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Global Energy Status

FIGURE 1. Estimated Renewable Share of Total Final Energy Consumption, 2018

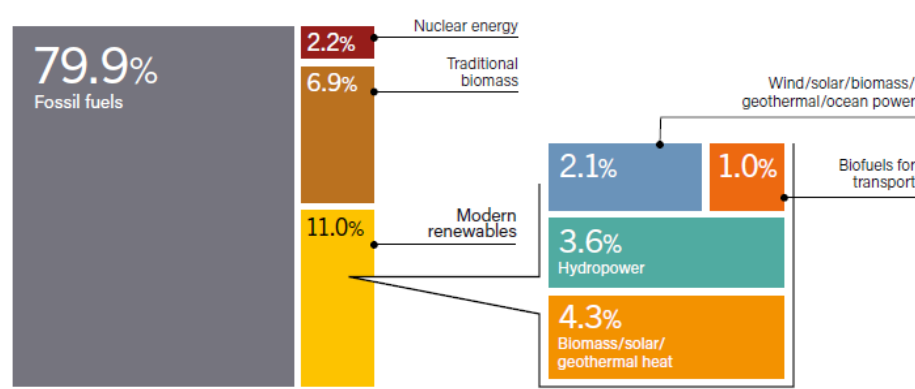
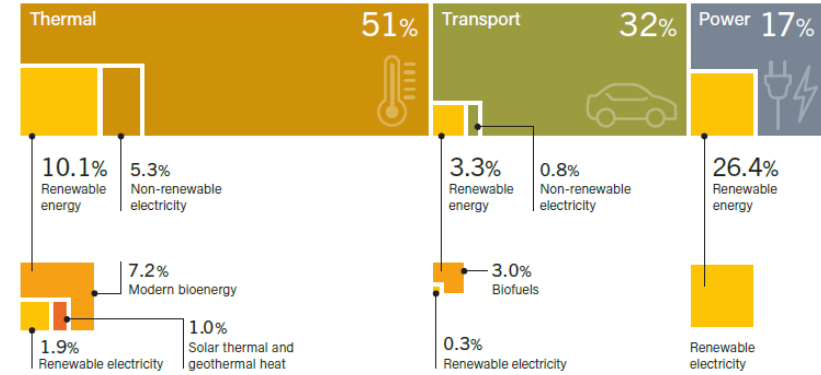


FIGURE 3. Renewable Share of Total Final Energy Consumption, by Final Energy Use, 2017



