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## Overview

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Why has Cuba's energy grid collapsed four times in the last 6 months?

On top of that, Cuba's entire grid has collapsed four times in the last six months. The problem stems from years of neglect of Cuba's energy infrastructure, exacerbated by constrained access to foreign capital and a failure to adapt to new energy options.

How much power does Cuba have in 2023?

In response, Cuba has launched a recovery plan aimed at restoring 489 MW of power by the end of 2023 through upgrades and investments, but the system continues to struggle without sufficient reserve capacity, prolonging blackouts.

Why is there a power crisis in Cuba?

Such an energy crisis is a reflection of months of constant power outages across the country, aggravated by fuel shortages that have affected the operation of power plants in Cuba.

Why is Cuba's power system deteriorating?

As POWER has reported, Cuba's power system has faced increasing strain since 2021, with blackouts becoming more frequent due to accidents at key generation units and aging thermal power plants. Thermal plants are outdated, with most surpassing their 30-year lifespan.

Why is the energy crisis teetering in Cuba?

Cuba is in the throes of a severe energy crisis, driven by fuel supply disruptions and compounded by obstacles in securing vital technologies and supplies needed to modernize and operate its aging power plants. The situation, exacerbated by U.S. sanctions, has left the nation's energy system teetering.

How is power produced in Cuba?

About 40.6% of Cuba's power generation is produced in thermal power plants, 21.7% with fuel oil engines, and 21.9% with diesel engines. Almost 8% is produced with the accompanying gas from oil production, 5% comes from renewable energy sources (hydro, solar, and wind), and the remaining 3% is produced by floating units (thermal power barges).

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