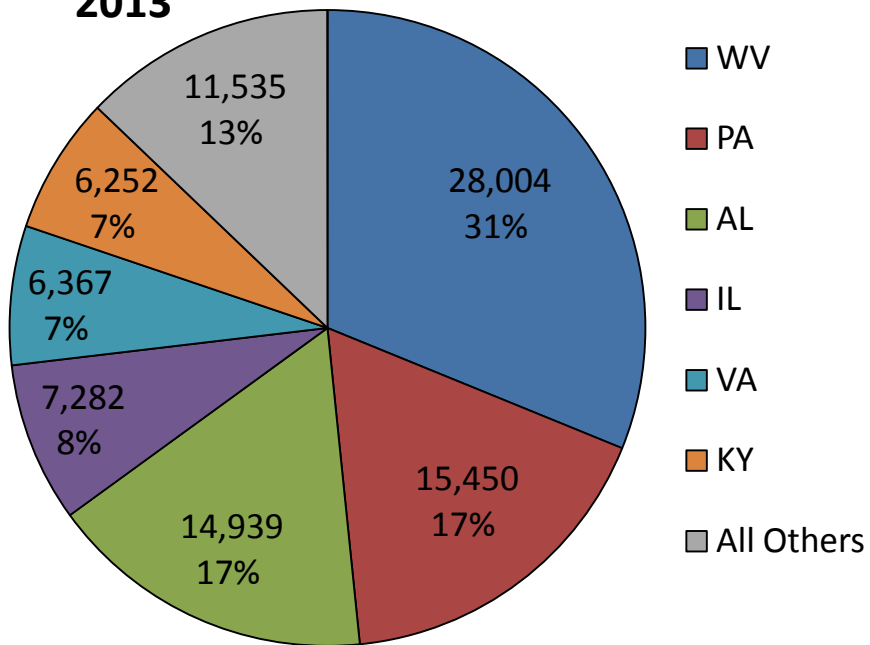
State by State Emissions

CMM Emissions from Underground Mines by State

**Vented Degas
2013**

