

# Coal

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Grab US Coal Production data which is measured in thousand short tons.

```
Coal <- read.csv("https://www.eia.gov/totalenergy/data/browser/csv.cfm?tbl=T06.01")
summary(Coal)
```

```
##      MSN      YYYYMM      Value      Column_Order
## CLEXPUS: 591  Min.    :194913  Not Available: 244  Min.    :1.00
## CLIMPUS: 591  1st Qu.:198207  816.667      :    6  1st Qu.:2.75
## CLLUPUS: 591  Median :199312   2            :    3  Median :4.50
## CLNIPUS: 591  Mean    :199301   3            :    3  Mean    :4.50
## CLPRPUS: 591  3rd Qu.:200504 -4657         :    2  3rd Qu.:6.25
## CLSCPUS: 591  Max.    :201608  114          :    2  Max.    :8.00
## (Other):1182      (Other)      :4468
##
##      Description      Unit
## Coal Consumption      : 591  Thousand Short Tons:4728
## Coal Exports           : 591
## Coal Imports           : 591
## Coal Losses and Unaccounted for: 591
## Coal Net Imports       : 591
## Coal Production        : 591
## (Other)                :1182
```

Load the dplyr package.

```
library(dplyr)
```

```
##
## Attaching package: 'dplyr'

## The following objects are masked from 'package:stats':
##
##   filter, lag

## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
##
##   intersect, setdiff, setequal, union
```

Select only the Coal Production Figures and save it as CoalProduction. There is a cheat sheet for dplyr built into R. Look under the help menu.

```
CoalProduction <- Coal %>% filter(MSN == "CLPRPUS")
```

Grab all of the annual observations with month equal to 13, remove unnecessary columns and rename the remaining columns as RawYear and ProductionKShortTon.

```
library(stringr)

CoalProduction <- CoalProduction %>% filter(str_sub(as.character(YYYYMM),5 ) == "13")

CoalProduction <- CoalProduction %>% select(YYYYMM, Value)

names(CoalProduction) <- c("RawYear", "ProductionKShortTon")

summary(CoalProduction)
```

```
##      RawYear      ProductionKShortTon
## Min.   :194913   1000048.758: 1
## 1st Qu.:196563   1016458.418: 1
## Median :198213   1029075.527: 1
## Mean   :198213   1032973.77 : 1
## 3rd Qu.:199863   1033504.288: 1
## Max.   :201513   1063855.51 : 1
##                (Other)      :61
```

The ProductionKShortTon variable shows a count rather than a numerical summary which is considered a factor rather than number by R. Convert the factor, which is an integer, to the real value as a character and then convert that to numeric.

```
CoalProduction$ProductionKShortTon <- as.numeric(as.character(CoalProduction$ProductionKShortTon))

## $ = access column
# <- assignment operator
#as.numeric (as.character(CoalProduction$ProductionKShortTon)) = turn into number if possible
```

Create a column for the year and make it a numeric value.

```
CoalProduction <- CoalProduction %>%mutate(Year = as.numeric(str_sub(as.character(RawYear),0,4 )))

summary(CoalProduction)
```

```
##      RawYear      ProductionKShortTon      Year
## Min.   :194913   Min.   : 420423   Min.   :1949
## 1st Qu.:196563   1st Qu.: 558547   1st Qu.:1966
## Median :198213   Median : 829700   Median :1982
## Mean   :198213   Mean   : 796953   Mean   :1982
## 3rd Qu.:199863   3rd Qu.:1033239   3rd Qu.:1998
## Max.   :201513   Max.   :1171809   Max.   :2015
```

Install the Quandl library and grab US Price data for coal from 1949-2005.

```
library(Quandl)
```

```
## Loading required package: xts
```

```
## Loading required package: zoo
```

```
##
## Attaching package: 'zoo'
```

```
## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
##
##      as.Date, as.Date.numeric
```

```
##
## Attaching package: 'xts'
```

```
## The following objects are masked from 'package:dplyr':
##
##      first, last
```

```
Prices <- Quandl("EPI/152")

summary(Prices)
```

```
##      Year      Price (U.S. Dollars)
## Min.   :1949-01-01  Min.   :16.78
## 1st Qu.:1963-01-01  1st Qu.:20.19
## Median :1977-01-01  Median :25.02
## Mean   :1976-12-31  Mean   :27.85
## 3rd Qu.:1991-01-01  3rd Qu.:31.52
## Max.   :2005-01-01  Max.   :50.92
```

