

Table 5

**Coal: World seaborne trade in 1998**

In '000 tonnes

From:	To:	UK/ Continent	Mediterranean	Other Europe	South America	Japan	Other Far East	Others	Total 1998	Total 1997	Total 1996
N. America		20 496	7 781	8 082	9 637	23 754	10 919	7 049	87 718	95 826	104 158
Australia		18 371	4 782	4 150	7 122	71 469	46 892	13 870	166 656	156 996	140 499
S. Africa		21 100	5 797	10 911	2 111	4 200	7 986	14 993	67 098	63 786	61 512
S. America [Caribbean]		15 982	3 317	5 652	55	397	62	8 440	33 905	28 994	28 449
China		1 281	658	81	5	13 465	15 790	873	32 153	30 439	29 024
NIS		880	5 128	3 580	-	3 959	962	-	14 509	11 659	10 235
Other E. Europe		9 095	127	8 449	288	-	-	567	18 526	17 806	12 781
West Europe		974	22	934	5	-	-	40	1 975	2 336	1 585
Others		2 935	146	4 227	1 743	13 840	22 653	5 376	50 920	52 462	46 910
Total 1998		91 114	27 758	46 066	20 966	131 084	105 264	51 208	473 460		
Total 1997		83 339	26 844	51 035	21 088	134 074	105 051	38 844		460 274	
Total 1996		71 667	25 063	50 472	20 696	128 096	100 242	38 917			435 153

Note: Exports from USA to Canada are excluded. Coal transportation between most continental countries as well as between East European countries is considered as overland transport.

Source: Fearnleys *World Bulk Trades 1999*, Oslo, 1999.