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INTRODUCTION





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The 2013 Clean Energy Australia Report shows how renewable energy and energy efficiency is helping to build a stronger, cleaner economy. From jobs and investment in regional areas to solar panels, solar hot water and high efficiency appliances right across the country, clean energy contributed billions of dollars' worth of economic activity during the 2013 calendar year.

Even better news is that Australia's Renewable Energy Target can actually lead to lower power prices in the long run. While clean energy continues to generate jobs and investment in regional areas of the country, modelling completed for the Clean Energy Council by leading energy market experts ROAM Consulting found that power bills will actually be more than \$500 million cheaper across all Australian households in 2020 with the Renewable Energy Target in place than if it was removed.

Beyond 2020 this figure is even higher, rising to a maximum of \$140 cheaper per household, or a \$1.4 billion total saving on power bills.

This is because fewer renewables such as wind and solar would mean more of our energy would have to come from gas-fired electricity, which is getting more expensive all the time. The Australian Industry Group (AiGroup), which represents many of the country's large manufacturers and other energy users, said in 2014 that the rising price of gas is emerging as possibly the biggest energy issue we face. AiGroup and others have projected that gas prices may triple this decade, causing major bill shock for some of our more energy-intensive industries.

The Clean Energy Australia report shows how the Renewable Energy Target has already achieved much; all it needs now is to be left alone to do the rest of its job. Key to this is a stable policy environment where investors can support clean energy projects with confidence that government won't move the goal posts. With the right policy settings for a stable investment environment, clean energy will help Australia's economy go from strength to strength.



14.76

14.76 per cent of Australia's power was produced by renewable energy in the 2013 calendar year.

2

More than 2 million household clean energy systems have now been installed across the country, with the majority being either solar power or solar hot water.

5.187

Investment in Australian clean energy during 2013 was \$5.187 billion, the third successive year that it has been over \$5 billion.



140

The huge 140-turbine Macarthur Wind Farm, the largest in the Southern Hemisphere, led one of the best years for large-scale renewable energy in recent years. 705 megawatts of new projects came online.

1.4

Australians will pay a total of up to \$1.4 billion extra for their electricity bills every year beyond 2020 if the Renewable Energy Target is removed.

21,000

21,000 people were employed by the renewable energy industry at the end of 2013.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Electricity use in Australia continued to decline in 2013, marking the fifth straight year that power demand from the grid has fallen. Increased use of energy efficiency and home clean energy systems contributed strongly to the result. As Australia restructures towards a service-based economy, overall we are using less electricity – but what we do use tends to result in periods of higher peak demand. This is likely to continue with the expected closure of major manufacturing operations in the coming years.

The use of clean energy, particularly wind farms and solar power, continues to grow.

AGL's \$1 billion Macarthur Wind Farm in western Victoria – the Southern Hemisphere's largest – came online in the first half of the year. In March 2013, the one millionth solar power system was registered. The bulk of these were installed inside a period of just five years, by people from across the community.

Meanwhile, several large-scale solar projects have commenced construction, paving the way for a bigger contribution from this technology in the second half of the decade.

It was also another strong year for hydro. This can be attributed to several factors, including building up storages to take advantage of the carbon price and excellent rainfall in key catchments.

Due to the very large contribution made by hydro to the total clean energy generation figure in 2013, it is likely that we will see a decline in the percentage of power generated by renewable energy in 2014.

Despite a positive year, the legislated review of Australia's Renewable Energy Target in 2014 is creating uncertainty for the industry and eroding investor confidence.

As Bloomberg New Energy Finance explained in its 2014 market outlook: "Despite a promising 2013, wind investment is likely to stall as a result of the policy landscape while small-scale PV may begin to taper...The construction pipeline is now strong, but the spectre of the Federal Government's Renewable Energy Target review is likely to freeze new investment until the outcome is known¹."

A study completed for the Clean Energy Council by ROAM Consulting found that future power prices will be lower with the Renewable Energy Target in place than if it was removed. The policy will help to protect Australian households from the sharply rising cost of gas, translating into a saving of more than half a billion dollars on power bills in 2020, compared to a scenario in which it was removed.²

1 Bloomberg New Energy Finance, 2014, P1, H1 2014 Energy Market Outlook

2 Roam Consulting, RET Policy Analysis, April 2014 <http://www.cleanenergycouncil.org.au/policy-advocacy/renewable-energy-target/ret-policy-analysis.html>

ABOUT THE CLEAN ENERGY COUNCIL

The Clean Energy Council is the peak business association for Australia's clean energy industry. We work with more than 550 solar, wind, bioenergy, hydro, energy efficiency, cogeneration, energy storage, geothermal and marine energy businesses, along with more than 4500 solar installers.

We are committed to accelerating the transformation of Australia's energy system to one that is smarter, cleaner and more consumer-focused.

We are working towards this goal with industry and government, building a competitive and sustainable market for both clean energy generation and the more efficient use of power in Australian homes and businesses.

The Clean Energy Council also works to continuously improve the integrity and effectiveness of the clean energy industry through guidelines and technical standards that enhance the safety and quality of clean energy technology – for example, through an accreditation scheme for solar installers.

In 2013, the Clean Energy Council launched a Solar PV Retailer Code of Conduct to provide consumers with greater assurance that they are buying from a company that is committed to excellence in the quality of its products and workmanship, as well as to customer service.



Image: Rooftop solar installation, Sydney

SNAPSHOT

Renewable energy provided 14.76 per cent of Australia's electricity in 2013, enough to power the equivalent of 4.9 million homes.

Hydro produced the most clean energy of any source during the year (55 per cent of the total), primarily through Hydro Tasmania's network of power plants and the Snowy Hydro Scheme in New South Wales. Tasmania's largest hydro plant at the Gordon Dam produced substantially higher levels of electricity during 2013 compared to previous years, helped by a wet period between July and November with repeated heavy rains and flooding.

