AEP'S 2021 GRISTANDARDS REPOR



2021 GRI Report

AEP's 2021 Corporate Accountability Report has been prepared in accordance with the GRI Standards Core Option and reflects data for the 2020 performance year. All Standards below are based on the most recent set of GRI Standards published. AEP discloses additional information through the GRI Electric Utility Sector Supplement, providing industry-specific information.

The GRI Standards are a voluntary reporting framework used by organizations around the world as a basis for sustainability reporting. AEP uses the GRI Framework as a supplement to our Corporate Accountability Report (CAR), providing additional detail on data and programs that are relevant to stakeholders but not necessarily covered in the CAR. For this reason, many of the GRI Standard are linked to sections of the CAR as a response along with other annual financial company-wide disclosure documents. Links to other AEP websites and company documents are also used to support our responses. For those Standards not supported by the CAR or other company websites and document, the detail is contained within the appendix section of this report.

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GRI Indicator	GRI Data Requests	AEP Response	
	Organization overview		
GRI 102-1	Name of the Organization	American Electric Power Company Inc.	
GRI 102-2	Activities, Brands, Products, and	Electricity Generation, Transmission, and Distribution	
	Services	AEP Businesses AEP Facts	
GRI 102-3	Location of Headquarters	1 Riverside Plaza Columbus, Ohio 43215-2373 614 716-1000	
		AEP Facts	
GRI 102-4	Location of Operations	Regulated States Served: Arkansas, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana, Michigan, Ohio, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia	
		AEP Facts	
GRI 102-5	Ownership and Legal Form	2020 Form 10-K Pdf Pg. 1 and 14-17	
GRI 102-6	Markets Served	Regulated Utilities: Arkansas, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana, Michigan, Ohio, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, West Virginia <u>AEP Businesses</u>	
GRI 102-7	Scale of the Organization	Number of employees: Approx. 16,800 Net Revenues: \$14.9 Billion	
GRI 102-7		AEP Facts 2020 Form 10-K	
GRI 102-8	Information on Employees and Other Workers	See appendix 1 *EEO-1 Report included on page 16	
GRI 102-9	Supply Chain	Supply Chain Management	
GRI 102-11	Precautionary Principle or Approach	Risk Management Carbon & Climate	

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GRI 102-12	External Initiatives	Economic Impact Community Impact Diversity Equity & Inclusion Leadership Diversity
GRI 102-13	Membership of Associations	Political Engagement Regulatory
GRI 102-14	Statement From Senior Decision- maker	Message From the Chairman
GRI 102-15	Key Impacts, Risks, and Opportunities	2020 Form 10-K pg. 34-52 Risk Management Carbon & Climate
GRI 102-16	Values, Principles, Standards, and Norms Of Behavior	AEP's Principles of Business Conduct pg. 4-9
GRI 102-17	Mechanism for Advice and Concerns about Ethics	AEP's Principles of Business Conduct pg. 46-47
	Governance	
GRI 102-18	Governance Structure	Board Facts & FAQ Board Committees AEP Leadership
GRI 102-19	Delegating Authority	<u>Strategy</u> Board Facts & FAQs
GRI 102-20	Executive-Level Responsibility for Economic, Environmental, and Social Topics	AEP Leadership Board Statement
GRI 102-21	Consulting Stakeholders on Economic, Environmental, and Social Topics	Stakeholder Engagement
GRI 102-22	Composition of the Highest Governance Body and its Committees	Board of Directors
GRI 102-23	Chair of the Highest Governance Body	Nicholas K. Akins, Chairman, President, and CEO <u>Board of Directors</u>
GRI 102-24	Nominating and Selecting the Highest Governance Body	2021 Proxy Statement
GRI 102-25	Conflicts of Interest	AEP's Principles of Corporate Governance pg. 13-15
GRI 102-26	Role of the Highest Governance Body in Setting Purpose, Values, and Strategy	Board Statement

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GRI 102-27	Collective Knowledge of Highest Governance Body	2021 Proxy Statement pg. 4-11
GRI 102-28	Evaluating the Highest Governance Body's Performance	AEP's Principles of Corporate Governance
GRI 102-29	Identifying and Managing Economic, Environmental and Social Impacts	AEP's Climate Impact Analysis Risk Management 2020 Form 10-K
GRI 102-30	Effectiveness of Risk Management Process	Risk Management
GRI 102-31	Review of Economic, Environmental and Social Topics	Materiality
GRI 102-32	Highest Governance Body's Role in Sustainability Reporting	Sustainability/ESG Governance Board Statement Message From the Chairman
GRI 102-33	Communicating Critical Concerns	AEP's Principles of Business Conduct pg. 44-47
GRI 102-34	Nature and Total Number of Critical Concerns	2021 Proxy Statement 2020 Form 10-K
	Annual Compensatio	n
GRI 102-35	Remuneration Policies	2021 Proxy Statement pg. 31
GRI 102-36	Process for Determining Remuneration	2021 Proxy Statement pg. 31
GRI 102-37	Stakeholders Involvement in Remuneration	2021 Proxy Statement pg. 31
GRI 102-38	Annual Total Compensation Ratio	2021 Proxy Statement pg. 68
GRI 102-39	Percentage Increase in Annual Total Compensation Ratio	2021 Proxy Statement pg. 68
	Stakeholder Engageme	ent
GRI 102-40	List of Stakeholder Groups	Stakeholder Engagement
GRI 102-41	Collective Bargaining Coverage	Labor Relations
GRI 102-42	Identifying and Selecting Stakeholders	Stakeholder Engagement
GRI 102-43	Approach to Stakeholder Engagement	Stakeholder Engagement
GRI 102-44	Key Topics and Concerns Raised	Stakeholder Engagement Materiality

Materiality and Topic Boundaries		
GRI 102-45	Entities Included in the Consolidated Financial Statements	AEP Businesses 2020 Form 10-K Pdf pg. 1
GRI 102-46	Defining Report Content and Topic Boundaries	Sustainability/ESG Governance Materiality Stakeholder Engagement
GRI 102-47	List of Material Topics	Materiality
GRI 102-48	Restatements of Information	No Significant Restatements
GRI 102-49	Changes in Reporting	No Significant Changes
GRI 102-50	Reporting Period	January 1, 2020 – December 31, 2020 *Unless otherwise stated
GRI 102-51	Date of Most Recent Report	AEP's 2021 Corporate Accountability Report Released May 19, 2021
GRI 102-52	Reporting Cycle	Sustainability/ESG Governance
GRI 102-53	Contact Point for Questions Regarding the Report	Sandra Nessing: <u>smnessing@aep.com</u> Melissa Tominack: <u>matominack@aep.com</u> Madeline Miller: <u>mjmiller5@aep.com</u>
GRI 102-54	Claims of Reporting in Accordance with the GRI Standards	GRI Core Option
GRI 102-55	GRI Content Index	This table is the GRI Index for AEP pg.3-13
GRI 102-56	External Assurance	Audit Statement Board Statement
103-1	Explanation of the Material Topic and its Boundary	Materiality
Economic Impact		
GRI 103-1, 103-2, 103-3 Management Approach	Economic Performance	Message From the Chairman 2020 Form 10-K Annual Report pg. 1 Strategy
201-1	Direct Economic Value Generated And Distributed	Economic Impact Regulatory Appendix 2
201-2	Financial Implications And Other Risks And Opportunities Due To Climate Change	AEP's Climate Impact Analysis Carbon & Climate

201-3	Defined Benefit Plan Obligations and Other Retirement Plans	Caring for Our Workforce Benefits COVID-19 Response
GRI 202-1	Ratio of Standard Entry Level Wage by Gender Compared to Local Minimum Wage	See appendix 3
GRI 202-2	Proportion of Senior Management Hired From The Local Community	See appendix 4
GRI 103-1, 103-2, 103-3 Management Approach	Indirect Economic Impacts	Economic Impact AEP's Climate Impact Analysis Pg. 78
GRI 203-1	Infrastructure Investments and Services Supported	Technology & Innovation
GRI 203-2	Significant Indirect Economic Impacts	Economic Impact Appendix 2
GRI 103-1, 103-2, 103-3 Management Approach	Procurement Practices	See appendix 5
GRI 204-1	Proportion Of Spending On Local Suppliers	Supply Chain Management
	Ethics & Compliance)
GRI 103-1, 103-2, 103-3 Management Approach	Anti-corruption	AEP's Anti-Corruption Policy AEP's Principles of Business Conduct pg.13-24
GRI 205-1	Operations Assessed for Risks Related to Corruption	AEP's Anti-Corruption Policy <u>Ethics and Compliance</u> <u>AEP's Principles of Business Conduct</u> Pg. 13-20
GRI 205-2	Communication and Training about Anti-Corruption Policies and Procedures	Ethics and Compliance <u>AEP's Principles of Business Conduct</u> pg. 13-24, 46-47
GRI 103-1, 103-2, 103-3 Management Approach	Anti-competitive Behavior	AEP's Anti-Corruption Policy AEP's Principles of Business Conduct pg. 17- 26
GRI 206-1	Legal Actions for Anti-Competitive Behavior, Anti-trust and Monopoly Practices	2020: There were no relevant controversies, no legal actions pending or completed during this reporting period for anti-competitive behavior or violations of anti-trust and monopoly legislation. <u>AEP's Anti-Corruption Policy</u> <u>AEP's Principles of Business Conduct</u> pg. 17-26

GRI 207-1	Approach to tax	<u>2020 Form 10-K</u> Pg. 95-100, 116, 125
	Materials	
GRI 301-1	Materials Used by Weight or Volume	Waste
GRI 301-2	Recycled Input Materials Used	<u>Waste</u>
	Facility Energy Consump	otion
GRI 103-1, 103-2, 103-3 Management Approach	Energy Management Approach	<u>Energy Management</u> <u>Renewables</u>
GRI 302-1	GRI 302-1 Energy Consumption Within the Organization	See Appendix 6
GRI 302-4	GRI 302-4 Reduction of Energy Consumption	Energy Management
	Water	
GRI 103-1, 103-2, 103-3 Management Approach	Water Management Approach	Water 2020 CDP Water Report
GRI 303-1	Water Withdrawal by Source	2020 CDP Water Report pg. 11-12
GRI 303-2	Water Sources Significantly Affected By Withdrawal of Water	2020 CDP Water Report pg. 10
GRI 303-3	Water Recycled and Reused	ESG Data Center: Environmental Performance - Water Section
	Biodiversity	
GRI 103-1, 103-2, 103-3 Management Approach	Biodiversity Management Approach	See appendix 7
GRI 304-1	Operational Sites Owned, Leased, Managed In, or Adjacent To, Protected Areas and Areas of High Biodiversity Value Outside Protected Areas	See appendix 8
GRI 304-2	Significant Impacts of Activities, Products, and Services on Biodiversity	See appendix 9
GRI 304-3	Habitats Protected or Restored	See appendix 10
GRI 304-4	IUCN Red List Species and National Conservation List Species with Habitats in Areas Affected by Operations	See appendix 11
Emissions		

GRI 103-1, 103-2, 103-3 Management	Emissions Management Approach	Carbon & Climate
Approach		AEP's Climate Impact Analysis
GRI 305-1	Direct (Scope 1) GHG Emissions	ESG Data Center: Emissions Section
GRI 305-2	Energy Indirect (Scope 2) GHG Emissions	ESG Data Center: Emissions Section
GRI 305-3	Other Indirect (Scope 3) GHG Emissions	ESG Data Center: Emissions Section
GRI 305-4	GHG Emissions Intensity	ESG Data Center: Emissions Section
GRI 305-5	Reduction of GHG Emissions	ESG Data Center: Emissions Section
GRI 305-7	Nitrogen Oxides (NOx), Sulfur Oxides (SOx), and Other Significant Air Emissions	ESG Data Center: Emissions Section
	Waste	
GRI 103-1, 103-2, 103-3 Management Approach	Effluents and Waste Management Approach	Waste
GRI 306-1	Water Discharge by Quality and Destination	See appendix 12 <u>2020 CDP Water Report</u> page 13, 55- 61
GRI 306-2	Waste by Type and Disposal Method	AEP's TRI Reports
GRI 306-3	Significant Spills	Waste ESG Data Center: Waste Section
GRI 306-4	Transport of Hazardous Waste	
GRI 306-5	Water Bodies Affected by Water Discharges and/or Runoff	2020 CDP Water Report pg. page 13, 55-61
	Environmental Complia	nce
GRI 103-1, 103-2, 103-3 Management Approach	Environmental Compliance Management Approach	AEP's Climate Impact Analysis Environmental Regulations & Compliance EHS Policy & Philosophy
GRI 307-1	Non-Compliance with Environmental Laws and Regulations	Environmental Regulations & Compliance
GRI 103-1, 103-2, 103-3 Management Approach	Supplier Environmental Assessment Management Approach	See appendix 13
Employment: Benefits and Health & Safety		

