

German Energy Transition

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The energy transition is Germany's long-term energy and climate strategy

		2023	2030	2040	2045	2050
Climate Renewable Energy Energy Efficiency	Greenhouse gas emissions (vs. 1990)	- 46.1%	-65%	-88%	GHG neutral	GHG sink
	Methane emissions (vs. 1990)	- 66.5%				
	Gross electricity consumption	51%	80%			
	Gross final energy consumption	20.4%	30%	45%		60%
	Primary energy consumption (vs. 2008)	- 24.9%	-39.3%	-51%*	-57%*	
	Final energy productivity (vs. 2008)	1.4% p.a. (2008-20)	+2.1% p.a. (2008-2050)			

*Intended targets, yet to be approved in 2027



Source: GIZ based on BMJ and BMWK

Germany adopts ambitious climate measures to achieve climate neutrality by 2045

Energy efficiency and renewable energies are the required way forward

Energy Efficiency Act (EnEfG)
Reduction of end user energy
by 26.5% & primary energy

consumption by 39.3 % until 2030 compared to 2008.

Renewable Energy Act (EEG)

80% renewable electricity consumption by 2030, almost 100% by 2035.

All sectors must be considered

Heating Strategy

By 2030, 50% of total heat is to be generated in a climateneutral way.

Building Strategy

From 2025, all new buildings are to comply with efficiency house 40 standard.

Hydrogen Strategy

10 GW electrolyzer capacity by 2030 & 1.5-3.0 Mio t H2 import by 2030. Power grid as backbone of the energy transition

Power Grid Expansion

18.000 km power grid need to be built or improved in the next years.

Power Station Strategy

increase of flexible & sustainable generation capacity in preparation of a coal phase-out by 2030.

Taxes & financial incentives to decrease CO₂ emissions

Carbon Contracts for Difference (CCfDs)

offset additional costs of climate-friendly production technologies.

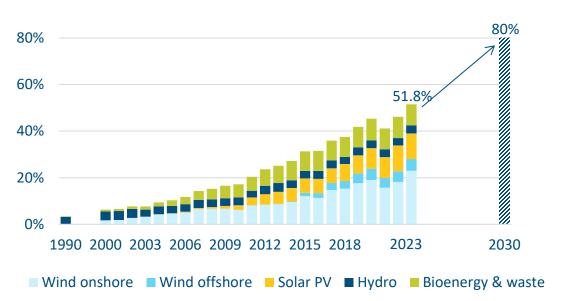
National ETS

National carbon price for the transport and heat sector. (Currently 45€/ton).



80% of gross electricity consumption in 2030 will be covered by renewable energy sources

Share of renewables in gross electricity consumption and target



2023 Stocktake:



Capacity additions of **14.9 GW**, exceeded the target of 9 GW (215 GW by 2030)



Capacity additions of **3.03 GW** stayed below the annual target of 10 GW (115 GW by 2030)



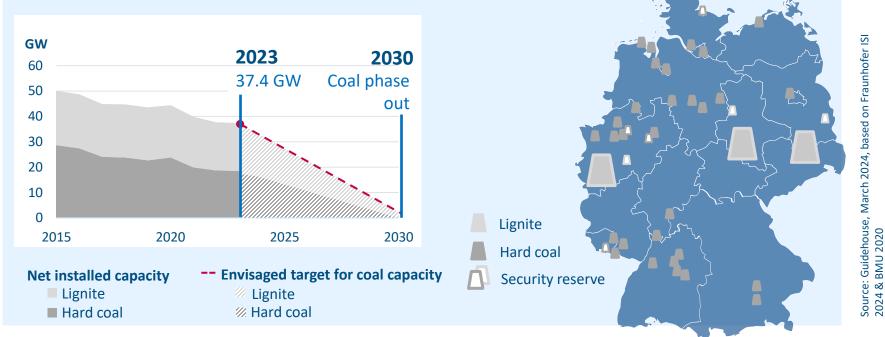
Capacity additions for offshore wind of **0.26 GW** stayed well below the annual target of 8-9 GW (30 GW by 2030)



