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Expanding Wind Power as a Major Energy Source in Japan

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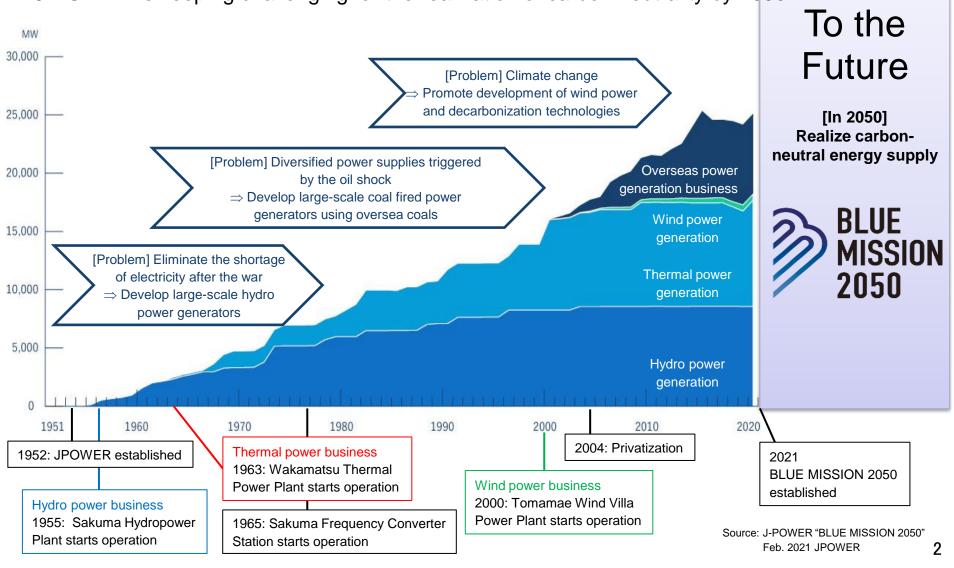
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History of J-POWER

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J-POWER has contributed to the solutions of various energy-related problems since 1952.

J-POWER is keeping challenging for the realization of carbon neutrality by 2050

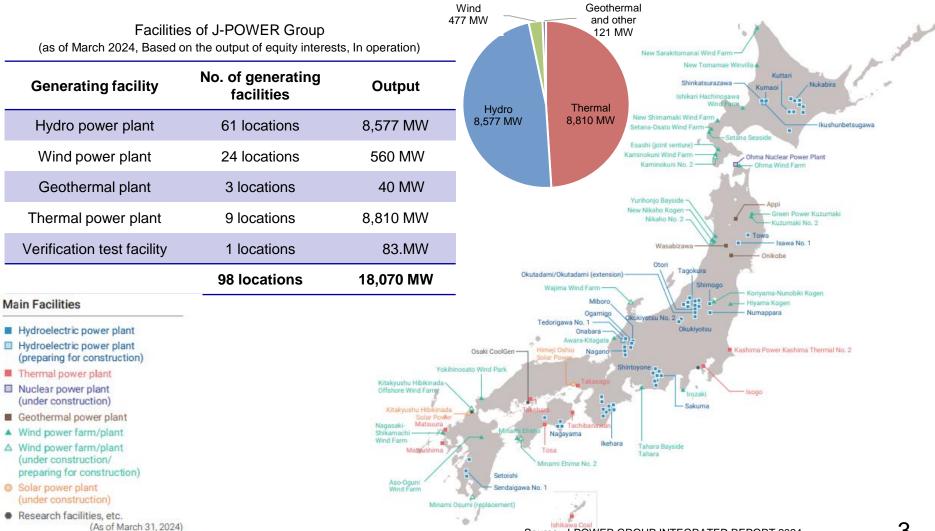


J-POWER Domestic Power Plants

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Source: J-POWER GROUP INTEGRATED REPORT 2024

- J-POWER has large-scale generating/transmission system/communication facilities in Japan.
- J-POWER has the second market share of hydro and wind generation.



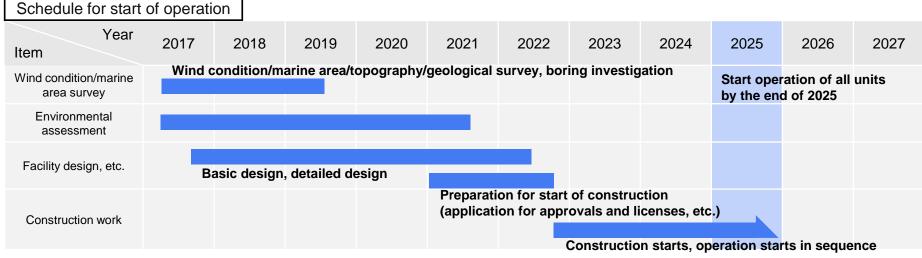
Offshore Wind Power under Construction: Hibikinada Offshore

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Hibikinada Offshore project in Fukuoka, Kyushu will start operation by the end of 2025.

