Springfield Coal Elevation MONTGOMERY County

County Coal Map Series

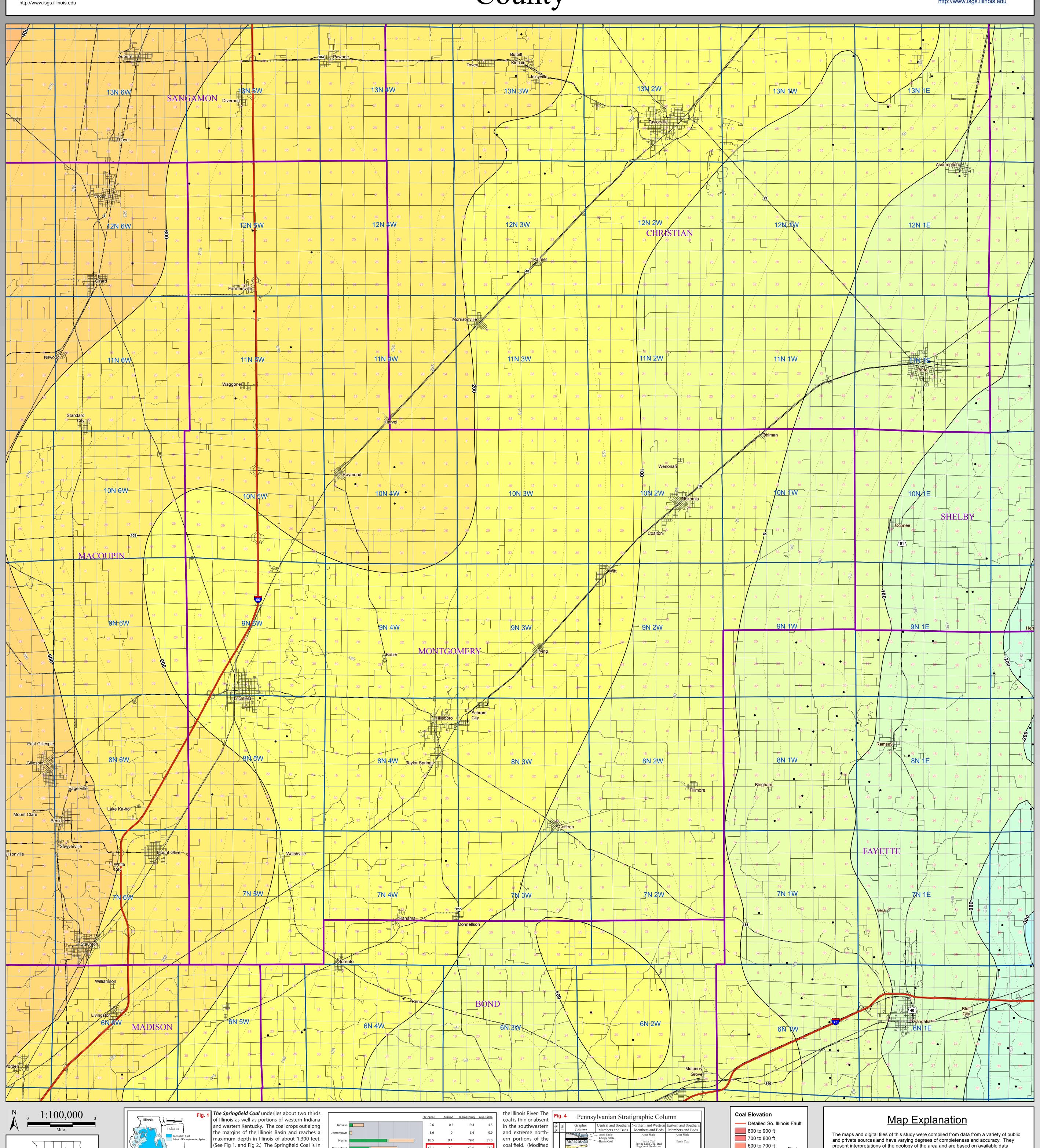
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The original resource of Springfield Coal in the State of Illinois totals 65.1 billion tons, of which 2.2 billion have been mined. Approximately 41% of the original Springfield with the deposit (e.g. thickness, depth, in-place tonnage, stability of bedrock overburden) are comparable to other coals currently being mined in the state. Of these resources, 23 billion tons occur in coal 42 to 66 inches thick and 4 billion tons occur in thicknesses greater than 66 inches thick.

The Springfield Coal has been mined in Illinois for well over 100 years. The thickest resources of Springfield Coal in Illinois are found in the central part of the control of these resources of Springfield Coal in Illinois are found in the central part of the control of the deposit (e.g. thickness, depth, in-place tonnage, stability of bedrock overburden) are comparable to other coals currently being mined in the state. Of these resources, 23 billion tons occur in thicknesses greater than 66 inches thick.

are considered available for along the Galatia Channel. Recent and historical mining of the coal has been

mining (See Fig 3.). Available concentrated in these areas and in shallow surface minable deposits west of

Avail. w/ potential res

means that the surface land-use and geologic conditions related to mining of

the state around the city of Springfield and in the southeastern part of the state

the Carbondale formation which is part of the

Desmoninesian Series. (See Fig. 4) The Springfield

Coal is normally overlain by a black fissile shale

called the Turner Mine shale, but in southeastern

Illinois, in a belt several miles wide that trends

southwestward, the coal is thick and is overlain

1968 - B95). (See Fig 4.)

Coal resources, 27 billion tons,

by the gray silty Dykersburg Shale. In that belt the coal is commonly split by shale part-

ings, and contains less pyrite than where it is overlain by the black fissile shale (Hopkins,

North-south cross section of the Pennsylvanian System in Illinois

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St. David Limestone Turner Mine Shale

Excello Shale

Lowell Coal

Colchester Coal

from ISGS Pub. IM

118, Treworgy, et al)

Detailed So. Illinois Fault

800 to 900 ft

700 to 800 ft

600 to 700 ft

500 to 600 ft

elevation

400 to 500 ft

300 to 400 ft

200 to 300 ft

100 to 200 ft

0 to 100 ft

-100 to 0 ft

-200 to -100 ft

-300 to -200 ft

-400 to -300 ft

-500 to -400 ft

-600 to -500 ft

-700 to -600 ft

-800 to -700 ft

-900 to -800 ft

< -900 ft

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