GRI 103-1, 103-2, 103-3 Management Approach	Employment Management Approach	Human Capital Management Labor Relations Workforce Planning & Development Caring for our Workforce
GRI 401-1	New Employee Hires and Employee Turnover	See appendix 14 <u>Human Capital Management</u> <u>Workforce Planning & Development</u> <u>Future Talent Pipeline</u>
GRI 401-2	Benefits Provided to Full-Time Employees that are Not Provided to Temporary or Part-Time Employees	<u>Caring for our Workforce</u> <u>Benefits</u>
GRI 401-3	Parental Leave	See appendix 15
GRI 103-1, 103-2, 103-3 Management Approach	Management Approach: Labor/Management Relations	<u>Culture</u> <u>Human Capital Management</u> <u>Labor Relations</u> <u>Workforce Planning & Development</u> <u>Caring for our Workforce</u>
GRI 402-1	Minimum Notice periods regarding Operational Changes	AEP's Climate Impact Analysis Pg. 74
GRI 103-1, 103-2, 103-3 Management Approach	Occupational Health and Safety Management Approach	Safety & Health Safety & Health Initiatives Workforce Safety & Security Public Safety
GRI 403-1	Workers Representation in Formal Joint Management "Worker Health and Safety Committees	Safety & Health Initiatives
GRI 403-2	Types of Injury and Rates of Injury, Occupational Diseases, Lost Days, and Absenteeism, and Number of Work-Related Fatalities	Safety & Health ESG Data Center: Safety & Health Section
GRI 403-3	Workers with High Incidence or High Risk of Diseases Related to their Occupation	Safety & Health Safety & Health Initiatives Workforce Safety & Security
GRI 403-4	Health and Safety Topics Covered in Formal Agreements with Trade Unions	Safety & Health Safety & Health Initiatives Workforce Safety & Security
Workforce Development		
GRI 103-1, 103-2, 103-3 Management Approach	Training and Education Management Approach	Human Capital Management Workforce Planning & Development Future Talent Pipeline
GRI 404-1	Average Hours of Training Per Year Per Employee	See appendix 16 <u>Future Talent Pipeline</u> <u>Workforce Planning & Development</u>

GRI 404-2	Programs for Upgrading Employee Skills and Transition Assistance Programs	Human Capital Management Workforce Planning & Development Future Talent Pipeline
GRI 404-3	Percentage of Employees Receiving Regular Performance and Career Development Reviews	See appendix 17
	Diversity & Inclusion	l
GRI 103-1, 103-2, 103-3 Management Approach	Diversity and Equal Opportunity Management Approach	Diversity Equity & Inclusion Leadership Diversity
GRI 405-1	Diversity of Governance Bodies and Employees	AEP Leadership Board of Directors ESG Data Center: Governance Section
GRI 405-2	Ratio of Basic Salary and Remuneration of Women to Men	See appendix 18
GRI 103-1, 103-2, 103-3 Management Approach	Non-discrimination Management Approach	AEP's Principles of Business Conduct Pg. 8 Diversity Equity & Inclusion
GRI 406-1	Incidents of Discrimination and Corrective Actions Taken	See appendix 19
	Labor Practices & Decent	work
GRI 103-1, 103-2, 103-3 Management Approach	Freedom of Association and Collective Bargaining Management Approach	Labor Relations
GRI 407-1	Operations and Suppliers in which the Right To Freedom of Association and Collective Bargaining May Be At Risk	Labor Relations AEP's Principles of Business Conduct pg. 15, 22
GRI 103-1, 103-2, 103-3 Management Approach	Child Labor Management Approach	See appendix 20
GRI 103-1, 103-2, 103-3 Management Approach	Forced or Compulsory Labor Management Approach	
GRI 103-1, 103-2, 103-3 Management Approach	Security Practices Management Approach	Enterprise Security Workforce Safety & Security
	Human Rights	
GRI 410-1	Security Personnel Trained in Human Rights Policies or Procedures	Ethics & Compliance
GRI 103-1, 103-2, 103-3 Management Approach	Human Rights Assessment Management Approach	AEP's Principles of Business Conduct pg. 8, 11

GRI 412-1	Operations That Have Been Subject to Human Rights Reviews or Impact Assessments	Culture AEP's Principles of Business Conduct pg. 8, 11
GRI 412-2	Employee Training on Human Rights Policies or Procedures	Ethics & Compliance
	Community Impacts	
GRI 103-1, 103-2, 103-3 Management Approach	Local Communities Management Approach	<u>Community Impact</u> <u>Volunteerism</u> <u>AEP's Climate Impact Analysis</u> Pg. 74
GRI 413-1	Operations with Local Community Engagement, Impact Assessments, and Development Programs	<u>Community Impact</u> <u>Volunteerism</u> <u>AEP's Climate Impact Analysis</u> Pg. 74
GRI 413-2	Operations with Significant Actual and Potential Negative Impacts on Local Communities	2020 CDP Water Survey pg. 78
GRI 103-1, 103-2, 103-3 Management Approach	Supplier Social Assessment Management Approach	See appendix 21 Business to Business
GRI 103-1, 103-2, 103-3 Management Approach	Public Policy Management Approach	Regulatory
GRI 415-1	Political Contribution	Regulatory
GRI 103-1, 103-2, 103-3 Management Approach	Customer Health and Safety Management Approach	Public Safety
	Product Responsibilit	:y
GRI 103-1, 103-2, 103-3 Management Approach	Marketing and Labeling Management Approach	Customer Engagement AEP Businesses
	Customer Privacy	
GRI 103-1, 103-2, 103-3 Management Approach	GRI 103-1, 103-2, 103-3 Management Approach	
GRI 418-1	Substantiated Complaints Concerning Breaches of Customer Privacy and Losses of Customer Data	See appendix 22 Security
GRI 103-1, 103-2, 103-3 Management Approach	Socioeconomic Compliance Management Approach	Economic Impact Regulatory

Electric Utility Sector Disclosures		
GRI EU1	Installed Capacity	ESG Data Center: Energy Section

GRI EU2	Net Energy Output	ESG Data Center: Energy Section
GRI EU3	Number of Customer Accounts	ESG Data Center: Customer Section
GRI EU4	Length of Electrical Lines	ESG Data Center: Grid Reliability Section
EU-MA EU-DMA	Aspect Availability and Reliability	ESG Data Center: Grid Reliability Section
GRI EU 10	Planned Capacity	Strategy AEP's Climate Impact Analysis
EU-MA EU-DMA	Aspect: Research and Development	Technology & Innovation
EU-MA EU-DMA	Aspect: Plant Decommissioning	AEP's Climate Impact Analysis Pg. 74 Cook Nuclear Plant
GRI EU 11	Average Generation Efficiency	See appendix 23
GRI EU 12	Total Distribution and Transmission Losses	See Appendix 24
GRI EU 13	Biodiversity Offset Habitats	Wildlife Protection See appendix 6 and 9
GRI EU 15	Employees Eligible to Retire	ESG Data Center: Workforce
GRI EU 18	Contractor H&S Training	Safety & Health Initiatives
GRI EU 22	Population Displacement and Compensation	See Appendix 25
GRI EU 25	Public Injuries and Fatalities	See appendix 26
EU-MA EU-DMA	Aspect: Demand-Side Management	Customers Customer Engagement Customer Assistance
EU-MA EU-DMA	Aspect: Disaster/Emergency Planning and Response	Risk Management Message From the Chairman
EU-MA EU-DMA	Aspect: Access	ESG Data Center: Customer Section
GRI EU 26	Unserved Population	Technology and Innovation Economic Impact
GRI EU 27	Disconnections for Non-Payment	See appendix 27
GRI EU 28	Power Outage Frequency	
GRI EU 29	Average Power Outage Duration	ESG Data Center: Grid Reliability
GRI EU 30	Average Plant Availability Factor	
EU-MA EU-DMA	Aspect: Provision of Information	See appendix 28

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Appendix 1: GRI 102-8 Information on Employees and Other Workers

Reg/Temp	Full/Part	Male	Female	Total
Regular	Full-time	13,535	3,299	16,834
Regular	Part-time*	1	22	23
Temporary (Not including Contractors)	Full-time	3	3	6
Temporary (Not including				
Contractors)	Part-time	0	1	1

* Note: Because of the types of jobs AEP hires for, we have generally found it to be more effective and efficient to fill full-time positions to accomplish the work we are trying to achieve.

State	Male	Female
AR	332	28
CA	8	10
DC	2	5
HI	4	1
IL	87	30
IN	864	184
KS	1	1
KY	348	49
LA	505	225
MI	1,016	185
MN	1	1
MO	0	1
NE	2	1
OH	4,335	1,462
OK	1,330	339
PA	13	2
TN	64	12
ТХ	2,136	340
VA	920	131
WV	1,571	318

	Male	Female		Male Female											
JOB CATEGORIES	Hispanic	Hispanic	White	Black	Pacific Islander	Asian	Native American	2+ Races	White	Black	Pacific Islander	Asian	Native American	2+ Races	Total
EXEC/SENIOR MGRS	6	1	159	8	0	6	1	1	36	2	0	1	1	0	222
FIRST/MID- LVL MGRS.	106	17	2073	79	0	34	35	20	406	33	0	18	5	7	2833
PROFESSIONALS	212	73	3125	212	1	187	38	56	1113	143	1	80	19	26	5286
TECHNICIANS	78	9	1103	55	0	12	22	19	82	10	0	1	5	1	1397
SALES WORKERS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ADMIN SUPPORT	11	96	138	31	0	3	3	6	618	190	1	6	15	16	1134
CRAFT WORKERS	455	6	3867	178	3	3	93	41	117	14	0	1	1	0	4779
OPERATIVES	41	1	272	19	0	2	7	8	20	2	0	0	1	0	373
LABORERS & HELPERS	2	0	33	3	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	40
SERVICE WORKERS	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	7	2	0	0	0	0	13
2019 TOTAL	912	203	10773	585	4	247	200	151	2399	397	2	107	47	50	16077
PREVIOUS YEAR TOTAL	916	204	11320	630	0	256	195	46	2499	410	0	109	47	9	16641

2019 EEO-1 Report (summary data):

Notes:

1. Data as of Oct. 31, 2020

Appendix 2: <u>GRI 201-1 Direct Economic Value Generated and</u> <u>Distributed</u> and <u>GRI Significant Indirect Economic Impacts</u>

Capital Spend:

The capital spend impacts reflect the impact the capital spending by the operating companies and transmission companies in 2020. The capital spend is depicted in the direct output. The direct impacts reflect the spend by the AEP entities in a number of categories. Direct employment is estimated based on the various spends. Value added can be interpreted as the GDP contributions for direct, indirect and induced activities on the table. Direct value added represents the impact the capital spends. Indirect value added is the impact on the economy of purchases by businesses in the direct spend activities. This can be viewed as the effects on the supply chain for the direct purchases. The induced value added represents the impacts on the economy of purchases by workers in direct and indirect categories.

AEP's 2020 capital spending created or supported 22,089 direct jobs, 4.678 indirect jobs and 7,335 induced jobs. The total job impacts is estimated to 34,102. These jobs created a total compensation of \$1,870 million. The impact to gross regional impact is estimated to be \$2,874 million.