Project Outline		
Name	Kitakyushu Hibikinada Offshore Wind Farm	
Operator	Hibiki Wind Energy Co., Ltd. (J-POWER: 40%, KyudenMiraiEnergy Corporation: 30%, Saibugas Co., Ltd.: 10%, KYUDENKO Corporation: 10%, Hokutaku co., Ltd.: 10%)	
Location of the business district	Kitakvushu city Eukuoka	
Facility size	Max. 220,000 kW V174-9.5 MW (from Vestas)×25 units	



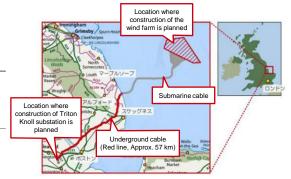


Offshore Wind Power: Triton Knoll

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- J-POWER acquired 25% of stocks of Triton Knoll Hold Co Ltd. in U.K. in August 2018 and joined the project from the construction phase.
- J-POWER dispatched technical staff to the site to obtain knowledge on construction and O&M management and feed it back to the offshore wind power generation projects in Japan.
- Commercial operation of all the turbines started in 2022.

Name	Triton Knoll offshore wind power generation project	
Operator	Triton Knoll Offshore Wind Farm Ltd. J-POWER: 25%, RWE: 59%, The Kaisai Electric Power Co., Inc.: 16%	
Location of the business district	The North Sea/East area in the U.K.	
Facility size	857,000 kW * Output adjustment 9,525 kW×90 units (from Vestas)	
Sales method	This project has guaranteed a fixed price using the margin settlement method for 15 years since the start of its operation.	





Floating Offshore Wind Demonstration Project in Spain

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- ➤ J-POWER has joined the WHEEL project, a floating offshore wind power demonstration project led by ESTEYCO SA (Madrid, Spain) in 2025.
- ➤ In this demonstration project, a floating offshore wind turbine (6,170 kW × 1 unit) will be constructed and tested using WHEEL, developed by ESTEYCO.
- ➤ WHEEL combines the advantages of barge-type foundations and spar-type foundations.
- ➤ While various floating foundation designs are currently under development, the WHEEL foundation, being primarily made of concrete, offers potential benefits over steel-based designs.

Project Overview

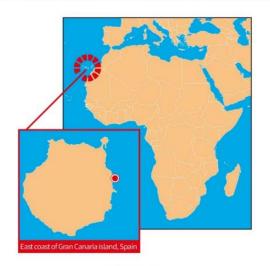
Name	WHEEL (Wind Hybrid Esteyco Evolution for Low-carbon solutions)
Location	3 km off the eastern coast of Gran Canaria, Spain
Output	6,170kW (One unit manufactured by 2BEnergy)
Schedule	Foundation manufacturing to begin in June 2025
	Installation to begin during Q1 2026
	Operations to commence during Q2 2026

(2) About ESTEYCO

Name	ESTEYCO SA
Headquarters	Madrid, Spain
Business	Engineering, technology and Architectural consultancy firm



[Demonstration Unit (Planned)]
(Left: during transportation to the site, Right: during installation at the site)



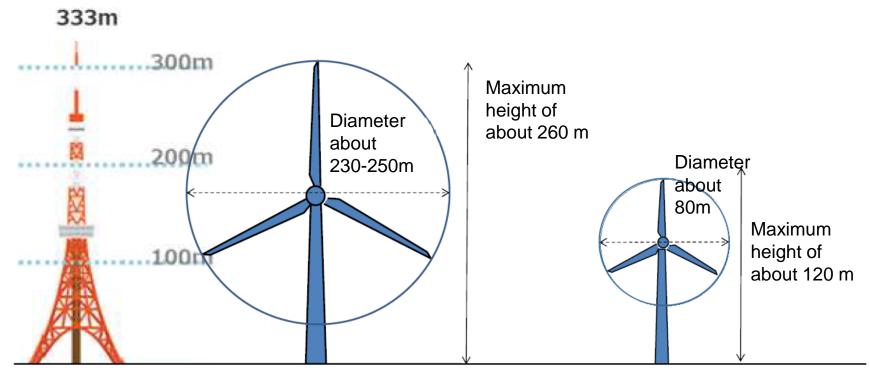
[Project Location]

Source:Participation in Floating Offshore Wind Demonstration Project in Spain Gaining Knowledge on Floating Offshore Wind through a Hybrid Barge-Type × Spar-Type WHEEL June 25, 2025 J-POWER Press Release

Differences between onshore and offshore wind power

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- Onshore Wind Power: Currently, the 2-3 MW class is the mainstream, while large-scale wind power is being developed.
- Offshore Wind Power: Currently, mainstream wind power is 10-15 MW class. Larger sizes such as 18-20 MW class is being developed.



