



DURHAM
In Time

Our Dwindling Coalfield - Timeline of pit closures 1950-93

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Date	Name of Pits
1953	New Brancepeth
1954	Axwell park
1955	Alma, Quarry
1950	Bildershaw
1956	Blaydon Burn Dorothea
1957	Lilley
1958	Hamsteels Princes Street South Shildon
1959	East Hedleyhope Ouston Ramshaw
1960	South Garesfield





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	Ushaw Moor
1961	Malton Westerton
1962	Eldon Esperley Lane Ravensworth Shop Tanfield Randolph Victoria Wingate Grange
1963	Crookhall High Marley Hill Lanchester Towneley Roddymoor Stargate
1964	Derwent Haggs Lane Hole-in-the Wall Louisa Phoenix South Pelaw Watergate
1965	East Tanfield





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Harraton
Lambton
New Shildon
Pelton
Sherburn Hill
Stanley Burn
Tudhoe Mill
West Thornley

1966

Barcus Close
Beamish Mary
Chilton
Chopwell
Clara Vale
Dean & Chapter
Greenside
Lumley Sixth
Midridge
North Bitchburn
North Tees
Ryhope
Waterhouses
Whittonstall
Witton

1967

Bowburn
Brancepeth
Chester Moor





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Deaf Hill
Kimblesworth
Leasingthorne
Newton Cap
Staindrop Field
Thrislington

1968

Brandon
Brandon Pit House
Brusselton
Burnhopfield
Byermoor
Hamsterley
Handon Hold
Mainsforth
Middlestone Moor
Ravensworth Park
Stanley Cottage
Towneley
Trimdon Grange
Washington F.
Wheatley Hill
Whitburn

1969

Haggs Lane
Hole-in-the Wall
Louisa
Phoenix





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	South Pelaw Watergate Craghead Harton Tudhoe
1970	Thornley
1971	Silksworth
1972	Medomsley Washington Glebe
1973	Fishburn, Morrison Busty Ravensworth Ann
1974	Elemore Kibblesworth Nettlesworth Usworth Wardley Whitworth Park
1975	Langley Park
1978	Adventure Metal Bridge





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1979	Hylton
1980	Eden South Medomsley
1981	Blackhall Houghton
1982	Boldon South Hetton
1983	East Hetton Marley Hill
1984	Bearpark
1985	Herrington Sacriston
1986	Eppleton Horden
1988	Seaham
1991	Dawdon Murton





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1993	Easington
	Vane Tempest
	Wearmouth
	Westoe

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