AEP Capital Spend Impact							
Impact	npact Employment Labor Income Value Added Output						
Direct	21,975	\$1,272,551,328	\$1,976,449,111	\$3,446,785,209			
Indirect	5,396	\$288,109,832	\$480,513,292	\$964,248,207			
Induced	7,508	\$319,356,551	\$582,360,403	\$1,050,679,506			

Total	34,879	\$1,880,017,713	\$3,039,322,807	\$5,461,712,923
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Operations:

Revenues for the entities within AEP is reflected in the direct output section in the impacts table. The employment and labor income are estimated based on activities in the various regions. The operations impact reflects the impact AEP has on the economy in the various regions. The operations represents the services provided by AEP entities to a variety of customers, direct employment is estimated by the relationship with revenues (output) for the various entities. Direct value added for operations is the impact on GDP due to AEP entities normal operations. The induced value added reflects the supply chain impacts.

	AEP Capital Spend Impact						
Impact	Employment Labor Income Value Added Output						
Direct	12,496	\$1,858,778,609	\$6,727,836,277	\$16,393,987,624			
Indirect	15,595	\$1,857,441,799	\$4,886,926,051	\$10,903,822,759			
Induced	17,957	\$822,039,541	\$1,503,206,099	\$2,678,994,314			
Total	45,887	4,\$538,259,787	\$13,117,968,266	\$29,976,804,536			

Appendix 3: <u>GRI 202-1 Ratio of Standard Entry Level Wage by Gender</u> <u>Compared to Local Minimum Wage</u>

		Fem	ale	Male	
State	Minimum Wage- 2020	Starting Rate 2020	Percent	Starting Rate 2020	Percent
Ohio	\$8.80	\$14.00	159%	\$13.00	148%
Michigan	\$9.65	\$21.63	224%	\$20.26	210%
Indiana	\$7.25	\$17.79	245%	\$17.79	245%
Virginia	\$7.25	\$27.14	374%	\$20.26	279%
West Virginia	\$8.75	\$15.00	171%	\$16.50	189%
Kentucky	\$7.25	\$18.75	259%	\$17.79	245%
Tennessee	\$7.25	\$35.58	491%		0%
Texas	\$7.25	\$26.44	365%	\$17.48	241%
Oklahoma	\$7.25	\$15.50	214%	\$15.50	214%
Arkansas	\$11.00		0%	\$19.00	173%
Louisiana	\$7.25	\$15.50	214%	\$16.00	221%

*These numbers are based on a range of the ratios of the paid wage to the minimum wage. Range of ratios of standard entry level wage by gender compared to local minimum wage at significant locations of operation.

Appendix 4: GRI 202-2 Proportion of Senior Management Hired From the Local Community

While the selection of staff and senior management is based on a range of considerations, it is the company's policy to try to fill vacancies from within the organization. Leadership, knowledge,

performance and diversity are some of the factors considered in making selection decisions. Every effort is made to promote from within the organization; however, there are instances when the uniqueness of job requirements or skills necessitate expanding outreach to areas outside of the company or our service territory. During 2020, three company executives were selected from outside of the organization and service territory:

- Senior Vice President, Chief Information & Technology Officer
- Vice President, Transmission Asset Strategy & Policy
- Vice President, Infrastructure, Operations & Support

* Local is defined as the AEP service territory, which includes portions of 11 states and senior management/executive includes Vice President, Senior Vice President, Executive Vice President and Operating Company Presidents.

Appendix 5: <u>GRI 103-1, 103-2, 103-3 Management Approach:</u> <u>Procurement Practices</u>

AEP seeks to maintain relationships with suppliers who are good stewards of the environment, ethically and morally responsible, focused on diversity, equity and inclusion, and maintain an unwavering focus on safety and health. AEP manages procurement from a category management approach with business unit facing support. The Procurement Policy establishes governance for competitive bidding and proper oversight controls. The purpose of AEP's management approach is to build fiduciary responsibility into the business processes that surround decisions and activities that have an influence on cost, quality, and delivery of goods and/or services as well as ensure that AEP's values are supported and/or furthered during these activities. AEP released a new Supplier Code of Conduct in 2020 reflecting expectations for suppliers to uphold AEP's values around safety and health, environmental performance, ethics and compliance, anti-bribery, human dignity, diversity and inclusion, and security. Suppliers are also accountable and responsible to adhere to all federal, state, and local laws and requirements.

No aspect of AEP operations is more important than the health and safety of people. Zero Harm is at the heart of everything we do at AEP. It means we believe all occupational illnesses and injuries are preventable because we care that everyone goes home in the same condition than when they came to work. The AEP requirements are used in conjunction with the applicable AEP General Terms and Conditions for work performed across the AEP System. These requirements reflect AEP's minimum expectations regarding safety, health, and environmental practices and may exceed the requirements of federal, state, and local regulatory agencies. Contractor's safety performance is monitored and evaluated during the performance of the contract by AEP's representative. If warranted by a contractor's poor safety performance, AEP may require the contractor to develop a safety improvement plan.

AEP's Supplier Diversity program is a proactive business program which encourages the use of minority-owned, women-owned, veteran-owned, LGBT-owned, service disabled veteran-owned, historically underutilized business, and SBA-defined small business vendors as suppliers.

By 2023, AEP seeks to generate a pool of diverse strategic suppliers and business partners that reflect the customers we serve by reaching a 13% diverse spend.

Appendix 6: <u>GRI 302-1 Energy Consumption within the Organization</u>, <u>GRI 302-4 Reduction of Energy Consumption</u>

Within our own operations, we take measures to reduce energy consumption. We reduced our kilowatt-hour (kWh) usage, normalized for weather, by approximately 35% in 2020, compared with the 2007 baseline, in nearly 280 buildings. This resulted in approximately \$6.7 million in cost savings.

We achieved these energy consumption reductions mostly through equipment investments, such as new lighting, heating and cooling systems, along with employee education.

ASSIGN TO	BASELINE (2007)	ACTUAL USAGE (2020)	(DECREASE)/INCREASE	% kWh REDUCTION
1RP/Arena	28,647,262	14,254,200	(14,393,062)	-50.24%
APCO/KPCO	36,142,370	21,317,602	(14,824,768)	-41.02%
Corpus	22,205,387	14,563,773	(7,641,614)	-34.41%
I&M	20,960,161	12,262,112	(8,698,049)	-41.50%
Ohio	54,934,161	42,092,208	(12,841,953)	-23.38%
Tulsa	29,902,938	20,515,440	(9,387,498)	-31.39%
Grand Total	192,792,279	125,005,335	(67,786,944)	-35.16%

Appendix 7: <u>GRI 103-1, 103-2, 103-3 Management Approach:</u> Biodiversity

Many of AEP's business decisions involve finding the right balance between environmental protection and economics. Compromises are often necessary, yet it can be difficult to please all stakeholders involved. AEP is not immune to these issues and strives to balance the needs of our stakeholders with the need to protect the environment.

AEP investors, business partners, suppliers, capital providers, customers and employees increasingly want to know about the direct impacts of AEP's operations, as well as broader environmental, social and governance (ESG) issues and trends. AEP has a robust process for determining material sustainability issues and disclosure and defines ESG issues as those that reflect our most relevant economic, environmental and social impacts and contributions. They are important because they can: 1) have a significant impact on the company's finances and/or operations; 2) have or may have significant impact on the environment or society now or in the future; and/or 3) substantially influence the assessments, decisions and actions of our stakeholders. Of importance to all AEP stakeholders is our commitment to addressing climate change and executing a strategy to transform our business for a clean energy future, which includes addressing issues of biodiversity.

In 2018, AEP authored a chapter in the book, "Sustainable Electricity II: A Conversation on Tradeoffs," that examines how some of those tradeoffs have played out for AEP over time. The book describes the many challenges we have faced with while managing a 60,000-acre tract of land in Southeastern Ohio, and how we achieved a balance between the needs of the local community with other stakeholders. The book also includes case studies of how AEP resolves some of the toughest choices facing electric power companies today (see link to book).

As we build and maintain new and existing infrastructure across our service territory, such as transmission or renewable generation facilities, we are mindful of the potential impacts we may have on wildlife. This includes species protected under the Endangered Species Act (ESA), the Migratory Bird Treaty Act and the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act. As careful stewards of the ecological richness of our geographies, we take the necessary steps to ensure wildlife protection. We remain committed to protecting the habitats in which we live and operate.

AEP owns or manages the land around its power generating and transmission facilities. System-wide, AEP owns in fee, around 232,747 acres. This includes power plant sites, office buildings, substations, transmission and distribution lines, as well as coal fields yet to be mined, lands that have been mined, residential structures, river access and various other sites. AEP also operates electric transmission and distribution lines throughout its service territories in Arkansas, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana, Michigan, Ohio, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Texas, West Virginia, and Virginia. Renewable wind and solar facilities are also owned and operated in California, Florida, New Jersey, New Hampshire, New York, Ohio, Colorado, Vermont, New Mexico, Iowa, Rhode Island, Illinois, Nebraska, Hawaii, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Nevada, Oklahoma and Texas.

Avoiding protected lands and areas of biodiversity, while also avoiding visual and cultural resources, is of great importance during new generation or transmission line siting. Some company properties are located adjacent to protected areas or areas of high biodiversity. These areas are designed, regulated or managed to achieve specific conservation objectives, are recognized for important biodiversity features, are a priority for conservation, or have been identified as areas of high biodiversity value. High biodiversity areas include national parks and forests and habitat for federal and state endangered species. If forested, freshwater or wetland ecosystem areas must be disturbed during the construction of new facilities, efforts are made to minimize the amount of habitat that is impacted. Once construction starts, areas of high ecological value that are disturbed are replaced or restored through compensatory mitigation.

AEP is committed to operational excellence and complying with all applicable environmental regulations, while being good stewards of natural resources. One way we check on our compliance is through internal audits. Audits provide additional focus on controlling risks and providing assurance that robust compliance processes are developed and implemented systemwide. In 2020, we conducted 20 audits of environmental compliance, which included inspections at 31 locations.

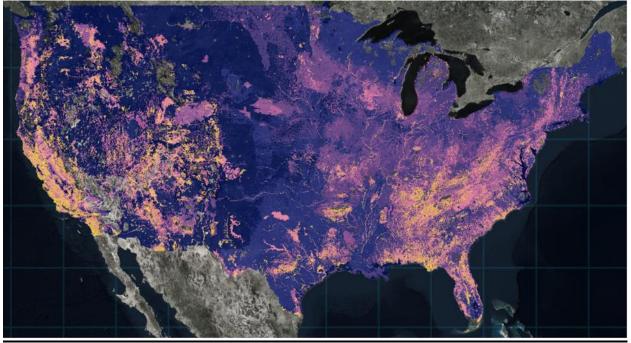
Environmental audits may reveal potential gaps in performance that are related to regulatory requirements and company procedures or policies. These could include areas such as recordkeeping, inspection criteria, training topics and equipment configuration. Auditors also recognize practices that go beyond regulatory requirements to bring about robust and sustained compliance. Although reports are site-specific, we aggregate and share results and best practices across our entire system to improve performance across AEP.

Appendix 8: <u>GRI 304-1 Operational Sites Owned, Leased, Managed In,</u> or Adjacent to, Protected Areas and Areas of High Biodiversity Value <u>Outside Protected Areas</u>

AEP owns or manages the land around its power generating and transmission facilities. Systemwide, AEP owns in fee, around 262,200 acres. This includes power plant sites, office buildings, substations, transmission and distribution lines, as well as coal fields yet to be mined, lands that have been mined, residential structures, river access and various other sites.

Land owned near the power plants directly supports the generation of electricity, serves as a buffer to these operations, and is often leased for agriculture. AEP also operates electric transmission and distribution lines throughout its service territories in Arkansas, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana, Michigan, Ohio, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Texas, West Virginia, and Virginia. Of AEP's nearly 40,000-mile transmission network, approximately 917 miles, or less than 3 percent, traverse federal or state lands. While many of the properties through which these lines cross have no special designation, some of them are protected for their ecological value.