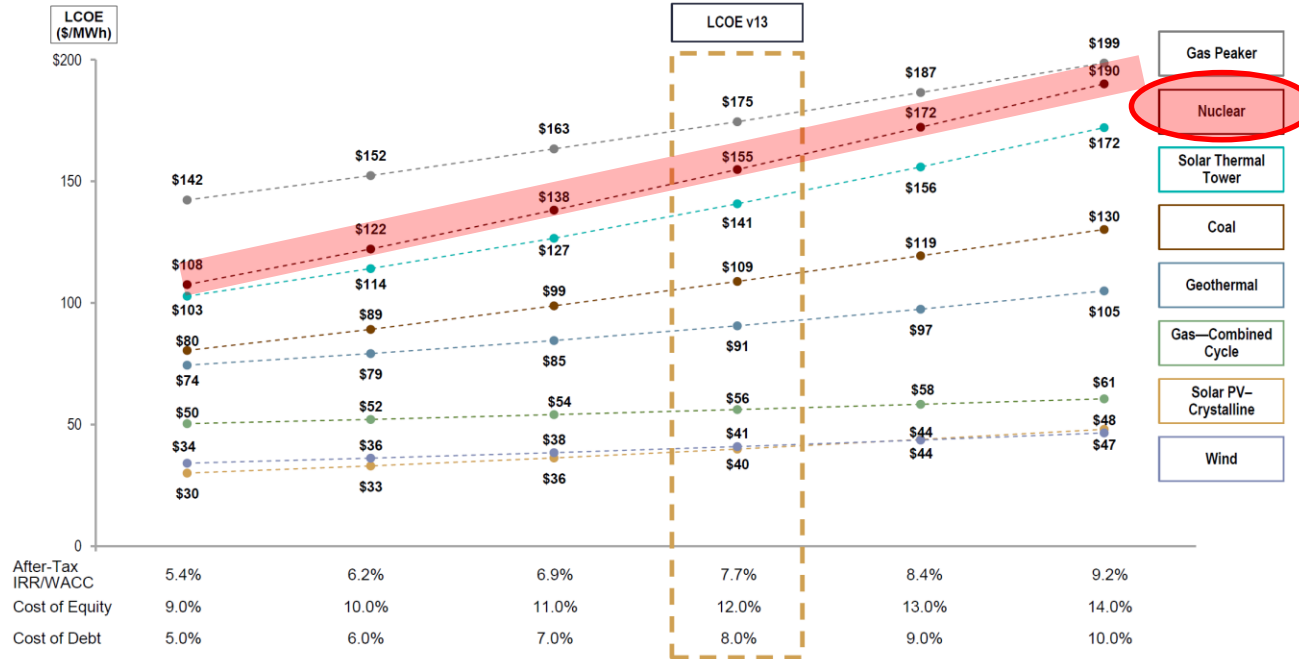
Global Trends in the Power Sector

- New Power Generation Capacity mainly solar PV and Wind as most economic
- High shares of variable power generation = the end of base load power plants
- Digitalisation of electricity:
 - Decentralised generation and Storage
 - Consumer turn into Prosumer
- Sector-Coupling:
 - Increased electrification in transport and heating sector

Levelized Cost of Energy Comparison—Sensitivity to Cost of Capital

A key consideration in determining the LCOE values for utility-scale generation technologies is the cost, and availability, of capital⁽¹⁾; this dynamic is particularly significant for renewable energy generation technologies

Midpoint of Unsubsidized LCOE⁽²⁾



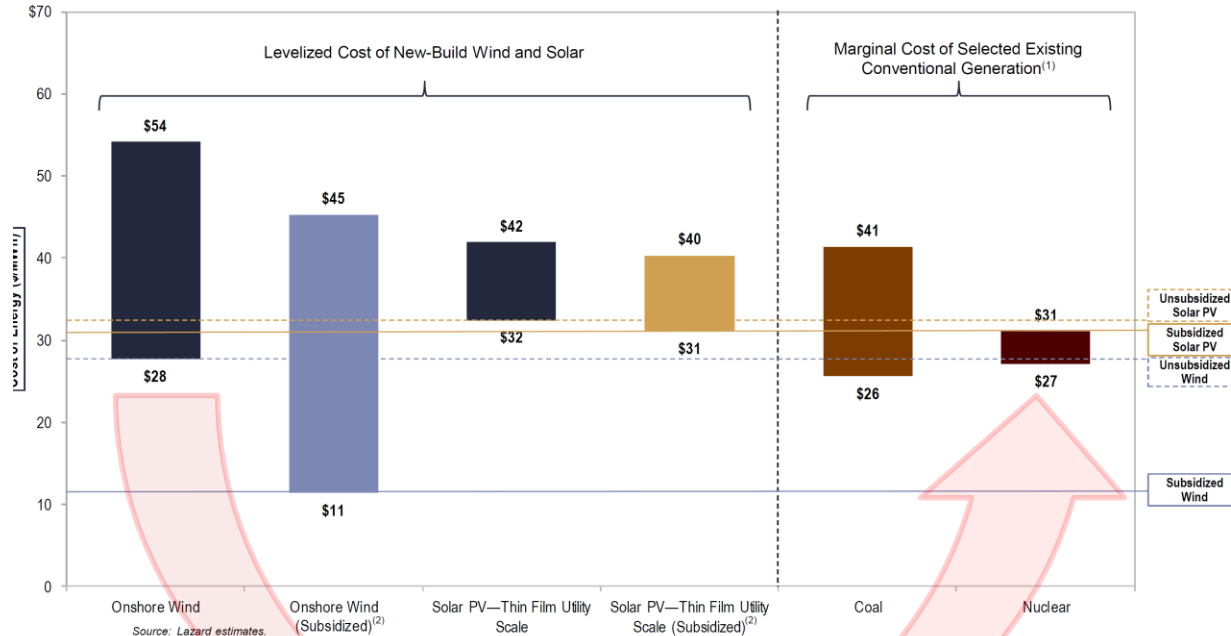
LCOE difference

Nuclear
versus
Solar / Wind

Factor 3

Levelized Cost of Energy Comparison—Renewable Energy versus Marginal Cost of Selected Existing Conventional Generation

Certain renewable energy generation technologies are approaching an LCOE that is competitive with the marginal cost of existing conventional generation



