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## Introduction

This report presents analytical data on 16 coal samples and 10 shale samples from underground and open-pit mines, outcrops, and a core hole in the Raton coal field, Colfax County, New Mexico (fig. 1). The samples were collected from coal beds in rocks of the Vermejo Formation of Late Cretaceous age and the Raton Formation of Late Cretaceous and Paleocene age (fig. 2). Proximate, ultimate, Btu, and forms-of-sulfur analyses are given on 10 selected coal samples; major and minor oxides and traceelement compositions of these and 6 additional coal samples, and of shale beds related to the York Canyon mine and the outcrop of Vermejo Park were also determined.



Figure 1.--Map showing sample localities in the Raton coal field (hachured outline), Colfax County, New Mexico. Abandoned coal mines are shown by crossed picks.

AGE		FORMATION	FORMATION GENERAL DESCRIPTION	
ARY		POISON CANYON FORMATION Sandstone, coarse to conglomeratic, beds 5 to more than 50 feet interbeds of soft yellow-weathering clayey sandstone; thickens west at expense of underlying rocks		500+
TERTI	PALEO	RATON FORMATION	Sandstone, very fine grained to fine grained with interbeds of clay- stone, siltstone, and coal; commercial coal beds in upper part. Lower few feet conglomeratic; intertongues with Poison Canyon to the west. Generally sharp erosional contact with underlying Vermejo Formation	0-2000
RETACEOUS	LATE CRETACEOUS	VERMEJO FORMATION	Sandstone, very fine grained to medium grained, interbedded with mudstone, carbonaceous shale, and coal; extensive thick coals top and bottom	0-380
		TRINIDAD SANDSTONE	Sandstone, very fine grained to medium grained, contains casts of Ophiomorpha sp.	0-130
0		PI ERRE SHALE	Black shale, limestone concretions, silty in upper part, grades up to sandstone	2500+



Figure 2.--Generalized stratigraphic description of rocks in the Raton coal field, with sections showing approximate levels of coal beds in the central and eastern parts of the field. Positions of coal beds in the eastern part are courtesy of Kaiser Steel Corporation.

## Sample distribution

Three coal beds in the Raton Formation were sampled. Several samples from the York Canyon coal bed were taken from Kaiser Steel's York Canyon underground (Sample Nos. D169000, 001 and D176216, 217) and surface (Sample Nos. D169004, 005, 006, 007, and 008) mines. Samples of the middling (D169002) and washed (D169003) coal from the wash plant were also analyzed. The Upper Left Fork coal bed (D169801, 802) was sampled in Kaiser Steel's development entries in the Left Fork of York Canyon. The Potato Canyon coal bed (D168803), in the eastern part of the field, was sampled at a test entry at Potato Canyon near the road to the York Canyon mine.

Two samples of the Raton coal bed of the Vermejo Formation were taken: an outcrop of the bed (D169012) was sampled near the Bartlett mine at the northwest entrance to Vermejo Park; and a core sample of the Raton bed (D169013), from a deep hole in the eastern part of the field, about 12 mi (20 km) southwest of Raton, was furnished by Kaiser Steel Corporation.

The cooperation of Kaiser Steel in granting access to the sample sites and supplying the core of the Raton bed is gratefully acknowledged. We also thank the New Mexico Bureau of Mines and Mineral Resources for permission to include data on D176216 and D176217.

## Analytical data

Analytical data for the 16 selected coal samples and the 10 rock samples from the Raton coal field are tabulated in tables 1-5. Statistical summaries of these data for the 16 coal samples are listed in tables 6-8. For comparison, statistical summaries for 295 Rocky Mountain province coal samples are listed in tables 6a-8a.

Using the analytical data, comparison between individual coals in the same and in different formations is possible. The whole-coal data (tables 3, 4), as summarized below, show that the core sample of the Raton coal

bed (D169013) contains considerably more of certain elements than the outcrop sample of the same bed (D169012), which is about 22 miles (35 km) away (fig. 1):

	•	<u>D169013</u>	<u>D169012</u>
Whole coal	.:		
(ppm)	РЪ	61.6	6.5
	Li	37.3	6.5
	Ρ	140	71
	Se	1.6	.7
	Th	15.5	3.0 L
	U	4.1	1.5
	Cü	14.5	8.1
	Мо	3	1.5
	Nb	10	. 3
Percent as	sh:	31.6	16.2
Ppm in ash	а: РЪ	195	40
-	Li	118	- 40

The analyses of the ash of these samples (table 2) show appreciable differences of about the same magnitude as noted above; lead values for D169013 are about five times those of D169012, and Li values are about three times higher.

Differences in composition between the Raton coal bed of the Vermejo Formation and the composition of coal beds in the Raton Formation are that the coal in the Raton bed has lower volatile-matter and fixed-carbon values; generally higher ash content; lower hydrogen, oxygen, nitrogen, and Btu values; and somewhat higher S contents (table 1). Other elemental analyses display the following pertinent differences: (1) U and Th contents in the whole-coal analyses of the Raton bed core sample (D169013) are generally two to five times higher than in other coal samples. (2) The Cu content of the ash of samples of the Raton coal bed are one-half to one-fourth those of the Raton Formation coal beds (table 2). (3) The average value for P in the whole coal (table 4) is about one-fourth to one-third that of the Raton Formation coal beds.

Table 6 summarizes the ultimate, proximate, Btu, and forms-of-sulfur determinations for 10 selected samples from the Raton coal field on the as-received basis. This table shows that average (arithmetic mean) ash content of the coal samples from the Raton field is 11.4 percent; nitrogen, 1.7 percent; sulfur, 0.5 percent; Btu/lb, 13,100. For comparison, the average value in 86 Rocky Mountain province coal samples (table 6a) is 9.1 percent ash, 1.2 percent nitrogen, 0.6 percent sulfur, and 10,480 Btu/lb. The coals typical of the Raton coal field are higher in Btu and lower in sulfur content than representative coals of the Rocky Mountain province.

Average concentrations of oxides in the laboratory ash of the 16 Raton field coal samples are shown in table 7. A comparison of these values with those determined for the laboratory ash of 295 Rocky Mountain province coal samples (table 7a) shows that  $P_2O_5$  concentration is higher by more than 50 percent in the ash of Raton field coals, while Na<sub>2</sub>O, MnO, and SO<sub>3</sub> concentrations are lower by more than 50 percent. The average values for the other nine oxides reported in the ash are about the same in both sets of samples.

Data for 37 elements calculated to, or reported on, a whole-coal basis are summarized for the Raton field coal samples on table 8 and for the 295 Rocky Mountain province coal samples on table 8a. For comparative purposes, the average element concentrations in shale (Turekian and Wedepohl, 1961, table 2) are listed on both tables. A comparison of the average amounts of elements in Raton field coal with those in the average shale shows that the concentrations of Al, Fe, Ti, F, Hg, Li, B, Co, Sc, V, and Zr are less by more than a factor of five in the coal; Mg, Na, K, An, Cr, and Ni are less by more than a factor of ten. The concentrations of the other 20 elements reported on the table are similar to those of the average shale.