To help determine which AEP steam electric facilities are located near areas of high biodiversity, we used the Nature Serve <u>Map of Biodiversity Importance (MoBI)</u>, which uses outputs from habitat suitability models for 2,216 of the most imperiled species in the lower 48 United States. The inputs include habitat models for species listed as endangered or threatened under the <u>Endangered Species Act</u> or those that have been identified by NatureServe as critically imperiled (Global Conservation Status of "G1") or imperiled ("G2"). These maps cover the contiguous 48 states. A major advantage of the MoBI maps is that the diversity of animals *and* plants is analyzed. An example map is provided below. Areas of high biodiversity are indicated by yellow and orange, while lower biodiversity is indicated by dark purple and blue.



AEP generation facilities were "mapped" onto the following three maps, which highlight areas with concentrations of imperiled species within the lower 48 states:

- Summed range-size rarity of imperiled species in the United States
- Richness of Imperiled Species in the United States
- Protection-weighted Range-size Rarity of Imperiled Species in the United States

Diversity ranges of low, medium and high were determined and those facilities near areas of "high" diversity, as well as those located near existing protected areas (Gap Status of 1 or 2 - managed for biodiversity) from the U.S. Protected Areas database, were identified. An example of this mapping exercise for the Conesville and Dresden Plants is provided below. Note that facilities are in areas of high biodiversity as well as located near protected areas of high biodiversity.



Some company properties are located adjacent to protected areas or areas of high biodiversity value. These areas are designed, regulated or managed to achieve specific conservation objectives, are recognized for important biodiversity features, are a priority for conservation, or have been identified as areas of high biodiversity value. High biodiversity areas include national parks and forests and habitat for federal and state endangered species.

Land owned, leased, managed in, adjacent to, or containing, protected areas and areas of high Biodiversity as of December 31, 2020

Type of facility owned, leased or managed	Number of Sites	Adjacent Property Biodiversity Descriptions	Potential Impacts
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Steam Electric	10	Unique forest, prairie and avian habitats; rare plants, fish and freshwater mussels; federally designated critical habitats	Entrainment, impingement, thermal discharges; avian impacts; habitat alteration
Retired Steam Electric	2	River refuge and National wildlife refuge	No impacts
Hydroelectric Projects	6	Unique wetland and avian habitats; rare fish, freshwater mussels, invertebrates and unique plant species	Flow alteration, land inundation, disruption of fish passage, turbine mortality
Transmission lines 917 miles		Federally designated critical habitat and National wildlife refuges; other federal or state lands	Avian impacts
Wind Farms	2	Fed designated critical habitat	Avian and bat impacts
Forests/Tree Plantations	1	Preserve for exotic rare and endangered species	No impacts
Other	1	State Wildlife Area; mixed forest, bushlands, and wetlands	No impacts

Source Information - AEP Hydro Operations data; AEP Real Estate Asset Management data; ArcGIS and ESRI mapping tools; NatureServe and state Natural Heritage Programs (<u>The Map of Biodiversity</u> <u>Importance [esri.com]</u>); USGS PAD-US maps (<u>https://www.usgs.gov/core-science-systems/science-analytics-and-synthesis/gap/data-tools</u>); IUCN-USGS "protected areas" definitions; WERS staff records (power plant sites, T&D line routes); National Forest maps; federal threatened and endangered species lists and habitat listings.

Appendix 9: <u>GRI 304-2 Significant Impacts of Activities, Products, and Services</u> on Biodiversity

Impacts of Power Plant and Transmission Line Construction

Construction of pollution control equipment and associated landfills at power plant sites can result in the loss of wetland and riparian areas near several power plant sites. The construction of new transmission lines can have similar impacts. However, these losses are permitted under the Corps of Engineers' 404 program and mitigated by the company, often on a two to one, three to one, or higher basis. Impacts to endangered species habitat are avoided, but if they must occur, they are similarly mitigated through in lieu fees to regulatory agencies, the conservation of mitigation habitat, or habitat conservation through Habitat Conservation Plans, as administered by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Hydroelectric Generation

AEP operates several hydroelectric projects that are adjacent to or contain areas of high biodiversity. The potential impacts of these facilities includes alteration of stream and wetland areas by inundation, fluctuation of river flows and reservoir levels, blockage of upstream and downstream fish movement, and turbine-induced mortality. The alteration of river and stream flow regimes as a result of dam operation can make otherwise suitable riverine habitat unfit for aquatic invertebrates, fish, amphibians, and other riparian-dependent species. Fluctuating stream flows and water levels can also reduce the area suitable for fish spawning and can subject fish eggs to dehydration.

The blockage of both upstream and downstream fish movement by dams, diversion structures, turbines, spillways, and waterways can affect fish populations. Organisms passing over dam

spillways or through hydroelectric turbines can be injured by strikes or impacts with solid objects, rapid pressure changes, abrasion with rough structures and the shearing effects of turbulent water. In addition, fish that pass through trash racks and into turbines become susceptible to turbine-induced mortality.

Migrating fish may be prevented from moving upstream if their passage is blocked by the dams. AEP operates the Niagara and Smith Mountain hydroelectric projects on the Roanoke River, which contains the Roanoke Log perch, a federally endangered fish species. The dams restrict the movements of these fish, potentially isolating the populations and preventing genetic mixing.

While there are many potential hydroelectric environmental impacts, all of these are assessed and if necessary, mitigated, during the FERC Licensing process. Every AEP hydroelectric project has successfully completed this process.

Impacts of Wind Generation

During 2019, AEP owned and operated two wind facilities, Trent Mesa near Sweetwater, Texas, and Desert Sky near Iraan, Texas, that are near federally designated critical habitat for certain bird species. These facilities have the potential to impact large raptors, such as golden eagles, and smaller birds, while migrating in large flocks. To avoid avian-bird interactions, turbine design and wind farm siting have taken avian issues into consideration very early in the process. In recent years, bats have come to the wind industry's attention and studies to grasp the dimension of this issue continue. Because of deaths of endangered bats, some wind farms must curtail operations when bats are active.

Cooling Water Intake (Impingement and Entrainment) Impacts on Biodiversity

At AEP's generating facilities that utilize a once-through cooling water heat transfer system, large quantities of water are withdrawn from large rivers, man-made impoundments, or (in the case of D.C. Cook Plant), from adjacent Lake Michigan. The potential impacts on local biodiversity are impingement (fish irreversibly contacted upon intake screens) and entrainment (the passage of small fish and fish eggs through the condenser cooling system. Section 316(b) of the Clean Water Act requires that the placement and operation of cooling water intake systems meet Best Technology Available for minimizing adverse environmental impact (often interpreted to be synonymous with the most cost-effective means of minimizing fish entrainment and impingement).

AEP has monitored the fish populations near several facilities utilizing once-through cooling for many decades. These studies indicate that the year-to-year fluctuation in population size for key species has no correlation to the rates of impingement and/or entrainment.

As an outcome of the final 316(b) and other rulemakings, AEP has closed several once-through cooled facilities and may be required to retrofit improved fish protection equipment at the remaining once-through cooled facilities. Such changes will lower the rates of impingement and/or entrainment of vulnerable fish species.

Climate Change

AEP minimizes the impacts of its operations on the environment, however, the company also recognizes that some impacts may arise that do not have a direct remedy. Of particular note,

and in a much larger and more general sense, the company recognizes its possible contribution to global climate change and its potential impacts. For more than a decade, AEP has engaged various stakeholders on the impacts, risks and opportunities associated with climate change. Today, AEP's transition to a clean energy economy is making good progress as the path forward begins to come into sharper focus. In 2021, AEP announced revised intermediate and long-term CO₂ emission reduction goals, based on the output of the company's integrated resource plans, which take into account economics, customer demand, regulations, grid reliability and resiliency, and reflect the company's current business strategy. The intermediate goal is an 80% reduction from 2000 CO₂ emission levels from AEP generating facilities by 2030; the long-term goal is net-zero CO₂ emissions from AEP generating facilities by 2050. AEP's total estimated CO₂ emissions in 2020 were approximately 44 million metric tons, a nearly 74% reduction from AEP's 2000 CO₂ emissions baseline. AEP published a new report in 2021 on the results of a <u>Climate Change Scenario Analysis</u>.

Appendix 10: GRI 304-3 Habitats Protected or Restored

AEP works in partnership with various community groups, conservation organizations, and environmental agencies to preserve, restore, and enhance existing habitats. This work encompasses many activities, including the reforestation and reclamation of former mine sites, the restoration of impacted wetlands and river corridors, the protection of unique habitats, the enhancement of wildlife areas and reservoirs, and the management of tree plantations to encourage wildlife. The following habitat protection and restoration examples are split between those required by law and those that were done on a voluntary basis. The acreage values are current as of the end of 2019.

Required by Regulation

Wetland and Habitat Mitigations

Wetland and habitat mitigations involve setting aside habitats to replace those that were unavoidably lost due to the construction of AEP facilities. These mitigation projects have been approved by the Corps of Engineers, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and/or state environmental agencies. Over the past several years, AEP has established over 1,600 acres for mitigation purposes, mostly at steam electric, transmission, and hydroelectric projects (see Table below).

In 2019, we began implementing the approved HCP across portions of three states for the American burying beetle (ABB). In 2019, the ABB was listed as endangered; however, in 2020 the listing was downgraded to threatened. The 30-year ITP/HCP allows us to use pre-approved practices through a regional, programmatic approach to minimize impacts to the beetle and its habitat and to encourage its recovery. The HCP covers portions of Arkansas, Oklahoma and northern Texas where we currently have operations or the potential for future development.

New Source Review Consent Decree Projects

On December 10, 2007, the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Ohio entered a Consent Decree between AEP, the U.S. Department of Justice on behalf of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, eight states and 13 environmental organizations, regarding alleged violations of the New Source Review provisions of the Clean Air Act. Pursuant to the

Consent Decree, AEP provided \$10 million for the acquisition and/or restoration of ecologically significant areas in Indiana, Kentucky, Ohio, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Virginia and West Virginia. In addition, AEP provided \$3 million in Project Dollars to fund nitrogen impact mitigation projects in the Chesapeake Bay watershed. AEP has made biodiversity protection and enhancement key factors in the selection of projects to meet this obligation. As of December 31, 2017, nearly 20,900 acres have been purchased or protected as part of this program.

Protected Shorelines

Hydroelectric project reservoirs in western Virginia often include important resources that are of value to the local communities and need to be protected. These resources include recreational opportunities, scenic beauty, outstanding water quality, fish and wildlife habitat, and wetlands. As part of the FERC requirements for three hydroelectric projects, AEP has agreed to protect 118 miles of shoreline habitat to provide these resources.

Enhanced Reservoirs

AEP has enhanced nearly 6,300 acres of company-managed reservoirs (see Table below). In compliance with the requirements of FERC license renewals, wildlife management plans have been negotiated at many hydroelectric projects, which require the installation and monitoring of duck boxes and nesting structures within the pools above each dam. These activities support ducks, bluebirds, purple martins, kestrels, owls, ospreys and bald eagles. Work is also done to improve the sport fishing opportunities in the reservoirs upstream of the projects. Efforts include the construction of bush pile fish attractors in the river pools and fish stocking.

Voluntary Protections and Donations

Conservation Areas:

Over 84,450 acres have been set aside as part of AEP's corporate stewardship program to protect unique habitats (see Table below). These include areas such as the Nipissing Dune Trail at the Cook Energy Information Center, a prairie at the Darby Plant, a 24 acre nature preserve to protect the Kentucky silver bell, a rare tree species near the AEP Cook Coal Terminal in southern Illinois, and the eagle watch pavilion at the Flint Creek Plant.

The Flint Creek Power Plant in northwest Arkansas has been home to the Eagle Watch Nature Trail for 20 years. SWEPCO Lake, the coal-fueled power plant's reservoir, attracts wintering American bald eagles, making it a perfect place for bird watching. The 65-acre area opened to the public in 1999, and includes a trail and pavilions to provide a safe place from which to view visiting American Bald eagles and other species.

In 2018, Plant staff and volunteers built a new walkway to a viewing pavilion that extends out over a marshy section of the lake frequented by eagles and many other birds and wildlife. Groups, such as the Northwest Arkansas Audubon Society, visit the site to view birds and other wildlife along the quarter-mile walking trail. Current and retired plant employees lead field trips and coordinate many other activities at the site.