NEW BUILD
Unsubsidized
Utility scale
Onshore wind & PV

Reach marginal cost of

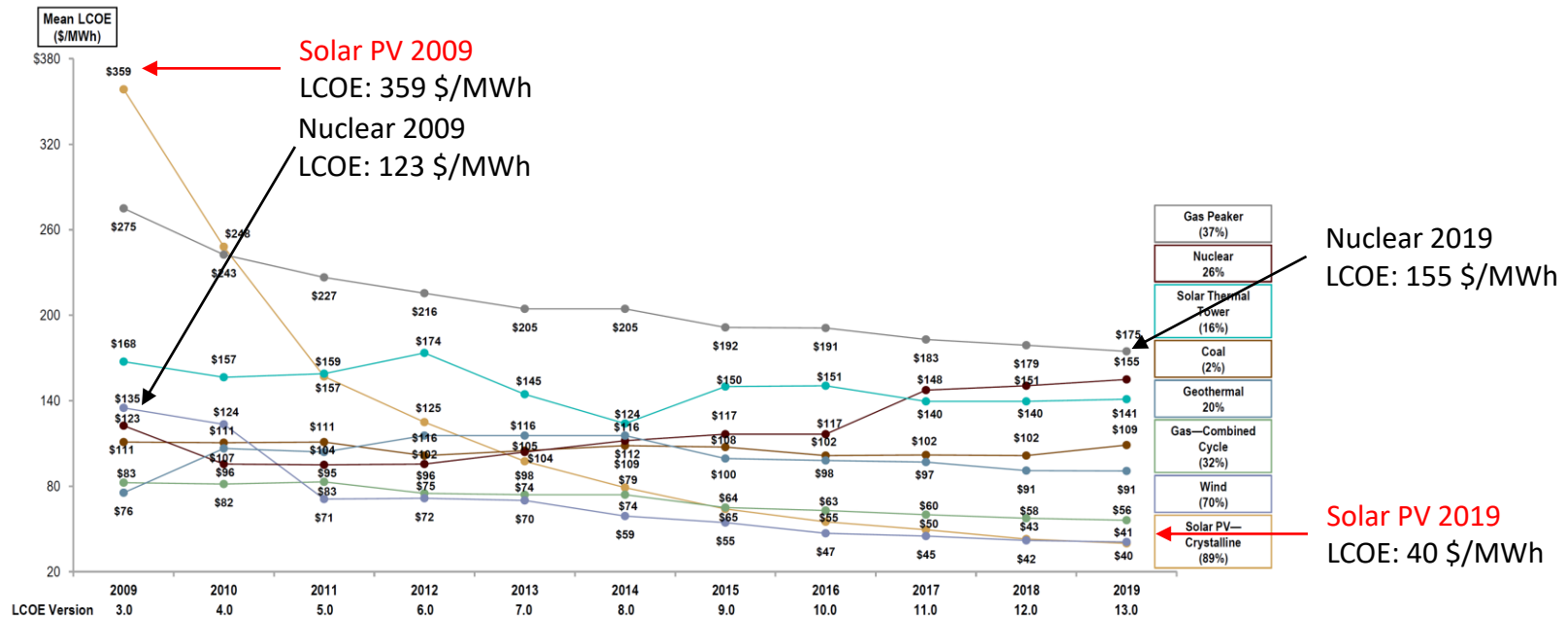
EXISTING

Coal + Nuclear Power Plants
in the USA

Levelized Cost of Energy Comparison—Historical Utility-Scale Generation Comparison

Lazard's unsubsidized LCOE analysis indicates significant historical cost declines for utility-scale renewable energy generation technologies driven by, among other factors, decreasing capital costs, improving technologies and increased competition

