



Mexico has great potential for solar power generation

Does Mexico have solar power?

Solar power in Mexico has the potential to produce vast amounts of energy. 70% of the country has an insolation of greater than 4.5 kWh/m²/day. Using 15% efficient photovoltaics, a square 25 km (16 mi) on each side in the state of Chihuahua or the Sonoran Desert (0.01% of Mexico) could supply all of Mexico's electricity.

How much solar power does Mexico need in 2024?

To meet the 35% clean energy target in 2024, Mexico needs at least 128.83 TWh or 42.56 TWh of additional clean energy generation. National solar PV capacity potential is estimated at 24,918 GW.¹ This potential capacity could generate 50,196 TWh/yr or 137 times the 365 TWh estimated demand for Mexico in 2024.

Is solar energy a good investment in Mexico?

Solar resources in Mexico are among the best in the world, with annual daily solar irradiance levels ranging between 4.4 kWh/m² and 6.3 kWh/m². With the country's solar capacity reaching 10GW at the end of 2021, we expect solar energy to continue to present attractive opportunities for project developers and industrial consumers.

How much energy will Mexico have by 2050?

At the Solar Power Mexico conference, it was said that PV electricity and solar thermal would comprise up to 5% of Mexico's energy by 2030 and up to 10% by 2050. The first long term energy auction was held in 2015 with a second one in 2016.

Is Mexico ready for a 'distributed generation' solar project?

The relative success of the smaller "distributed generation" projects are a sign of Mexico's huge untapped potential in solar. A 2020 World Bank report estimated that the country would need to dedicate only 0.1 per cent of its territory to utility-scale photovoltaic power plants to cover its entire yearly electricity consumption.

Is solar PV a viable energy source in Mexico?

Solar PV was successful in both, securing 1,691 MW of the 2,085 MW auctioned in the first and 1573 MW of 3473 MW in the second auction. In 2013, 22% of the installed electricity generation capacity in Mexico was from renewable sources. The majority, 18.1% coming from hydroelectricity, 2.5% from wind power and 0.1% from solar PV.

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