Flint Creek was awarded Conservation Certification by the Wildlife Habitat Council (WHC) in 2018, in recognition of the plant's commitment to environmental stewardship. We received the certification for habitat enhancement programs, including tall grass prairie restoration, nesting

boxes, pollinator garden landscapes and other bird habitat improvements. Flint Creek has held certification under the WHC's Corporate Lands for Learning and Wildlife at Work programs since 2004 and 2005, respectively, and since 2016 when the two programs were combined into the Conservation Certification.

Other examples include work with The Nature Conservancy in the 1990's to help develop a 37,000 acre Tall Grass Prairie in Oklahoma and work with the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service to acquire the Bahia Grande property in Texas to re-flood and restore an 11,000-acre wetland.

Wildlife Management Areas

Up to 23,967 acres, including properties that have been set aside as wildlife management areas at the retired Conesville, Breed, and Poston Plants, are currently managed for the support of hunting, fishing and wildlife. Donations have also been made to state wildlife management areas in Ohio to allow for the expansion of land holdings (see Table below).

Enhanced Reservoirs

The Southwestern Electric Power Company, a subsidiary of AEP, has been involved in the creation of fish habitat in two SWEPCO power plant reservoirs (Welsh and Pirkey), resulting in nearly 2,400 acres of enhanced fish habitat. This work included the installation of wood duck nesting boxes and other habitat enhancements.

Reforestation/Mine Reclamation and Forest Management

AEP's commitment to trees and forest preservation is strong. Since the 1940s, AEP has planted tens of million trees in the United States on land owned by the company or under agreement with other owners. This total includes 15 million trees planted on 20,000 acres of company land between 1996 and 2000 as part of the Department of Energy's Climate Challenge program. These trees will create a new "carbon sink," which is intended to capture or "sequester" carbon dioxide, a greenhouse gas, thereby reducing the potential for global climate change.

Through AEP's ReCreation Land program, Ohio land that was once surface mined for coal has been ecologically reclaimed as outdoor recreation area for the public to enjoy. Throughout the history of this program, AEP has planted over 63 million trees, created 380 campsites, and established 350 lakes and ponds stocked for fishing for an estimated 100,000 visitors each year.

For many decades AEP has had a cooperative agreement with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, allowing citizens to use the ReCreation land for public use. With the electric market deregulation in Ohio and the reduction of coal mining in this area, AEP no longer has a future business need for this land. On July 17, 2018, AEP completed the sale of a portion of the land to create a new state park named in honor of Jesse Owens, turning it over to the State of Ohio. At more than 13,000 acres, the Jesse Owens State Park and Wildlife Area is poised to become one of the State's largest parks once future sales are complete, attracting hundreds of thousands of visitors each year for fishing, canoeing, hiking, camping and other outdoor activities.

The transfer of land to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) was part of our ReCreation Land program, which seeks to ecologically reclaim Ohio land that was once surface-

mined for coal.

In 2018, we received an Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI) Energy and Environment Sector Technology Transfer Award for our work in assessing the ecological value of the remaining property acreage set aside for the Jesse Owens State Park and Wildlife Area. Moving forward, we will apply the results of this work to estimate the potential eco-value of remaining ReCreation Land property and to make decisions regarding the divestment of the property for future environmental mitigations and eco-asset transactions.

AEP also supports the establishment of tree plantations by providing and planting trees on company, government-owned, not-for-profit, and private properties. The government-owned and not-for-profit properties are "protected, restored and managed," while the private properties are considered to be "restored."

AEP domestically has thousands of acres of forestland under forest management. The primary focus of this program is to maintain the long-term productivity of existing forest assets by following a management philosophy of sustainable forestry on property that will remain in forest cover for the foreseeable future. This will be accomplished by providing guidance, direction, coordination and oversight of all company forest management activities. The forest resource is maintained in a steady state by balancing forest growth with timber harvests. Following this philosophy is necessary for the credible reporting of active forest management activities. The AEP Forest Management Program emphasizes sound contributions to ecological and wildlife habitat, and its commitment to enhanced recreational use.

In addition to managing all of AEP's forest ownerships under the long-term sustained yield guidelines, AEP is an active participant in the American Forest Foundation's American Tree Farm Program. This program is a national effort to encourage and recognize excellent forestry on private lands that are committed to sustained production of renewable forest products under a multiple use management approach. Sustainable forestry means managing forests to meet the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs by practicing a land stewardship ethic which integrates the reforestation, managing, growing, nurturing and harvesting of trees for useful products with the conservation of soil, air and water quality, wildlife and fish habitat and aesthetics.

Habitat Protected or Restored

Habitat Restored,				
Protected or	Reason for	Habitat		Habitat
Enhanced	Protection/Restoration	Acreage	Habitat Designation/Use	characteristics
Required by				
Regulation				

Habitat Restored, Protected or Enhanced	Reason for Protection/Restoration	Habitat Acreage	Habitat Designation/Use	Habitat characteristics
Habitat Mitigations	Corp. permits, USFWS HCP requirements	955	Stream watersheds, American burying beetle habitat	Grasslands, upland forests
Wetland Mitigations	Corp. permits, FERC requirements	708	wetland/stream mitigation	wetlands, shorelines, streams
NSR Conservation Areas	Consent Decree	20,888	conservation and recreation areas	forests, prairies, grass lands, marine wetlands and forests, lake dunes, stream and river corridors, bird habitat
Protected Streams	Consent Decree	21 miles	conservation area	warm-water fishery
Protected Shorelines	FERC requirement	118 miles	resource protection area	Wetlands, streams, fish and wildlife habitat
Enhanced Reservoirs	FERC requirement	6,294	enhanced reservoir, recreation	duck boxes, nesting structures, salmon fishery, vegetation control, fish habitat
Voluntary Protections	and Donations			
Conservation Areas	Corporate stewardship	84,455	enhanced habitats, wildlife refuge	bird, forest and prairie habitat, wetlands, dunes
Conservation Stream	Corporate stewardship	4 miles	conservation area	stream headwaters
Wildlife Management Areas	Corporate stewardship	23,967	hunting/fishing	wildlife/forest habitat
Enhanced Reservoirs	Corporate stewardship	2,398	enhanced reservoir, recreation	fish habitat
Reclaimed Forests	Reforestation/mine reclamation	88,320	tree plantation, recreation	wildlife/forest habitat

Source Information - AEP ReCreation Land records; AEP report, "Beyond Environmental Compliance," AEP System Environmental Performance reports; WERS staff records; AEP Wildlife Habitat Council

Appendix 11: <u>GRI 304-4 IUCN Red List Species and National</u> <u>Conservation List Species with Habitats in Areas Affected by</u> <u>Operations</u>

In lieu of the IUCN Red List, AEP has created a list of federally threatened and endangered species that may be present near company facilities. A report provided by NatureServe (2015) was used as the initial basis for this response. This report provides a summary of priority, atrisk, species in proximity to power plants and transmission lines managed by AEP.

The data used to generate this report were current as of December, 2014 and "at-risk" species are defined as those that are either federally-listed, are candidate, proposed or petitioned for listing under the U.S. Endangered Species Act (ESA), and/or are globally ranked by NatureServe as Critically Imperiled (G1/T1) or Imperiled (G2/T2). The analysis used Platt's

spatial data of power plants and transmission lines (>69kV) and identified species within three miles of the company's electric power infrastructure.

AEP also conducts its own analyses on the occurrence of protected species on a projectspecific and company-wide basis. For example, AEP now notes the occurrence of two additional species within its service territory that have been both been recently been listed as threatened (Candy darter) or endangered (Rusty-patched bumble bee). Due to the acquisition of a wind farm in Hawaii, four more species (Blackburn's sphinx moth, Hawaiian petrel, Hawaiian goose, and the Hawaiian hoary bat), which are all endangered and the subject of an HCP, are noted by AEP. Excluding state-listed species, a total of 96 endangered or threatened species are likely to be present within a 3-mile buffer of an AEP power plant or transmission line (see Table below).

Taxonomic Group	Number of Species
Freshwater mussels	27
Fish	13
Bats	6
Birds	11
Mammals (excluding bats)	4
Flowering plants	23
Insects	4
Reptiles	6
Snails	1
Crustacea	1

The top species, based on their distribution with AEP's service territory, include the plants Peters Mountain Mallow, South Texas Ragweed, Black Lace Cactus and Slender Rushpea, the invertebrate Virginia Fringed Mountain Snail, and three species of fish (Table 5). The next group of species includes freshwater mussels, plants and fish, as well as the Mitchell's Satyr butterfly (Table 5).

Between 50-100% of their Global Distribution within the Area of Analysis							
Common Name	Scientific Name	Taxonomic Group					
Peters Mountain Mallow	Iliamna corei	Flowering plant					
Virginia Fringed Mountain Snail	Polygyriscus virginianus	Snail					
South Texas Ragweed	Ambrosia cheiranthifolia	Flowering plant					
Black Lace Cactus	Echinocereus reichenbachii var. albertii	Flowering plant					
Slender Rushpea	Hoffmannseggia tenella	Flowering plant					
Devils River Minnow	Dionda diabolic	Fish					
Benton County Cave Crayfish	Cambarus aculabrum	Crustacean					
Diamond Darter	Crystallaria cincotta	Fish					
Virginia Fringed Mountain Snail	Polygyriscus virginianus	Crustacean					
Species with 15-35% of their Distribution within the Area of Analysis							
Ouachita Rock Pocketbook	Arkansia wheeleri)	Freshwater mussel					
Texas Ayenia	Ayenia limitaris	Flowering plant					

Table 5. Priorif	y Listed Threatened and Endangered Spec	cies
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Zapata Bladderpod	Lesquerella thamnophila	Flowering plant	
Duskytail Darter	Etheostoma percnurum	Fish	
Leon Springs Pupfish	Cyprinodon bovinus	Fish	
Texas Poppy-mallow	Callirhoe scabriuscula	Flowering plant	
Candy Darter	Etheostoma osburni	Fish	
Leopard Darter	Percina pantherina	Fish	
Mitchell's Satyr butterfly	Neonympha mitchellii	Insect	
Rusty-patched Bumble bee	Bombus affinis	Insect	
Ashy Dogweed	Thymophylla tephroleuca	Flowering plant	
Star Cactus	Astrophytum asterias	Flowering plant	
Neosho Mucket	Lampsilis rafinesqueana	Freshwater mussel	
Roanoke Logperch	Percina rex	Fish	
Walker's Manihot	Manihot walkerae	Flowering plant	
Clubshell	Pleurobema clava	Freshwater mussel	
Rayed Bean	Villosa fabalis	Freshwater mussel	
Catspaw	Epioblasma obliquata	Freshwater mussel	
Purple Bean	Villosa perpurpurea	Freshwater mussel	

Maps were created to illustrate the distribution of the at-risk species and help identify "hot spots" or areas where there the species are located (Figures 5 and 6). These hot spots are opportunities for targeting more effective mitigation or recovery efforts. For example, including "imperiled" species in recovery and management plans can help AEP avoid actions that could inadvertently have a negative impact on the species, thereby avoiding further declines and possible future listings. In addition, many studies have shown that developing a recovery or management plan using a regional multi-species approach is much more likely to have long-term success in achieving conservation goals (Environmental Law Institute et al. 2011). This ecosystem approach has also been promoted by U.S. regulatory and land management agencies (Brown 2006).

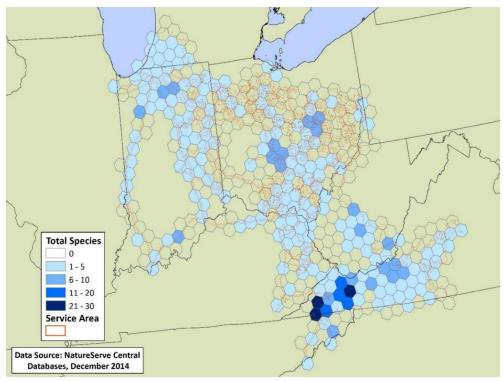


Figure 5: Species by 250 square mile hexagon with ESA status or globally ranked G1/T1-G2/T2 and occur within the Midwestern states of the area of analysis.