Offshore wind power (15 MW class)

X For diameters, general values are shown.

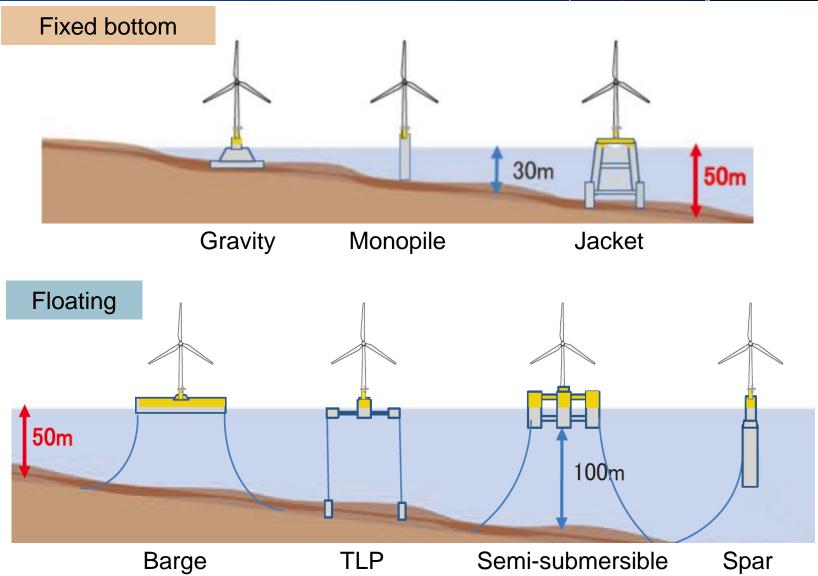
Onshore wind power generation (2MW class)

Wind Turbine of Onshore/Offshore

© Electric Power Development Co., Ltd. 2025 All Rights Reserved Onshore Offshore Wind direction/ Wind direction/ Blade Blade Anemometer Anemometer Nacelle Nacelle Hub Hub Generator Generator Roter Roter Gear Main Shaft Main Shaft Gear Shaft Shaft Box Box Blake system Blake system Yaw Drive Yaw Drive Maintenance Maintenance Tower Tower Elebator/Ladder Elebator/Ladder Power Conversion/ Power cable Power cable **Control Devices Platform** Arrival equipment Power Conversion/ Sub-sea cable/ **Control Devices** Tele-communi-Transmission Line/ cation cable Foundation Foundation Tele-communication cable

Offshore wind turbine foundations

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Wind Energy

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Wind energy is proportional to the cube of the wind speed, swept area and air density.

$$P = \frac{1}{2} m V^2 = \frac{1}{2} (\rho A V) V^2 = \frac{1}{2} \rho A V^3 = \frac{1}{2} \rho \left(\frac{\pi D^2}{4} \right) V^3$$

P: Wind energy (W)

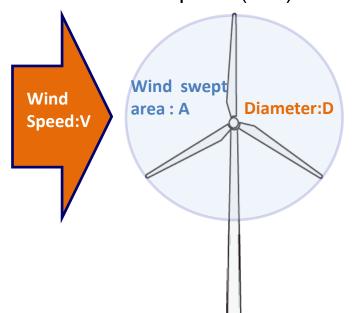
V: Wind speed (m/s)

m: Air mass (kg)

ρ: Air density (kg/m³)

A: Swept area (m²)

D: Rotor diameter (m)



The larger the rotor diameter, the greater the power output.

Wind swept Area:
$$A = -\frac{\pi D^2}{4}$$

As wind speed increases, power output increases as the cube of the wind speed

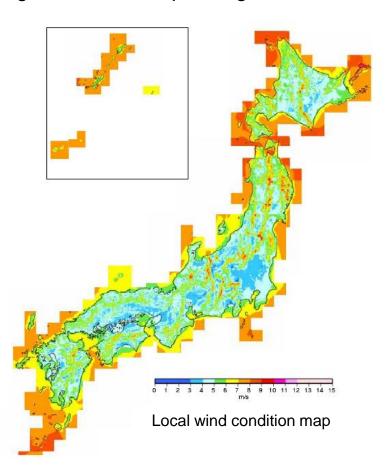
Output:
$$P = \frac{1}{2} \rho AV^3$$

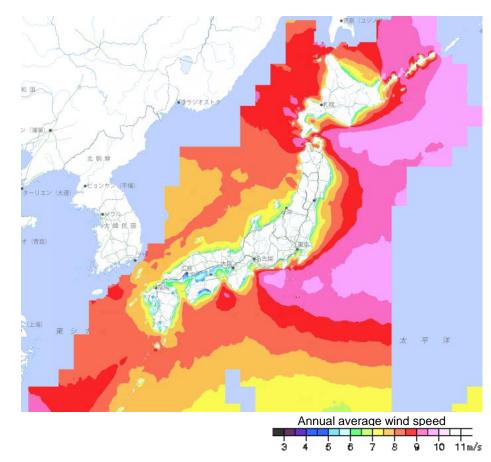
A 10% increase in wind speed, power output increases by 30% !!

