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Global Electric Power Sector: Engaging with Environmental Issues

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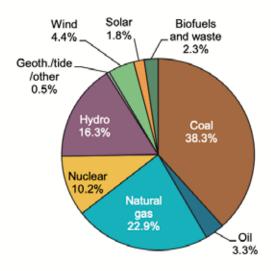
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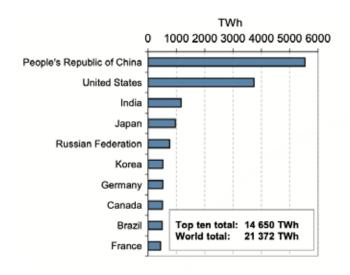


World Gross Electricity Production in 2017 by Source 25,721 TWh



Source: IEA Electricity
Information Overview 2019

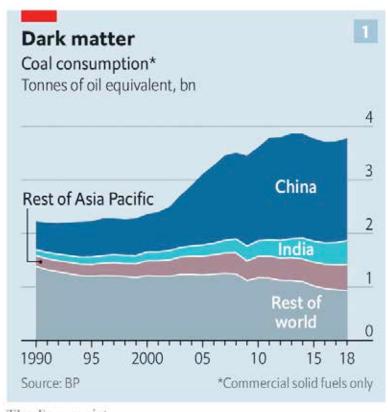
Top 10 Electricity Consuming Countries in 2017
TWh



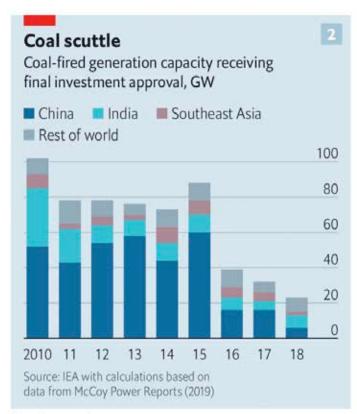
Source: IEA Electricity Information Overview 2019



Over 75% of Global Demand for Coal Comes from Asia







The Economist



Top 20 Countries that emitted the most CO2 in 2016

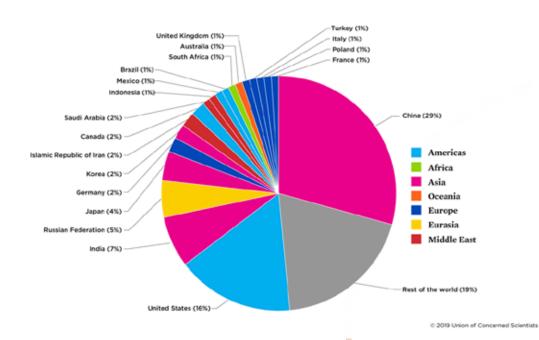
Rank	Country	CO₂ emissions (total)
1	China	9056.8MT
2	United States	4833.1MT
3	India	2076.8MT
4	Russian Federation	1438.6MT
5	Japan	1147.1MT
6	Germany	731.6MT
7	South Korea	589.2MT
8	Islamic Republic of Iran	563.4MT
9	Canada	540.8MT
10	Saudi Arabia	527.2MT
11	Indonesia	454.9MT
12	Mexico	445.5MT
13	Brazil	416.7MT
14	South Africa	414.4MT
15	Australia	392.4MT
16	United Kingdom	371.1MT
17	Turkey	338.8MT
18	Italy	325.7MT
19	Poland	293.1MT
20	France	292.9MT

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Each Country's Share of CO2 Emissions

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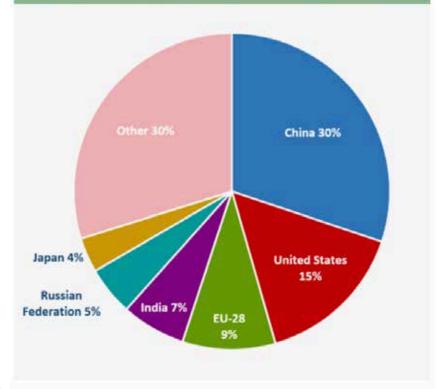


Ranking by per capita CO2 emissions 2016

Rank	Country	CO ₂ emissions (per capita)
1	Saudi Arabia	16.3T
2	Australia	16.2T
3	United States	15.0T
4	Canada	14.9T
5	South Korea	11.6T
6	Russian Federation	9.9T
7	Japan	9.0T
8	Germany	8.9T
9	Poland	7.7T
10	South Africa	7.4T
11	Islamic Republic of Iran	7.1T
12	China	6.4T
13	United Kingdom	5.6T
14	Italy	5.4T
15	France	4.5T
16	Turkey	4.2T
17	Mexico	3.6T
18	Brazil	2.0T
19	Indonesia	1.7T
20	India	1.6T



2014 Global CO₂ Emissions from Fossil Fuel Combustion and Some Industrial Processes



Source: Boden, T.A., Marland, G., and Andres, R.J. (2017). National CO2 Emissions from Fossil-Fuel Burning, Cement Manufacture, and Gas Flaring: 1751-2014, Carbon Dioxide Information Analysis Center, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, U.S. Department of Energy, doi 10.3334/CDIAC/00001_V2017.



