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# Spanish off-grid solar power generation system



## Overview

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Can solar and wind power cover Spain's electricity demand?

This situation had been repeated throughout the month, as in Spain the combined capacity of solar and wind energy can, given the right conditions, cover the country's entire electricity demand during the brightest hours in the middle of the day.

Is Spain a leader in concentrated solar power?

Since 2010, Spain has been the world's leader in concentrated solar power (CSP). Spain is leapfrogged by Italy during 2011 following a later solar boom there to lose its position as the world's second largest installer of solar PV.

Why is Spain not able to rely on solar energy?

But due to oversights or overconfidence, they say Spain has not adapted to its reliance on solar energy. Prices and demand are too low. Its grid and use of battery storage are behind the times. In a country that is a test case for renewables, the solar boom appears to have gone too far, too fast.

How much solar power does Spain have?

In 2008 the Spanish government committed to achieving a target of 12% of primary energy from renewable energy by 2010 and by 2020 expected the installed solar generating capacity of 10 GW. Since 2010, Spain has been the world's leader in concentrated solar power (CSP).

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