

# Ireland

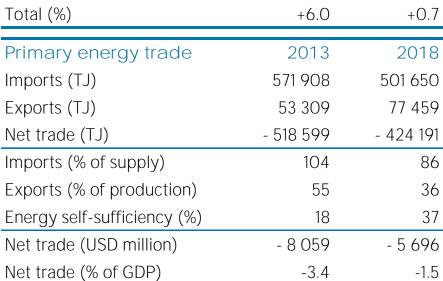
**TPES** 

## SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOAL 7: ENERGY INDICATORS (2018)

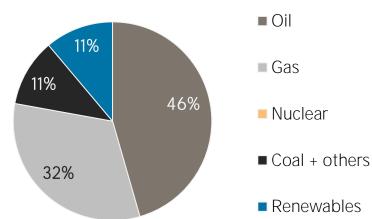
Renewable energy (% of TFEC) 10.7 Access to electricity (% of population) 100.0 Energy efficiency (MJ per \$1 of GDP) Access to clean cooking (% of population) 1.4 >95 Public flows renewables (2018 USD M) Per capita renewable capacity (W/person) n.a. n.a.

#### TOTAL PRIMARY ENERGY SUPPLY (TPES) 2018 2013 Non-renewable (TJ) 509 323 516 834 39 333 Renewable (TJ) 64 738 Total (TJ) 581 572 548 655

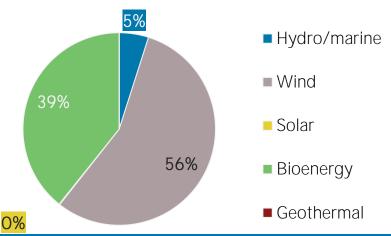
Renewable share (%)	7	11
Growth in TPES	2013-18	2017-18
Non-renewable (%)	+1.5	-0.4
Renewable (%)	+64.6	+10.2
Total (%)	+6.0	+0.7
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### Total primary energy supply in 2018



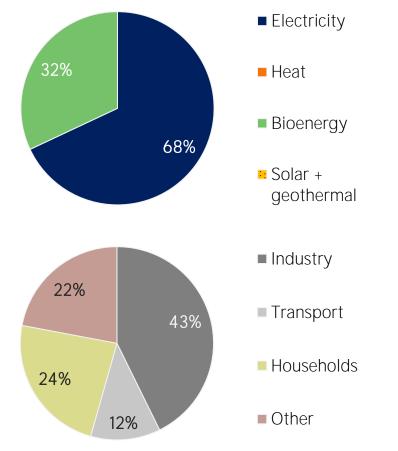
### Renewable energy supply in 2018



### RENEWABLE ENERGY CONSUMPTION

Consumption by source	2013	2018
Electricity (TJ)	22 114	37 897
Heat (TJ)	Ο	0
Bioenergy (TJ)	12 136	17 823
Solar + geothermal (TJ)	Ο	0
Total (TJ)	34 250	55 720
Electricity share (%)	65	68
Consumption growth	2013-18	2017-18
Renewable electricity (%)	+71.4	+17.9
Other renewables (%)	+46.9	-6.0
Total (%)	+62.7	+9.0
Consumption by sector	2013	2018
Industry (TJ)	14 704	23 805
Transport (TJ)	3 058	6 500
Households (TJ)	8 918	13 139
Other (TJ)	7 570	12 277
Renewable share of TFEC	7.4	10.7

#### Renewable energy consumption in 2018



## **ELECTRICITY CAPACITY AND GENERATION**

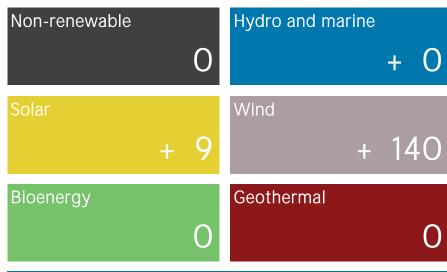
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Capacity in 2020	MW	%
Non-renewable	6 602	58
Renewable	4 685	42
Hydro/marine	237	2
Solar	40	0
Wind	4 300	38
Bioenergy	107	1
Geothermal	0	0
Total	11 286	100
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Capacity change (%)	2015-20	2019-20
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Capacity change (%) Non-renewable	2015-20 - 5	2019-20
Capacity change (%) Non-renewable Renewable	2015-20 - 5 + 70	2019-20 0.0 + 3.3
Capacity change (%) Non-renewable Renewable Hydro/marine	2015-20 - 5 + 70 + 0	2019-20 0.0 + 3.3 + 0.1
Capacity change (%) Non-renewable Renewable Hydro/marine Solar	2015-20 - 5 + 70 + 0 + 1609	2019-20 0.0 + 3.3 + 0.1 + 29.2
Capacity change (%) Non-renewable Renewable Hydro/marine Solar Wind	2015-20 - 5 + 70 + 0 + 1609 + 75	2019-20 0.0 + 3.3 + 0.1 + 29.2 + 3.4