NEDO Wind Condition Map

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The New Energy and Industrial Technology Development Organization (NEDO) has been promoting the integration of renewable energy by preparing and publishing guidebooks for integrations of wind power generation and wind condition maps.





Source: Wind Power Generation Integration Guidebook, NEDO (revised 9th edition published in February 2008)

Source: Neo Winds (Offshore wind condition map) prepared by NEDO

Renewable Integration in Japan

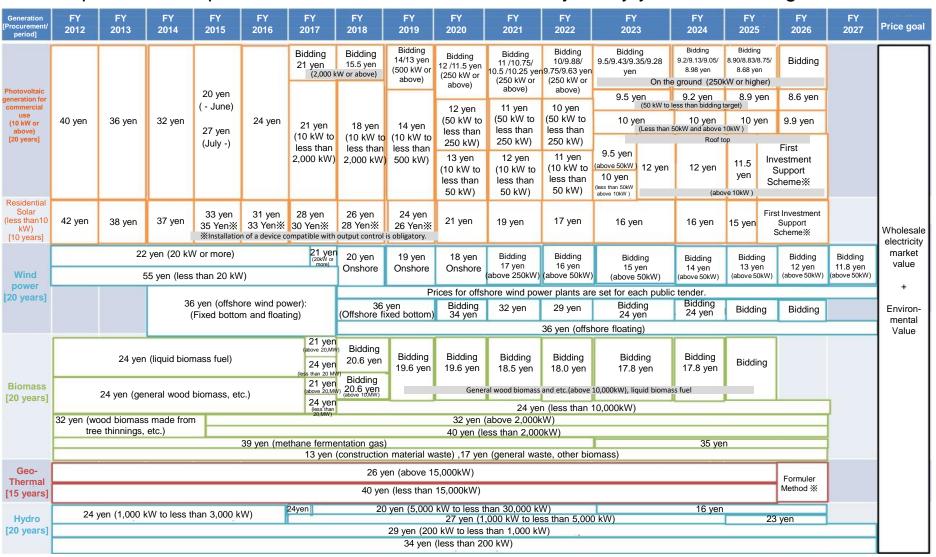
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- Purchase of Surplus Power (1992, 1998)
- Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) Act (2003)
- Feed-in Tariff (FIT) Scheme (2012)
- Introducing Bidding Scheme (2017)
- Feed-in Premium (FIP) Scheme (2022)

Trends of FIT/FIP prices

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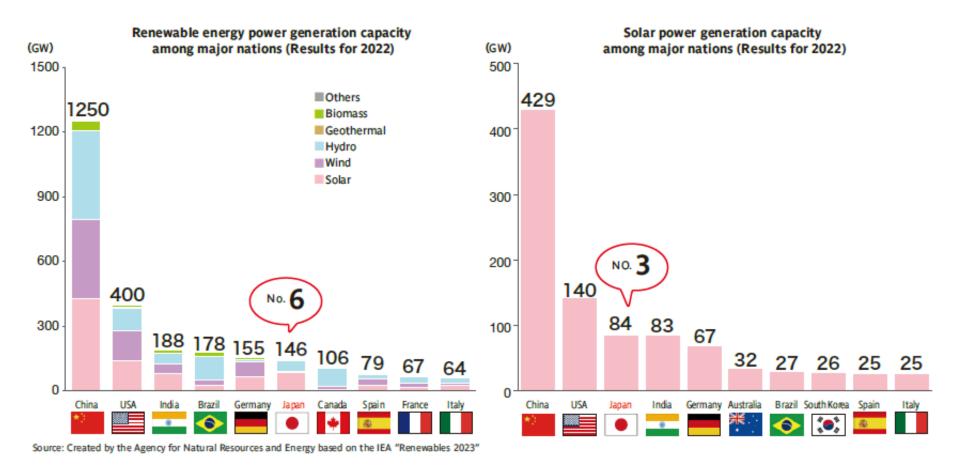
The procurement price of FIT/FIP has been decreased year by year and bidding is introduced.