A comparison of the average composition of coal in the Raton field to that of Rocky Mountain coal (tables 8 and 8a) shows that Na, As, Cd, B, Mo, and Nb concentrations in Raton field coal are less by a factor of two or more than those in Rocky Mountain coal. Copper values are about 50 percent higher, and Sr about two times higher than those of the Rocky Mountain coal. The average concentrations of the other 29 elements in the Raton field coal samples do not differ significantly from their average amounts in Rocky Mountain coal.

## Statistical methods

The estimate of the most probable concentration, as used in this report, is the geometric mean, GM, which is the antilog of the mean of the logarithms of concentration. The measure of scatter about the mode is the geometric deviation, GD, which is the antilog of the standard deviation of the logarithms of concentration. These statistics are used because of the common tendency for trace-element concentration in natural materials to exhibit positively skewed frequency distributions. The distributions can be normalized by analyzing and summarizing traceelement data on a logarithmic basis.

If the underlying frequency distributions are, in fact, lognormal, the geometric mean is the best estimate of the mode, and the estimated range of the central two-thirds of the observed distribution has a lower limit equal to GM/GD and an upper limit equal to GM.GD. The estimated range of the central 95 percent of the observed distribution has a lower limit equal to GM/(GD)<sup>2</sup> and an upper limit equal to GM.(GD)<sup>2</sup> (Connor and others, 1976).

Although the geometric mean is generally an adequate estimate of the most common concentration, it is a biased estimate of elemental abundance. In tables 6-8 and 6a-8a, the estimates of arithmetic means (abundance) are Sichel's  $\underline{t}$  statistic (Miesch, 1967).

A common problem in statistical summaries of trace-element data arises when the element concentration in one or more of the samples lies below the limit of analytical detection, resulting in a censored distribution. Procedures developed by Cohen (1959) are used here to compute unbiased estimates of the geometric mean, geometric deviation, and arithmetic mean for cases in which the concentration data are censored.

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## Description of 10 analyzed samples on table 1

### Samples D168801 and D168802

Underground mine face channel samples (D168801) and (D168802), Left Fork coal bed, Raton Formation, Paleocene age; sample D168801 is 108 inches thick, a 6-inch parting is excluded; sample D168802 is 84 inches thick, a basal split and parting are excluded, Left Fork prospect, Colfax County, New Mexico, lat. 36°56'21" N, long. 105°58' W.

### Sample D168803

Outcrop channel sample, Potato Canyon bed, 72 inches thick, partings excluded, Raton Formation, Paleocene age, Potato Canyon prospect, Colfax County, New Mexico, lat. 36°52'27" N, long. 104°40'36" W.

#### Samples D169000 and D169001

Face bench samples, lower (D169000) and main (D169001) benches of the York Canyon bed, 27 and 48 inches thick, respectively, Raton Formation, Paleocene age, York Canyon mine, long wall panel, 7th right, Colfax County, New Mexico, lat. 36°52'13" N, long. 104°53'37" W.

#### Samples D169004 and D169005

Face bench samples, main (D169004) and upper (D169005) benches of the York Canyon bed, 106 and 16 inches thick, respectively, Raton Formation, Paleocene age, Kaiser Steel strip mine (south end), Colfax County, New Mexico, lat. 36°52'13" N, long. 104°55'14" W.

#### Sample D169006

Face bench sample, main bench of the York Canyon bed, 87 inches thick, Raton Formation, Paleocene age, Kaiser Steel strip mine (north end), Colfax County, New Mexico, lat. 36°52'38" N, long. 104°55'17" W.

#### Sample D169013

Core sample, 60 inches thick, Raton bed, Vermejo Formation, Early Cretaceous age, depth 1,189-1,194 feet, lat. 36°48'55" N, long. 104°37'13" W.

#### Sample D176216

Underground mine face channel sample, York Canyon bed, lower bench 60 inches thick (composited with D176217 for this analysis), partings excluded, Raton Formation, Paleocene age, York Canyon mine, Colfax County, New Mexico, lat. 36°53' N, long. 104°54'46" W. (Collected by George S. Austin, New Mexico Bureau of Mines and Mineral Resources.) Table 1. -- Proximate, ultimate, Btu, and forms-of-sulfur analyses of 10 samples from selected sites in the Raton coal field, New Mexico

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[All analyses except Btu are in percent. Original moisture content may be slightly more than shown, because samples were collected and transported in plastic bags to avoid metal contamination. Form of analyses: 1, as received; 2, moisture free; 3, moisture and ash free. A. D. Loss is air-dried loss]

			PROXIMATE	ANALYSIS	·		UL1	IMATE ANALYS	IS	
SAMPLE	FORM OF Analysis	MOISTURE	VOL.MTR.	FIXED C	ASH	HYDROGEN	CARBON	NITROGEN	OXYGEN	SULPUR
D168801	1	1.5	36.6	54.4	7.5	5.2	76.7	1.7	8.4	0.5
	2	-	37.2	55.1	7.7	5.1	77.9	1.8	7.0	.5
	3	-	40.3	59.7	-	5.6	84.3	1.9	7.7	.5
D168802	1	2.1	36.7	50.8	10.4	5.3	71.6	1.8	10.4	.5
•	2	-	37.5	51.9	10.6	5.1	73.1	1.8	8.9	. 5
	3	-	41.9	58.1	-	5.8	81.7	2.0	10.0	.5
D168803	1	1.5	35.1	53.6	9.8	5.0	74.8	1.6	8.3	.5
	2	-	35.6	54.4	10.0	4.9	75.9	1.7	7.0	.5
	3	-	39.5	60.5	-	5.4	84.3	1.8	7.9	.6
D169000	1	2.2	33.3	45.3	19.2	4.7	65.7	1.5	8.4	5
	2	-	· 34.0	46.4	19.6	4.5	67.2	1.6	6.6	.5
•	3	-	42.3	57.7	-	5.6	83.6	2.0	8.2	. 6
D169001	1	1.9	36.1	54.0	8.0	5.2	75.9	1.7	8.8	.4
•	2	· -	36.8	55.1	8.1	5.1	77.3	1.8	7.2	.5
	3	-	40.0	60.0	-	5.5	84.1	1.9	8.0	.5
D169004	1	1.4	38.2	51.9	8.5	5.2	75.9	1.7	8.3	.4
	2	-	38.7	52.7	8.6	5.1	77.0	1.8	7.1	.4
	3	-	42.4	57.6	-	5.6	84.3	1.9	7.7	.5
D169005	1	1.3	4.2.3	56.6	5.8	6.0	77.8	2.0	7.8	. 6
. ·	2	- '	42.8	51.3	5.9	5.9	78.8	2.0	6.8	. 6
	3	-	45.5	54.5	-	6.3	83.8	2.1	7.1	.7
D169006	1	1.8	37.1	53.4	. 7.7	5.4	76.4	1.7	8.4	.4
	2	-	37.8	54.4	7.8	5.3	77.8	1.8	6.9	.4
	3	-	41.0	59.0	-	5.7	84.4	1.9	7.5	. 5
D169013	· 1	2.5	31.2	43.5	22.8	4.7	61.8	1.2	8.9	.6
	. 2	-	32.0	44.6	23.4	4.6	63.4	1.3	. 6.7	.6
	3	-	41.7	58.3	-	6.0	82.7	1.7	, 8.8	.8
D176216*	1	1.7	34.2	49.6	14.5	5.0	70.2	1.6	8.2	.5
	. 2	-	34.8	50.4	14.8	4.9	71.4	1.6	6.7	. 6
	3	-	40.8	59.2	-	5.7	83.8	1.9	7.9	.7