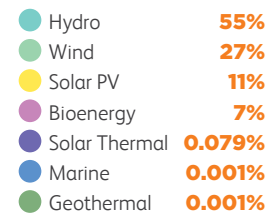
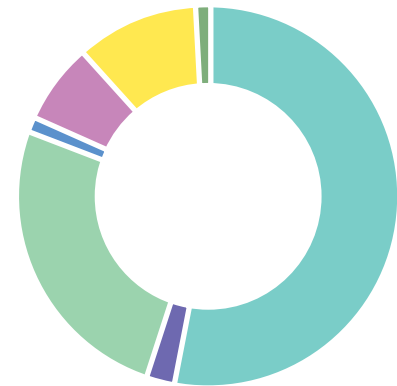
Clean energy generation from household solar (11 per cent of the total renewable energy contribution) and wind power (27 per cent) continued to increase. More than a million rooftop solar power systems provided substantial amounts of power across the network. The commissioning of the massive Macarthur Wind Farm in western Victoria led to a 20 per cent improvement in wind power generation compared to the year before.

While 2013 saw some exciting developments in large-scale solar and early stage technologies such as geothermal and marine energy, these have not yet reached the scale to make a noticeable contribution to Australia's overall energy generation.

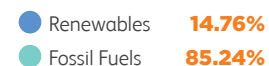
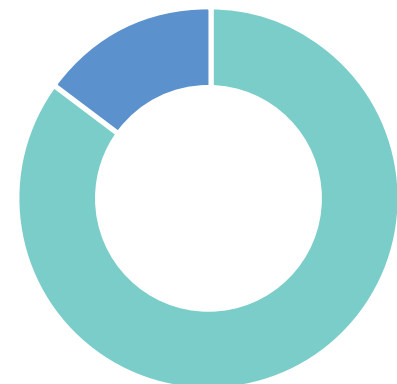
Demand for power fell in all states except Tasmania, marking the fifth straight year that overall electricity use has declined in the power grid. The Australian Energy Market Operator⁵ attributed the trend to an increase in rooftop solar power systems, increased energy efficiency measures and a behavioural response by customers to higher power prices. The Australian Energy Regulator also suggested weaker demand from the manufacturing sector led to reduced power use overall⁶.

According to data from the Australian Energy Market Operator, generation from coal-fired power fell in both Queensland and Victoria during 2013⁷. Queensland experienced the country's largest reduction in coal-fired generation, as some power station units were closed either due to maintenance outages or mothballed because of lower demand for electricity.

ESTIMATED PERCENTAGE CONTRIBUTION OF EACH TECHNOLOGY TO RENEWABLE GENERATION³



ANNUAL ELECTRICITY GENERATION 2013⁴



³ Clean Energy Council Renewable Energy Database, BREE 2013, REC Registry, AEMO, IMO, IES. Note some figures have been rounded.

⁴ The figure for total Australian electricity generation includes scheduled and non-scheduled large-scale renewable and fossil fuel generation from power plants that are included in the National Electricity Market (NEM) and the Western Australian Electricity Market (WEM) as well as non-market participants, small scale solar power systems, off-grid renewable and fossil fuel generation from the Northern Territory, WA and the states covered by the NEM. Total electricity generation in Australia was 235 TWh in 2013.

⁵ AEMO, 2013, Electricity Statement of Opportunities for the National Electricity Market 2013

⁶ Australian Energy Regulator, 2013, State of the Energy Market 2013

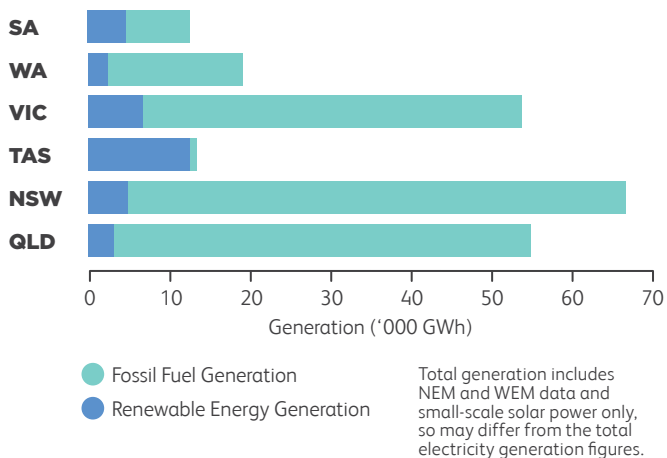
⁷ NEO Mobile database, 2013, Intelligent Energy Systems

ANNUAL RENEWABLE ELECTRICITY GENERATION⁸

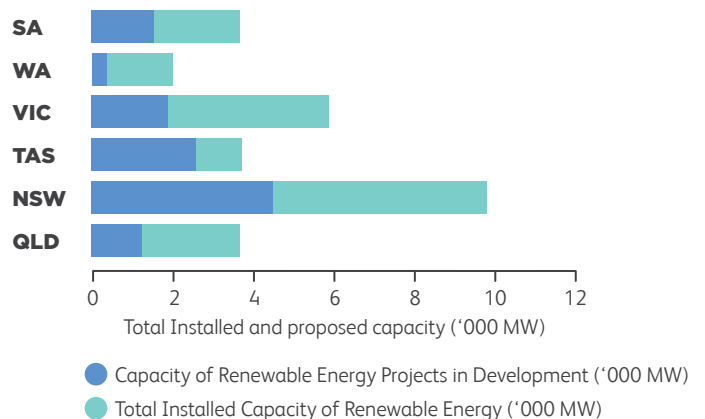
ELECTRICITY GENERATED BETWEEN 1 JANUARY 2013 AND 31 DECEMBER 2013