International Comparison of Renewable Energy Integration Amounts

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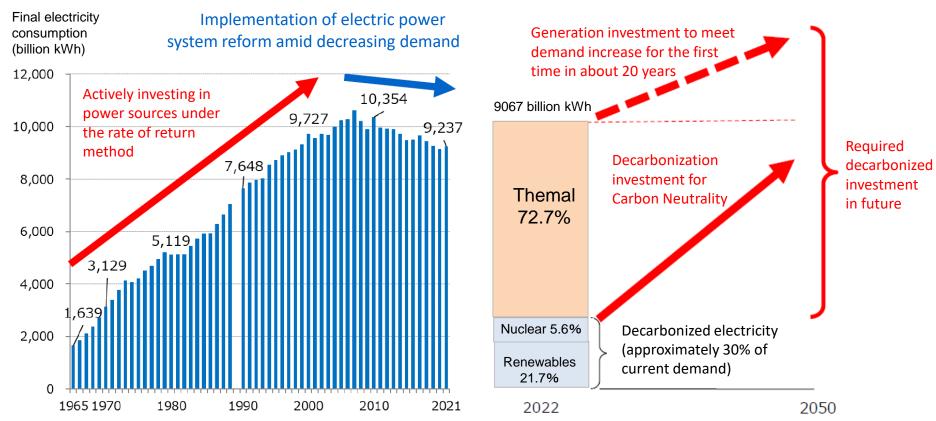
- The amount of renewable energy integrated in Japan in 2022 ranked it at sixth in the world.
- Japan had introduced photovoltanic generation ranked it at third in the world.



Importance of decarbonized power generation investment

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- Domestic electricity demand is expected to increase for the first time in approximately 20 years due to the construction of new semiconductor factories and demand for data centers.
- Coupled with the decarbonization drive toward 2050 Carbon Neutrality, we are entering an era requiring large-scale
 investment in power sources. Changes in circumstances are occurring that were not necessarily anticipated during
 previous power system reforms.
- Unless the supply capacity of decarbonized power sources is fundamentally strengthened, the outlook for a stable supply
 of electricity in a decarbonized era will become uncertain.



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- While offshore wind power development is accelerating, mainly in Europe, development costs are rising significantly due to the impact of rising global material prices, supply chain constraints, and rising interest rates from around 2022.
- Project changes have occurred in countries around the world, including the UK and the US, and the outlook for installation in each country has dropped significantly.

<Major project change examples>

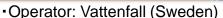
[Interruption] Postponed Taiwan

- Operator: JERA (Japan)
- Output: 2,0 million kW

Costs have risen by 30%. The sale of business interests announced.

[EXIT] July,2023

U.K. 🚆



Output: 1.4 million kW

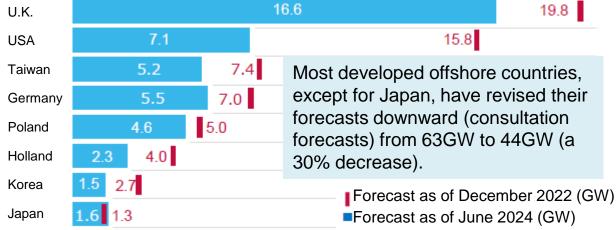
Costs increased by 40% (A loss of 76 billion yen)

[EXIT] July,2023

USA

- Operator: Ørsted (Denmark)
- •Output: 2.2 million kW (2 areas) cost rises (A loss of 610 billion ven)

<Global outlook for offshore wind power installations (total for 2024-2028)>



- Offshore wind power project plans are being postponed and bidding systems are being revised worldwide, resulting in a significant decrease of approximately 30% in the outlook for installation compared to the estimates made two years ago.
- Japan's steady installation, despite being on a small scale, has been highly praised, and the outlook for installation is slightly increasing.

[Situation surrounding each country]

UK: Zero bidders in offshore wind power tender held in September 2023.

US: President Trump will suspend new and renewal offshore wind power projects.

Taiwan: Harsh local regulations discourage businesses.

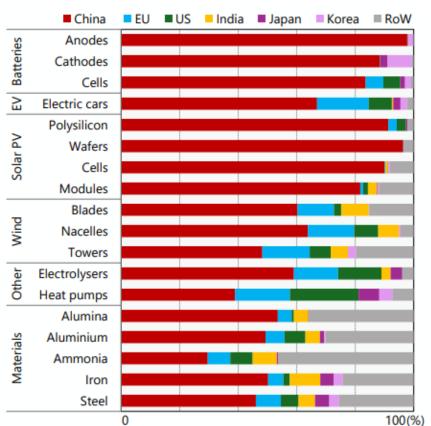
South Korea: Uncertainty about business due to lack of bidding system and legal regulations.

Source: Wood Mackenzie, MHI VESTAS JAPAN

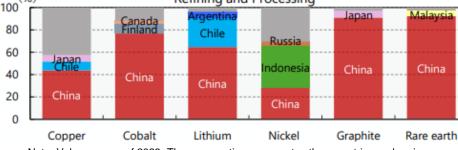
Green Transition and Supply Chain Resilience Regarding Critical Minerals © Electric Power Development Co., Ltd. 2025 All Rights Reserved.