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SAMPLE	ANALYSIS	BTU	A.D.LOSS	SULFATE	PYRITIC	ORGANIC
D168801	1 .	13740	.00	0.01	0.05	0.40
	2	13950	-	.01	.05	. 41
	<b>,</b> 3	15110	- ,	.01	.05	. 44
D168802	1	12830	.00	.00	.04	. 44
	2	13110	<b>-</b> ·	.00	.04	. 45
-	3	14660	-	.00	.05	.50
D168803	1	13410	.00	.02	.04	. 43
	2	13610	-	.02	.04	. 44
	3	15110	- '	.02	.05	. 48
D169000	1	11810	. 40	.01	.07	. 42
	2	12070	<b>–</b>	.01	.07	.43
	3,	15020	· <b>-</b> ,	.01	09	.53
D169001	1	13550	. 50	.01	.07	. 37
	2	13810	-	.01	.07	. 38
	3	15030	-	.01	.08	. 41
D169004	1	13620	.00	.00	.06	. 38
	2	13810	_	.00	.06	. 39
	3	15110	-	.00	.07	. 42
D169005	1	14230	.00	.00	.05	. 56
	2	14410	· <b>-</b>	.00	.05	. 57
	3	15320	. –	.00	.05	.60
D169006	· 1	13660	. 20	.00	.11	. 30
	2	13910	-	.00	.11	. 30
	3	15090	-	.00	.12	. 33
D169013	1	11620	. 50	.00	.08	. 49
	2	11910	-	.00	.08	. 50
	3	15550	-	.00	.11	.65
D176216*	1	12520	. 55	.01	.02	.52
	2	12740		.01	.02	.53
	3	14950	-	.01	.02	.62
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Table 1 .-- Proximate, ultimate, Btu, and forms-of-sulfur analyses of 10 samples from selected sites in the Raton coal field, New Mexico--

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## Description of 6 additional coal samples not on table 1 but included on tables 2, 3, and 4

### Samples D169007 and D169008

Upper bench samples, 18 inches second bench (D169007), and 14 inches top bench (D169008) of the York Canyon bed, Raton Formation, Paleocene age, Kaiser Steel strip mine (north end), Colfax County, New Mexico, lat. 36°52'38" N, long. 104°55'17" W.

#### Sample D169012

Outcrop face channel sample, Raton bed, 60 inches thick, Vermejo Formation, Late Cretaceous age, tributary to Spring Canyon, Vermejo Park, Colfax County, New Mexico, lat. 36°55'30" N, long. 105°01'10" W.

#### Sample D169002

Tipple sample (middling coal), York Canyon mine wash plant, York Canyon bed, Raton Formation, Paleocene age, Colfax County, New Mexico, lat. 36°52'13" N, long. 104°53'37" W.

#### Sample D169003

Tipple sample (clean-coal pile), York Canyon mine wash plant, York Canyon bed, Raton Formation, Paleocene age, Colfax County, New Mexico, lat. 36°52'13" N, long. 104°53'37" W.

#### Sample D176217

Underground mine face channel sample, York Canyon bed, upper bench 69 inches thick, Raton Formation, Paleocene age, York Canyon mine, Colfax County, New Mexico, lat. 36°53' N, long. 104°54'46" W. (Collected by George S. Austin, New Mexico Bureau of Mines and Mineral Resources.)

Table 2.--Major and minor oxide and trace-element composition of the laboratory ash of 16 coal samples from selected sites in the Raton coal field, New Mexico

[Values are in either percent or parts per million. The coals were ashed at 525°C. L after a value means less than the value shown, N means not detected. S after the element title means that the values listed were determined by semiquantitative spectrographic analysis. The spectrographic results are to be identified with geometric brackets whose boundaries are 1.2, 0.83, 0.56, 0.38, 0.26, 0.18, 0.12, etc., but are reported arbitrarily as mid-points of those brackets, 1.0, 0.7, 0.5, 0.3, 0.2, 0.15, 0.1, etc. The precision of the spectrographic data is approximately one bracket at 68 percent, or two brackets at 95 percent confidence]

SAMPLE	ASH Z	SI02 %	AL203 %	CAO 🗶	MGO %	NA20 🗶	K20 %	FE203 %	MNO Z	T102 X
D168801 D168802 D168803 D169000 D169001	6.4 9.8 11.7 18.6 8.3	48. 48. 48. 57. 33.	28. 28. 27. 27. 22.	3 8 3 4 3 2 1.8 16.	1.83 1.91 1.10 1.39 1.81	0.70 .67 .26 .81 .95	0.34 .46 .66 1.2 .075	7.7 7.5 6.5 4.6 8.0	0.020L .020L .020L .020L .020L .030	1.3 1.3 1.0 1.0 1.2
D169002 D169003 D169004 D169005 D169006	38.2 9.1 10.0 6.3 10.0	50. 42. 39. 40. 32.	20. 25. 23. 27. 21.	11. 7.8 13. 5.8 17.	1.44 1.96 2.01 2.16 2.49	.49 .95 .58 .49 1.24	1.2 .41 .27 .30 .19	3.0 6.9 5.3 11. 6.2.	.020L .020L .020L .020 .020 .028	.91 1.2 1.2 .81 .86
D169007 D169008 D169012 D169013 D176216	11.4 6.2 16.2 31.6 9.5	41. 44. 60. 60. 37.	25. 26. 17. 30. 21.	12. 6.6 4.3 .36 13.	2.41 1.58 1.08 .53 1.99	.36 .51 .49 .54 1.53	.16 .42 2.3 .33 .52	5.0 11. 4.3 2.8 5.5	.020L .020L .024 .020L .015	1.2 .86 .73 .88 1.3
D176217	20.6	47.	22.	6.8	1.44	. 57	1.3	4.3	.017	. 90
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SAMPLE	P205 %	SO3 X	CL X	CD PPM	CU PPM	LI PPM	PB PPM	ZN PPM	B PPM-S	BA PPM-S
D168801 D168802 D168803 D169000 D169001	1.5 1.7 .45 .10 L 1.7	30 2.6 .10L .62 4.3	0.10 L .10 L .10 L .10 L .10 L	1.0L 1.0L 1.0L 1.0L 1.0L 1.0L	196. 146. 130. 204. 130.	78. 80. 78. 72. 90.	35. 45. 55. 50. 45.	43. 46. 86 62. 46.	150 150 150 70 150	7000 5000 1000 1500 5000
D169002 D169003 D169004 D169005 D169006	.10 L 1.0 .71 .35 .97	.93 3.7 3.5 6.4 4.6	.10 L .10 L .10 L .10 L .10 L	1.0L 1.0L 1.0L 1.0L 1.0L 1.0L	94. 208. 178. 170. 172.	58. 100. 90. 78. 86.	35. 65. 60. 70. 60.	84. 73. 39. 80. 46.	50 150 150 150 150	1000 3000 5000 3000 5000
D169007 D169008 D169012 D169013 D176216	77 10 L 10 L 10 L 10 L 1.0 L	4.3 5.4 5.7 .10 L 5.5	10 L 10 L 10 L 10 L 20 L	1.0L 1.0L 1.0L 1.0L 1.0L 1.0L	100. 130. 50. 46. 190.	136. 68. 40. 118. 80.	60. 60. 40. 195. 50.	101. 102. 31. 34. 31.	70 150 70 70 200	2000 3000 500 500 3000
U176217	1.0 L	2.0	.20 L	1.0L	92.	67.	40.	40. ·	100	2000