Convert the information in the Year column of the Prices data frame to a numeric value and simplify the names of the columns.

```
Prices$Year <- as.numeric(str_sub(Prices$Year,0,4))

#showing how to merge two dataframes . takes the column prices to the forth digit and taking the years

names(Prices) <- c("Year", "PriceShortTon")
```

Merge the data frames Prices and CoalProduction into a new data frame called CoalMarket by the columns named Year.

The quantity of US coal production is reported in thousand short ton whereas the prices are reported in US dollar (base year 2000) per short ton.

```
summary(CoalProduction)
```

```
##      RawYear      ProductionKShortTon      Year
## Min.   :194913  Min.   : 420423  Min.   :1949
## 1st Qu.:196563  1st Qu.: 558547  1st Qu.:1966
## Median :198213  Median : 829700  Median :1982
## Mean   :198213  Mean   : 796953  Mean   :1982
## 3rd Qu.:199863  3rd Qu.:1033239  3rd Qu.:1998
## Max.   :201513  Max.   :1171809  Max.   :2015
```

```
summary(Prices)
```

```
##      Year      PriceShortTon
## Min.   :1949    Min.       :16.78
## 1st Qu.:1963    1st Qu.:20.19
## Median :1977    Median    :25.02
## Mean   :1977    Mean      :27.85
## 3rd Qu.:1991    3rd Qu.:31.52
## Max.   :2005    Max.       :50.92
```

```
CoalMarket <- inner_join(Prices, CoalProduction, by = "Year")
```

```
summary(CoalMarket)
```

```
##      Year      PriceShortTon      RawYear      ProductionKShortTon
## Min.   :1949    Min.       :16.78    Min.     :194913    Min.      : 420423
## 1st Qu.:1963    1st Qu.:20.19    1st Qu.:196313    1st Qu.: 529774
## Median :1977    Median    :25.02    Median :197713    Median   : 684913
## Mean   :1977    Mean      :27.85    Mean   :197713    Mean     : 750201
## 3rd Qu.:1991    3rd Qu.:31.52    3rd Qu.:199113    3rd Qu.: 995984
## Max.   :2005    Max.       :50.92    Max.     :200513    Max.     :1131498
```

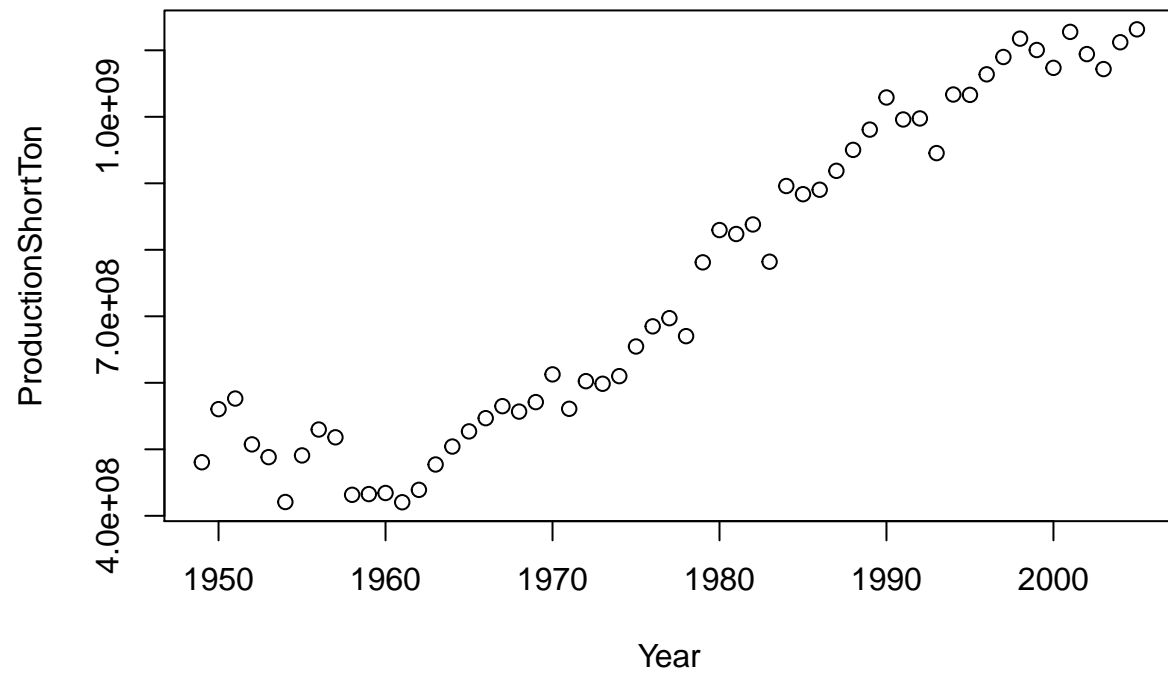
Create new column called ProductionShortTon.

