

# Analyzing the Global Coal Industry

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# **Abstracts**

Coal is a fossil fuel formed in ecosystems where plant remains were saved by water and mud from oxidization and biodegradation. Coal is a readily combustible black or brownish-black rock. It is a sedimentary rock, but the harder forms, such as anthracite coal, can be regarded as metamorphic rocks because of later exposure to elevated temperature and pressure. It is composed primarily of carbon along with assorted other elements, including sulfur.

Coal consumption is projected to grow at about 2.5% per year over the next 20 years.

Aruvian's R'search presents an analysis of the global coal industry in its research offering "Analyzing the Global Coal Industry". The Aruvian's research report takes a look at the market, analyzing market statistics based on production and consumption statistics that are further broken down by types of coal such as hard coal, brown coal, metallurgical coal, and thermal coal. Impact of the recession on major coal players and in countries such as Australia, Canada, Germany, Russia, South Africa, Turkey and the US is analyzed in depth.

Consolidation in the global coal industry is also analyzed and a section is dedicated to understanding coal mining and the hazards associated with it. We also take a look at understanding coal-based electricity generation through pulverized coal combustion.

We also analyze coal's role in the global energy markets, and how coal is directly associated with energy security of a country. The report also analyzes the global coal trade scenario, looking at indexes, trade routes, benefits of trading, and much more.

The relation between steel markets and the coal industry is also touched upon. The role of shipping and freight rates and their impact of coal trade is further analyzed, along with a look at ocean freight rates. The global traded futures coal market is analyzed



keeping in mind the challenge of the Asia Pacific market.

Investment in the global coal industry is analyzed on a country-wise scenario, as well as a global basis. Countries for which investment scenario is analyzed include Australia, Canada, Germany, South Africa, United Kingdom, and the United States of America.

Further to this, the regulatory framework impacting the global coal industry is also analyzed in Aruvians' report – Analyzing the Global Coal Industry. Regulations in Australia, Germany, Japan, New Zealand, Poland, Russia, South Africa, Spain, the UK and the US are looked upon.

Clean coal technologies such as underground coal gasification, coal washing, advanced pollution control, CO2 Capture and Separation processes, and carbon sequestration from CO2 storage is analyzed in the section dealing with clean coal technologies.

Any research on the coal industry is incomplete without taking a look at coal's environmental legacy – we analyze this in the report and also look at the Kyoto Protocol, environmental legislations in the European Union, in China, Japan, India, and the US, and the impact these legislations are having on the coal industry of these countries.

A country-wise analysis is undertaken in this report. Countries analyzed include: Australia, Canada, China, Colombia, Greece, India, Indonesia, Poland, Russia, South Africa, South Korea, Ukraine, United Kingdom, the United States of America, Venezuela, and Vietnam. An analysis of around 300 major coal mines of the world sets apart Aruvians' offering from others. 25 major coal mines of the world such as the Cardinal River coal mine, Elkview coal mine, Mt. Arthur coal mine, and many others are also analyzed in the framework of this research report.

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