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	SAMPLE	BE PPM-S	CE PPM-S	CO PPM-S	CR PPM-S	GA PPM-S	GE PPM-S	LA PPM-S	MO PPM-S	NB PPM-S	ND PPM-S	
	D168801 D168802 D168803 D169000 D169001	10 3 15 7 3	N N N N	30 15 30 15 15	70 50 50 50 30	30 30 50 30 30 30	N N N N	70 70 70 70 100	10 7 7 7 7	20 20 20 20 20 20 20 L	N N N N	
	D169002 D169003 D169004 D169005 D169006	3 7 7 20 3	N N 500 L N	10 20 15 70 15	70 50 70 70 30	30 30 30 30 30 30	N N N N	70 100 70 150 70	N 10 10 15 7	20 20 20 20 20 20 20 L	N N 150 N	
	D169007 D169008 D169012 D169013 D176216	5 20 5 3 7	500 L N 500 L	20 70 10 L 10 15	50 50 15 10 30	30 30 30 30 30 30	20 L N N N	100 150 70 70 100 L	7 15 10 10 7	20 20 20 20 20 20 20 30 30	150 N N N N	
	D176217	5	500 L	15	50 <sub>:</sub> .	30	N	100 L	7	30	N	
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	SAMPLE	NI PPM-S	SC PPM-S	SR PPM-S	V PPM-S	Y PPM-S	YB PPM-S	ZR PPM-S				
	D168801 D168802 D168803 D169000 D169001	50 30 30 15 30	30 20 20 20 20 20	2000 1500 700 500 3000	200 150 150 150 150	70 30 70 30 50	7 3 7 3 5	300 200 200 150 200				
	D169002 D169003 D169004 D169005 D169006	10 30 30 150 30	15 30 20 30 15	1500 2000 2000 1500 3000	150 200 200 200 150	30 70 70 200 50	3 7 7 20 5	150 200 200 200 150	•			
	D169007 D169008 D169012 D169013 D169013	50 150 10 L 10 L 30	20 30 10 15	1500 1500 1500 200 2000	150 150 70 150	70 150 50 30 70	7 15 5 3	150 150 150 200 200				
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	D176217	50	15	1500	150	50	3	70				

Table 2.--Major and minor oxide and trace-element composition of the laboratory ash of 16 coal samples from selected sites in the Raton coal field, New Mexico--Continued

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Table 3.--Amounts of seven trace elements in 16 coal samples from selected sites in the Raton coal field, New Mexico [Analyses on air-dried (32°C) coal. All values are in parts per million. Lafter a value means less than the value shown]

SAMPLE	AS PPM	F PPM	HG PPM	SB PPM	SE PPM	TH PPM	U PPM
D168801	1.	20.L	0.05	0.5	1.4	2.9	1 2
D168802	1.	40	.01	3	1.9	3.4	1 2
D168803	5.	90	.04	7	1.3	7.6	1 8
D169000	1.	160	.05	5	1.8	8.0	2 3
D169001	1.	90	.06	.2	1 2	4.5	.7
D169002	2.	195.	.08	.4	1.8	7 7	3.2
D169003	1.	65.	.05	.3	1.4	5 0	1.2
D169004	1.	40.	.10	.2	1.6	3 7	1.5
D169005	1.	95.	.06	.3	1.2	4 1	1.0
D169006	1.	65.	.09	.2	1.5	4 9	1.3
D169007	1	120.	.04	2	1 1	3.4	1.4
D169008	1.	80.	.04	2	1 0	3.9	.7
D169012	1.L	95.	.02	2	.7	3.0L	1.5
D169013	2.	90.	.05	5	1.6	15.5	4.1
D176216	2	50.	.13	.3	2.1	4.4	1.0
D176217	2.	180.	. 04	.4	2.1	10.3	1.5

# Table 4.--Major, minor, and trace-element composition of 16 coal samples from selected sites in the Raton coal field, New Mexico, reported on whole-coal basis

[Values are in either percent or parts per million. Si, Al, Ca, Mg, Na, K, Fe, Mn, Ti, P, Cl, Cd, Cu, Li, Pb, and Zn values were calculated from analysis of ash. As, F, Hg, Sb, Se, Th, and U values are from direct determinations on air-dried (32°C) coal. The remaining analyses were calculated from spectrographic determinations on ash. L after a value means less than the value shown and N means not detected]