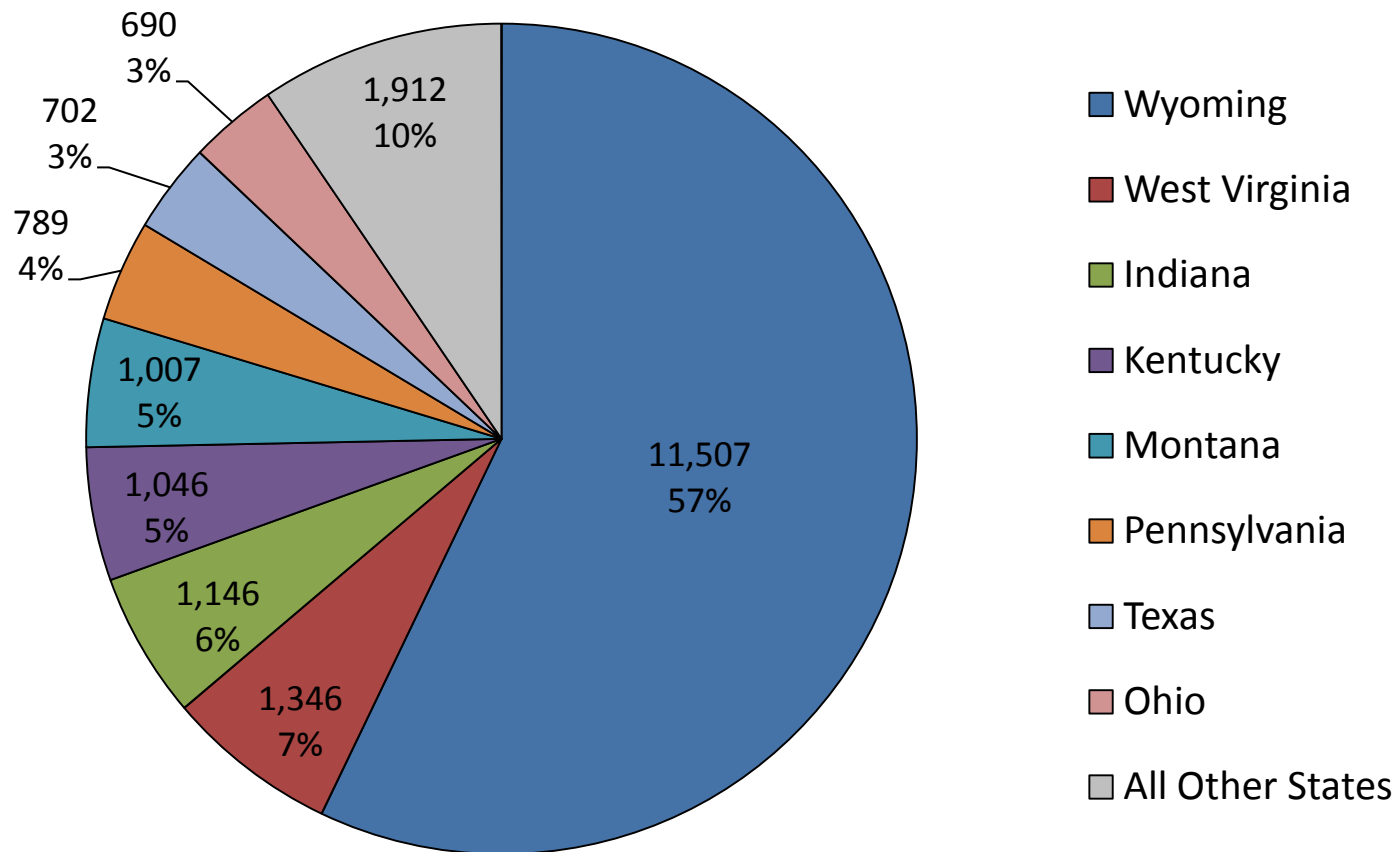


**Vented VAM
2013**



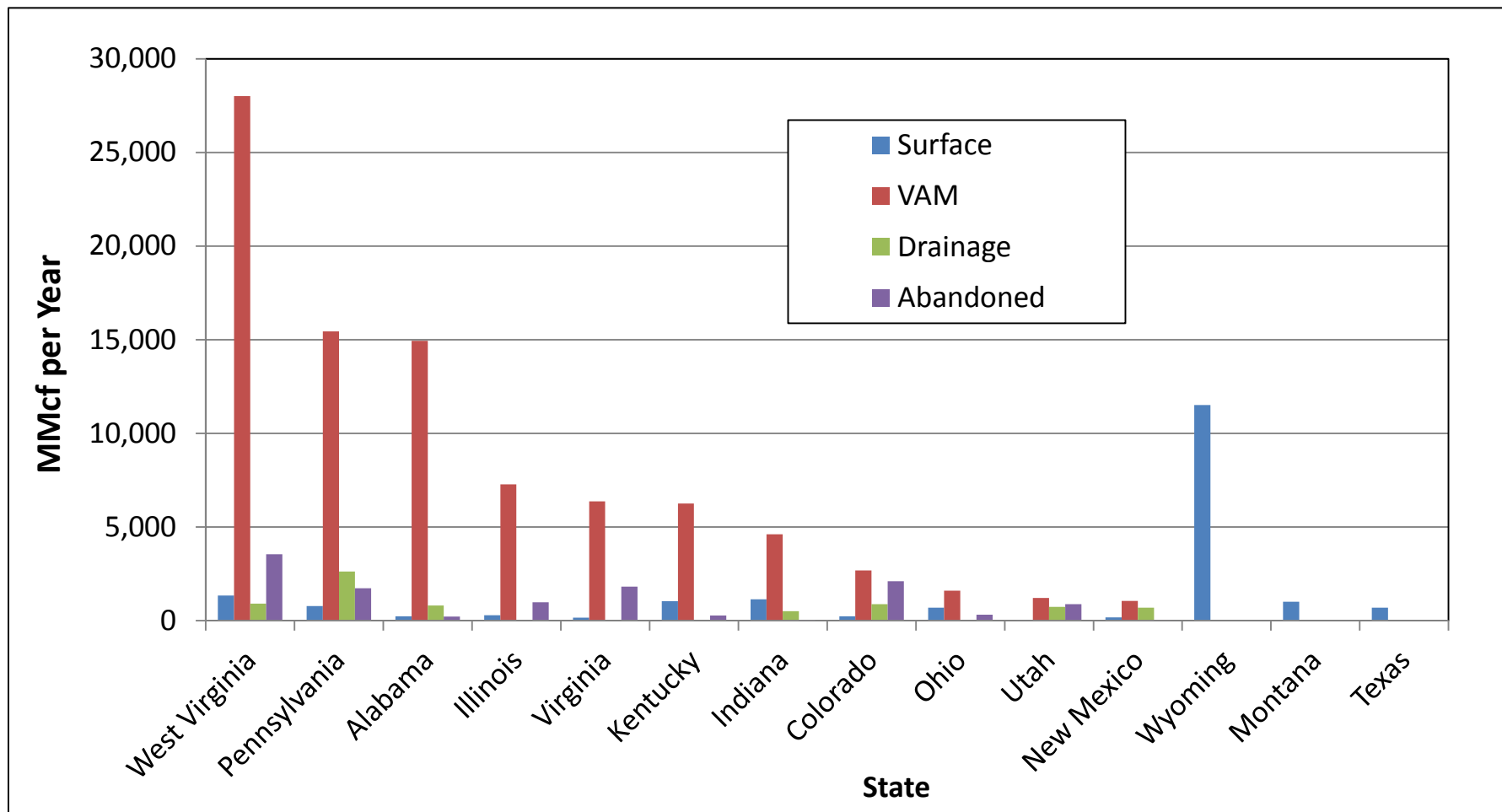
Emissions are in MMcf

SMM Emissions from Surface Mines by State



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2013 CMM/SMM/AMM Emissions by Mine Methane Source