- Green transition poses challenges for industrial development related to key products and services, as well as for enhancing supply chain resilience.
- The geographical concentration of supply chains, particularly concerning critical minerals, has become a significant challenge. Various initiatives are being undertaken by interested countries and in international forums.



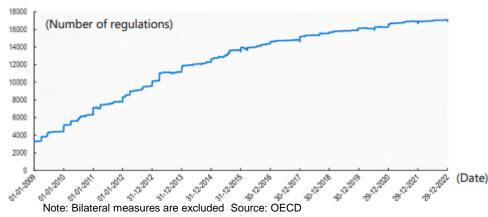


Share of Refining and Processing of Critical Minerals (%)Refining and Processing Argentina Japan Canada Finland Chile



Note: Values are as of 2023. The gray section represents other countries and regions. Source: IEA

Export Regulations on Industrial Raw Materials



Note: Values are as of the end of 2023. Anodes for positive electrodes and cathodes for negative electrodes are both components of batteries. Source: IEA Energy Technology Perspectives 2024

Source: White Paper on International Trade 2025, METI

Japanese Energy Situation

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- Japan's energy structure is fragile, with few readily available resources, extensive forests, and surrounded by deep oceans. While energy self-sufficiency rates and other indicators continued to improve after the oil crisis, they deteriorated significantly after the Great East Japan Earthquake. Even today, they are still at pre-oil crisis levels.
- Following Russia's invasion of Ukraine, risks surrounding fossil fuels, in particular, have increased.

Energy Self-Sufficiency Rate

FY1970: 15.3% ⇒ FY2010: 20.2% ⇒ FY2023: 15.2% (Preliminary)

*As of FY2021 (13.3%), Japan will be the second lowest among the 38 OECD member countries.

Thermal Power Dependence (% of Electricity Generated)

FY1970: 72% ⇒ FY2010: 65% ⇒ FY2021: 73%

*The highest level among the G7 countries.

Resource Prices (LNG Import Price: ¥1,000/ton) *Directly Linked to Electricity Rates

FY2010: 49 ⇒ FY2023: 98

*The highest level ever was 165 in September 2022.

Fossil Fuel Imports (Trade Balance)

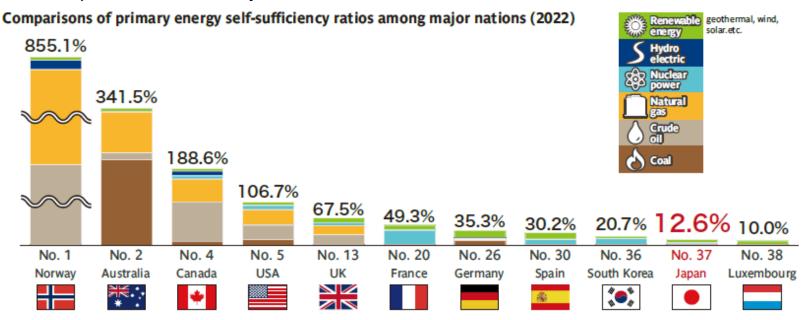
2010: Approximately ¥16 trillion ⇒ 2023: Approximately ¥26 trillion

*Most of the foreign currency earned from high-value-added products (approximately ¥28 trillion in 2023) will be consumed by fossil fuel imports (approximately ¥26 trillion).

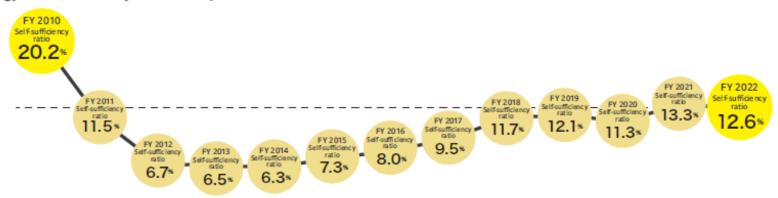
Changes in Energy Self-Suffciency Ratio

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In FY 2022, Japan's self-suciency ratio was 12.6% — lower than those of other OECD countries.



Energy self-sufficiency ratio in Japan

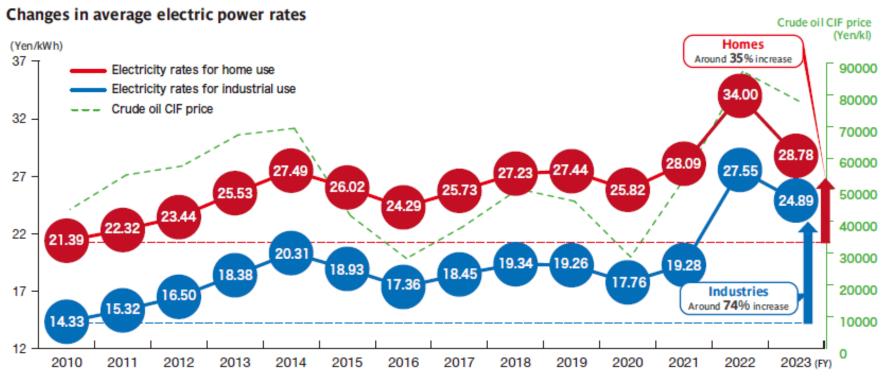


Primary energy sources: Primary forms of energy, including oil, natural gas, coal, nuclear power, solar power, and wind power.

