

# Japan increases solar power generation

What is the growth rate of solar generation in Japan?

In contrast with other renewables, solar generation has experienced rapid growth in Japan. In 2024, solar contributed approximately 97 TWh, representing almost 10% of the electricity generation share. Global solar generation grew by 474 TWh in 2024: its largest increase ever recorded and the biggest absolute growth of any energy source.

What percentage of Japan's Energy is solar?

In 2022, solar energy accounted for 5.39% of Japan's total energy mix and 9.91% of its electricity generation. In both cases, solar power in Japan holds the largest share of all renewable sources. This is a drastic contrast to even a decade ago when solar energy contributed less than 1% of the country's energy.

Does Japan still use solar energy?

Solar energy is Japan's most used renewable energy source, yet it still makes up a small portion of its total energy mix. This will need to dramatically increase for Japan to stay aligned with its renewable energy and decarbonisation goals.

Why is solar power growing in Japan?

The steady growth of solar power in Japan is attributed to several factors, including the country's focus on energy security, economic efficiency and environmental sustainability. Post-Fukushima, there was a national reevaluation of energy sources.

This article shines light on Japan's policy regarding renewable energy, which is also expected to contribute to global efforts toward tripling renewable energy generation capacity by 2030, ...

Electric power sector policies Japan's 6th Strategic Energy Plan (released in 2021) and the GX (Green Transformation) Decarbonization Power Supply Bill (released in 2023) target ...

The annual share of solar power generation in 2024 was 11.4%, a slight increase from 11.2% the previous year. The share of Variable Renewable Energy (VRE), which includes solar and wind, ...

This increase could be attributed to the city's active promotion of solar power generation as part of its eco-energy initiatives, where it installed solar power systems in city-managed facilities ...

The inclusion of this contingency reflects the sentiment that renewables may be insufficient for energy reliability and price reductions. Solar Power Solar power remains the primary driver of ...

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Japan regained its lead over Germany subsequently, but was overtaken in recent years by China and the United States, where solar-power capacity has been increasing rapidly.



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