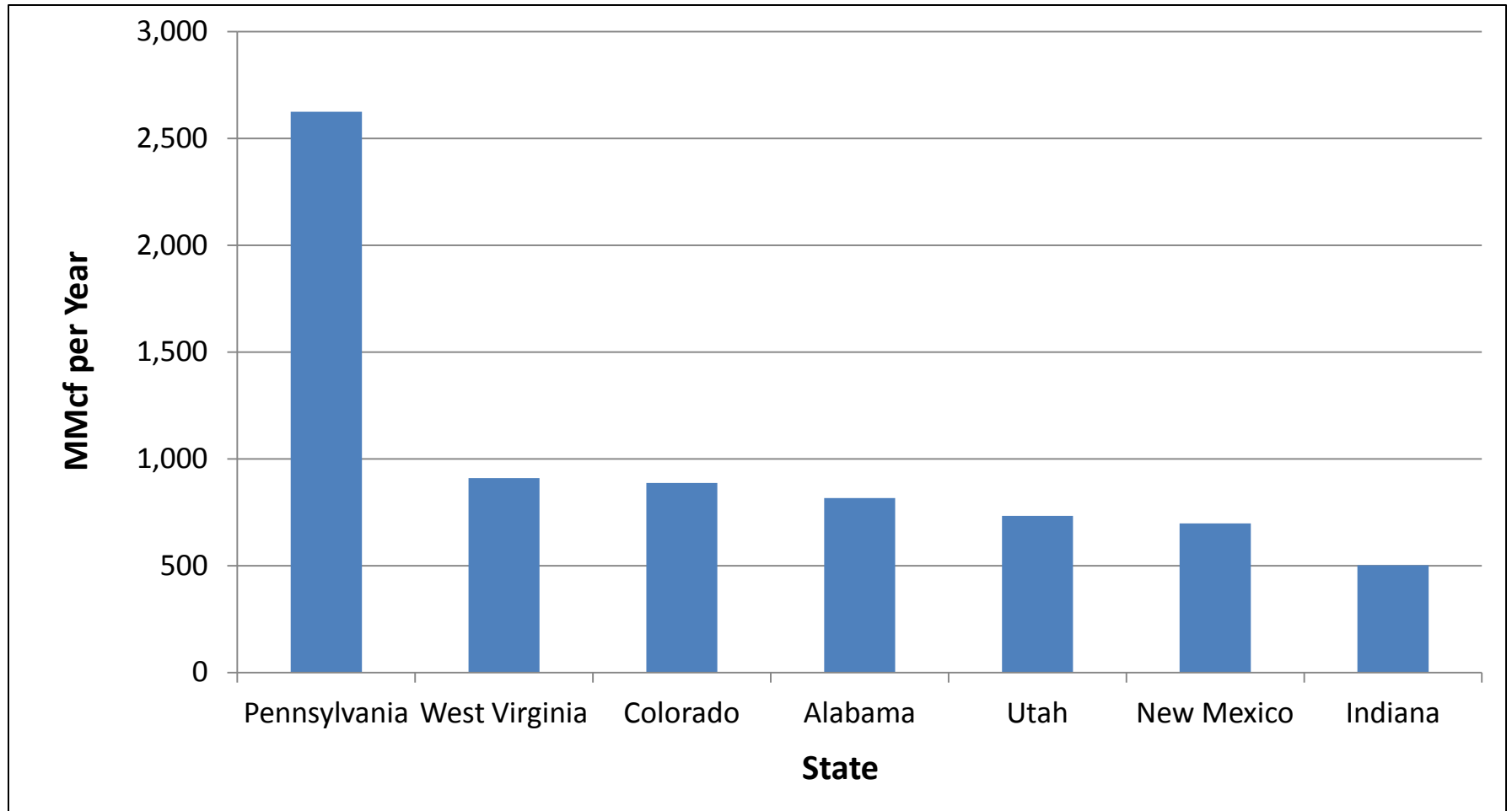
States with Greatest CMM Emissions

- **Underground Mines**
 - Largest amount of VAM located in West Virginia, Pennsylvania, Alabama, and Illinois
 - Largest amount of vented degas located in West Virginia, Pennsylvania, Alabama, and Colorado
- **Surface Mines**
 - Wyoming
- **Abandoned Mines**
 - Largest AMM emissions located in West Virginia, Pennsylvania, Colorado, and Virginia