Capacity additions of **0.5 GW**, biomass well underway to reach 2030 target of 8.4 GW



Germany has phased out nuclear since 2023 and will phase out coal ideally by 2030

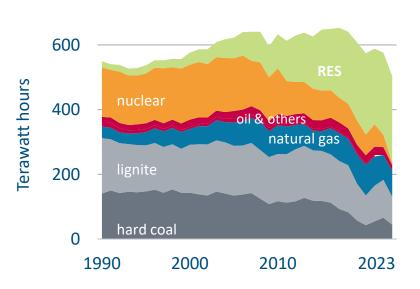


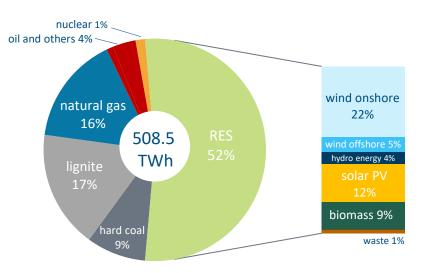


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While having very high renewable shares, Germany's electricity supply is one of the most reliable

Development and status quo of gross electricity generation by sources in Germany in 2023



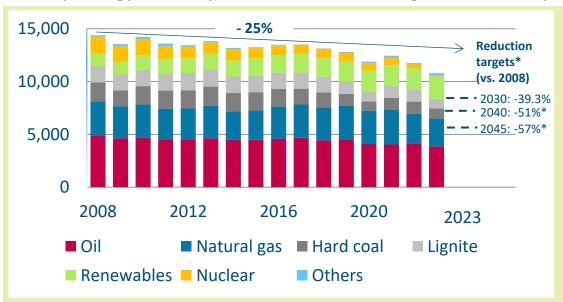




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Energy consumption is declining but additional measures are needed to meet reduction targets

Primary energy consumption and reduction targets in Germany



Main energy efficiency policies

Energy Efficiency Act

sets targets for reducing primary and final energy consumption in Germany for 2030

European and National Emission
Trading

as system incentives for industries and companies to increase energy efficiency

Sector-specific policies
e.g., Building Energy Act and
mandatory energy audits

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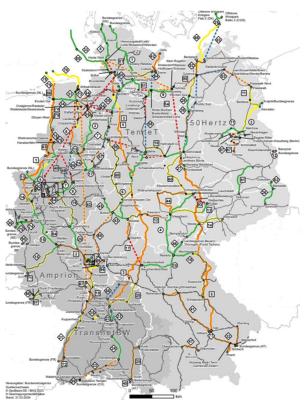


The planned grid expansion enables the integration of renewables at a low cost

Germany is currently developing 119 grid expansion projects

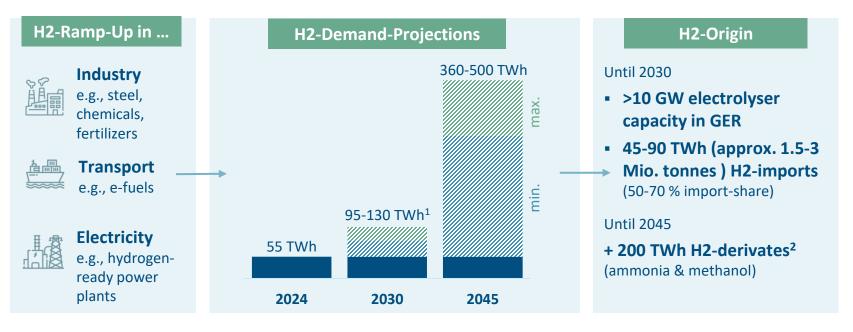
- → 14,002 km of priority lines planned
- → 2,912 km realized
- → 2,263 km approved
 - In operation
 - Approved or in construction
 - Project pending/undergoing planning approval procedure
 - Project undergoing regional planning procedure or federal planning procedure
 - --- Project not yet undergoing approval procedure





Source: GIZ based on BMWK 2023 & BMWK 2024; Graphic: flaticon.com

Germany's annual hydrogen (H₂) demand projected to increase to 360-500 TWh by 2045