SAMPLE	SI %	AL %	CA %	MG %	NA %	к%	FE Z	MN PPM	TI X	P PPM	
D168801	1.4	0.94	0.17	0.070	0.033	0.018	0.34	9.9 L	0.050	430.	
D168802	2.2	1.5	.24	.113	.049	.037	.51	15 L	.077	750.	
D168803	2.6	1.7	.26	.077	.022	.065	.53	18 L	.073	230.	
D169000	5.0	2.6	.25	.156	.112	.19	.60	29 L	.11	81. L	
D169001	1.3	.95	.92	.091	.058	.005	.47	19	.058	630.	
D169002	8.9	4.0	3.1	.332	.138	.37	.81	59. L	.21	170. L	
D169003	1.8	1.2	.50	.107	.063	.031	.43	14. L	.064	410.	
D169004	1.8	1.2	.89	.121	.043	.023	.37	15. L	.072	310.	
D169005	1.2	.91	.26	.082	.023	.016	.47	9.8	.031	97.	
D169006	1.5	1.1	1.2	.150	.092	.016	.44	22.	.052	430.	
D169007	2.2	1.5	.95	.165	.031	.015	.40	18. L	.080	380.	
D169008	1.3	.84	.29	.059	.024	.022	.46	9.6 L	.032	27. L	
D169012	4.5	1.5	.50	.105	.058	.31	.49	30.	.071	71. L	
D169013	8.9	5.1	.082	.101	.126	.087	.61	49. L	.17	140. L	
D176216	1.7	1.0	.88	.114	.107	.041	.36	11.	.072	410. L	
D176217	4.6	2.4.	1.0	.179	.087	. 22	.62	27.	.11	900. L	
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SAMPLE	CL X	AS PPM	CD PPM	CU PPM	F PPM	HG PPM	LI PPM	PB PPM	SB PPM	SE PPM
D168801 D168802 D168803 D169000 D169001	0.006L .010L .012L .019L .008L	1. 1. 5. 1.	0.06L .10L .12L .19L .08L	12.5 14.4 15.2 37.9 10.8	20.L 40. 90. 160. 90.	0.05 01 04 05 .06	5.0 7.9 9.1 13.4 7.5	2.2 4.4 6.4 9.3 3.8	0.5 .3 .7 .5 .2	1.4 1.9 1 3 1.8 1.2
D169002 D169003 D169004 D169005 D169006	.038L .009L .010L .006L .010L	2. 1. 1. 1. 1.	.38L .09L .10L .06L .10L	35.9 18.8 17.8 10.8 17.2	195. 65. 40. 95. 65.	.08 .05 .10 .06 .09	22.2 9.1 9.0 4.9 8.6	13.4 5.9 6.0 4.4 6.0	.4 .3 .2 .3 .2	1.8 1.4 1.6 1.2 1.5
D169007 D169008 D169012 D169013 D176216	.011L .006L .016L .032L .019L	1. 1. 1.L 2. 2.	.11L .06L .16L .32L .09L	11.4 8.1 8.1 14.5 18.0	120. 80. 95. 90. 50.	.04 .04 .02 .05 .13	15.5 4.2 6.5 37.3 7.6	6.8 3.7 6.5 61.6 4.8	.2 .2 .2 .5 .3	· 1 . 1 · 1 . 0 · 7 1 . 6 2 . 1
D176217	.041L	2.	· . 21 L	19.0	180.	. 04	13.8	8.2	. 4	2.1

Table 4.--Major, minor, and trace-element composition of 16 coal samples from selected sites in the Raton coal field, New Mexico, reported on whole-coal basis--Continued

	SAMPLE	TH PPM	U PPM	ZN PPM	B PPM-S	BA PPM-S	BE PPM-S	CE PPM-S	CO PPM-S	CR PPM-S	GA PPM-S
	D168801 D168802 D168803 D169000 D169001	2.9 3.4 7.6 8.0 4.5	1 . 2 1 . 2 1 . 8 2 . 3 7	2.7 4.5 10.1 11.5 3.8	10 15 15 15 15	500 500 100 300 500	0.7 .3 1.5 1.5 .2	N N N N N	2 1.5 3 1.5	5 5 7 10 2	2 3 7 - 5 2
	D169D02 D169003 D169004 D169005 D169006	7.7 5.0 3.7 4.1 4.9	3.2 1.2 1.5 1.0 1.3	32.1 6.6 3.9 5.1 4.6	20 15 15 10 15	500 300 500 200 500	1 .7 .7 1.5 .3	. N N 30 L N	5 2 1.5 5 1.5	30 5 7 5 3	10 3 2 3
	D169007 D169008 D169012 D169013 D176216	3.4 3.9 3.0L 15.5 4.4	1.4 .7 1.5 4.1 1.0	11.5 6.3 5.0 10.7 2.9	7 10 10 20 20	200 200 70 150 300	1.5 1.5 1 , 7 1 , 7	30 L N N 50 L	2 5 1.5 L 3 1.5	7 3 2 3 3	3 2 5 10 3
4 4	D176217	10.3	1.5	8.2	20	500	1	100 L	3	10	7

SAMPLE	GE PPM-S	LA PPM-S	MO PPM-S	NB PPM-S	ND PPM-S	NI PPM-S	SC PPM-S	SR PPM-S	V PPM-S	Y PPM-S	YB PPM-S	ZR PPM-S
D168801 D168802 D168803 D169000 D169001	N N N N	5 7 7 15 7	0.7 .7 .7 1.5 .7	1.5 2 3.L 1.5 L	N N N N	3 3 3 2	2 2 2 3 1.5	150 150 70 100 200	15 15 15 30 7	5 3 7 5 5	0.5 .3 .7 .5 .5	20 20 20 30 15
D169002 D169003 D169004 D169005 D169005 D169006	N N N N	30 10 7 10 7	N 1 1 1 .7	7 2 1.5 2 L	N N 10 N	5 3 3 10 3	7 3 2 2 1.5	700 200 200 100 300	70 20 20 15 15	10 7 7 15 5	1 .7 1.5 .5	70 20 20 15 15
D169007 D169008 D169012 D169013 D176216	1.5 L N N N	10 10 10 20 10 L	.7 1.5 3.7	2 1.5 3 L 10 3	10 N N N N N	7 10 1.5 L 3 L 3	2 2 1.5 3 1.5	150 100 200 70 200	15 10 10 20 15	7 10 7 10 7	.7 1 7 1 5	15 10 20 70 20
D176217	· N	20 L	1.5	7	N	10	3	300	30	10	.7	15 -

Rock samples, on table 5, related to previously described coal samples (here included in parentheses)

## Samples D169014 and D169015

York Canyon bed, Raton Formation, Paleocene age, York Canyon mine, long wall panel, 7th right, Colfax County, New Mexico, lat. 36°52'13" N, long. 104°53'37" W.

D169015--channel sample, carbonaceous shale 3 inches thick

(D169001--main coal bed sample, 48 inches thick)

D169014--channel sample, silty carbonaceous shale 3 inches thick at base of coal

(D169000--lower coal bench sample, 27 inches thick)

#### Samples D169016, D169017, and D169018

York Canyon bed, Raton Formation, Paleocene age, Kaiser Steel strip mine (south end), Colfax County, New Mexico, lat. 36°52'13" N, long. 104°55'14" W.

D169018--channel sample, carbonaceous shale and mudstone (roof) 4 inches thick

D169017--channel sample, carbonaceous shale 10 inches thick

(D169005--upper coal bench 16 inches thick)

D169016--channel sample, basal carbonaceous shale and mudstone 4 inches thick

(D169004--main coal seam 106 inches thick)

Samples D169019, D169020, D169021, and D169022

York Canyon bed, Raton Formation, Paleocene age, Kaiser Steel strip mine (north end), Colfax County, New Mexico, lat. 36°52'38" N, long. 104°55'17" W.