Convert the coal production quantity, which is reported in thousand short tons, into short tons by multiplying it with 1000 and assigning it to the new column ProductionShortTon.

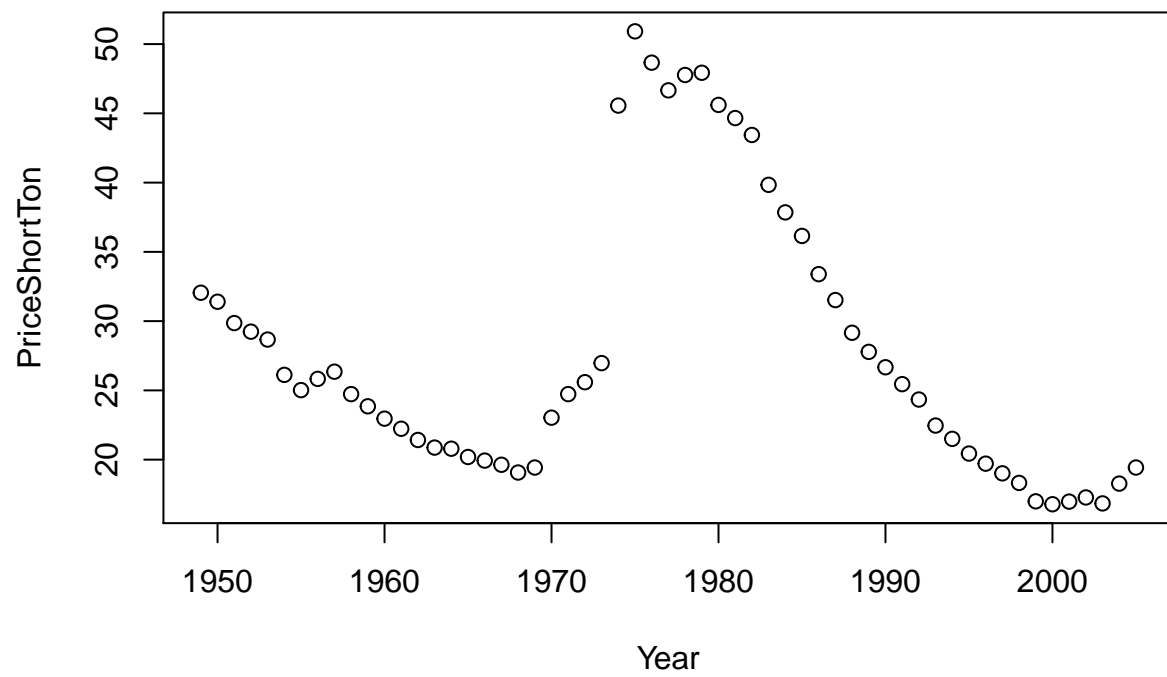
Plot ProductionShortTon to Year, PriceShortTon to Year, and Prices to ProductionShortTon to observe trends or patterns to the data.

```
CoalMarket <- CoalMarket %>%mutate(ProductionShortTon = ProductionKShortTon * 1000)
```