| FUEL SOURCE | ELECTRICITY GENERATION - 2013 CALENDAR YEAR (GWH) ⁹ | PERCENTAGE OF RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATION | EQUIVALENT IN HOUSEHOLDS ¹⁰ | PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL AUSTRALIAN ENERGY GENERATION |
|-----------------------------------|--|---|--|--|
| Hydro | 19,243 | 55.4% | 2,710,282 | 8.18% |
| Wind | 9259 | 26.6% | 1,304,085 | 3.93% |
| Solar power (PV) | 3820 | 10.99% | 538,028 | 1.62% |
| Bioenergy | 2400 | 6.9% | 338,028 | 1.02% |
| Solar thermal | 27.4 | 0.079% | 3856 | 0.01% |
| Geothermal | 0.5 | 0.001% | 70 | 0.0002% |
| Marine | 0.2 | 0.001% | 28 | 0.00008% |
| RENEWABLE TOTAL | 34,750 | 100% | 4,894,377 | 14.76% |
| Solar water heating ¹¹ | 2627.5 | | | 1.12% |

FOSSIL FUEL AND RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATION FOR EACH STATE¹²



CAPACITY OF INSTALLED AND PROPOSED RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS - BY STATE¹³



8 Clean Energy Council Renewable Energy Database, BREE 2013, REC Registry, AEMO, IMO, IES. Note some figures have been rounded.

9 Figures do not include auxiliary load or transmission line losses

10 Electricity generated equivalent in households is calculated using 7.1 MWh national average household energy consumption

11 As solar water heating does not produce electricity it has not been included in the total generation or equivalent in household figures

12 Clean Energy Council Renewable Energy Database, BREE 2013, REC Registry, AEMO, IMO, IES.

13 Clean Energy Council Renewable Energy Database

2013 IN REVIEW

HOUSEHOLD CLEAN ENERGY

The millionth solar power system was installed in the first half of 2013, while in January 2014 the Clean Energy Regulator registered the two millionth household renewable energy system – the majority of which were solar power or solar hot water systems.

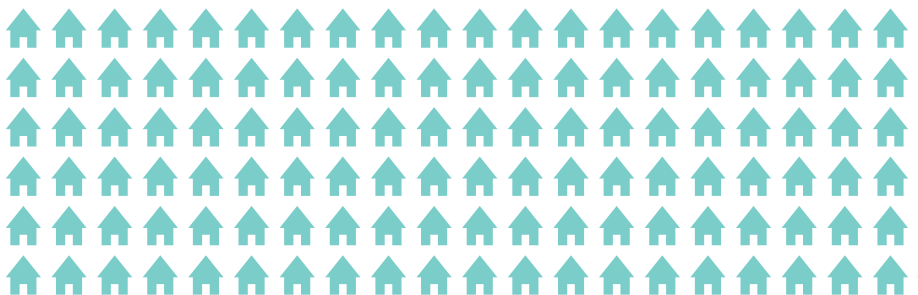
More than 213,200 solar power systems were installed in 2013¹⁴. This was a reduction of 38 per cent on the year before, although the average system size continues to increase. While the cost of solar power systems continued to decline, the boom-bust cycle created by the alternate introduction and sudden reduction of state solar incentives meant a quieter year for the industry. Strong indications are that, with continued support through the Federal Government's Small-scale Renewable Energy Scheme and a downward trend in the cost of systems, the solar sector will move forward sustainably following a period of consolidation.

By the end of 2013, almost 1.25 million homes and businesses had installed a solar power system, meaning that approximately 3.1 million Australians lived or worked at a property with solar panels on the roof.

Government data shows that the people installing solar were from all walks of life, including mortgage belt, retirement and regional areas. The leading postcode for solar power at the end of 2013 was Bundaberg in Queensland followed by Coodanup, near Mandurah in Western Australia.

As well as helping individuals reduce their power bills, solar power is helping relieve some of the strain on the power grid on hot days when power use goes into overdrive. During a heatwave affecting Victoria and South Australia in January 2014, solar power may have been the difference that stopped the electricity market setting a new record for peak power use¹⁵.

The sale of solar water heating systems continued to decline in 2013 compared to previous years. Approximately 54,000 solar hot water systems and heat pumps were installed in 2013, a 23 per cent drop from the previous year and down more than 72 per cent on the industry's peak in 2009. The continued impact of reduced state and federal government rebates for solar hot water in recent years contributed to this decrease.