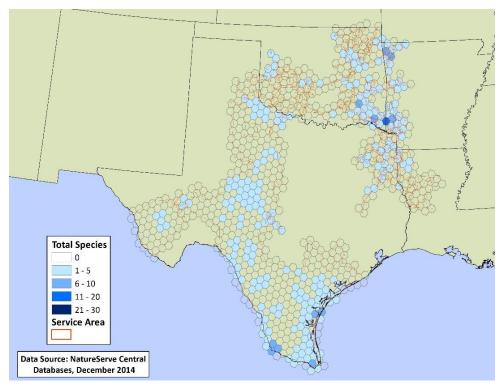


Figure 6: Species by 250 square mile hexagon with ESA status or globally ranked G1/T1-G2/T2 and occur within the southeastern states of the area of analyses.

AEP is also working with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) on a Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) for the American burying bbeetle. This beetle is listed as endangered and the HCP is a mechanism by which AEP can comply with the ESA. The HCP deals with potential impacts from our transmission and distribution operations, maintenance, and construction activities over the next 30 years. The federal permit associated with the HCP will help AEP continue to operate efficiently to provide safe and reliable electricity to meet the energy needs of our customers, while assisting in the conservation of the ABB and its habitat.

Simultaneously, AEP is working with USFWS on a 30-year system-wide, programmatic HCP dealing with about 15 other species potentially affected by the Company's transmission construction activities, including the federally endangered Indiana bat, whooping crane, red-cockaded woodpecker, eastern Mississauga rattlesnake, and rusty patched bumble bee. This HCP is currently in the drafting stage, and is anticipated to bring predictability and efficiency to the consultation and mitigation process with USFWS while providing tangible benefits to the covered bat, bird, plant and other terrestrial species in all eleven states in which AEP traditionally operates.

In August 2014, the USFWS received a petition to list the monarch butterfly under the ESA due to its notable decline in recent years. After finding it appropriate to review whether the monarch butterfly needs protection, a decision is due by the end of 2020 on listing it as threatened or endangered. During the summer, monarchs are found throughout the United States, particularly in areas where milkweed, their host plant, is available. Each year, monarchs undertake a multi-generational migration of thousands of miles to and from overwintering and breeding areas. These areas significantly overlap AEP's generation and transmission network.

An ESA listing for the butterfly could affect our ability to build new or replace old infrastructure, and affect our vegetation maintenance activities. As a result, we joined a conservation initiative with the USFWS to develop a Candidate Conservation Agreement with Assurances (CCAA). A CCAA is a formal agreement between the USFWS and one or more parties to address the conservation needs of a candidate species, before the species becomes listed as endangered or threatened. Property managers voluntarily commit to conservation actions that will help stabilize or restore the species and possibly avoid a listing. AEP continues to coordinate with the University of Illinois-Chicago, as well as other power companies, oil and gas companies and state departments of transportation on the development of the collaborative monarch CCAA, which was finalized in April 2020.

AEP has also joined the EPRI Power in Pollinators Initiative, which seeks to address issues of concern regarding important pollinator species, such as bees, beetles, butterflies and other insects. Pollinating insects are necessary to support production of many of our food crops, such as apples, tomatoes and watermelon. Many of these insects are under stress and AEP is working with EPRI and other electric utilities to find ways to support and protect pollinating insects, birds, and other associated wildlife.

Source Information – Nature Serve. 2015. American Electric Power: Species Prioritization Brief. Prepared by NatureServe for the Electric Power Research Institute, April 14, 2015; Environmental Law Institute, et al. 2011. A practitioner's handbook: Optimizing conservation and improving mitigation through the use of progressive approaches. Presented by Cambridge Systematics to the National Cooperative Highway Research Program Project 25-25, Task 67; Brown, J.W. 2006. "Eco-Logical: An ecosystem approach to developing infrastructure projects." Cambridge, Massachusetts: U.S. Department of Transportation; AEP 2020 Corporate Accountability Report.

Appendix 12: GRI 306-1 Water Discharge by Quality and Destination

AEP engages with the City of Lawton in Oklahoma, which supplies water to the AEP Comanche Plant through its municipal POTW. In the past, AEP has had water quality issues that impacted its use in a power plant. We also engage with the City of Gentry, which discharges its treated wastewater into Flint Creek's primary ash pond. This is done in lieu of directly discharging to Little Flint Creek, however, this wastewater can cause problems due to nutrients that can produce algae blooms, creating compliance problems for AEP. The discharge of the ash pond is directed to SWEPCO Lake, which is the cooling pond for the plant. Being a once through cooled system, the water in the lake, and consequently the water discharged from the ponds, is recycled multiple times, reused within the plant, and then discharged again into the lake. It is therefore imperative that this water be suitable for use

We have met with the City of Lawton to begin the contract renewal process and we will be emphasizing the quality of the water which they supply from their POTW to the AEP Comanche Plant. The city is working to ensure a continued supply of good quality water. With regards to the Flint Creek Plant and the City of Gentry, AEP is planning to initiate a sampling program to determine if the city's effluent contains elevated levels of metals, specifically cyanide and mercury, which could affect AEP's compliance program. AEP has had discussions with the city about these potential problems and looks forward to continued cooperation.

Appendix 13: <u>GRI 103-1, 103-2, 103-3 Management Approach: Supplier</u> <u>Environmental Assessment</u>

AEP has general contract language requiring adherence to all laws and regulations in its standard terms and conditions. In addition, contracts for all major construction contractors supporting Transmission projects and Generation projects include a Contractor Environmental Requirements Document (CERD) to which the contractor must adhere. Distribution Procurement is including the CERD in all new applicable construction contracts. This document is a supplement to AEP's standard terms and conditions. Transmission contractors are also required to view an environmental orientation video ahead of working on a project site and annually thereafter. Based on the type of work performed, some contractors and consultants must also undergo an assessment of their environmental skills, experience and qualifications before approved to perform environmental-related scope. For contracts supporting projects and other Generation work, contractors are also required under the CERD to participate in a site-specific Environmental Work Compliance Assessment at the project or facility level.

Appendix 14: GRI 401-1 New Employee Hires and Employee Turnover

State	Gender	Active Employees	Total Hires	Hires Under 30	% Hires Under 30	Hires 30 to 50	% Hires 30 to 50	Hires Over 50	% Hires Over 50
AR	М	332	17	10	58.82%	7	41.18%	0	0%
AR	F	28	0	0	0%	0	0.0%	0	0%
CA	М	5	4	0	0%	4	100%	0	0%
CA	F	10	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
DC	М	2	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
DC	F	5	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
FL	М	3	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
FL	F	2	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
IL	М	101	2	2	100%	0	0%	0	0%
IL	F	35	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
IN	М	877	34	12	35.29%	21	61.76%	1	2.94%
IN	F	192	5	1	20%	4	80%	0	0%
KS	М	0	1	0	0%	1	100%	0	0%
KS	F	1	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
KY	М	349	17	10	58.82%	6	35.29%	1	5.88%
KY	F	52	2	1	50%	1	50%	0	0%
LA	М	614	15	9	60%	4	26.67%	2	13.33%
LA	F	236	11	1	9.09%	10	90.91%	0	0%
MD	М	1	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
MD	F	0	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
MI	М	1,051	30	17	56.67%	13	43.33%	0	0%
MI	F	189	7	2	28.57%	5	71.43%	0	0%
MN	М	1	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
MN	F	1	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
MO	М	0	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
MO	F	1	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
NC	М	3	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
NC	F	2	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
NE	М	19	2	0	0%	2	100%	0	0%
NE	F	1	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
ОН	М	4,476	181	77	42.54%	85	46.96%	19	10.50%
OH	F	1,522	87	25	28.74%	49	56.32%	13	14.94%
OK	М	1,327	77	49	63.64%	27	35.06%	1	1.30%
OK	F	341	21	5	23.81%	13	61.90%	3	14.29%

Hires in 2020

OR	М	1	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
OR	F	0	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
PA	М	14	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
PA	F	2	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
SC	М	0	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
SC	F	1	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
ΤN	М	67	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
ΤN	F	10	2	1	50%	1	50%	0	0%
ТΧ	М	2,208	78	47	60.26%	30	38.46%	1	1.28%
ТΧ	F	349	10	4	40%	5	50%	1	10%
VA	М	930	51	29	56.86%	20	39.22%	2	3.92%
VA	F	134	5	4	80%	1	20%	0	0%
WA	М	1	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
WA	F	0	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
WV	М	1,650	38	18	47.37%	18	47.37%	2	5.26%
WV	F	319	18	5	27.78%	9	50%	4	22.22%

Terminations in 2020

State	Gender	Total Terminations	Terms Under 30	% Terms Under 30	Terms 30 to 50	% Terms 30 to 51	Terms Over 50	%Terms Over 50
AR	М	21	1	4.76%	6	28.57%	14	66.67%
AR	F	1	0	0%	0	0%	1	100%
CA	М	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
CA	F	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
DC	М	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
DC	F	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
FL	М	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
FL	F	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
GA	М	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
GA	F	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
HI	М	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
HI	F	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
IL	М	15	2	13.33%	5	33.33%	8	53.33%
IL	F	4	1	25%	2	50%	1	25%
IN	М	48	6	12.50%	11	22.92%	31	64.58%
IN	F	17	0	0%	5	29.41%	12	70.59%
KS	М	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%

KS	F	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
KY	М	21	1	4.76%	2	9.52%	18	85.71%
KY	F	7	1	14.29%	1	14.29%	5	71.43%
LA	М	132	10	7.58%	57	43.18%	65	49.24%
LA	F	21	0	0%	11	52.38%	10	47.62%
MD	М	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
MD	F	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
MI	М	69	5	7.25%	13	18.84%	51	73.91%
MI	F	12	2	16.67%	3	25%	7	58.33%
MN	М	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
MN	F	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
MO	М	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
MO	F	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
NC	М	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
NC	F	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
NE	М	20	0	0%	9	45%	11	55%
NE	F	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
OH	М	346	36	10.40%	88	25.43%	222	64.16%
OH	F	155	16	10.32%	43	27.74%	96	61.94%
OK	М	81	13	16.05%	21	25.93%	47	58.02%
OK	F	24	2	8.33%	6	25%	16	66.67%
OR	М	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
OR	F	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
PA	М	1	0	0%	0	0%	1	100%
PA	F	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
SC	М	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
SC	F	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
TN	М	2	0	0%	1	50%	1	50%
TN	F	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
TX	М	157	11	7.01%	33	21.02%	113	71.97%
TX	F	24	3	12.50%	3	12.50%	18	75%
VA	М	58	6	10.34%	6	10.34%	46	79.31%
VA	F	5	0	0%	0	0%	5	100%
WA	М	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
WA	F	0	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
WV	М	118	15	12.71%	20	16.95%	83	70.34%
WV	F	24	4	16.67%	6	25.00%	14	58.33%

Turnover in 2020

State	Gender	Turnover Under 30	Turnover 30 to 50	Turnover Over 50
AR	М	0.30%	1.81%	4.22%
AR	F	0%	0%	3.57%
CA	М	0%	0%	0%
CA	F	0%	0%	0%
DC	М	0%	0%	0%
DC	F	0%	0%	0%
FL	М	0%	0%	0%
FL	F	0%	0%	0%
GA	М	0%	0%	0%
GA	F	0%	0%	0%
HI	М	0%	0%	0%
HI	F	0%	0%	0%
IL	М	1.98%	4.95%	7.92%
IL	F	2.86%	5.71%	2.86%
IN	М	0.68%	1.25%	3.53%
IN	F	0%	2.60%	6.25%
KS	М	0%	0%	0%
KS	F	0%	0%	0%
KY	М	0.29%	0.57%	5.16%
KY	F	1.92%	1.92%	9.62%
LA	М	1.63%	9.28%	10.59%
LA	F	0%	4.66%	4.24%
MD	М	0%	0%	0%
MD	F	0%	0%	0%
MI	М	0.48%	1.24%	4.85%
MI	F	1.06%	1.59%	3.70%
MN	М	0%	0%	0%
MN	F	0%	0%	0%
MO	М	0%	0%	0%
MO	F	0%	0%	0%
NC	М	0%	0%	0%
NC	F	0%	0%	0%
NE	М	0%	47.37%	57.89%
NE	F	0%	0.00%	0%
OH	М	0.80%	1.97%	4.96%
OH	F	1.05%	2.83%	6.31%
OK	М	0.98%	1.58%	3.54%

OK	F	0.59%	1.76%	4.69%
OR	М	0%	0%	0%
OR	F	0%	0%	0%
PA	М	0%	0%	7.14%
PA	F	0%	0%	0%
SC	М	0%	0%	0%
SC	F	0%	0%	0%
TN	М	0%	1.49%	1.49%
TN	F	0%	0%	0%
ΤX	М	0.50%	1.49%	5.12%
TX	F	0.86%	0.86%	5.16%
VA	М	0.65%	0.65%	4.95%
VA	F	0%	0%	3.73%
WA	М	0%	0%	0%
WA	F	0%	0%	0%
WV	М	0.91%	1.21%	5.03%
WV	F	1.25%	1.88%	4.39%

Appendix 15: <u>GRI 401-3 Number and retention rates of employees</u> entitled to, that took, and that returned to work from parental leave

Metric	Male	Female
Report the number of employees by gender that were entitled to parental leave.	13,760	3,340
Report the number of employees by gender that took parental leave.	554	65
Report the number of employees who returned to work after parental leave ended, by gender.	552	61

Return To Work Rate				
Male: 100%	Female: 98%	This rate was determined by dividing the total number of employees who had returned to work by the total number of employees who had taken parental leave.		