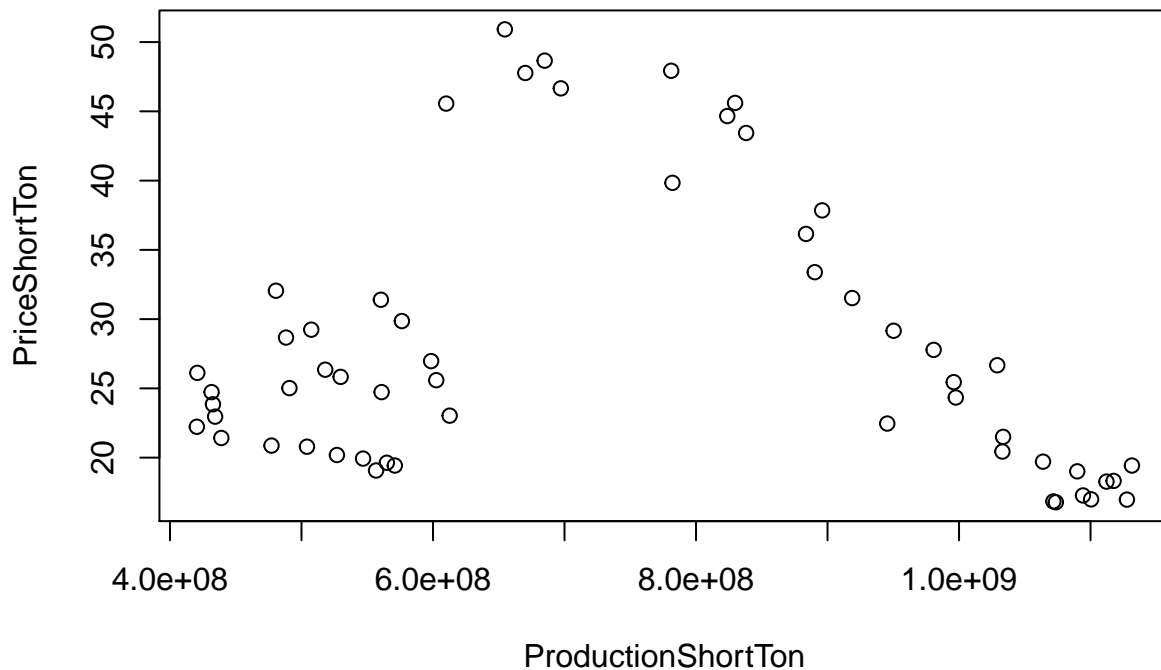
```
plot(ProductionShortTon~Year, data = CoalMarket)
```



```
plot(PriceShortTon~Year, data = CoalMarket)
```



```
plot(PriceShortTon~ProductionShortTon, data = CoalMarket)
```



There is a sudden spike in coal prices in 1974.

Split data to before and after 1973 using a dummy variable called After73

```
CoalMarket$After73 <- FALSE
CoalMarket$After73[CoalMarket$Year > 1973] <- TRUE
```

Based on the scatter plot of Price vs Quantity, we notice that there is a downward sloping trend (for years after 1973). Thus, in this model, we assume that we have a demand curve. We can estimate the inverse demand by considering quantity (ProductionShortTon) as a function of Price (PriceShortTon) and they are linearly related.

Run a linear regression on data for after 1973.

