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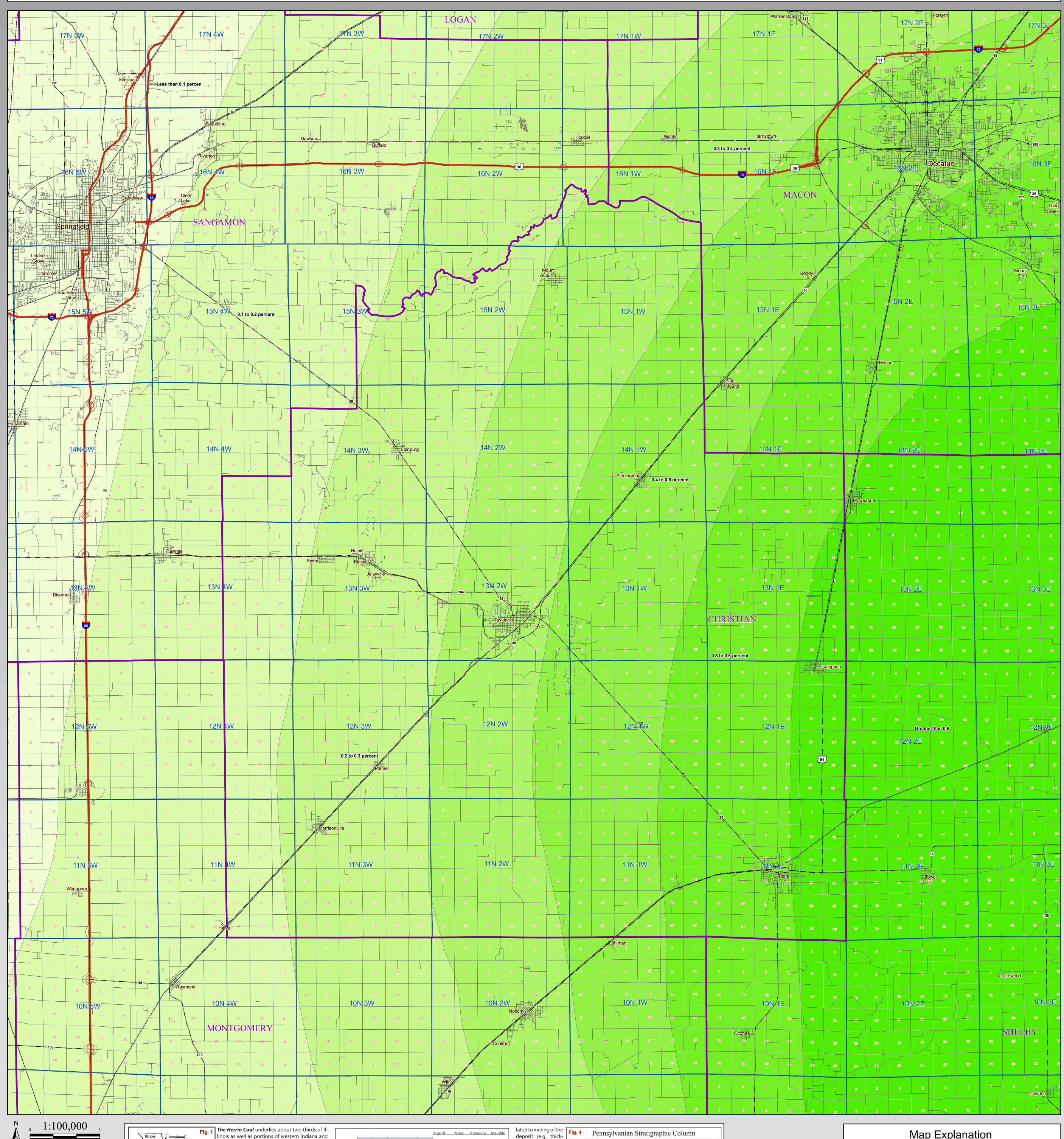
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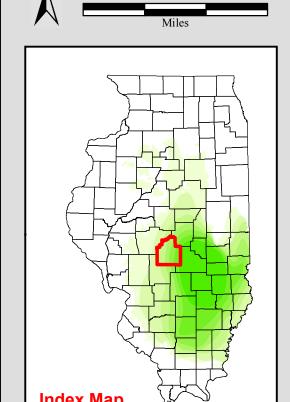
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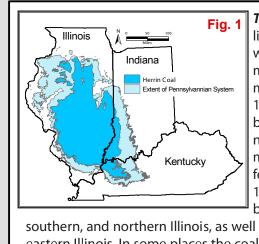
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County coal maps and select quadrangle maps available as downloadable PDF files at: http://www.isgs.illinois.edu/maps-data-pub/coal-maps/county-index.shtml







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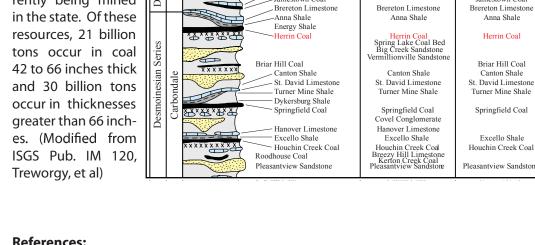
linois as well as portions of western Indiana and western Kentucky. The coal crops out along the margins of the Illinois Basin and reaches a maximum depth in Illinois of about 1,300 feet. (See Fig . and Fig 2.) The Herrin Coal is a normal brightbanded coal. Its lower portion contains a prominent claystone parting (the "blue band") that normally is 1-3 inches thick. It averages more than 6 feet thick in extensive areas and locally reaches 15 feet. It is thin in much of central Illinois but has been extensively mined in western, west-central,

southern, and northern Illinois, as well as in the southern part of the Danville region of eastern Illinois. In some places the coal is cut out by channels filled with the Anvil Rock Sandstone Member. In parts of Illinois, silty gray shale as much as 100 feet thick overlies the Herrin Coal. Associated with this shale is a channel sandstone commonly as much as a mile wide and 60-

					Original	Mined	R emaining	Available
Danville					19.6	0.2	19.4	4.5
Jamestown					3.6	0	3.6	0.9
Herrin					88.5	9.4	79.0	51.0
Springfield					65.1	2.2	63.0	27.0
Colchester					19.0	0.5	18.5	1.0
Dekoven					6.0	0.1	5.9	0.3
Davis			■ Available ■ Avail. w/ potential	ential restr.	9.6	0.1	9.5	4.7
Seelyville			■ Restricted or	r mined	9.7	0	9.7	6.7
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Brereton Lime	stone Member. (Hopkins,	1968 - B95,	See Fig 4	.)	

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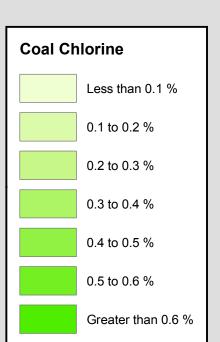
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Map Explanation

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Contoured features less than 7 million square feet (about 1/2 mile square) in area may not be accurately portrayed or resolved. This data set provides a large-scale conceptual model of the geology of the area on which to base further work. These data are not intended for use in site-specific screening or decision-making.

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