Retention Rate					
Male: 99%	Female: 88%	This rate was determined by taking the number of parental leaves that began during the months of January through March of 2020 and dividing by the number of employees still employed at AEP as of April 2021.			

The Parental Bonding Leave Program offers 80 hours of paid time off within a "rolling" 26-pay period timeframe (approximately one year) to eligible fathers, mothers, domestic partners, and

adoptive parents who wish to take time off to care for a newborn or newly adopted child, or provide support for his or her family following birth or adoption.

Full-time employees actively at work at the time of birth/adoption, and at the time leave is requested and taken, are eligible for paid parental bonding leave. If the birth mother is an AEP employee, her time off in connection with the birth of the child is covered under the AEP Sick Leave Policy. Parental Bonding Leave is a separate benefit that may be used in addition to sick leave, subject to the guidelines below.

Up to 80 hours of Parental Bonding Leave may be taken at any time, in full workday intervals, within the 26 pay periods (approximately one year) following adoption or birth, subject to supervisory approval.

Parental Bonding Leave runs concurrently with 12-week leave benefits under FMLA. Employees are required to take paid leave prior to unpaid leave under FMLA.

AEP's sick pay plan provides paid time off for childbirth and recovery, as well as for prenatal care and diagnostics prior to the birth of your child.

The standard leave period for maternity leave is six weeks after childbirth. If you experience complications requiring additional time off, you will be asked to provide supporting documentation to AEP's Integrated Disability Management (IDM) Recovery Center. While on maternity leave, you'll receive either 100% or 60% of your pay based on your years of service, up to a maximum of 1,040 hours of sick pay within the last 26 pay periods.

In addition to sick leave, you may use other paid time off such as vacation, personal days, and parental bonding leave to extend your time off. Also, if you qualify for leave under the Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA), you may take any remaining unpaid leave available.

Employee Category	Hours	Student Count	Average Hours		
Administrative Support Workers	17,484.26	1,182	14.79		
Craft Workers	351,435.53	4,854	72.40		
Executive/Sr Level Officials	4,415.6	233	18.95		
First/Mid Level Officials	127,085.09	2,950	43.08		
Laborers and Helpers	2,467.93	45	54.84		
No EEO-1 Reporting	29,880.95 1,269		23.55		
Operatives	21,994.47	430	51.15		
Professionals	158,646.78	5,683	27.92		
Service Workers	735.75	13	56.60		
Technicians	61,353.70	1,491	41.15		
Total	775,500.06				

Appendix 16: GRI 404-1 Average Hours of Training

GENDER	Hours	Student Count	Average Hours
F	78,428.2	3,603	21.77
М	697,071.9	14,547	47.92
Total	775,500	18,150	/

Appendix 17: <u>GRI 404-3 Percentage of Employees Receiving Regular</u> <u>Performance and Career Development Reviews</u>

Gender	Employees With Performance Coaching Forms	Total Employees	% of Employees With Performance Coaching Forms	
М	9,101	13,539	67.22%	
F	2,984	3,325	89.74%	
Total	12,085	16,864	71.66%	

Appendix 18: <u>GRI 405-2 Ratio of Basic Salary and Remuneration of</u> <u>Women to Men</u>

Employee Category	State	Female Avg. Salary	Male Avg. Salary	Female/ Male % Average Salary	Female Average Remuneration	Male Average Remuneration	Female/Male % Average Remuneration
Executive/Sr Level Officials	IL	\$0	\$272,229	0%	\$0	\$1,033,527	0%
Executive/Sr Level Officials	IN	\$0	\$256,330	0%	\$0	\$820,722	0%
Executive/Sr Level Officials	KY	\$0	\$227,573	0%	\$0	\$699,511	0%
Executive/Sr Level Officials	LA	\$0	\$250,357	0%	\$0	\$801,844	0%
Executive/Sr Level Officials	MI	\$256,399	\$269,662	95%	\$803,484	\$1,028,992	78%
Executive/Sr Level Officials	ОН	\$247,197	\$281,995	88%	\$832,186	\$1,107,282	75%
Executive/Sr Level Officials	OK	\$260,670	\$218,928	119%	\$912,212	\$618,549	147%
Executive/Sr Level Officials	ТΧ	\$401,086	\$246,952	162%	\$1,566,493	\$667,600	235%
Executive/Sr Level Officials	VA	\$190,443	\$215,447	88%	\$532,149	\$635,640	84%
Executive/Sr Level Officials	WV	\$0	\$259,470	0%	\$0	\$829,580	0%

First/Mid Level	AR	\$122,502	\$116,079	106%	\$283,044	\$262,973	108%
Officials		ψ122,502	φ110,073	10078	φ203,044	ψ202,915	10078
First/Mid Level Officials	IL	\$121,902	\$123,515	99%	\$292,888	\$290,227	101%
First/Mid Level Officials	IN	\$107,379	\$114,147	94%	\$237,348	\$266,069	89%
First/Mid Level Officials	KY	\$112,467	\$108,565	104%	\$256,593	\$260,343	99%
First/Mid Level Officials	LA	\$118,890	\$127,698	93%	\$273,098	\$296,686	92%
First/Mid Level Officials	MI	\$125,301	\$129,790	97%	\$290,052	\$311,334	93%
First/Mid Level Officials	ОН	\$135,994	\$128,140	106%	\$324,328	\$305,542	106%
First/Mid Level Officials	OK	\$124,637	\$123,265	101%	\$285,548	\$284,225	100%
First/Mid Level Officials	ТΧ	\$123,093	\$119,500	103%	\$279,646	\$276,190	101%
First/Mid Level Officials	VA	\$118,239	\$113,595	104%	\$269,537	\$264,202	102%
First/Mid Level Officials	WV	\$102,434	\$115,289	89%	\$228,245	\$268,112	85%
Professionals	AR	\$74,927	\$97,625	77%	\$160,132	\$213,303	75%
Professionals	IL	\$84,311	\$85,147	99%	\$182,543	\$179,615	102%
Professionals	IN	\$76,644	\$91,969	83%	\$165,047	\$202,422	82%
Professionals	KY	\$76,489	\$90,758	84%	\$164,141	\$199,764	82%
Professionals	LA	\$83,268	\$98,928	84%	\$180,706	\$219,599	82%
Professionals	MI	\$92,787	\$112,085	83%	\$202,968	\$250,083	81%
Professionals	OH	\$88,362	\$98,704	90%	\$190,669	\$215,379	89%
Professionals	OK	\$83,030	\$97,195	85%	\$178,232	\$212,554	84%
Professionals	ТΧ	\$85,852	\$92,747	93%	\$184,908	\$204,353	90%
Professionals	VA	\$78,711	\$91,662	86%	\$168,918	\$200,104	84%
Professionals	WV	\$80,087	\$99,594	80%	\$172,850	\$218,919	79%
Technicians	AR	\$87,235	\$87,132	100%	\$195,209	\$197,256	99%
Technicians	IN	\$66,268	\$75,006	88%	\$147,817	\$170,265	87%
Technicians	KY	\$72,637	\$74,133	98%	\$161,529	\$170,488	95%
Technicians	LA	\$70,469	\$78,898	89%	\$151,830	\$176,602	86%
Technicians	MI	\$83,105	\$89,847	92%	\$190,447	\$205,982	92%
Technicians	OH	\$63,071	\$74,199	85%	\$135,292	\$166,466	81%
Technicians	OK	\$71,072	\$79,560	89%	\$151,524	\$180,797	84%
Technicians	ТΧ	\$62,407	\$80,050	78%	\$134,706	\$183,386	73%
Technicians	VA	\$73,619	\$71,546	103%	\$162,412	\$158,292	103%

Technicians	WV	\$79,286	\$81,122	98%	\$176,054	\$183,066	96%
Administrative Support Workers	AR	\$51,932	\$0	100%	\$108,528	\$0	100%
Administrative Support Workers	IL	\$46,890	\$41,716	112%	\$108,276	\$87,794	123%
Administrative Support Workers	IN	\$53,409	\$49,307	108%	\$113,304	\$105,293	108%
Administrative Support Workers	KY	\$49,298	\$0	100%	\$104,575	\$0	100%
Administrative Support Workers	LA	\$46,066	\$43,752	105%	\$98,538	\$91,957	107%
Administrative Support Workers	MI	\$55,047	\$51,584	107%	\$118,403	\$109,503	108%
Administrative Support Workers	ОН	\$47,640	\$42,686	112%	\$99,971	\$88,974	112%
Administrative Support Workers	ОК	\$46,838	\$43,164	109%	\$98,481	\$89,945	109%
Administrative Support Workers	тх	\$49,100	\$47,603	103%	\$103,869	\$100,089	104%
Administrative Support Workers	VA	\$54,249	\$46,537	117%	\$114,749	\$97,556	118%
Administrative Support Workers	WV	\$45,325	\$42,924	106%	\$95,665	\$90,234	106%
Craft Workers	AR	\$79,456	\$83,513	95%	\$174,033	\$191,055	91%
Craft Workers	IL	\$0	\$70,810	0%	\$0	\$176,194	0%
Craft Workers	IN	\$64,876	\$74,727	87%	\$143,001	\$177,762	80%
Craft Workers	KY	\$63,856	\$75,219	85%	\$136,458	\$182,329	75%
Craft Workers	LA	\$69,504	\$81,277	86%	\$159,274	\$202,236	79%
Craft Workers	MI	\$71,364	\$82,259	87%	\$168,688	\$196,231	86%
Craft Workers	ОН	\$65,516	\$76,122	86%	\$143,874	\$179,581	80%
Craft Workers	ОК	\$81,234	\$82,951	98%	\$190,194	\$194,153	98%

Craft Workers	ТΧ	\$65,209	\$80,645	81%	\$145,783	\$192,220	76%
Craft Workers	VA	\$70,571	\$77,767	91%	\$153,003	\$179,028	85%
Craft Workers	WV	\$76,956	\$78,414	98%	\$177,200	\$183,786	96%
Operatives	AR	\$0	\$76,297	0%	\$0	\$174,794	0%
Operatives	IL	\$0	\$67,645	0%	\$0	\$178,014	0%
Operatives	IN	\$60,986	\$47,756	128%	\$128,082	\$104,096	123%
Operatives	ΚY	\$50,461	\$49,265	102%	\$112,469	\$114,522	98%
Operatives	LA	\$54,558	\$62,615	87%	\$114,044	\$139,964	81%
Operatives	MI	\$65,374	\$64,059	102%	\$135,524	\$138,544	98%
Operatives	OH	\$50,345	\$49,034	103%	\$106,863	\$104,958	102%
Operatives	OK	\$56,722	\$58,088	98%	\$120,070	\$122,959	98%
Operatives	ΤX	\$62,483	\$63,497	98%	\$135,798	\$140,322	97%
Operatives	VA	\$32,947	\$47,166	70%	\$70,367	\$102,092	69%
Operatives	WV	\$64,563	\$46,221	140%	\$144,084	\$102,957	140%
Laborers and Helpers	ТΧ	\$35,277	\$42,578	83%	\$72,511	\$91,485	79%
Laborers and Helpers	WV	\$47,052	\$46,976	100%	\$94,104	\$98,889	95%
Service Workers	LA	\$38,418	\$0	100%	\$81,963	\$0	100%
Service Workers	WV	\$45,327	\$47,052	96%	\$96,539	\$101,393	95%
No EEO-1 Reporting	ОН	\$0	\$32,094	0%	\$0	\$64,414	0%
No EEO-1 Reporting	WV	\$0	\$19,604	0%	\$0	\$39,358	0%

Appendix 19: GRI 406-1 Incidents of Discrimination and Corrective Actions Taken

For purposes of this report, any charge of discrimination is treated as an "incident." In 2020, no incidents were filed with the EEOC or applicable state agency.