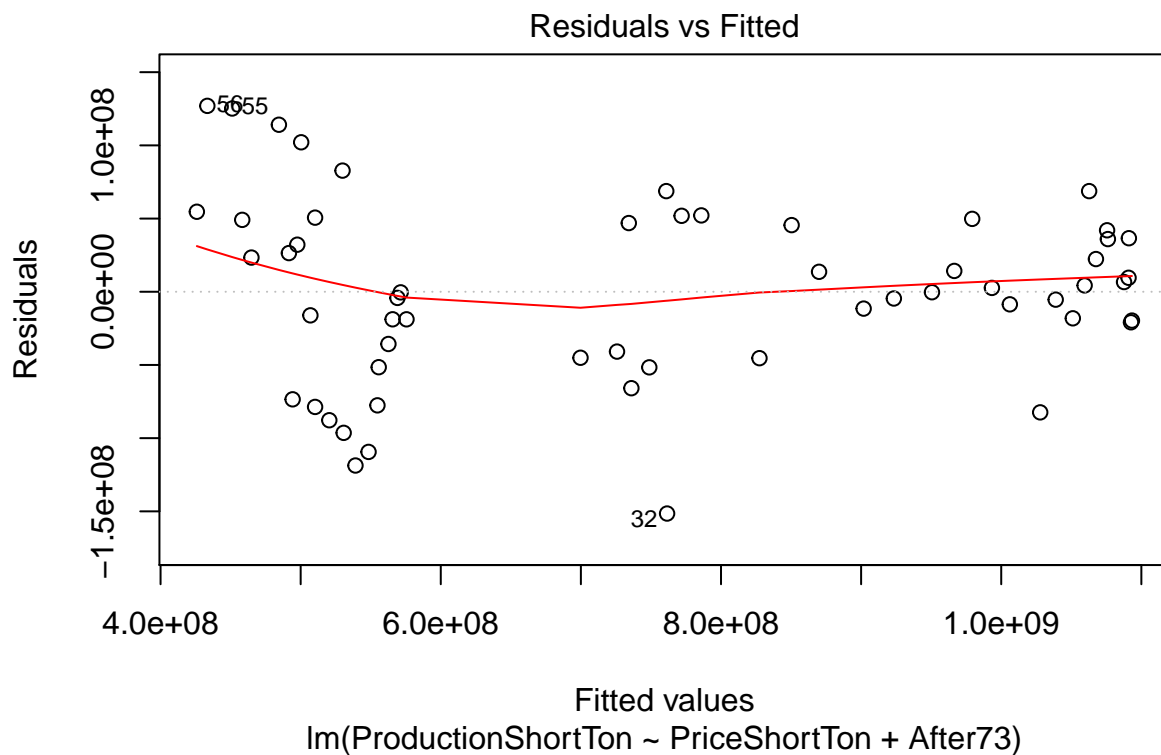
```
Regression <- lm(ProductionShortTon ~ PriceShortTon + After73, data = CoalMarket)
summary(Regression)
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = ProductionShortTon ~ PriceShortTon + After73, data = CoalMarket)
##
## Residuals:
```

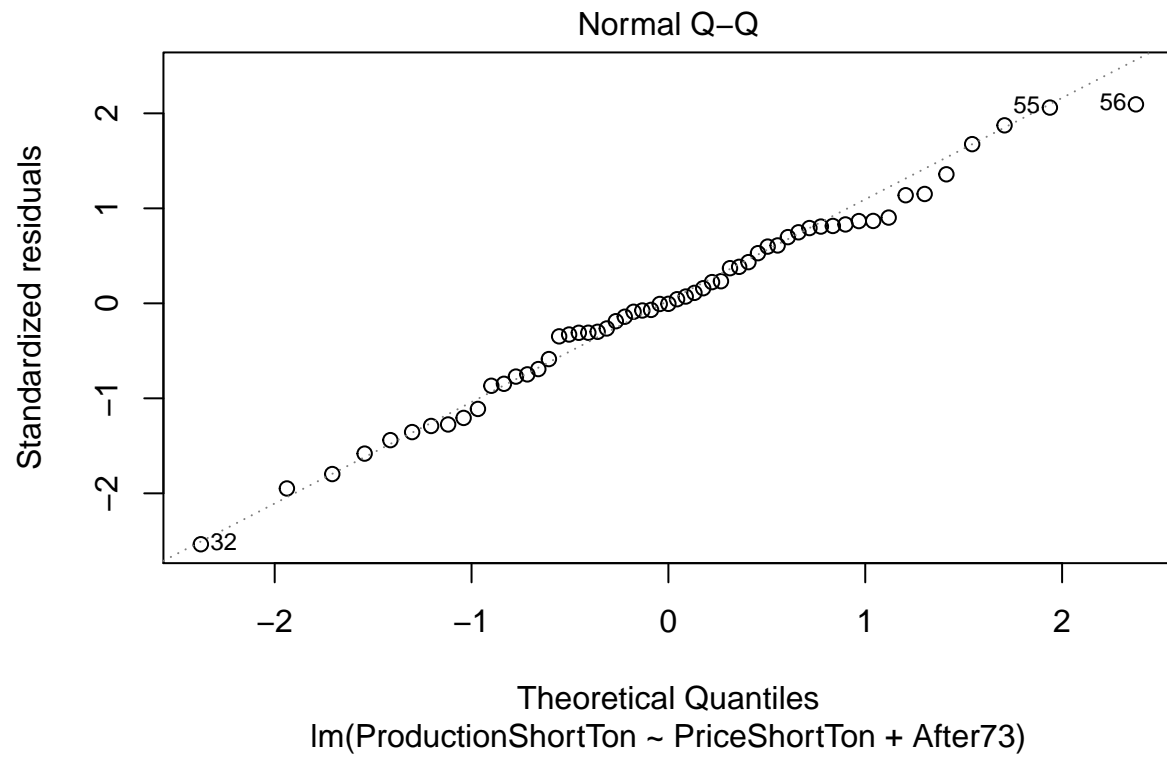
	Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
##	-151492580	-40865316	-311953	45523155	126989611