## Net capacity change in 2020 (MW)

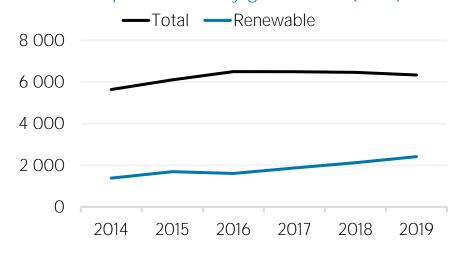
+ 17

Total

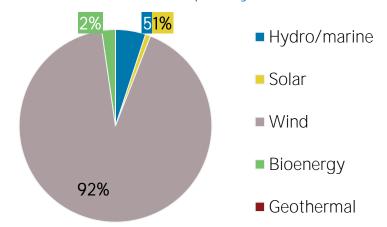


Generation in 2019	GWh	%
Non-renewable	19 161	62
Renewable	11 780	38
Hydro and marine	887	3
Solar	21	0
Wind	10 019	32
Bioenergy	852	3
Geothermal	0	0
Total	30 941	100

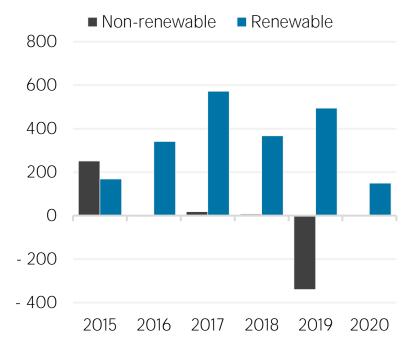
### Per capita electricity generation (kWh)



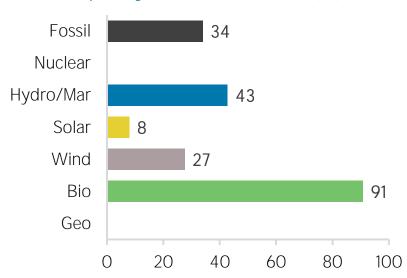
### Renewable capacity in 2020



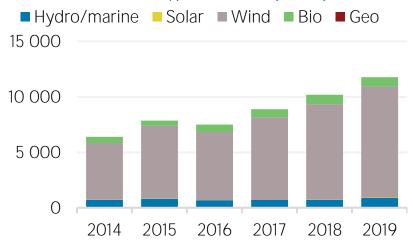
### Net capacity change (MW)



### Capacity utilisation in 2019 (%)



#### Renewable generation (GWh)



### TARGETS, POLICIES AND MEASURES

#### Most immediate clean energy targets & NDCs

	year	target	
Renewable energy:	2020	16 %	
Renewable electricity:	2020	43 %	
Renewable capacity:			
Renewable transport:	2020	10 %	
Liquid Biofuel blending mandate:			
Other transport targets:			
Renewable heating/cooling:	2020	12 %	
Renewable Hydropower			
Off-grid renewable technologies:			

Energy efficiency (Energy):

Energy efficiency (Electricity):

### Latest policies, programmes and legislation

1 Energy Efficiency Grants	2021
2 Enterprise Ireland Climate Enterprise Action Fund	2021
3 Ireland's Draft National Energy and Climate Plan 2021-2030	2021
4 National Recovery and Resilience Plan -Advancing the Green Transition	2021
5 Schools Energy Retrofit Pathfinder Programme	2021

### References to sustainable energy in Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC)

Conditional Unconditional unit

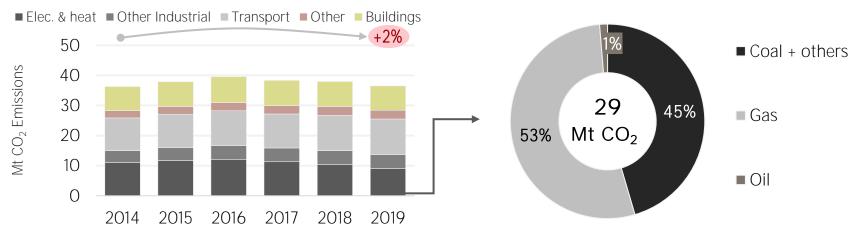
- Renewable energy
- electricity
- transport
- heating/cooling