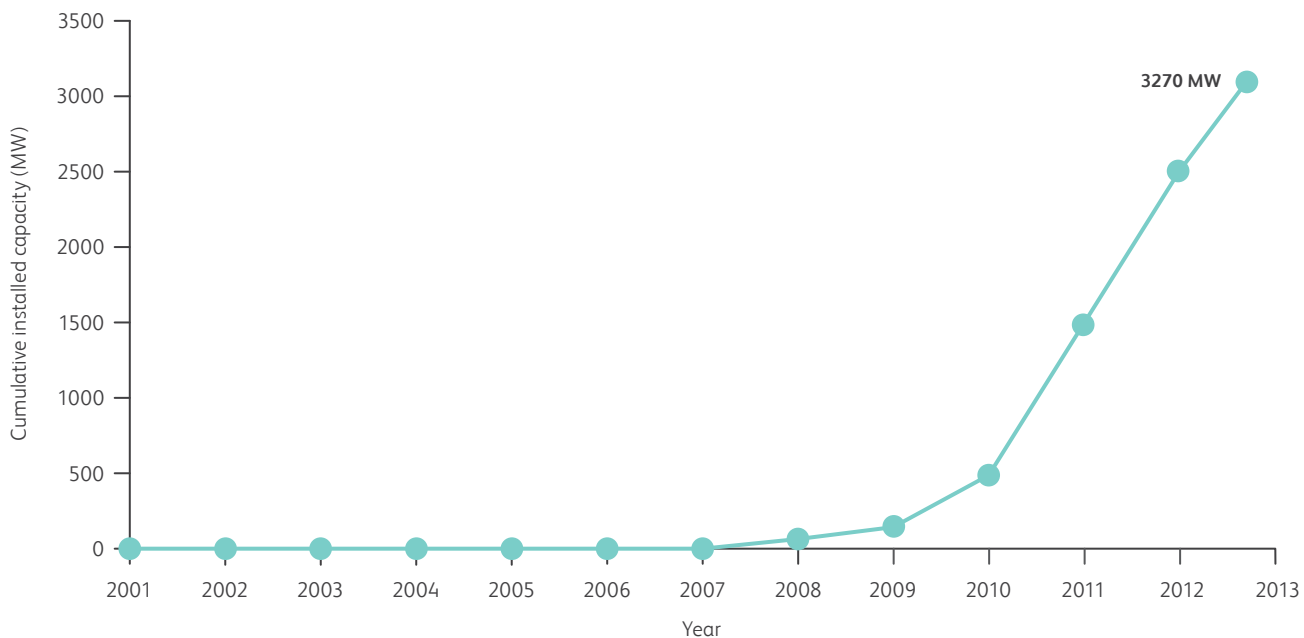


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million Australians lived or worked at a property with solar panels installed at the end of 2013

¹⁴ SunWiz analysis of Clean Energy Regulator figures, February 2014

¹⁵ pitt&sherry, 2014, Carbon Emissions Index (Cedex) Electricity Update February 2014

INSTALLED CAPACITY OF SMALL-SCALE SOLAR POWER SYSTEMS - CUMULATIVE¹⁶



TOTAL HOUSEHOLD SOLAR POWER SYSTEMS AT END 2013¹⁷

| FUEL SOURCE | INSTALLED CAPACITY (MW) | NUMBER OF SYSTEMS INSTALLED |
|-------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Solar PV | 3270 | 1,246,775 |

2013 IN REVIEW



LARGE-SCALE CLEAN ENERGY

In 2013, new wind farms continued the trend of recent years by being the dominant form of new large-scale renewable energy built. Australia's Renewable Energy Target is designed to support the lowest cost form of renewable energy that can be rolled out on a large scale – a position currently held by wind energy.

AGL's 140-turbine Macarthur Wind Farm was by far the largest renewable energy plant that came online during 2013, adding 420 megawatts (MW) of new renewable energy capacity – more than half of the 705 MW large-scale total. Also notable was the 168-megawatt Musselroe Wind Farm in Tasmania, with the 55 MW Mumbida Wind Farm in Western Australia and a 38 MW bioenergy plant built by Mackay Sugar in Queensland rounding out third and fourth place respectively.

A total of 18 projects came online in 2013, with the remainder made up of some smaller wind projects, solar power, bioenergy and a hydro upgrade. Seven gas-fired cogeneration and trigeneration plants were completed during the year,

the largest being a 21 MW cogeneration facility constructed by AGL at the Qenos plastics manufacturing plant at Altona in Victoria, followed by an 8 MW trigeneration project at Qantas in Sydney.

Strong growth in the installation of commercial-scale solar power projects was a feature of 2013, and a number of large-scale solar projects reached commercial close and commenced construction late in the year.

A review of the Renewable Energy Target in 2014, underway at the time of writing, continues to make it challenging to secure funding for clean energy projects due to the potential for further moving of the regulatory goal posts.



2013 IN REVIEW

LARGE-SCALE RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS DELIVERED IN 2013¹⁸

| FUEL SOURCE | LOCATION | OWNER | STATE | INSTALLED CAPACITY |
|-------------|-----------------------------|---|--------------|--------------------|
| Wind | Macarthur | AGL Energy and Malakoff Corp BHD | VIC | 420 MW |
| Wind | Musselroe | Woolnorth Wind Farm Holdings | TAS | 168 MW |
| Wind | Mumbida | Verve Energy and Infrastructure Capital Group | WA | 55 MW |
| Bioenergy | Racecourse | Mackay Sugar | QLD | 38 MW |
| Hydro | Tungatinah Upgrade | Hydro Tasmania | TAS | Additional 6 MW |
| Wind | Karakin (Lancelin) | Blair Fox | WA | 5 MW |
| Wind | West Hills Farm (Lancelin) | Blair Fox | WA | 5 MW |
| Wind | Denmark Community Wind farm | Denmark Community Wind farm | WA | 2.4 MW |
| Solar PV | Mildura Stage 1 | Silex (Solar Systems) | VIC | 1.5 MW |
| Solar PV | Darwin | Nightcliff Shopping Centre | NT | 1.06 MW |
| Geothermal | Habanero (Innamincka) | Geodynamics | SA | 1 MW |
| Bioenergy | Colignan | Australian Tartaric Products | VIC | 0.6 MW |
| Solar PV | Port Melbourne | NEXTDC | VIC | 0.4 MW |
| Solar PV | Griffith | Griffith University | NSW | 0.38 MW |
| Solar PV | Griffith | De Bortoli Winery | NSW | 0.23 MW |
| Solar PV | Ferngrove Winery | Ferngrove Wines | WA | 0.23 MW |
| Solar PV | Bibara Lake | Australian Wool Testing Authority | WA | 0.15 MW |
| Solar PV | Capital East Solar Farm | Infigen Energy | NSW | 0.13 MW |
| | | | TOTAL | 705 MW |

TOTAL CAPACITY OF NEW RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS COMPLETED IN 2013 - BY TECHNOLOGY¹⁹

| FUEL SOURCE | INSTALLED CAPACITY | NUMBER OF PROJECTS |
|----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Wind | 655 MW | 6 |
| Bioenergy | 38.6 MW | 2 |
| Hydro | 6 MW | 1 |
| Large-scale Solar PV | 4.08 MW | 8 |
| Geothermal | 1 MW | 1 |
| TOTAL | 705 MW | 18 |

