
Key Points

- Currently, China gets about 8% of its total primary energy from renewable sources. Official targets aim to increase the share of primary energy from non-fossil sources to at least 11.4% in 2015 and 15% in 2020.¹

- Hydropower: China currently has the largest hydropower capacity in the world, with about 229 gigawatts (GW) currently, and a target of 290 GW for 2015.

- Wind Power: China ranks 1st in the world in installed wind power capacity, with about 75 GW. China is also the world’s fastest-growing installer of wind, and it aims to have 100 GW of wind installed by 2015.²

- Solar: China is also attempting to dramatically scale up solar power, planning to have at least 35 GW of installed solar by 2015, and currently has around 7 GW installed.

- Investment: China was the number one investor in renewable energy in 2012, accounting for nearly a quarter of global investment.

---

Contact

JONATHAN MOCH
ChinaFAQs Project Specialist, Climate and Energy Program
World Resources Institute
Jonathan.Moch@wri.org
(202) 729-7845

---

Source: see endnote 3

Source: see endnote 4
For more information see: Renewable Energy In China - An Overview

This fact sheet is a product of ChinaFAQs, a joint project of the World Resources Institute and experts from leading American universities, think tanks and government laboratories. Find out more about the ChinaFAQs Project at: http://www.ChinaFAQs.org.