D169022--channel sample, carbonaceous mudstone (roof) 6 inches thick

D169021--channel sample, carbonaceous shale 7 inches thick

(D169008--top bench of coal, 14 inches thick)

D169020--channel sample, coaly shale and shaly coal split 10 inches thick

(D169007--second bench of coal, 18 inches thick)

D169019--channel sample, carbonaceous shale and mudstone 4 inches thick at base of coal

#### Sample D169027

Outcrop sample (3 in.) at base of coal, Raton bed, Vermejo Formation, Late Cretaceous age, tributary to Spring Canyon, Vermejo Park, Colfax County, New Mexico, lat. 36°55'30", long. 105°01'10" W.

## Table 5.--Major, minor, and trace-element composition of 10 rock samples from selected sites in the Raton coal field, New Mexico, reported on a whole-rock basis

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[Values are in either percent or parts per million. SiO<sub>2</sub>, Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, CaO, MgO, Na<sub>2</sub>O, K<sub>2</sub>O, Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, MnO, TiO<sub>2</sub>, P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>, Cl, Cd, Cu, Li, Pb, and Zn values were calculated from analyses of rock ash. As, F, Hg, Sb, Se, Th, U, total carbon, organic carbon, carbonate carbon, and total sulfur values are from direct determinations on air-dried (32°C) rock. The remaining analyses, indicated by an S after the element title, were calculated from spectrographic determinations on ash. These spectrographic results are to be identified with geometric brackets whose boundaries are 1.2, 0.83, 0.56, 0.38, 0.26, 0.18, 0.12, etc. but are reported arbitrarily as mid-points of those brackets, 1.0, 0.7, 0.5, 0.3, 0.2, 0.15, 0.1, etc. The precision of the spectrographic data is approximately one bracket at 68 percent, or two brackets at 95 percent confidence. L after a value means less than the value shown and N means not detected]

SAMPLE D169014 D169015 D169016 D169017 D169018 D169019	SIO2 % 60. 18. 56. 48. 52. 48.	AL 203 % 21. 7.0 21. 18. 18. 20.	CAO % 0.15 4.4 .46 4.1 .27 .20	MGO % 0.89 .46 1.05 1.12 1.07 .91	NA20 % 0.79 .18 .13 .08 .76 .13	K20 % 2.0 .42 2.2 1.6 1.9 1.6	FE203 <b>%</b> 2.2 1.1 2.3 3.6 3.0 2.0	MNO 2 0.018L .007L .018L .032 .016L .015L	TIO2 2 0.85 .28 .70 .65 .72	P205 2 0.091L .037L .088L .084L .080L .077L
D169021 D169022 D169027	51. 54. 42.	21 19. 20. 14.	. 25 . 51 . 20 . 34	.94 1.24 1.09 .47	. 22 . 30 . 80 . 05	1.2 1.2 1.7 2.6	1.9 3.8 2.9 1.9	.016L .017L .017L .013L	.73 .73 .80 .58	.082L .083L .085L .064L
D169014 D169015 D169016 D169017 D169018	0.091L 037L .088L .084L .080L	2. 5. 3. 5. 4.	0.9L .4L .9L .8L .8L	42. 20. 44. 65. 50.	716. 176. 764. 488. 552.	0.04 .05 .06 .12 .20	38. 17. 37. 35. 53.	27. 13. 22. 25. 20.L	0.6 .6 .7 .6 .4	1.0 2.1 2.0 2.6 1.5
D169019 D169020 D169021 D169022 D169022 D169027	.077L .082L .083L .085L .064L	8. 4. 5. 3. 1.	.8L .8L .8L .9L .6L	65. 49. 56. 53. 26.	680. 476. 604. 632. 440.	.18 .07 .09 .17 .05	38. 42. 41. 66.	27. 20 25. 21.L 16.L	.9 .6 .8 .5 .4	3.2 2.1 2.0 2.0 .9

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	D169014 D169015 D169016 D169017 D169018	16.2 6.0 13.6 13.4 11.6	6.6 2.8 4.6 5.9 5.0	75. 17. 32. 62. 156.	50 20 50 L 50 L 50 L 50 L	700 200 700 700 700	N N 3 N N	N 3 L N 15 15	50 20 50 20 70	30 10 30 20 20	70 70 70 70 N	0.06 .32 .22 .33 .54	
20	D169019 D169020 D169021 D169022 D169022 D169027	14.6 15.1 14.0 10.7 8.2	6.7 5.6 5.5 5.5 4.2	35. 168. 77. 191. 39.	50 L 50 L 50 L 50 L 50 L	500 700 700 700 500	- N N 2 N	10 N 15 N	50 70 50 70 10	20 20 20 20 20 20	50 70 70 70 80 <b>N</b>	.44 .17 .23 .28 .23	

SAMPLE         NB         PPM-S         NI         PPM-S         SC         PPM-S         SN         PPM-S         V         PPM-S         V         PPM-S         ZR         PPM-S         TOTAL CX         ORGNC C2         CRBNT           D169014         30         10         L         15         N         300         150         30         3         200         2.83         2.8         0.0           D169015         7         3         L         5         N         700         50         7         1         50         52.2         51.         9           D169016         15         10         L         15         150         150         15         3         150         3.49         3.5         0         0           D169016         15         15         15         150         150         15         2         150         8.22         7.4         8           D169018         15         20         15         N         150         150         20         12.0         12.0         12.0         12.0         12.0         12.0         12.0         12.0         12.0         12.0         12.0         12.0			. 28	70 N	20 20	70 10	15 N	2 N	700 500	50 L 50	191. 39.	5.5	10.7 8.2	D169022 D169027
SAMPLE         NB         PPM-S         NI         PPM-S         SC         PPM-S         SR         PPM-S         Y         PPM-S         ZR         PPM-S         TOTAL CX         ORGNC CX         CRBNT           D169014         30         10         L         15         N         300         150         30         3         200         2.83         2.8         0.0           D169015         7         3         L         5         N         700         50         7         1         50         52.2         51.         .9         .9         .9         .9         .5         .0         .0         .0         .9         .9         .5         .0         .0         .0         .0         .2         .83         .2         .1         .9         .0         .0         .0         .0         .0         .0         .0         .0         .0         .0         .0         .0         .0         .0         .0         .0         .0         .0         .0         .0         .0         .0         .0         .0         .0         .0         .0         .0         .0         .0         .0         .0         .0         .0         <					, ,									
D169014       30       10       L       15       N       300       150       30       3       200       2.83       2.8       0.0         D169015       7       3       L       5       N       700       50       7       1       50       52.2       51.       .9         D169016       15       10       L       15       15       150       150       3       150       3.4       3.5       .0       0         D169016       15       10       L       15       15       150       15       3       150       3.4       3.5       .0       0         D169016       15       10       L       15       N       150       150       15       2       150       8.22       7.4       .8         D169018       15       20       15       N       150       150       20       2       200       12.0       12.       .0         D169019       15       15       10       N       200       100       15       2.5       100       13.4       13.       .0         D169020       15       7       L       15       N	r c <b>i</b>	CRBNT CL	ORGNC CZ	TOTAL CX	ZR PPM-S	YB PPM-S	Y PPM-S	V PPM-S	SR PPM-S	SN PPM-S	SC PPM-S	NI PPM-S	NB PPH-S	SAMPLE
D169018         15         20         15         N         150         150         20         2         200         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0         11.0	02 96 01L 83 01L	0.02 .96 .01L .83 .01L	2.8 51. 3.5 7.4	2.83 52.2 3.49 8.22	200 50 150 200	3 1 3 2	30 7 15 15	/ 150 50 150 150	300 700 150 150	N N 15 N	15 5 15 15	10 L 3 L 10 L 15	30 7 15 15	D169014 D169015 D169016 D169017 D169017
D105022 15 20 15 20 150 70 20 2 50 160 26 26 26 26 26 26 26 26 26 26 26 26 26	01L 01L 50 01L	.01L .01L .50 .01L	13. 9.4 8.5 8.0	13.4 9.45 8.99 8.03	100 150 150	2 1.5 1.5	15 15 15	100 150 150	200 200 200	N N N	10 15 15	20 15 7 L 15	15 15 15	D169018 D169019 D169020 D169021
	01L	.01L	24.	24.4	100	<b>1</b> .5	15	50	100	20 N	15 7 L	20 N	15 15 L	D169027