Selected Historical Mean Unsubsidized LCOE Values⁽¹⁾

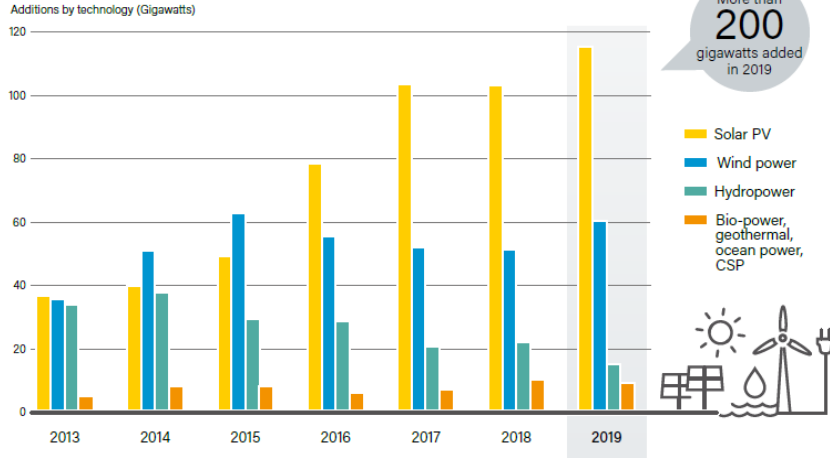


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Source: Lazard estimates.
(1) Reflects the average of the high and low LCOE for each respective technology in each respective year. Percentages represent the total decrease in the average LCOE since Lazard's LCOE—
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FIGURE 8. Annual Additions of Renewable Power Capacity, by Technology and Total, 2013-2019



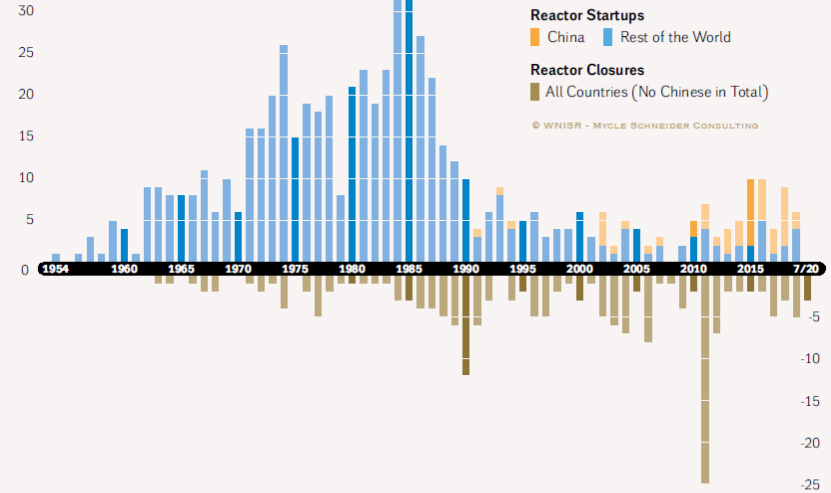
2019: Solar + 115 GW
 Wind + 60 GW

= + 175 GW

Figure 4 · Nuclear Power Reactor Grid Connections and Closures – The Slowing China Effect

Reactor Startups and Closures in the World

in Units, from 1954 to 1 July 2020



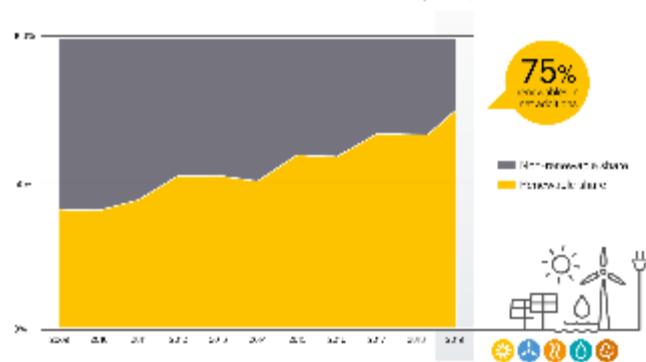
Sources: WNISR, with IAEA-PRIS, 2020

Nuclear : New capacities cannot replace closures

Table 1. Renewable Energy Indicators 2019

		2018	2019
INVESTMENT			
New investment (annual) in renewable power and fuels ¹	billion USD	296.0	301.7
POWER			
Renewable power capacity (including hydropower)	GW	2,387	2,588
Renewable power capacity (not including hydropower)	GW	1,252	1,437
Hydropower capacity ²	GW	1,135	1,150
Wind power capacity	GW	591	651
Solar PV capacity ³	GW	512	627
Bio-power capacity	GW	131	139
Geothermal power capacity	GW	13.2	13.9
Concentrating solar thermal power (CSP) capacity	GW	5.6	6.2
Ocean power capacity	GW	0.5	0.5

Renewable and Non-renewable Shares of Net Annual Additions in Power Generating Capacity, 2005-2019