COGENERATION AND TRIGENERATION PROJECTS DELIVERED IN 2013²⁰

| FUEL SOURCE | LOCATION | OWNER | STATE | INSTALLED CAPACITY |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------|--------------------|
| Cogeneration (natural gas) | Altona (Genos Cogeneration Facility) | Genos - constructed and operated by AGL Energy | VIC | 21 MW |
| Trigeneration (natural gas) | Qantas Sydney | GridX | NSW | 8 MW |
| Cogeneration (natural gas) | Geelong | Little Creatures Brewery | VIC | 1.2 MW |
| Cogeneration (natural gas) | Clayton | Monash University | VIC | 1 MW |
| Trigeneration (natural gas) | Castle Hill | Castle Hill RSL | NSW | 0.38 MW |
| Cogeneration (natural gas) | Oasis Regional Aquatic Centre | Wagga Wagga Council | NSW | 0.23 MW |
| Trigeneration (natural gas) | Maitland | Maitland City Bowls Sports & Recreation Centre | NSW | 0.15 MW |
| Cogeneration (bioenergy) | Racecourse | Mackay Sugar | QLD | 38 MW |
| Cogeneration (bioenergy) | Colignan | Australian Tartaric Products | VIC | 0.6 MW |
| | | | TOTAL | 70.56 MW |

19 Clean Energy Council Renewable Energy Database

20 Clean Energy Council Renewable Energy Database (only includes projects larger than 100 kW)

2013 IN REVIEW

MAJOR RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS UNDER CONSTRUCTION²¹

| FUEL SOURCE | OWNER | LOCATION | STATE | EXPECTED COMMISSION YEAR | INSTALLED CAPACITY |
|--|--------------------------------|----------------------|-------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| Wind | Trustpower Australia | Snowtown 2 | SA | 2014 | 270 MW |
| | RES | Ararat | VIC | 2015 | 247.5 MW |
| | ACCIONA | Mt Gellibrand | VIC | 2015 | 189 MW |
| | Goldwind Australia | Gullen Range | NSW | 2014 | 165.5 MW |
| | Union Fenosa | Ryan Corner | VIC | TBA | 134 MW |
| | Meridian Energy | Mt Mercer | VIC | 2015 | 131.2 MW |
| | Electricity Generating PCL | Boco Rock | NSW | 2015 | 113 MW |
| | CBD Energy and Banco Santander | Taralga | NSW | 2015 | 106.8 MW |
| | Mitsui & Co Ltd | Bald Hills (1 and 2) | VIC | 2015 | 106.6 MW |
| | Union Fenosa | Crookwell 2 | NSW | TBA | 92 MW |
| | Pacific Hydro | Crowlands | VIC | TBA | 84 MW |
| | ACCIONA | Mortlake South | VIC | 2016 | 76.5 MW |
| | Union Fenosa | Hawkesdale | VIC | TBA | 62 MW |
| | Pacific Hydro | Portland Stage 4 | VIC | 2015 | 47.2 MW |
| | Wind Farm Developments | Woolsthorpe | VIC | 2015 | 40 MW |
| Trustpower Australia | Salt Creek | VIC | 2015 | 31.5 MW | |
| Solar thermal | CS Energy | Kogan Creek | QLD | 2014 | 44 MW |
| Solar PV | Fotowatio Renewable Ventures | Royalla | ACT | 2014 | 20 MW |
| Wave | Oceanlinx | Port MacDonnell | SA | 2014 | 1 MW |
| TOTAL CAPACITY UNDER CONSTRUCTION | | | | | 1961 MW |

At the beginning of January 2014, 19 large-scale clean energy plants were under construction. The majority of these were wind farms, with Trustpower's Snowtown 2 wind farm the largest of those underway. Most of the other projects are split between Victoria and New South Wales. At the end of January it was announced that construction had begun on AGL and First Solar's \$300 million Nyngan Solar Plant.



Images (clockwise from top left):
Capital East Solar Farm, New South Wales
Greenough River Solar Farm, Western Australia
Wave Energy Research Facility, Fremantle
Geothermal pilot plant
Solar panel installation
Macarthur Wind Farm, Victoria

EMPLOYMENT

RENEWABLE ENERGY JOBS

Approximately 21,000 people were directly employed by the renewable energy industry in a construction, installation, operations or maintenance role at the end of 2013.

While the number has grown significantly over the last decade, it is slightly down on the year before due to a contraction in the market for rooftop solar power – the source of more than half of the sector’s employment. The drop in solar jobs was partly offset by higher employment in the wind industry.

The figures do not include the substantial flow-on employment and additional benefits for contractors, suppliers, accommodation providers and restaurants in the vicinity of large-scale renewable energy projects, particularly those under construction.



FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT JOBS IN THE RENEWABLE ENERGY INDUSTRY²²