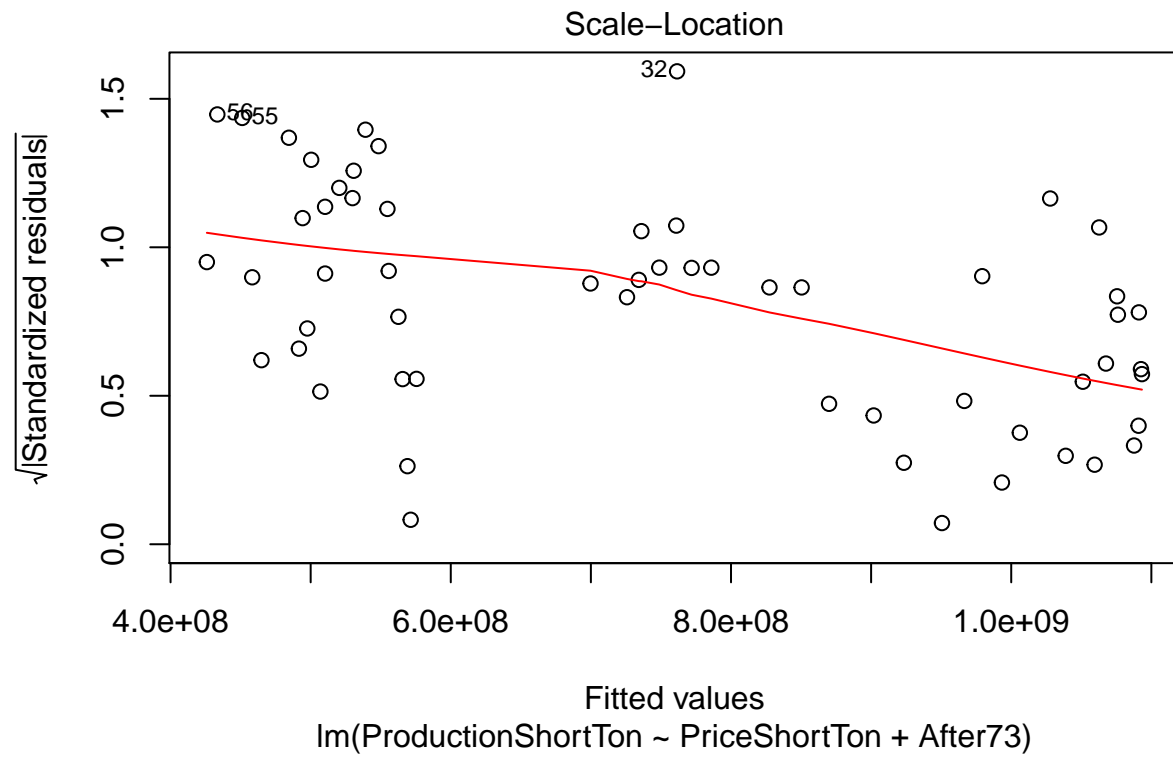
```
##
## Coefficients:
##           Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)  795382282   25017637   31.79  <2e-16 ***
## PriceShortTon -11528150    889650  -12.96  <2e-16 ***
## After73TRUE  491355788   17478227   28.11  <2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 62200000 on 54 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.9375, Adjusted R-squared:  0.9352
## F-statistic: 404.8 on 2 and 54 DF,  p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

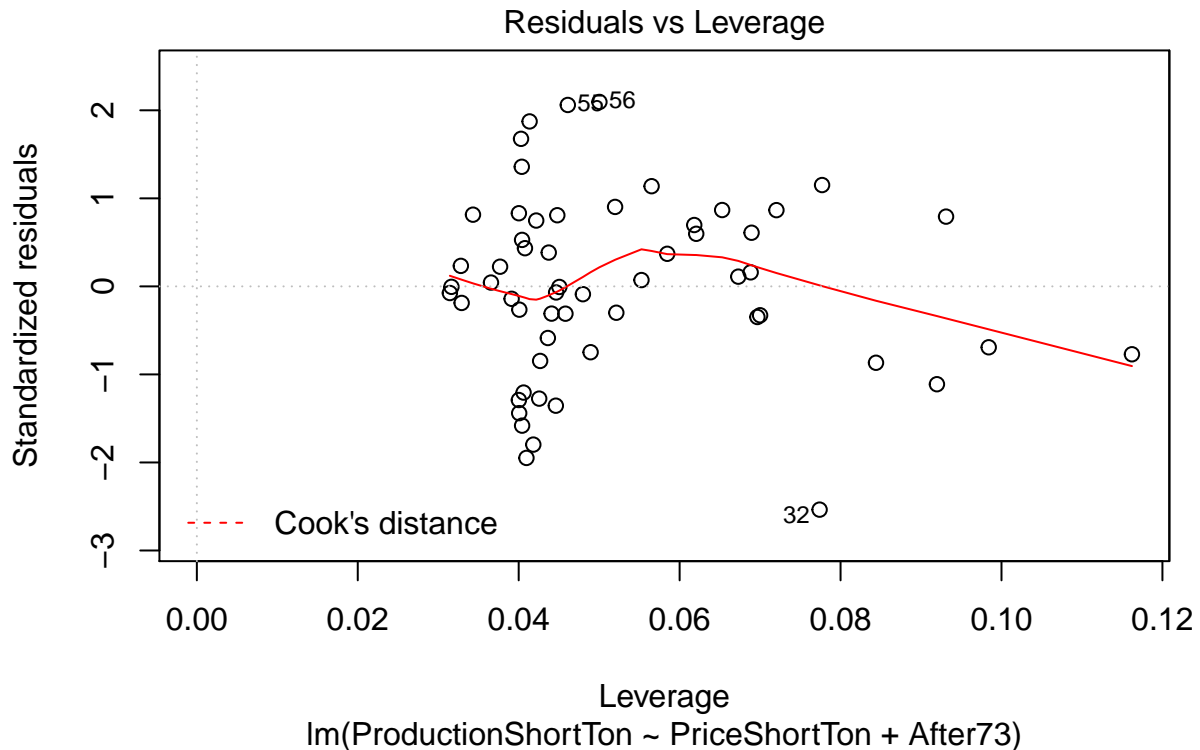
```
plot(Regression)
```











The R squared value indicates how well the data fits the model. The closer it is to 1, the better the data fits.

Find elasticity through regression by using the log scale. The coefficients inform us of the elasticity of Coal demand.

For each dollar increase in coal price, the demand for coal increases by the coefficient (in short tons).

```
ElastForm <- lm(log(ProductionShortTon) ~ log(PriceShortTon) + After73, data=CoalMarket)
summary(ElastForm)
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = log(ProductionShortTon) ~ log(PriceShortTon) + After73,
##     data = CoalMarket)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -0.23357 -0.04130  0.02074  0.05668  0.20083
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)    21.23843    0.14211 149.452 < 2e-16 ***
## log(PriceShortTon) -0.37305    0.04417  -8.446 1.89e-11 ***
## After73TRUE      0.64882    0.02868  22.626 < 2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

```
##
## Residual standard error: 0.1042 on 54 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.9061, Adjusted R-squared:  0.9026
## F-statistic: 260.5 on 2 and 54 DF,  p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

```
plot(ElastForm)
```