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## Table 6.--Arithmetic mean, observed range, geometric mean, and geometric deviation of proximate, ultimate, Btu, and forms-of-sulfur analyses for 10 Raton field coal samples

# [All values except Btu are in percent and are reported on the as-received basis]

	Arithmetic mean (abundance)	Observed Minimum	range Maximum	Geometric mean (expected value)	Geometric deviation
	Proxi	mate and u	ltimate ana	alyses	
Moisture	1.8	1.3	2.5	1.8	1.2
Volatile matter	36.1	31.2	42.3	36	1.1
Fixed carbon	50.7	43.5	54.4	50.6	1.1
Ash	11.4	5.8	22.8	10.4	1.6
Hydrogen	5.2	4.7	6	5.2	1.1
Carbon	72.7	61.8	77.8	72.5	1.1
Nitrogen	1.7	1.2	2	1.6	1.1
Oxygen	8.6	7.8	10.4	8.6	1.1
Sulfur	.5	.4	.6	.5	1.2
Btu	13,100	11,620	14,230	13,070	1.1
	<u> </u>	Forms of	f sulfur	<u> </u>	
Sulfate	0.01	0.00	0.02	0.01	1.4
Pyritic	.06	.02	.11	.05	1.6
Organic	.43	.30	.56	.42	1.2

## Table 6a.--Arithmetic mean, observed range, geometric mean, and geometric deviation of proximate, ultimate, and forms-of-sulfur analyses for 86 Rocky Mountain province coal samples

[All values except Btu are in percent and are reported on the as-received basis]

Arithmetic mean	Observ	ed range	Geometric mean (expected	Geometric
(abundance)	Minimum	Maximum	value)	deviation
Proximate	e and ultim	ate analyse	S	
12.9	1.6	35.0	10.5	2.0
36.0	22.7	46.7	35.7	1.1
42.0	17.1	52.5	<sup>-</sup> 41.5	1.2
9.1	2.1	32.2	7.7	1.8
5.6	4.4	6.7	5.6	1.1
59.7	27.1	75.2	58.9	1.2
1.2	.5	1.6	1.1	1.3
23.8	8.2	47.9	22.4	1.4
.6	.2	5.1	.5	1.8
10,480	4,660	13,370	11,110	1.5
F	forms of su	lfur	·	
0.05	0.011	1.59	0.02	2.4
.19	.02	2.64	.11	2.9
. 32	.06	1.11	.22	3.0
	Arithmetic mean (abundance) Proximate 12.9 36.0 42.0 9.1 5.6 59.7 1.2 23.8 .6 10,480 F 0.05 .19 .32	Arithmetic mean (abundance)       Observe Minimum         Proximate and ultim         12.9       1.6         36.0       22.7         42.0       17.1         9.1       2.1         5.6       4.4         59.7       27.1         1.2       .5         23.8       8.2         .6       .2         10,480       4,660         Forms of su         0.05       0.01L         .19       .02         .32       .06	Arithmetic mean       Observed range         (abundance)       Minimum       Maximum         Proximate and ultimate analyse         12.9       1.6       35.0         36.0       22.7       46.7         42.0       17.1       52.5         9.1       2.1       32.2         5.6       4.4       6.7         59.7       27.1       75.2         1.2       .5       1.6         23.8       8.2       47.9         .6       .2       5.1         10,480       4,660       13,370         Forms of sulfur         0.05       0.01L       1.59         .19       .02       2.64         .32       .06       1.11	Arithmetic mean (abundance)Observel range MinimumGeometric mean (expected value)Proximate and ultimate analysesIO.512.91.635.012.91.635.012.91.635.012.91.635.012.91.635.012.91.635.012.91.635.012.91.635.012.91.635.09.12.152.59.12.132.27.75.64.46.75.659.727.175.258.91.2.51.2.51.61.123.88.247.922.4.6.25.110,4804,66013,37011,11011,110Forms of sulfur0.050.01L1.590.02.19.02.32.061.11.32.061.11

Table 7Arithme	etic mean	, observed	range,	geometric	mean, and	d geometric
deviation of	17 major	and minor	oxides	and trace	elements	in the
ash of 16 Rat	ton field	coal samp	les		· ·	

[All samples were ashed at 525°C. L after a value means less than the value shown]

Flement	Arithmetic	Ran	ge	Geometric	Geometric
oxide	(abundance)	Minimum	Maximum	(expected value)	deviation
Ash %	13.9	6.2	38.2	12.0	1.7
sio <sub>2</sub> %	45	32	60	45	1.2
A12 <sup>0</sup> 3 %	24	17	. 30	24	1.2
Ca0 %	9.1	.36	17	5.7	2.7
MgO %	1.72	.53	2.49	1.60	1.5
Na <sub>2</sub> 0 %	.70	.26	1.53	.63	1.6
к <sub>2</sub> 0 %	.65	.08	2.3	.45	2.4
Fe <sub>2</sub> 0 <sub>3</sub> %	6.2	2.8	11	5.8	1.5
MnO %	.023	.015	.029	.022	1.3
Ti0 <sub>2</sub> %	1	.73	1.3	1	1.2
P205 %	1	.1 L	1.7	.28	5.4
so <sub>3</sub> %	5.4	.62	6.4	1.9	4.4
Cd. ppm	1 L		1 L		
Cu ppm	143	46 _	208	128	1.6
Li ppm	83	40	136	80	1.3
Pb ppm	59	35	195	55	1.5
Zn ppm	59	31	102	54	1.5

## Table 7a.--Arithmetic mean, observed range, geometric mean, and geometric deviation of 17 major and minor oxides and trace elements in the ash of 295 Rocky Mountain province coal samples

