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## What is Guatemala's energy source?

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### What is energy security in Guatemala?

Within that context, energy security is to be defined with accordance to to the electricity supply, taking into account needs and objectives of the country's energy policy. The key aspects of the energy security perspective in Guatemala are: adequacy, resilience and sovereignty.

### What is the National Energy Plan of Guatemala?

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#### How much electricity does Guatemala have?

As of 2020, Guatemala had 4110 MWof installed electrical capacity, based primarily on hydro power (38.38%), fossil fuels (30.36%), and biomass (25.20%). Other renewable sources represented a much smaller percentage of capacity, including wind (2.61%), solar (2.25%) and geothermal energy (1.20%).

## How is electricity regulated in Guatemala?

Guatemala's electricity industry is regulated by the General Electricity Act(Ley General de Electricidad) and the CNEE (Comisión Nacional de Energía Eléctrica). The DGH (General Direction of Hydrocarbons) regulates the hydrocarbon sub-sector.

#### Does Guatemala produce coal?

Guatemala does not produce coal. As of 2016, Guatemala consumed 1,751,571 tons of coal, approximately 105,624 per capita annually. Guatemala imports all of the coal it consumes, primarily from Colombia and the United States.

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