- Energy efficiency

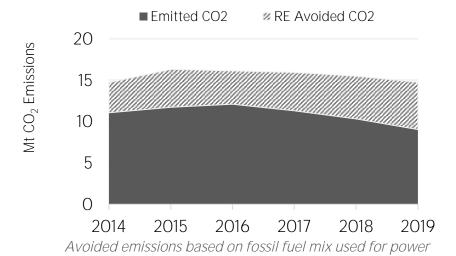
#### **ENERGY AND EMISSIONS**

## Energy-related CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by sector

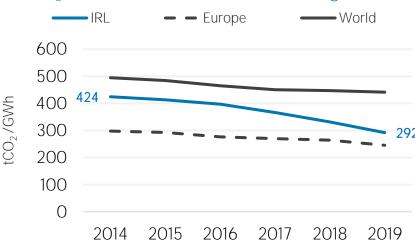




### Avoided emissions from renewable elec. & heat

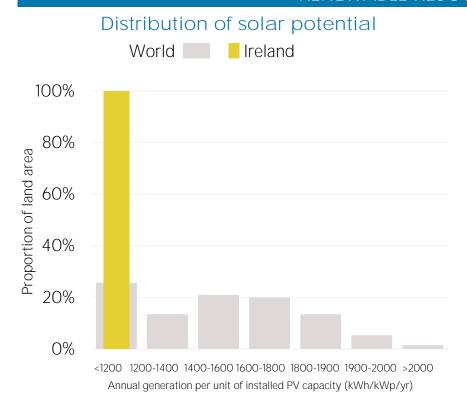


#### CO<sub>2</sub> emission factor for elec. & heat generation

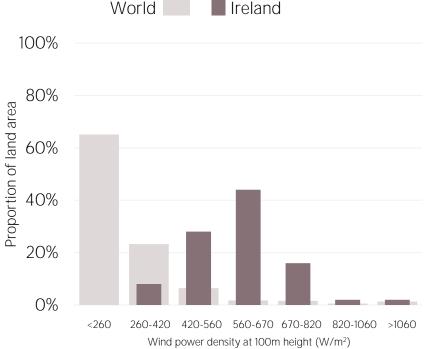


Calculated by dividing power sector emissions by elec. + heat gen.

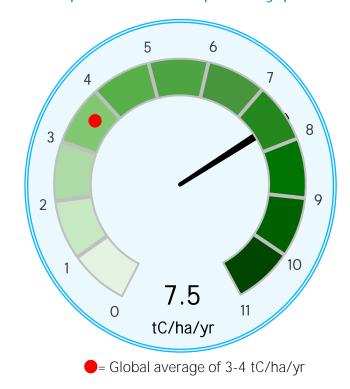
#### RENEWABLE RESOURCE POTENTIAL



## Distribution of wind potential



### Biomass potential: net primary production



### Indicators of renewable resource potential

**Solar PV:** Solar resource potential has been divided into seven classes, each representing a range of annual PV output per unit of capacity (kWh/kWp/yr). The bar chart shows the proportion of a country's land area in each of these classes and the global distribution of land area across the classes (for comparison).

Onshore wind: Potential wind power density (W/m2) is shown in the seven classes used by NREL, measured at a height of 100m. The bar chart shows the distribution of the country's land area in each of these classes compared to the global distribution of wind resources. Areas in the third class or above are considered to be a good wind resource.

**Biomass**: Net primary production (NPP) is the amount of carbon fixed by plants and accumulated as biomass each year. It is a basic measure of biomass productivity. The chart shows the average NPP in the country (tC/ha/yr), compared to the global average NPP of 3-4 tonnes of carbon per year.

Sources: IRENA statistics, plus data from the following sources: UN SDG Database (original sources: WHO; World Bank; IEA; IRENA; and UNSD); UN World Population Prospects; UNSD Energy Balances; UN COMTRADE; World Bank World Development Indicators; EDGAR; REN21 Global Status Report; IEA-IRENA Joint Policies and Measures Database; IRENA Global Atlas; and World Bank Global Solar Atlas and Global Wind Atlas.

Additional notes: Capacity per capita and public investments SDGs only apply to developing areas. Energy self-sufficiency has been defined as total primary energy production divided by total primary energy supply. Energy trade includes all commodities in Chapter 27 of the Harmonised System (HS). Capacity utilisation is calculated as annual generation divided by year-end capacity x 8,760h/year. Avoided emissions from renewable power is calculated as renewable generation divided by fossil fuel generation multiplied by reported emissions from the power sector. This assumes that, if renewable power did not exist, fossil fuels would be used in its place to generate the same amount of power and using the same mix of fossil fuels. In countries and years where no fossil fuel generation occurs, an average fossil fuel emission factor has been used to calculate the avoided emissions.

These profiles have been produced to provide an overview of developments in renewable energy in different countries and areas. The IRENA statistics team would welcome comments and feedback on its structure and content, which can be sent to **statistics@irena.org**.

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