Changes in Electric Power Rates

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Electric power rates have been rising since the Great East Japan Earthquake. They rose in FY2022 due to price hikes for imported fuels. However, thanks to a decline in imported fuel prices thereafter, electric power rates in FY2023 were lower than those in FY2022

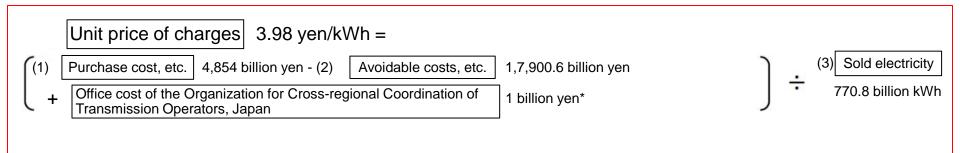


Source: Created based on monthly reports of generated and received electric power, financial materials of electric power companies, and power trading reports Crude oil CIF price: Transaction price consisting of the import price plus related costs, such as transport cost and insurance cost.

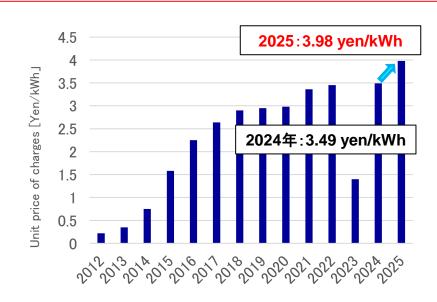
Status of Surcharge (2025)

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- ➤ The surcharge rate for FY2025 is set at 3.98 yen per kWh.
- ➤ An example of a consumer who uses 400 kWh/month, the monthly charge is 1,592 yen and the annual charge is 19,104 yen.



(Breakdown)			
	Assumption in FY2024	Assumption in FY2025	
(1) Purchase cost, etc.	4.8172 trillion yen	4.8540 triillion yen	
(2) Avoidable cost, etc.	2.1322 triillion yen	1.7906 trillion yen	
(3) Sold electricity	770.7 billion kWh	770.8 billion kWh	



Changes in Japan's trade balance

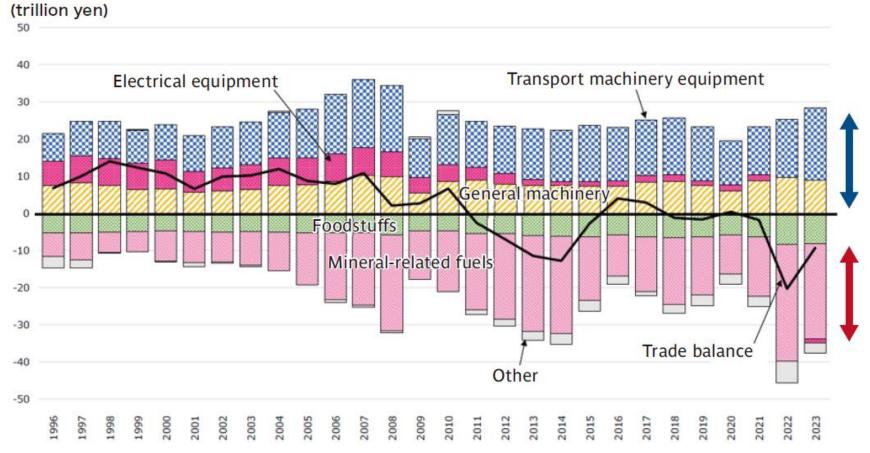
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Japan has a trade surplus in exports of automobiles and semi-conductor manufacturing equipment (approximately 28 trillion yen in 2023).

On the other hand, Japan spends most of this surplus on imports of fossil fuels, such as crude

oil and LNG (approximately 26 trillion yen in 2023).

As Japan is heavily dependent on fossil fuel imports, it is vulnerable to uncertainties regarding energy supply stability as well as sharp price increases caused by a tight supply and demand balance.



Status of the Act on Use of Renewable Energy Marine Areas © Electric Power Development Co., Ltd. 2025 All Rights Reserved.

