

Global coal production increased by 4.3% in 2018, significantly above the 10-year average of 1.3%. Production growth was concentrated in Asia Pacific (163 mtoe) with China accounting for half of global growth and Indonesian production up by 51 mtoe. Coal consumption increased by 1.4% in 2018, the fastest growth since 2013. Growth was again driven by Asia Pacific (71 Mtoe), and particularly by India (36 Mtoe). This region now accounts for over three quarters of global consumption, while 10 years ago it represented two thirds.