Appendix 20: <u>GRI 103-1, 103-2, 103-3 Management Approach: Child</u> <u>Labor, and GRI 103-1, 103-2, 103-3 Management Approach: Forced or</u> <u>Compulsory Labor</u>

AEP requires all Employees and supplier/contractors to adhere to all laws and regulations as stated in either the Principles of business conduct or standard terms and conditions.

No aspect of AEP operations is more important than the health and safety of people. Zero Harm is at the heart of everything we do at AEP. It means we believe all occupational illnesses and injuries are preventable because we care that everyone goes home in the same or better condition than when they came to work. These requirements reflect AEP's minimum expectations regarding safety, health, and environmental practices and may exceed the requirements of federal, state, and local regulatory agencies.

Appendix 21: <u>GRI 103-1, 103-2, 103-3 Management Approach: Supplier</u> Social Assessment

At AEP, we believe in doing the right thing every time for our customers, each other and our future. We expect all employees to uphold the highest of ethical standards and that management is one of uncompromising integrity. We expect the same from our suppliers.

AEP values its relationships with our suppliers, energy providers, and other organizations looking to do business with us and we want to be as transparent as possible in our expectations of them. AEP's Supplier Code of Conduct acts as a guide for suppliers in carrying out their responsibilities and defines both the ethical and legal standards by which they must operate.

Our Supplier Code of Conduct is a guidepost as we strive to build a diverse pool of suppliers focused on inclusion of others and powering a new and brighter future for our customers and communities.

Please visit AEP's <u>Supplier Code of Conduct</u> and <u>Supply Chain Management</u> webpage to learn more.

Appendix 22: <u>GRI 103-1, 103-2, 103-3 Management Approach:</u> and <u>GRI 418-1</u> <u>Substantiated Complaints Concerning Breaches of Customer Privacy</u> <u>and Losses of Customer Data</u>

AEP has not had substantiated complaints concerning breaches, nor experienced incidents of loss, regarding customer or consumer data from our network in 2020.

AEP continues to work with our third party vendors to ensure that best practices around data protection are performed.

Appendix 23: GRI EU11 Average Generation Efficiency

By State:

State	2020 Average Generation Efficiency (%)			
State	Coal	Gas	Nuclear	All Fuels
AR	34.7%	28.5%		34.6%
IN	34.4%			34.4%
KY		34.5%		34.5%
LA		47%		47%

MI			33.2%	33.2%
OH	32.6%	50%		45.4%
OK	32%	35.5%		34.6%
TX	30.2%	28.7%		30%
VA		30.3%		30.3%
WV	33.6%	27.6%		33.6%

By Operating Company:

Operating	2020 Average Generation Efficiency (%)			
Company	Coal	Gas	Nuclear	All Fuels
APCO	34%	47.5%		36.5%
I&M	34.4%		33.2%	33.4%
KPCO	31.9%	34.5%		32.4%
GENCO	32.6%			32.6%
PSO	31.5%	35.5%		33.9%
SWEPCO	32.1%	41.6%		34.4%

Generation Efficiency Data Notes:

1. Figures include AEP-operated plants only.

2. Figures are based on net generation and measured fuel usage.

3. Figures for coal also include some energy from secondary startup fuel (oil or gas).

4. In regards to confidence level, the average generation figures listed are based on metered energy output (generator) and metered energy input (fuel consumption and heating value for fossil units; reactor calorific heat for nuclear units). The instruments used for these measurements are maintained and calibrated. We do not have a specific uncertainty value available.

Appendix 24: GRI EU12 Total Distribution and Transmission Losses

Losses and energy unaccounted for at the jurisdiction, state and company level are provided. These losses reflect what occurred in 2020. No estimate of technical / non-technical losses have been developed.

	Sales (GWh)	Energy Requirements (GWh)	Losses (GWh)	Loss Percentage
	Jurisdic	tion Level		
APCo Virginia	15,613	16,741	1,128	6.70%
APCo West Virginia	11,933	12,970	1,037	8.00%
I&M Indiana	17,674	19,007	1,333	7.00%
I&M Michigan	2,966	3,282	316	9.60%
Kingsport Power	1,661	1,700	39	2.30%
Kentucky Power	5,193	5,576	383	6.90%
Ohio Power	41,748	44,527	2,779	6.20%
PSO	17,711	18,781	1,071	5.70%
SWEPCO-Arkansas	4,353	4,529	176	3.90%
SWEPCO-Louisiana	6,198	6,681	482	7.20%

SWEPCO-Texas	7,611	8,058	447	5.50%
TCC	25,810	27,200	1,389	5.10%
TNC	6,139	6,478	339	5.20%
Wheeling Power	4,362	4,468	106	2.40%
AEP Total	168,973	179,999	11,026	6.10%
	State	e Level		
Arkansas	4,353	4,529	176	3.90%
Indiana	17,674	19,007	1,333	7.00%
Kentucky	5,193	5,576	383	6.90%
Louisiana	6,198	6,681	482	7.20%
Michigan	2,966	3,282	316	9.60%
Ohio	41,748	44,527	2,779	6.20%
Oklahoma	17,711	18,781	1,071	5.70%
Tennessee	1,661	1,700	39	2.30%
Texas	39,561	41,736	2,176	5.20%
Virginia	15,613	16,741	1,128	6.70%
West Virginia	16,295	17,438	1,143	6.60%
AEP Total	168,973	179,999	11,026	6.10%
	Con	npany		
AEP Ohio	41,748	44,527	2,779	6.20%
AEP Texas	31,949	33,678	1,728	5.10%
Appalachian Power Company	29,246	31,412	2,165	6.90%
Indiana Michigan Power Company	20,640	22,289	1,649	7.40%
Kentucky Power Company	5,193	5,576	383	6.90%
Kingsport Power Company*	1,661	1,700	39	2.30%
Public Service Company of Oklahoma	17,711	18,781	1,071	5.70%
Southwestern Electric Power Company	18,163	19,268	1,105	5.70%
Wheeling Power Company	4,362	4,468	106	2.40%
AEP Total	169,012	179,999	10,987	6.10%

*Note: Kingsport Power included APCo total.

Appendix 25: GRI EU 22 Population Displacement and Compensation

When, in the course of expanding or creating new generation or transmission facilities, AEP finds it necessary to acquire property, the company seeks to ensure that no economic displacement occurs. If properties are purchased for company use, AEP endeavors to enter into

purchase agreements that compensate property owners in a fashion that precludes economic displacement.

We consider a person/people displaced once the purchase transaction has closed and the property is in AEP's name. In many cases, AEP continues to allow the property owner to continue living on or use the premises (with a lease agreement) up to the date we begin actually utilizing the site. Nevertheless, we consider the landowner/family displaced as of the date the property changes hands.

Company	Closed Transactions in 2020	Number of People Displaced in 2020
AEP Indiana Michigan Transmission Company, Inc.	3	0
AEP Kentucky Transmission Company, Inc.	1	0
AEP Ohio Transmission Company, Inc.	9	0
AEP Oklahoma Transmission Company, Inc.	3	0
AEP Texas Central Company	6	0
AEP Texas Central Company	10	0
AEP Texas North Company	4	0
AEP Texas North Company	12	1
AEP West Virginia Transmission Company, Inc.	5	6
Appalachian Power Company	9	7
Appalachian Power Company	4	0
Electric Transmission Texas, LLC	1	0
Indiana Michigan Power Company	7	4
Indiana Michigan Power Company	8	4
Kentucky Power Company	4	0
Ohio Power Company	4	2
Ohio Power Company	8	3
Public Service of Oklahoma	3	0
Public Service of Oklahoma	1	0
Public Service of Oklahoma	2	0
Southwestern Electric Power Company	5	0
Southwestern Electric Power Company	1	0
Southwestern Electric Power Company	3	0
Southwestern Electric Power Company-TX	5	0
AEP Total	118	27

Appendix 26: GRI EU25 Public Injuries and Fatalities

Public Fatality Breakdown	2020 Data
Total number of public fatalities	13
Number of fatalities to members of the public due to Electrical contact with assets	5
Number of fatalities to members of the public due to Electrical contact with unintentional energized metallic object	0
Number of fatalities to members of the public due to Collision with poles	4
Number of fatalities to members of the public due to Pole-related (collapse or maintenance)	0
Number of fatalities to members of the public due to Auto accidents	0
Number of fatalities to members of the public due to Drowning	0
Number of fatalities to members of the public due to Natural Gas	0
Number of fatalities to members of the public due to Other	4

Public Injury Breakdown	2020 Data
Total number of public injuries	45
Number of injuries to members of the public due to Electrical contact with assets	15
Number of injuries to members of the public due to Electrical contact with unintentional energized metallic object	0
Number of injuries to members of the public due to Collision with poles	3
Number of injuries to members of the public due to Pole-related (collapse or maintenance)	0
Number of injuries to members of the public due to Auto accidents	17
Number of injuries to members of the public due to Natural Gas	0
Number of injuries to members of the public due to Other	10

Public Health and Safety Legal Cases	2020 Data
Number of health and safety legal Cases with members of the public involved	9

Appendix 27: GRI EU27 Disconnections for Non-Payment

2020 Customer Disservesto		
2020 Customer Disconnects		
Total Number of Residential Customer Disconnects	252,456	
Total number of Residential Reconnects within 7 Days	197,963	
Total Number of Customer Disconnects	265,204	
Total Number of reconnects within 7 days	206,391	

* Credit-related service terminations were suspended during a portion of the year due to COVID-19 mitigation. This activity was initiated again in some areas in a limited manner.

Appendix 28: EU-MA EU-DMA - Aspect: Provision of Information

AEP utilizes multiple communication channels to address the needs of all customer classes. For example, AEP provides a toll free TDD (Telecommunications Device for the Deaf) service that is available 24/7 for hearing impaired. All customers are able to access their AEP operating company website to perform a variety of functions: view bill, sign up for paperless billing, account balance information, payment and usage history, start/stop service, update phone number, mailing address, report power outages and make payments on their American Electric Power 2018 GRI Report 62 accounts. AEP allows for multiple payment options. Customers take advantage of our Third Party vendors offering translation in a variety of languages. AEP also prints Braille bills for the visually impaired. The monthly customer bill messaging and inserts notify customers of many energy efficiency programs and other products and services.

- Customers are able to communicate with AEP via online, social media, IVR, phone, email, mail and fax
- A TDD message is displayed on bills.
- All websites give access to the above stated functions.
- Customers are able to make payments by phone, mail, at authorized payment stations, electronically through their financial institution, through their operating company website or by participating in a checkless payment plan.
- Our Third Party Vendor, Language Select, translates bills in a variety of languages. Braille bills are processed through a vendor – The League of the Blind and Disabled.
- The Regulatory, Marketing, Energy Efficiency Programs and Corporate Communications groups submit bill messages and inserts.