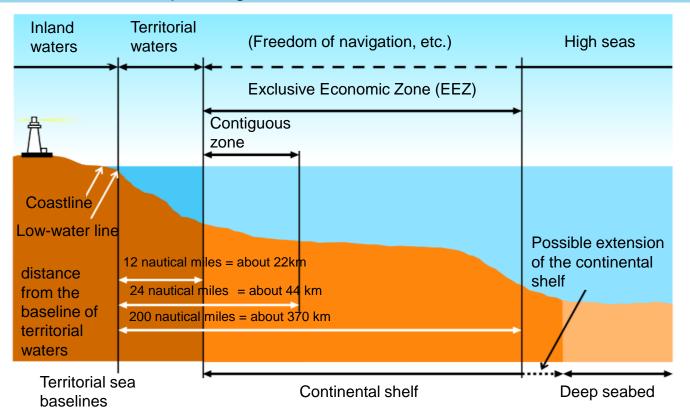
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Japan's Exclusive Economic Zone

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- The United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS) defines an Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) as generally extending 200 nautical miles (1,852 m per mile and about 370 km per 200 mile) from shore.
- Japan's territorial waters and EEZ are the world's sixth largest, with an area of approximately
 4.47 million square km.
- A bill to amend the Act on the Utilization of Marine Areas for Renewable Energy was passed in this year's Diet session on June 3rd, 2025. This aim to allow the long-term installation of offshore wind power generation facilities in EEZs.



Area of the Exclusive Economic Zone: approximately 4.05 million square kilometers, approximately 11 times the area of the national land (approximately 380,000 square kilometers)

Vision for Offshore Wind Industry (2nd)

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The second offshore wind industry vision has been formulated, focusing on industrial strategies related to floating offshore wind power.

Directions	Target
I. Response to Inflation and Other Issues II. Creating an Attractive Domestic Market	 Forming floating offshore wind power projects with a capacity of over 15 GW by 2040 [Government] Forming large-scale floating offshore wind power projects by FY2029 [Government] Early review of fixed-bottom wind power generation cost targets [Industry]
III. Strengthening the domestic industrial base IV. Strengthening the technological bas	 ◆ Achieve a domestic procurement ratio of 65% or more by 2040 (Industry) ◆ Develop and secure approximately 40,000 offshore wind power-related personnel by 2040 (Industry) ★ Secure construction and O&M capabilities for large-scale floating offshore wind power toward the 2040 project formation goal (Public/Private)
V. Creating a manufacturing base for the Asia-Pacific region VI. Leading discussions toward standardization	 ★By 2040, Japanese power generation companies will be involved in 30 GW of overseas projects (public and private sectors) ◆By 2030, collaboration with 10 countries and regions, including Europe and the Asia-Pacific region (industry)

The current state of the wind power industry in Japan

5.Offshore Development

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[Large Wind Turbine]

- ♦Toshiba ■Mitubishi Heavy Industry 2015
- Hitachi 2019 Japan Steel Works 2019

[Blade]

- ☐ KOMAI HARTECH
- ■GH Kraft ■MHI 2015
- Japan Steel Works

[Blade/fiber]

- ♦Toray, ♦Nippon Electric Glass,
- ♦Nittobo, ♦Central Glass.
- ♦Asahi Fiber Glass, Mag Izover

[Middium-sized Wind Turbine]

□KOMAIHARTECH

[Generator]

- ☐Meidensha ☐Yasukawa Electric
- Hitachi Industry Products TMEIC
- ■Mitsubishi Electric

[Gear Box]

- ☐ Mitsui Miike Machinery
- ☐ Ishibash Machineryi
- Hitachi Nico Transmission

[Blade/resin · hardener]

- Asahi Kasei
- Hitachi Chemical

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- □Antex
- ■Komatsu ltd.

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■ Nitto Electric Group

[PLC]

■OMRON 2018

[Tower]

□Kaikawa Iron Works

[Wind Turbine Transformer]

☐ Hitachi Industrial Equipment Systems ■TMEIC

Legend:

□Already entered,

♦Under consideration,

■ Exit, Suspended, Support only etc.



- ■Moog Japan 2018/4 ■Nabtesco
- Hitachi Industrial Machinery System

[Converter]

- □Yasukawa Electric □TMEIC
- Hitachi Industrial Products
 Fuji Electric

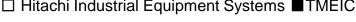


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Conclusion

- The international energy situation is changing dynamically.
- As Japan does not have many stable domestic energy resources, it needs to consider the future balance of electricity supply and demand and ensure a balance between stable supply, growth while promoting economic efficiency, and decarbonization.
- Wind power generation is facing changes in the environment, such as rising costs and raw material prices, and rising interest rates, but for a country surrounded by the sea, offshore wind power is a valuable domestic major energy source.
- When developing wind power, including onshore development, it is necessary to utilize it appropriately and effectively, while taking into account the development of the domestic industry.

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