ENERGY PROFILE

Bolivia (Plurinational State of)

International Renewable Energy Agency





COUNTRY INDICATORS AND SDGS





Total Energy Supply (TES)







TOTAL ENERGY SUPPLY (TES)

2021

2016

Total energy supply in 2021







Non-renewable (TJ)	338 094	317 409
Renewable (TJ)	35 537	59 899
Total (TJ)	373 631	377 308
Renewable share (%)	10	16
Growth in TES	2016-21	2020-21
Non-renewable (%)	-6.1	+19.0
Renewable (%)	+68.6	+1.4
Total (%)	+1.0	+15.8
Primary energy trade	2016	2021

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Imports (TJ)	42 899	75 632
Exports (TJ)	578 957	436 759
Net trade (TJ)	536 058	361 127
Imports (% of supply)	11	20
Exports (% of production)	64	59
Energy self-sufficiency (%)	241	196

RENEWABLE ENERGY CONSUMPTION (TFEC)





ELECTRICITY CAPACITY

Installed capacity trend Nuclear HARR Other Non-RE Fossil fuels Hydro/marine Wind Solar Bioenergy Geothermal Renewable share 5 100% 4.0 4 3.7 3.4 80% 4 3.0 3 share (%) 2.6 2.6 Gigawatts (GW) 60% 2.4 3 2.2 Renewable 2 40% 2 33% 1 20% 1 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023 2016

Net capacity change in 2023 (MW)



Renewable capacity in 2023



Net capacity change (GW)

Fossil fuels Renewable



Capacity utilisation in 2022 (%)



Renewable energy consumption in 2021

ELECTRICITY GENERATION



1 Law No 928: Law of the National Strategic Public Company for Bolivian Lithium Deposits- YLB	2017
2 Patriotic Agenda of the Bi-century 2015-2025	2015
3 Bolivia Electric Plan 2020-2025 (Plan del Sector Eléctrico del Estado Plurinacional de Bolivia 2025)	2014
4 Concessional Ioan: Geothermal Plant in Laguna Colorada	2014
5 Law No 535: Mining and Metallurgy Law	2014



RENEWABLE RESOURCE POTENTIAL



Biomass potential: net primary production



 World
 Bolivia

 80%
 80%

 60%
 60%

 20%
 20%

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 260-420

 40%
 20%

Indicators of renewable resource potential

Solar PV: Solar resource potential has been divided into seven classes, each representing a range of annual PV output per unit of capacity (kWh/kWp/yr). The bar chart shows the proportion of a country's land area in each of these classes and the global distribution of land area across the classes (for comparison).

Onshore wind: Potential wind power density (W/m²) is shown in the seven classes used by NREL, measured at a height of 100m. The bar chart shows the distribution of the country's land area in each of these classes compared to the global distribution of wind resources. Areas in the third class or above are considered to be a good wind resource.

Blomass: Net primary production (NPP) is the amount of carbon fixed by plants and accumulated as biomass each year. It is a basic measure of biomass productivity. The chart shows the average NPP in the country (tC/ha/yr), compared to the global average NPP of 3-4 tonnes of carbon

Sources: IRENA statistics, plus data from the following sources: UN SDG Database (original sources: WHO; World Bank; IEA; IRENA; and UNSD); UN World Population Prospects: UNSD Energy Balances: UN COMTRADE; World Bank World Development Indicators; EDGAR; REN21 Global Status Report; IEA-IRENA Joint Policies and Measures Database; IRENA Global Atlas; and World Bank Global Solar Atlas and Global Wind Atlas.

Additional notes: Capacity per capita and public investments SDGs only apply to developing areas. Energy self-sufficiency has been defined as total primary energy production divided by total primary energy supply. Energy trade includes all commodities in Chapter 27 of the Harmonised System (HS). Capacity utilisation is calculated as annual generation divided by year-end capacity x 8,760h/year. Avoided emissions from renewable power is calculated as renewable generation divided by fossil fuel generation multiplied by reported emissions from the power sector. This assumes that, if renewable power did not exist, fossil fuels would be used in its place to generate the same amount of power and using the same mix of fossil fuels. In countries and years where no fossil fuel generation occurs, an average fossil fuel emission factor has been used to calculate the avoided emissions.

These profiles have been produced to provide an overview of developments in renewable energy in different countries and areas. The IRENA statistics team would welcome comments and feedback on its structure and content, which can be sent to statistics@irena.org.

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