With the National Hydrogen Strategy and its update in July 2023, the H₂ market ramp-up becomes the focus

Hydrogen (H₂) production & imports

- 10 GW electrolyser capacity by 2030
- 45-90 TWh imported H2 by 2030

Industry

Ramp-up of hydrogen applications through IPCEI projects and Carbon Contracts for Difference

Infrastructure & supply

European Hydrogen Backbone and national hydrogen core network

Certification & approval

Simplification and acceleration in H₂ generation, transport and infrastructure

















Traffic

- H₂ applications stimulated in heavy vehicles
- E-fuels as an alternative with focus on maritime and aviation

Electricity & Heat

Grid-bound H₂ as important energy storage and transport

Research, education and innovation

- Promotion of R&D and training of specialists
 - Technology and innovation roadmap

International cooperation

- Hydrogen partnerships, e.g. with Canada, Chile, Namibia, Egypt, and Morocco
- European cooperation on imports





Thank you for your attention!

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Germany has introduced a national carbon price for the transport and heat sector

The national ETS aims to create a level playing field between fossil and renewable energy sources



National emissions trading scheme for sectors not yet covered by the European emissions trading scheme (ETS)



Covers fuels causing carbon emissions in combustion

- since 2021: diesel, petrol, gas, fuel oil, and biomass
- as of 2023: coal
- as of 2024: waste



Regular **monitoring** by the Federal Government



When the annual emissions budget is exceeded, **EU flexibility mechanism** will be applied





Germany is currently developing a Carbon Management Strategy (CMS)

Key considerations in the CMS



Up to 73 Mt CO₂ CCS capacity is needed each year by 2045 in Germany

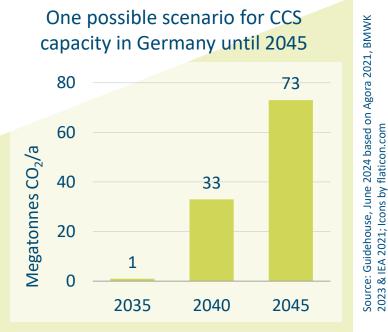


Key sectors: hard-to-abate emissions in the industry (especially cement, lime, chemicals) and waste sectors – no finance for energy sector



Characteristics:

- Creation of CO₂ infrastructure
- Storage sites (onshore/offshore)
- Transparent and robust monitoring
- Development of CCU/S clusters





on BMWK 2015, DENA Source: Guidehouse, June 2024, 2024; Icons by flaticon.com

Germany aims to increased energy efficency through a variety of policy instruments

Regulation



Ecodesign – EU legislation on energy labels and ecodesign helps improve the energy efficiency of products on the EU market.



Energy audits and energy management in companies to identify energy-saving potential

Carbon pricing



Since January 1, 2021, Germany has introduced a national CO2 price for the heat and transport sectors. It runs in parallel with the EU ETS and will be merged with the EU ETS in 2027.



CO2-pricing - Fuel taxation and CO2-based vehicle tax

Incentives



Financial support programs in the buildings and transport sector – for instance for heat pumps.



Grants and KfW credits and loans in the industry and business sector



The National Hydrogen Strategy outlines key hydrogen applications

Hydrogen will play the most important role in the hard-to-abate industry sectors

Industry



- Priorities: Replacement of fossil raw materials in applications and hydrogen use for process heat (primary in steel and metal as well as chemical industry)
- Measures: IPCEI hydrogen and climate protection treaties, Decarbonisation in Industry (DDI) funding programme, Green lead markets

Transport



- Priorities: Emission reductions in transport through H₂ (in addition to electrification), E-fuels as an alternative in the maritime and aviation sector
- Measures: Sub-quotes for RFNBOs (RED III), IPCEI transport projects, further funding programmes incl. for tank infrastructure (NIP and Hy2Move)

Electricity and storage •



- Priorities: Hydrogen and derivatives becoming an important long-term electricity storage and transport option.
- Measures: Tenders for hydrogen power plants, Power Plant Strategy, Electricity Storage Strategy, Platform Climate Neutral Electricity Systems (PKNS) for analyzing financing necessities, publishing of Hydrogen Storage Strategy

