# **EV Power - Lab 4 Project Report**

#### Part 0: libraries

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— Attaching core tidyverse packages — tidyverse 2.0.0 —

/ dplyr 1.1.4 / readr 2.1.5

/ forcats 1.0.1 / stringr 1.5.2

/ ggplot2 4.0.0 / tibble 3.3.0

/ lubridate 1.9.4 / tidyr 1.3.1

/ purrr 1.1.0

— Conflicts — tidyverse_conflicts() —

X dplyr::filter() masks stats::filter()

X dplyr::lag() masks stats::lag()

i Use the conflicted package (<a href="http://conflicted.r-lib.org/">http://conflicted.r-lib.org/</a>) to force all conflicts to become errors
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#### **Part 1: Defining Research Question**

Chosen Question: Does investing in renewable engery lead to the a lowering of energy costs?

## **Part 2: Data Preparation and Cleaning**

## Part 3: Joining / Pivoting Datasets for Analysis

Since my question is concerned with the effects of investing in Renewable Energy, I will limit my plots to the experiemental group (States with the most growth in renewable energy: CO, AR, CA, and TX) and the Control (States with the least amount of growth in renewable energy: FL, AL, TN, WA)

#### **Data and Methods**

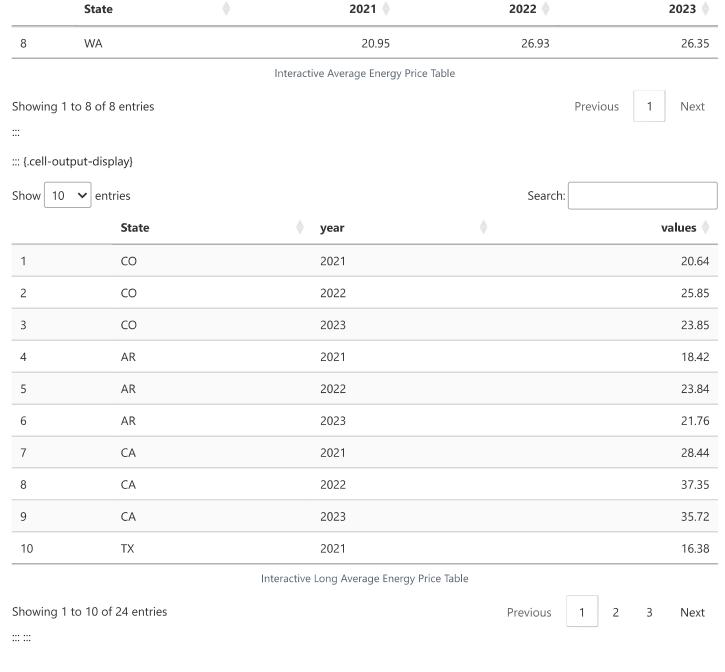
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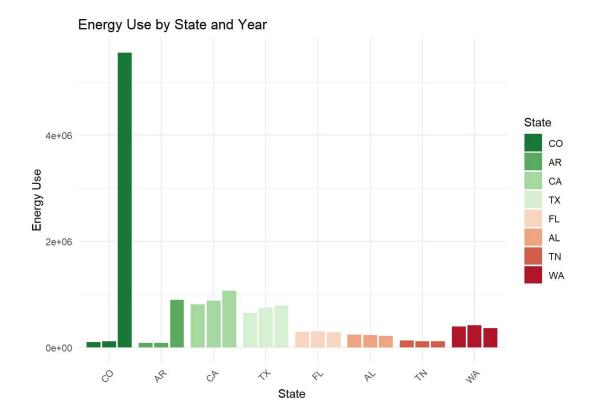
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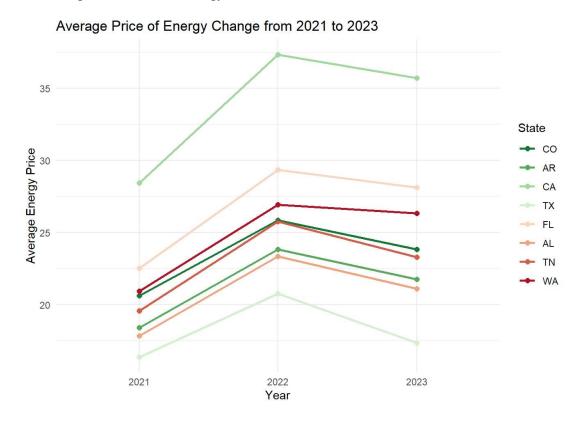
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5 FL			22.53		29.35	28.12
6 AL			17.85		23.37	21.11
7 TN			19.57		25.76	23.31



# **Part 4: Mapping Visualization**



This bar plot shows the top 4 states that invested in renewable energy use, and the bottom four states that didn't invest in renewable energy over a three year period. The bars show the states total renewable energy use, allowing the viewer to see if the states had growth or decline in energy use.



This plot shows the average energy price aver the years. Despite the half the states investing in renewable energy, and the other half not investing, there doesn't appear to be a clear affect on the price of energy.

Therefore it is inconclusise weither investing in renewable energy leads to a lowering in energy costs.

Future questions that can be asked include breaking the question down to specific renewable energy sources (Biomass, Geothermal, Hydro, Solar, and Wind) to see if specific types of energy have more of an effect on cost.

Another question would be to increade the time span beyond three years to see if there is more of a patter.

Additionally, there is an odd increase in energy cost in 2022. With additional data sources, it would be interesting to understand what lead to this increase across the country.