HYDRO 1373



WIND 2722



BIOENERGY 2532



SOLAR PV 13053



SOLAR THERMAL 140



GEOTHERMAL 85

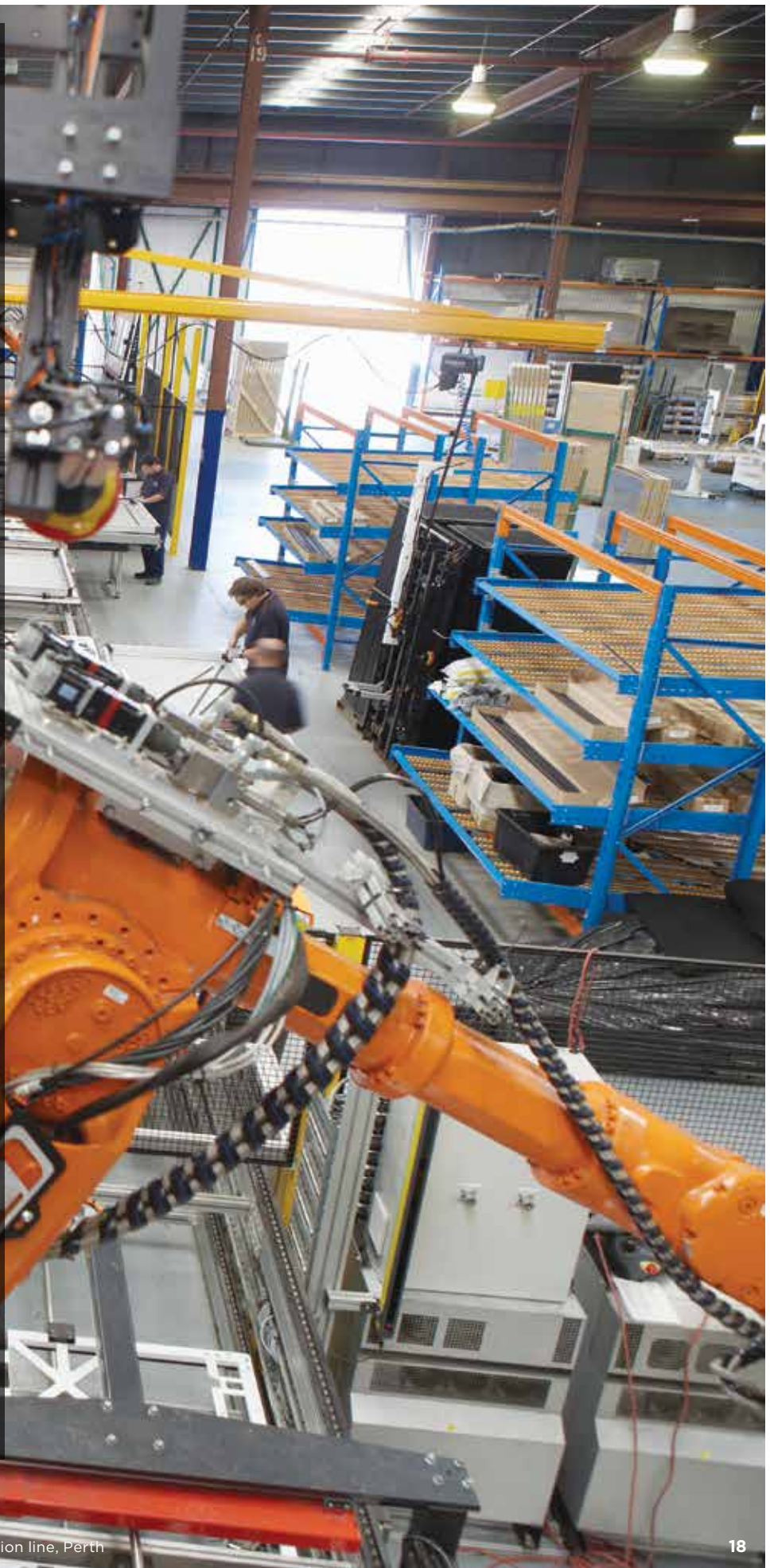


MARINE 65



SOLAR HOT WATER 1105

Each figure represents 1000 jobs



INVESTMENT

The Australian market attracted \$5.187 billion of new investment in clean energy in 2013, according to Bloomberg New Energy Finance (BNEF).

Investment has been above \$5 billion per year since 2011. Although the 2013 figure was down \$114 million on the year before as at February 2014, it may be boosted later in the year as more clean energy investment is reported on.

Investment in wind power almost doubled compared to 2012 and Hydro Tasmania also signed an agreement with China's Shenhua Clean Energy to develop \$1.6 billion worth of wind power projects over the next decade.

Solar investment was \$2.938 billion, a drop of 14 per cent – or \$480 million – on the year before. This was largely as a result of state-based support mechanisms being wound back. However, systems are also being installed at a significantly lower cost than in the past, meaning more can be installed for less. This has led to lower levels of investment overall. System prices have fallen from about \$6.60 per watt in 2010 to \$2.70 in 2013, according to BNEF.

These lower system costs were also a factor affecting global investment in new clean energy, which BNEF estimates at US\$254 billion, a reduction of 11 per cent on the year before.

Policy uncertainty due to the review of Australia's Renewable Energy Target in 2014 is likely to have a negative effect on investment during 2014.

NEW FINANCIAL INVESTMENT IN LARGE- AND SMALL-SCALE CLEAN ENERGY IN AUSTRALIA, 2012 AND 2013 CALENDAR YEARS (A\$M)²³

| SECTOR | 2012 (A\$M) | 2013 (A\$M) |
|---------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Wind | 816.1 | 1468.9 |
| Solar | 3419.2 | 2938.7 |
| Biomass & Waste | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Geothermal | 13.5 | 7.4 |
| Small hydro | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Marine | 68.6 | 2.0 |
| Energy smart technologies | 984.0 | 770.2 |
| TOTAL | 5301.4 | 5187.2 |

Note: Includes estimates for small-scale PV investment (under 100kW). Corporate and government research and development estimates are not included. There is no adjustment for re-invested equity. Estimates are included for undisclosed deal values.

ANNUAL CLEAN ENERGY INVESTMENT UNDER THE RENEWABLE ENERGY TARGET (REAL A\$B)

Analysis by ROAM Consulting for the Clean Energy Council found that with the Renewable Energy Target operating as currently legislated, investment in large-scale clean energy generation will be \$2 to \$4 billion dollars per year out to the end of the decade.²⁴ The annual investment is shown below.