Changes in Generation Mix in China

Year	Hydro/Solar/Wind (%)	Thermal (%)
2001	25.56	73.47
2016	33.80	63.77
2018	37.00	60.00
2030	52.00	42.00

China will start to reduce its CO2 emissions beginning in 2030



Anthropogenic Carbon Emissions (2000)

- Electric Power Plants (33%)
- Transportation (33%)
- Direct Industrial Use (20%)
- Residential & Commercial Use (12%)



Six Greenhouse Gases

Carbon dioxide (CO₂)

Methane (CH₄)

Nitrous oxide (N2O)

Hydro fluorocarbons (HFCs)

Per fluorocarbons (PFCs)

Sulphur hexafluoride (SF6)

1997 CO2 emissions from fossil fuels and cement production: 30.4 billion tons

2018 CO2 emissions from fossil fuels and cement production: 41.1 billion tons

Global Warming Potential (GWP) of Greenhouse Gases

Carbon dioxide (CO₂): 1

Methane (CH₄): 28

Nitrous oxide (N2O): 265

Hydro fluorocarbons (HFCs): 138

Per fluorocarbons (PFCs): 6,630

Sulphur hexafluoride (SF₆): 23,500

(over 100-year time scale)



Emission Characteristics of Power Plants in the US (grams/kWhr)

Plant Type	NOx	SO ₂	CO ₂
Gas	2.32	0.004	490
Oil	2.02	5.08	781
Coal	3.54	9.26	1090

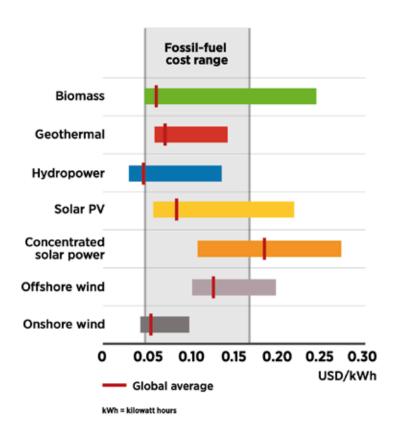


Reduce Carbon Emissions from Electricity Production

- (1) Use less electricity
- (2) Use less fuel to produce electricity
- (3) Produce more electricity from renewables & nuclear



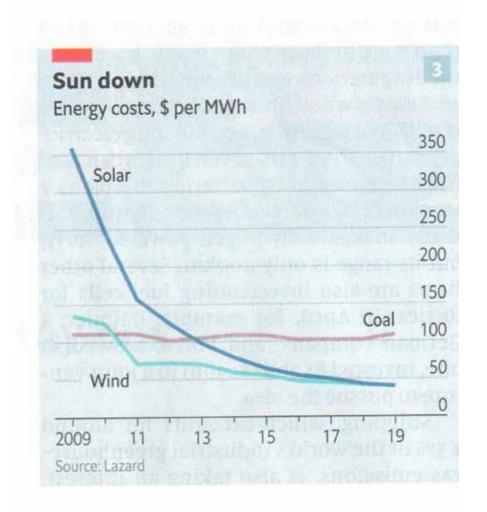
Renewable power generation has reached a competitive tipping point



Source: People, Planet and Prosperity: Raising Climate Ambitions Through Renewables, IRENA 2019

» Renewable power generation costs in 2018





Source: The Economist 4-10 July 2020



So, What is the bottom line?

- Efforts in the electric power sector by replacing fossil fuel with renewables and nuclear will help
- But if emission from the transportation sector continues to rise, the power sector contributions will not be enough
- Large scale Electric Vehicle deployment will help, but question remains – how will the EV be powered





Message to Engineers







Focus on what you can do to reduce the Carbon Footprint

Don't ask why others are not doing their part

Show them what can be done



Covid-19 and IEEE

The COVID-19 outbreak is incredibly fast moving, uncertain and complex.

We need to ensure that we are "READY FOR RECOVERY", when we get back to the "NEW NORMAL". Let us enhance cooperation, collaboration and community spirit.

For this we need to make IEEE broader so that IEEE is more relevant to the work our members do regardless where they work.

We need more participation from volunteers globally in IEEE governance. A broader based IEEE will make the Institute more relevant to technologists and academics from all parts of the world.



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