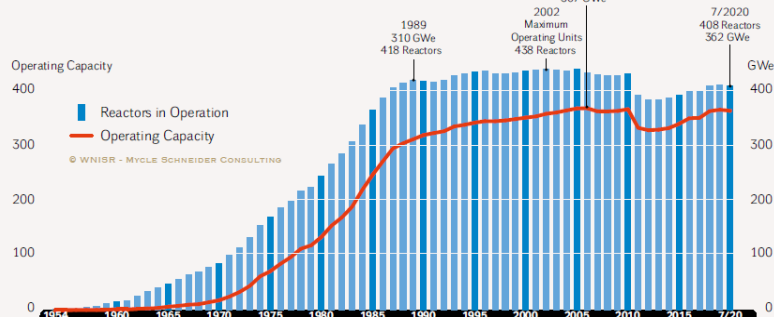
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Additional capacity

Figure 5 - World Nuclear Reactor Fleet, 1954-2020

Nuclear Reactors and Net Operating Capacity in the World

in Units and GWe, from 1954 to 1 July 2020

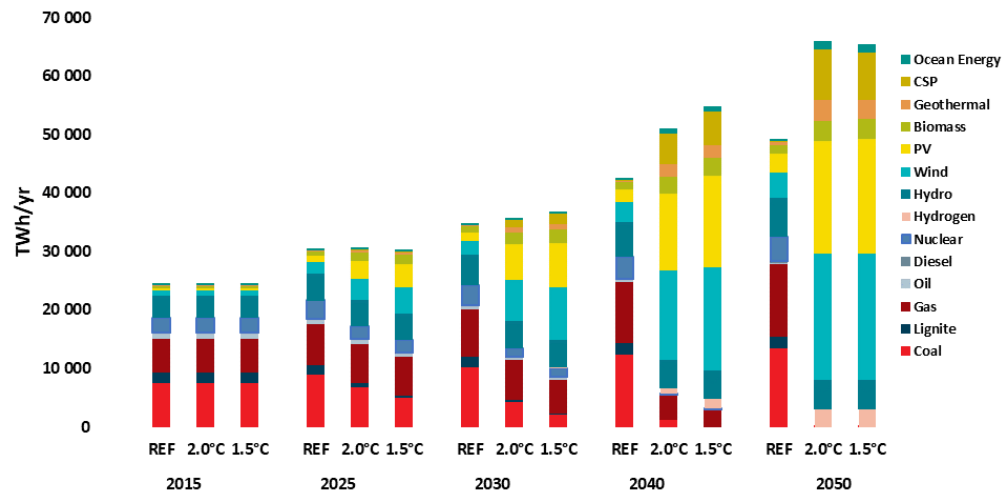


Note:

Changes in the database regarding closing dates of reactors or LTO status slightly change the shape of this graph from previous editions. In particular the previous "maximum operating capacity" of 2006 (overtaken in July 2019) is now at 367 GW.

Sources: WNISR, with IAEA-PRIS, 2020

Global: Electricity Generation and Capacity:



in GW		2015	2025	2030	2040	2050
Hydro	5.0°C	1 202	1 420	1 558	1 757	1 951
	2.0°C	1 202	1 386	1 416	1 473	1 525
	1.5°C	1 202	1 385	1 415	1 471	1 523
Biomass	5.0°C	112	165	195	235	290
	2.0°C	112	301	436	617	770
	1.5°C	112	350	498	656	798
Wind	5.0°C	413	880	1 069	1 395	1 790
	2.0°C	413	1 582	2 901	5 809	7 851
	1.5°C	413	1 912	3 673	6 645	7 753
Geothermal	5.0°C	14	20	26	41	62
	2.0°C	14	49	125	348	557
	1.5°C	14	53	147	356	525
PV	5.0°C	225	785	1 031	1 422	2 017
	2.0°C	225	2 194	4 158	8 343	12 306
	1.5°C	225	2 829	5 133	10 017	12 684
CSP	5.0°C	4	13	20	39	64
	2.0°C	4	69	361	1 346	2 062
	1.5°C	4	92	474	1 540	1 990
Ocean	5.0°C	0	1	3	9	22
	2.0°C	0	22	82	307	512
	1.5°C	0	22	80	295	450
Total	5.0°C	1 971	3 285	3 902	4 899	6 195
	2.0°C	1 971	5 604	9 478	18 243	25 583
	1.5°C	1 971	6 644	11 420	20 980	25 723

Thank you

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