[All samples were ashed at 525°C; L after a value means less than the value shown]

Oxide or	Arithmetic mean	Observed	l range	Geometric mean	Geometric
element	(abundance)	Minimum	Maximum	(expected value)	deviation
Ash %	13.3	1.76	88.2	10.9	1.9
\$10 <sub>2</sub> %	46	15	79	44	1.4
A12 <sup>0</sup> 3 <sup>%</sup>	21	4.3	35	19	1.4
Ca0 %	8.9	.21	35	6.2	2.4
MgO %	1.63	.22	7.10	1.4	1.8
Na <sub>2</sub> 0 %	1.39	.08	8.56	.68	3.3
к <sub>2</sub> 0 %	.65	.05	3.0	.45	2.3
Fe <sub>2</sub> 03 %	7.6	1.1	26	4.5	2.8
Mn0 %	.049	.004	.55	.029	2.8
Ti0 <sub>2</sub> %	.89	.02L	1.8	.81	1.6
P205 %	.41	.056	3.6	.14	4.2
so <sub>3</sub> .%	8.4	.10L	. 29	5.1	2.7
Cd ppm	.7	.5 L	4.0	.59	1.9
Cu ppm	87	22	1,260	77	1.6
Li ppm	. 88	10 L	328	73	1.9
Pb ppm	45	20 L	195	41	1.5
Zn ppm	77	13	1,820	62	1.9

Table 8.--Arithmetic mean, observed range, geometric mean, and geometricdeviation of 37 elements in 16 Raton field coal samples (whole-coalbasis). For comparison, average shale values are listed (Turekianand Wedepohl, 1961)

[As, F, Sb, Th, and U values used to calculate the statistics were determined directly on whole coal. All other values used were calculated from determinations made on coal ash. L after a value means less than the value shown. Statistical values for Mn and Cd could not be calculated owing to variability of the lower limits]

Element	Arithmetic	Range		Geometric		
or	mean			mean	Geometric	Average
oxide	(abundance)	Minimum	Maximum	(expected value)	deviation	shale
Si %	. 3.1	1.2	8.9	2.5	2.0	7.3
Al %	1.8	.84	5.1	1.5	1.7	8.0
Ca %	.74	.08	3.1	.49	2.5	2.21
Mg %	.126	.059	.33	.115	1.5	1.55
Na %	.068	.022	.14	.056	, 1.9	.96
К %	.09	.005	.37	.04	- 3.5	2.66
Fe %	.49	.34	.81	.48	1.3	4.72
Mn ppm	·	9.6 L	30			850
Ti %	.08	.03	.21	.07	1.7	.46
P ppm	310	27 L	750	220	2.3	700
As ppm	1	1 L	5	1	1.6	13
Cd ppm		.1 L	.4 L	·		.3
Cu ppm	16.9	8.1	37.9	15.3	1.6	45
F ppm	95	20 L	195	78	1.9	740
Hg ppm	.06	.01	.13	.05	1.8	.4
Li ppm	11.1	4.2	37.3	9.5	1.8	66
Pb ppm	8.5	2.2	61.6	6.5	2.1	20
Sb ppm	3	2	.7	.3	1.5	1.5
Se ppm	1.5	.7	2.1	1.4	1.3	• 6
Th ppm	5.7	2.9	15.5	5	1.7	12
U ppm	1.6	.7	4.1	1.4	· 1.6	3.7
Zn ppm	7.9	2.7	32.1	6.5	1.9	95
B ppm	15	7.	20	15	1.4	100
Ba ppm	300	70	500	300	1.9	580
Be ppm	. 1	.2	1.5	.7	1.8	3
Co ppm	3	1.5 L	5	2	1.6	19
Cr ppm	7	2	30	5	2.0	90
Ga ppm	5	2	10	3	1.8	19
Mo ppm	1	.7	3	1	1.6	2.6
Nb ppm	3	1.5 L	10	3	2.0	11
Ni ppm	5	1.5 L	10	3	2.0	68
Sc ppm	2	1.5	7	2	1.5	13
Sr ppm	200	70	700	150	1.8	300
V ppm	20	7	70	15	1.7	130
Y ppm	7	3	- 15	7	1.5	26
Yb ppm	.7	.3	1.5	.7	1.5	2.6
Zr ppm	20	10	70	20	1.7	160
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- [As, F, Sb, Se, Th, and U values used to calculate the statistics were determined directly on whole-coal. All other values used were calculated from determinations made on coal ash. L means less than the value shown]

•	Arithmetic Observed range			Geometric mean (expected	Geometric	Average
Element	(abundance)	Minimum	Maximum	value)	deviation	shale
Si %	3.2	0.9	23	2.3	2.3	7.3
Al %	1.6	.14	13	1.1	2.3	8.0
Ca %	.61	.05	3.7	.48	2.0	2.21
Mg %	.107	.015	.76	.089	1.8	1.55
Na %	.155	.002	.76	.055-	4.2	.96
к %	,092	.003	1.7	.041	3.6	2.66
Fe %	.64	.10	4.2	.34	3.1	4.72
Mn ppm	33	2.7	492	20	2.6	850
Ti %	.062	.001L	.54	.047	2.1	.46
P ppm	280	8.2	1800	120	` 3.7	700
As ppm	2	1 L	50	2	2.5	13
Cd ppm	.8	.021	. 50	.5	2.7	.3
Cu ppm	10.8	1.3	100	8.4	2.0	45
F ppm	95	20 L	920	69	2.2	740
Hg ppm	.08	.01	1.48	.05	2.4	.4
Li ppm	13	• .44 L	82.9	8.0	2.7	66
Pb ppm	6.5	.95	62	4.7	2.2	20
Sb ppm	4	.05 L	5.2	.3	2.2	1.5
Se ppm	1.6	.10L	5.7	1.2	2.1	.6
Th ppm	4.2	1.7	34.8	2.9	2.5	12
U ppm	1.9	.1	23.8	1.1	2.8	3.7
Zn ppm	10.7	1.0	380	6.8	2.6	95
B ppm	70	7	300	70	2.2	100
Ba ppm	300	3	1,500	150	2.6	580
Be ppm	.7	.05	3	.5	2.3	3
Co ppm	2	.3	10	1.5	2.0	19
Cr ppm	5	.5	70	5	2.2	90
Ga ppm	5	.3	30	3	2.3	19
Mo ppm	2	.2	15	1.5	2.3	2.6
Nb ppm	7	.3	30	5	2.6	· 11
Ni ppm	3	.7	20	2	2.1	68
Sc ppm	2	.3	15	1.5	2.0	13
Sr ppm	100	5	700	100	2.1	300
V ppm	15	1.5	100	100	2.1	130
Y ppm	. 7	.5	30	5	2.1	26
Yb ppm	.7	.03	3	.5	2.2	2.6
Zr ppm	30	3	100	20	2.3	160

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