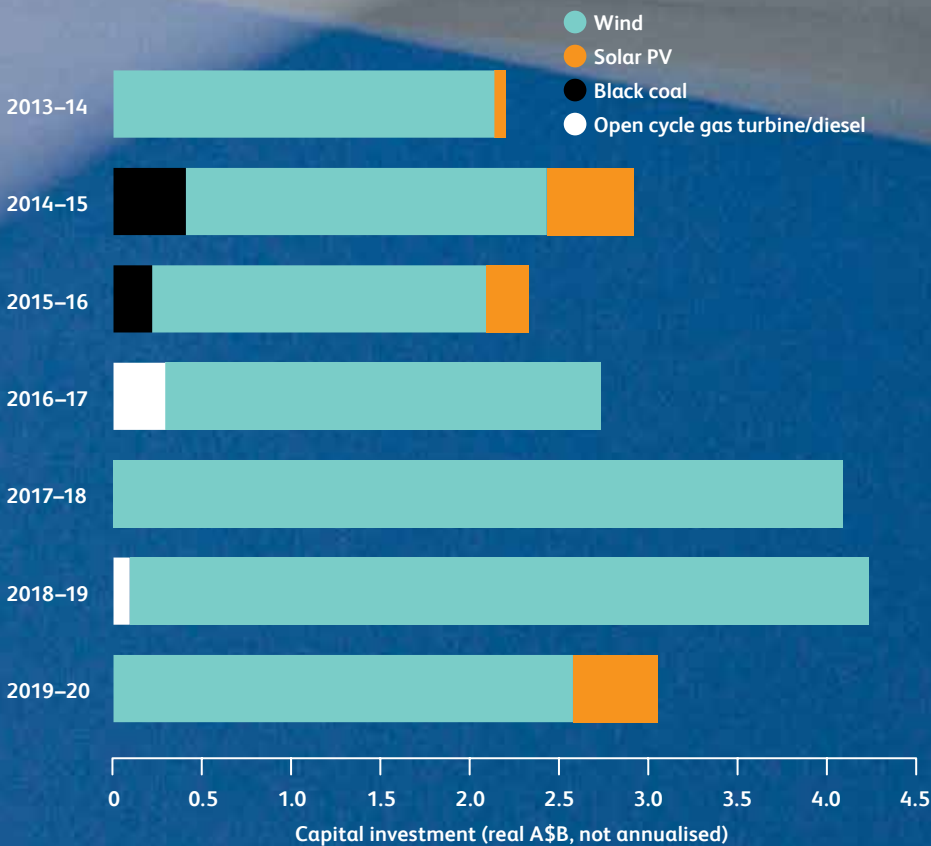


Image: Detail of turbine, Musselroe Wind Farm, Tasmania

²⁴ ROAM Consulting, 2014, Renewable Energy Target policy analysis

ELECTRICITY PRICES

Domestic power bills have been rising substantially across the country since 2007, with the largest contributing factor being upgrades to the poles and wires of power networks.

The Australian Electricity Market Commission²⁴ (AEMC) predicts that power price rises will ease significantly in most states between 2013 and the middle of the decade. But community, political and media concern continues to escalate over household and business power bills.

Australia's Renewable Energy Target contributes only a small amount to the average power bill. According to analysis by the AEMC, the NSW Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal²⁵ (IPART) and the Queensland Competition Authority²⁶ (QCA), the policy contributed between 3 and 5 per cent to the average household power bill in 2013.

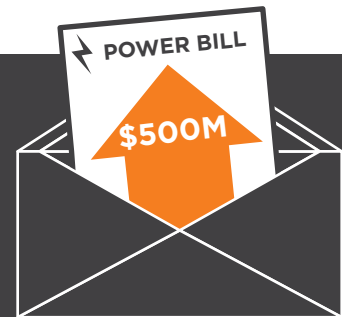
While opponents of the Renewable Energy Target suggest that reducing it will provide a saving on power prices, it is not that simple. Reducing the target means more of our electricity will ultimately come from gas-fired power, which is set to rise dramatically in cost over the course of the decade.

A 2013 report by IPART showed that while electricity prices have stabilised, gas prices increased by 9 per cent on 1 July 2013.²⁷

A recent price determination by the QCA showed that increased wholesale prices, primarily due to the fuel cost of gas, was the leading driver of projected electricity price costs. A 2012 report released by the Australian Industry Group concluded that: "East coast gas prices will rise, potentially to as much as triple the current \$3-\$4 per gigajoule; this increase would be several times larger than the costs related to carbon pricing."²⁸

The Bureau of Resource and Energy Economics predicts wind and solar power in particular will continue to fall in price over the coming decades.²⁹

Current provisions under the Renewable Energy Target provide a 90 per cent exemption for the most energy-intensive trade-exposed industries and a 60 per cent exemption for many other businesses to minimise costs for these industries.



Future power prices will be lower with Australia's Renewable Energy Target in place than they would be if it was removed, according to analysis by energy market experts ROAM Consulting. The policy is helping to hold electricity prices lower over the long term by minimising the use of increasingly costly gas for power generation.

Removing the Renewable Energy Target means households would pay more than half a billion dollars a year extra for electricity in 2020, and up to \$1.4 billion more each year beyond that.

