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Front cover: Coal seams, Mt. Spieker project (also known as EB), Conuma Coal Resources Limited, northeastern British Columbia. **Photo by Paul Jago.**

Back cover: Skeeter seam, Sukuna project, Boreas Coal Limited, northeastern British Columbia. **Photo by Paul Jago.**



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Explanatory notes

Tabulated herein as a MS Excel file are data from 130 coal deposits in British Columbia, both surface and underground, ([BCGS_GF2020-09.zip](#)). The table includes resource estimates, citations to reports from which the data were sourced, and information about project name(s), primary commodities, location, age, host unit, type, MINFILE status, predominant rank, and tenure holder and tenure restrictions (as of May 2020).

Resource estimates were derived from British Columbia Coal Assessment Reports and from documents made public by exploration and mining companies, such as technical reports, annual reports, and project descriptions filed for environmental assessments, and have not been verified by the Ministry. Current to June 2020, the estimates include both historical and recent data, and range from regional, order-of-magnitude estimates of exploration potential to National Instrument 43-101-compliant-estimates of reserves. Historical and other non-compliant estimates are not comparable to compliant estimates. Indications of predominant rank are generally taken as reported and may be based on very few analyses.

The Ministry of Energy Mines and Petroleum Resources' Mineral Titles Branch administers coal tenures in the province, with the exception of freehold and federally administered coal lands. Live updates are available at Mineral Titles Online (MTO) at <<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/industry/mineral-exploration-mining/mineral-titles/mineral-placer-titles/mineraltitlesonline>>

Online sources of coal information

COALFILE: Coal Assessment Reports Database; British Columbia Geological Survey. < <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/industry/mineral-exploration-mining/british-columbia-geological-survey/assessmentreports> >

MINFILE: British Columbia Mineral Inventory Database; British Columbia Geological Survey
<<https://minfile.gov.bc.ca/>>

Property File, a collection of documents donated to the British Columbia Geological Survey in the last 150 years by government, universities, industry, and individuals.
< <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/industry/mineral-exploration-mining/british-columbia-geological-survey/propertyfile> >

SEDAR (The System for Electronic Document Analysis and Retrieval), an electronic filing system that allows listed companies to report their securities-related information
<<https://www.sedar.com/>>

National Instrument 43-101 includes Canadian standards of disclosure for coal projects in Companion Policy 43-101CP < https://www.bccsc.bc.ca/-/media/PWS/Resources/Securities_Law/Policies/Policy4/43101CP-CP-February-25-2016.pdf >

JORC (Australasian Joint Ore Reserves Committee), which is sponsored by the Australian mining industry and its professional organisations. Some Australian companies operating in British Columbia report resources and reserves according to JORC standards. < <http://www.jorc.org/> >

EPIC is the searchable project information database of the British Columbia Environmental Assessment Office. Information about reserves and resources of proposed mine projects can commonly be found in Project Description documents on this site. < <https://projects.eao.gov.bc.ca/> >



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