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Are China's big wind & solar plants squeezing coal's generation share?

BEIJING, July 11 (Reuters) - Almost two-thirds of big wind and solar plants under construction globally are in China, where surging renewable capacity has squeezed coal's generation share to new lows, research released on Thursday showed.

Does China have a commitment to building renewables projects?

The stark contrast in construction rates illustrates the active nature of China's commitment to building renewables projects. Utility-scale solar and wind power capacity in construction, by country Utility-scale solar and wind power capacity in the top ten countries broken down by status, in gigawatts (GW)

How big is China's new coal power capacity?

According to analysis of Global Energy Monitor data, in the two years before Xi's pledge, the government approved 127 plants, collectively capable of producing 54 gigawatts of coal power. In the two years after, that number rose to 182 plants, with 131 gigawatts of coal power. In short, China's new coal power capacity has more than doubled.

Will China 'strictly control' coal-fired power plants?

Workers walk past a coal-fired power plant in Hanchuan in Hubei province, China, on Oct. 13, 2021. Getty Images In April 2021, Chinese President Xi Jinping pledged to "strictly control coal-fired power generation projects" in China. Since then, government permits for new coal power plants have soared.

Is China embracing new coal power?

With new renewable energy installations now capable of meeting all incremental power demand in China, the need for new coal is waning, and there are signs the central government may be embracing this change. In the first half of 2024, China reduced coal power permits by 83% compared to H1 2023, permitting only 9 gigawatts (GW) in H1 2024.

Will wind and solar power capacity increase in China in 2023?

Renewable power capacity in China if wind and solar capacity additions continue at same rate as 2023 every year from 2024 to 2030 Source: China National Energy Administration What are the obstacles? demand region remains a challenge. Although there is fast growth in power storage renewables, casting a shadow on wind and solar's achievements.

In 2023, an estimated 96% of newly installed, utility-scale solar PV and onshore wind capacity had lower generation costs than new coal and natural gas plants. In addition, three-quarters of new wind and solar PV plants offered cheaper ...

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Wind and solar now account for 37% of the total power capacity in the country, an 8% increase from 2022, and widely expected to surpass coal capacity, which is 39% of the total right now, in 2024. Between March 2023 ...

Despite growing concerns over China's Belt & Road Initiative (BRI)'s electricity generation projects, studies analyzing the suitability of such projects to importing countries are ...

While a GEM report published earlier this year found that China accounted for two-thirds of coal-burning power capacity in 2023, its most recent reports - Global solar power tracker and Global wind power tracker - found ...

World Energy Investment 2024 - Analysis and key findings. A report by the International Energy Agency. ... China commissioned as much solar PV as the entire world did in 2022 while its wind additions also grew by 66% year-on ...

Shenhua Energy, a state-run coal and power firm, said in its first-quarter report that prices for its solar power fell 34.2% year-on-year to 283 yuan per megawatt-hour (MWh), while its coal power ...

China has announced dual carbon goals - to peak carbon emissions before 2030 and achieve carbon neutrality before 2060 - and has shown remarkable progress in adding renewable capacity. In 2023, China commissioned as much solar PV ...

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The current VAT rate for renewable energy power generation projects is 8.5% in China. Solar energy is a clean, no-cost renewable energy, with a zero-emission technology ...

The Centre for Research on Energy and Clean Air and Global Energy Monitor have released their H1 2024 survey of coal power projects in China with the latest analysis suggesting that the massive renewable energy ...



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