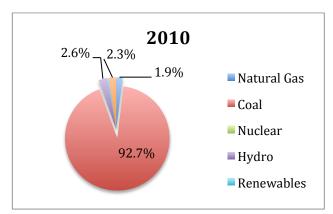
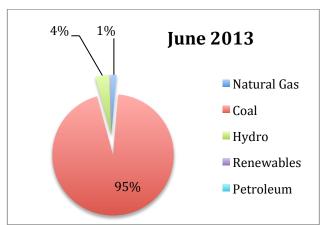
## What's powering Kentucky?



**Graph 1: Based on EIA Data** 



**Graph 2: Based on EIA Data** 

Kentucky has the 3<sup>rd</sup> largest coal ash storage capacity in the country! Check out our Kentucky page on Southeastcoalash.org for more information on coal ash in Kentucky.

Even though dependence on coal has declined nationally over the past few years, Kentucky has increased its use of energy generated from burning coal. From cradle to grave, Kentuckians are heavily impacted by all stages of the coal industry. In 2011, Kentucky was the third largest coal-producing state in the nation, accounting for 10% of total U.S. coal production.¹ In 2010, Kentucky was ranked 12th in the nation for overall carbon dioxide emissions (150.7 million metric tons).² In 2012, Kentucky's electricity sector was 1st in the country for contributing a disproportionate share of toxic emissions compared to other sources - emitting more than 40.5 million pounds of toxic air pollution!³

## **Status of Coal Plants in Kentucky**

Name	County	Capacity (MW)	Average Age	# of Units	U	R	NA
Big Sandy	Lawrence	1096.8	47	2		2	
Cane Run	Jefferson	644.6	48	3		3	
Coleman	Hancock	602	43	3	3		
DB Wilson	Ohio	566.1	29	1	1		
EW Brown	Mercer	739.4	49	3	3		
East Bend	Boone	669.3	32	1	1		
Elmer Smith	Davies	445.3	44	2	2		
Ghent	Carroll	2225.9	34	4	4		
Green River	Muhlenberg	188.6	57	2		2	
Spurlock	Mason	1608.5	34 *	4	4		
HMP&L	Webster	405	40	2	2		
Cooper	Pulaski	344	46	2			2
Mill Creek	Jefferson	1717.2	36	4	4		
Paradise	Muhlenberg	2558.2	47	3	1	2	
RD Green	Webster	586	33	2	2		
Robert Reid	Webster	96	1966	1			1
Shawnee	McCracken	1750	47	10		1	9
Trimble	Trimble	566.1	13	1	1		
Tyrone	Woodford	75	60	1		1	
Dale	Clark	216	56	4			4

<sup>\*</sup> Spurlock Unit 3 is 8 yrs old and Unit 4 is 3 yrs old

## **Table Key**

U = # of units upgraded with advanced pollution controls R = # of units retired or planned for retirement

NA = no action taken to upgrade or retire



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> U.S. Energy Information Administration, Kentucky state fact page, available at http://www.eia.gov/state/?sid=KY - tabs-4

 $<sup>^2\</sup> Rankings:\ US\ EIA,\ Total\ Carbon\ Dioxide\ Emissions,\ 2010,\ available\ at\ \underline{http://www.eia.gov/state/rankings/-/series/226}$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> National Resource Defense Counsel, "Toxic Power: How Power Plants Contaminate Our Air and States," available at <a href="http://www.nrdc.org/air/files/toxic-power-presentation.pdf">http://www.nrdc.org/air/files/toxic-power-presentation.pdf</a>.