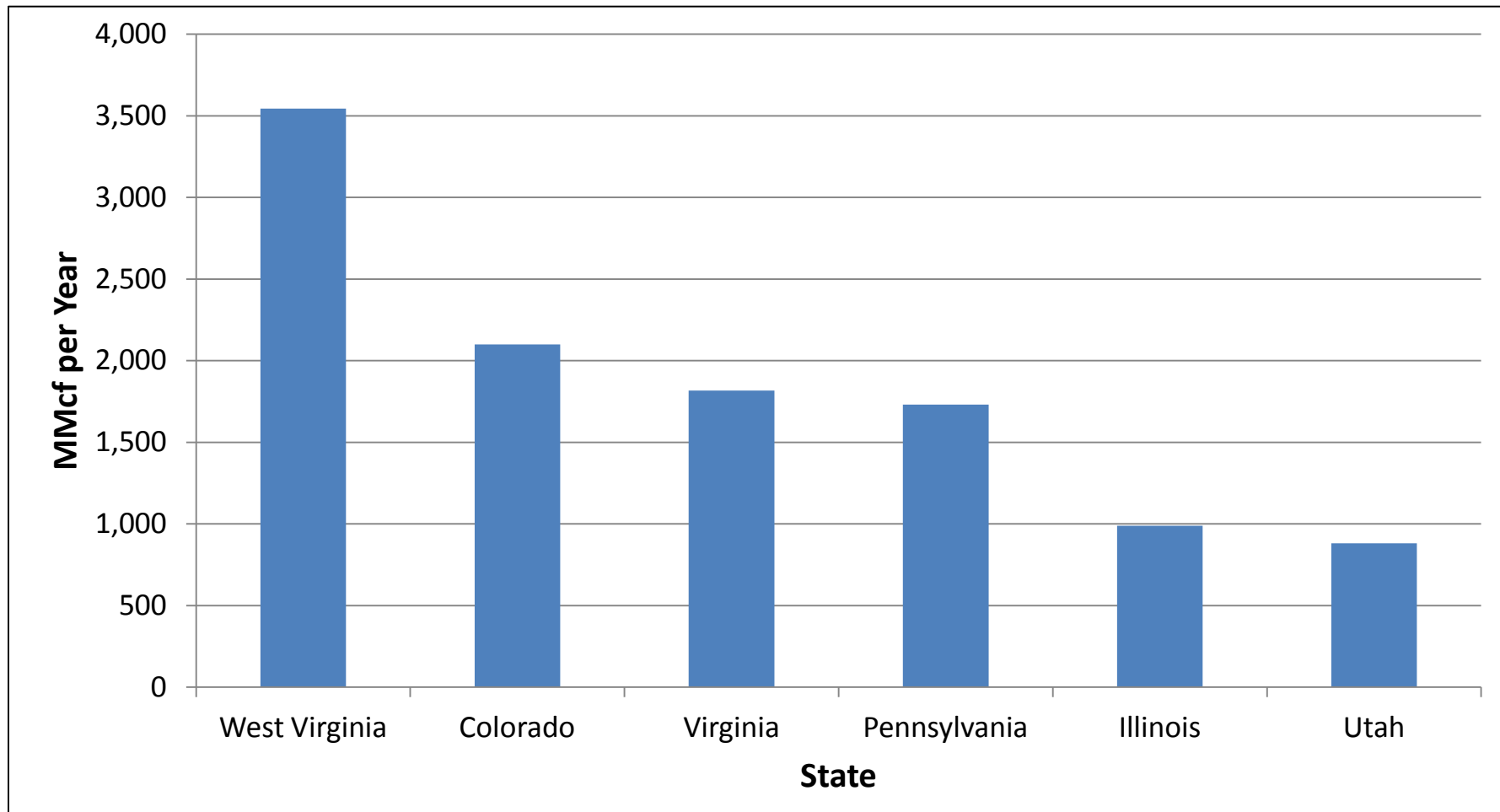


Methane Resources

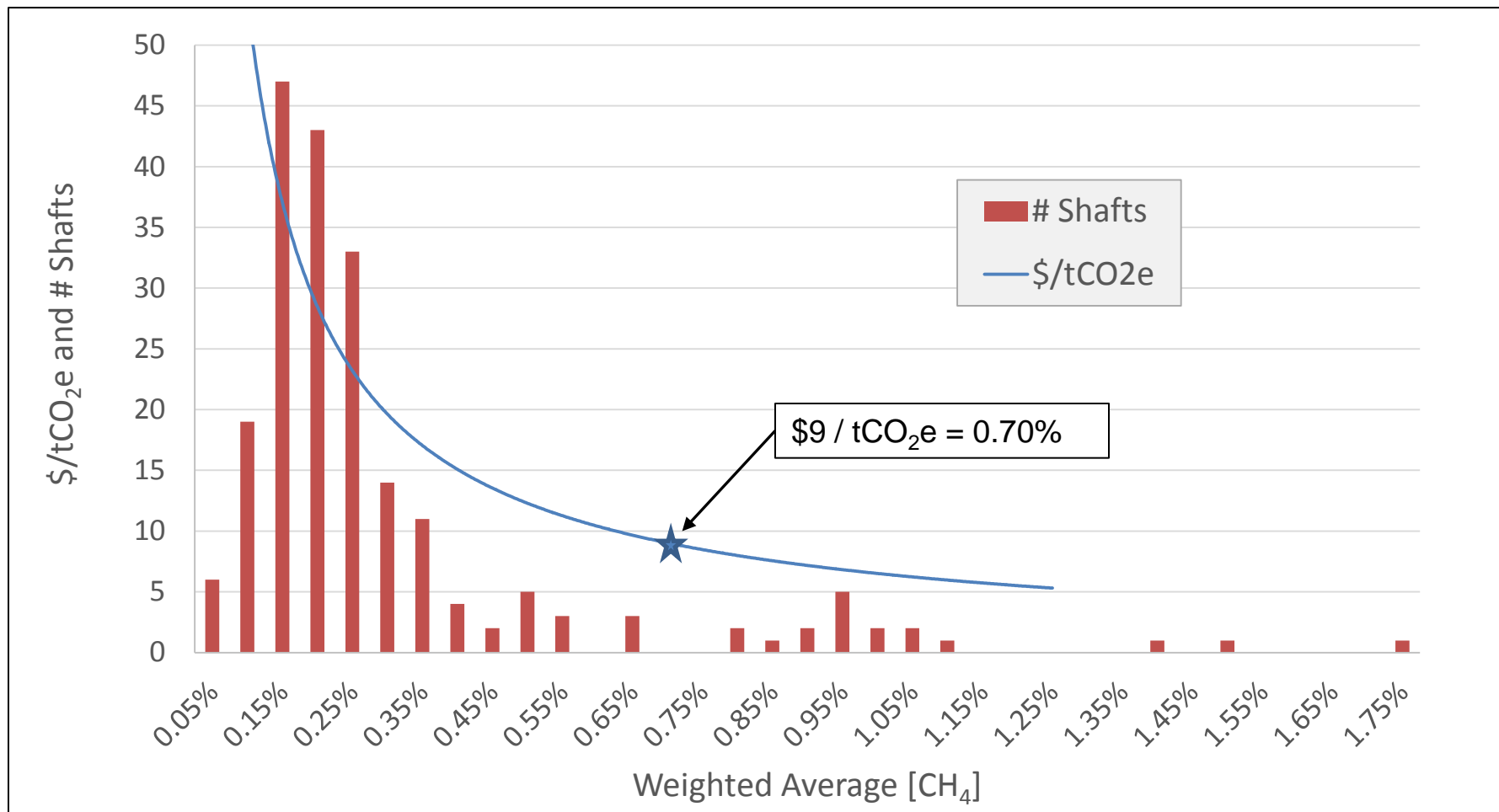
2013 CMM Drainage Emissions



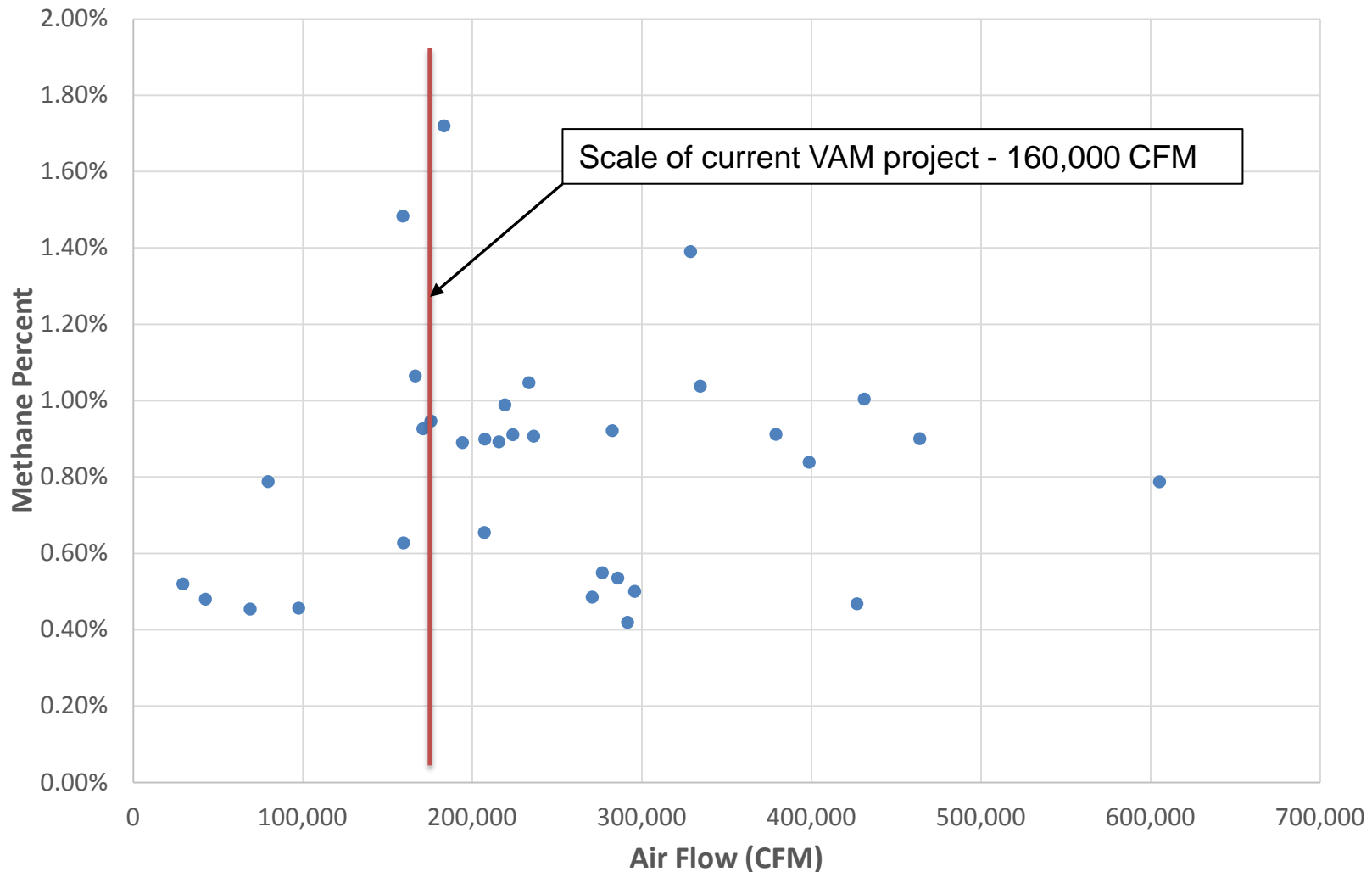
2013 AMM Emissions



Carbon Price & Potential VAM Projects (by Mine Shaft)



VAM Project Potential at 33 Shafts $>0.4\%$ CH₄



VAM Mitigation Potential

% CH₄	# of Shafts	% of Shafts	MMcf CH₄/yr	% of Total VAM	MM tCO₂e/yr
>0.05	210	100%	78,038	86%	37.6
>0.1	100	48%	66,810	74%	32.2
>0.4	33	16%	35,647	39%	17.2
>0.7	21	10%	27,059	30%	13.0



Conclusions

- Majority of underground CMM emissions from Appalachian Coal Basins
 - West Virginia, Pennsylvania, Alabama, & Virginia
 - Other states include Illinois, and Colorado
- 21 underground coal mine shafts contain average methane content >0.7%
 - Represents 30% of total VAM emissions
 - Mitigation Potential – 13 million tonnes CO₂e/yr
- About 60% of SMM emissions from Wyoming mines
- Overall AMM potential on the decline



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