Roam Consulting, RET Policy Analysis, April 2014
<http://www.cleanenergycouncil.org.au/policy-advocacy/renewable-energy-target/ret-policy-analysis.html>

24 AEMC Residential Electricity Price Trends, December 2013 <http://www.aemc.gov.au/market-reviews/completed/retail-electricity-pricetrends-2013.html>

25 IPART Report - Review of regulated retail prices and charges for electricity 2013 to 2016 - June 2013 http://www.ipart.nsw.gov.au/Home/Industries/Electricity/Reviews/Retail_Pricing/Review_of_regulated_electricity_retail_prices_2013_to_2016

26 Queensland Competition Authority Final Determination Regulated Retail Electricity Prices 2013-14 <http://www.qca.org.au/files/ER-QCAFinalDeterm-RREP201314-0513.pdf>

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28 Large scale export of East Coast Australia natural gas: unintended consequences http://www.aigroup.com.au/portal/binary/com.epicentric.contentmanagement.servlet.ContentDeliveryServlet/LIVE_CONTENT/Publications/Reports/2012/Gas_report_FINAL.pdf

29 BREE, 2013, Australian Energy Technology Assessment 2013 Model Update, <http://www.bree.gov.au/publications/australian-energy-technology-assessments>

ELECTRICITY PRICES - KEY STATISTICS



9%

**INCREASE IN GAS PRICES
ON 1 JULY 2013 IN NSW**



3% – 5%

**CONTRIBUTION THE RENEWABLE
ENERGY TARGET MADE TO THE AVERAGE
HOUSEHOLD POWER BILL IN 2013**



300%

**POTENTIAL INCREASE IN EAST
COAST GAS PRICES**



90%

**EXEMPTION FROM THE RET FOR
THE MOST ENERGY INTENSIVE
TRADE EXPOSED INDUSTRIES**

DEMAND FOR ELECTRICITY

MANAGING PEAK ELECTRICITY DEMAND

Electricity use in Australia declined for the fifth consecutive year in 2013, according to the Australian Energy Market Operator (AEMO). Power consumption fell in all states covered by the National Electricity Market (NEM), with the exception of Tasmania.

A combination of factors contributed, including a decline in manufacturing activity, improvements in energy efficiency, public concern about rising power prices, and the continued uptake of residential solar power systems and solar hot water systems.

Reduced power demand is leading to lower returns for existing coal and gas generators, which are competing for a share of a gradually diminishing market.

The growth in 'peak demand' – the small number of times each year when very high volumes of electricity are used – is a major factor that has helped drive up power bills. Peak demand periods typically occur on the hottest few days in summer, as shown by a heatwave in mid-January 2014 when temperatures peaked above 40 degrees Celsius in both Victoria and South Australia for four days straight.

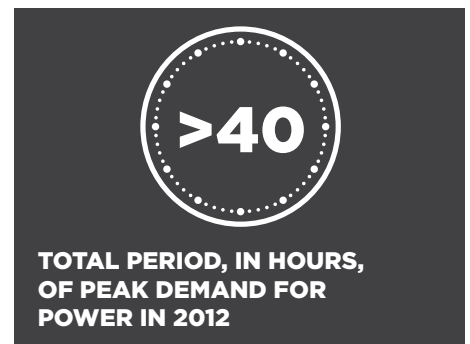
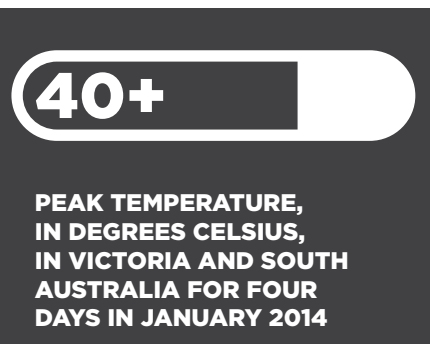
In the whole of 2012, peak demand occurred for a total period of less than 40 hours, but the cost of ensuring the power system can meet peak demand continues to add disproportionate costs.

Energy policy experts generally agree that building additional power plants specifically to meet the small number of peak demand periods each year is the most expensive way to deal with the issue.

A variety of trial projects are underway across the country to investigate the benefits and costs of smart grids and different smart energy technologies to help manage the problem.

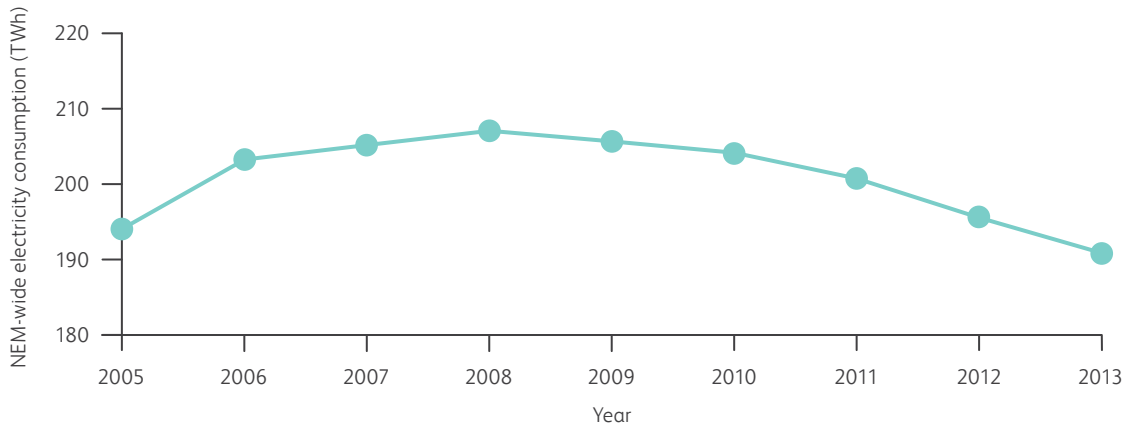
Substantial scope exists for different types of power demand management to make a major contribution to peak demand for the benefit of electricity consumers. These can include remotely cycling air-conditioners on and off, a more widespread use of energy storage, and a system that charges different rates for power use during peak periods.

The increasing uptake of solar panels is playing a role in managing peak demand on hot summer days, and the technology's growing contribution was evident during the 2014 heatwave. The Energy Supply Association of Australia acknowledged that rooftop solar's contribution was probably what stopped Victoria from hitting a new record for network power use on a single day.³⁰

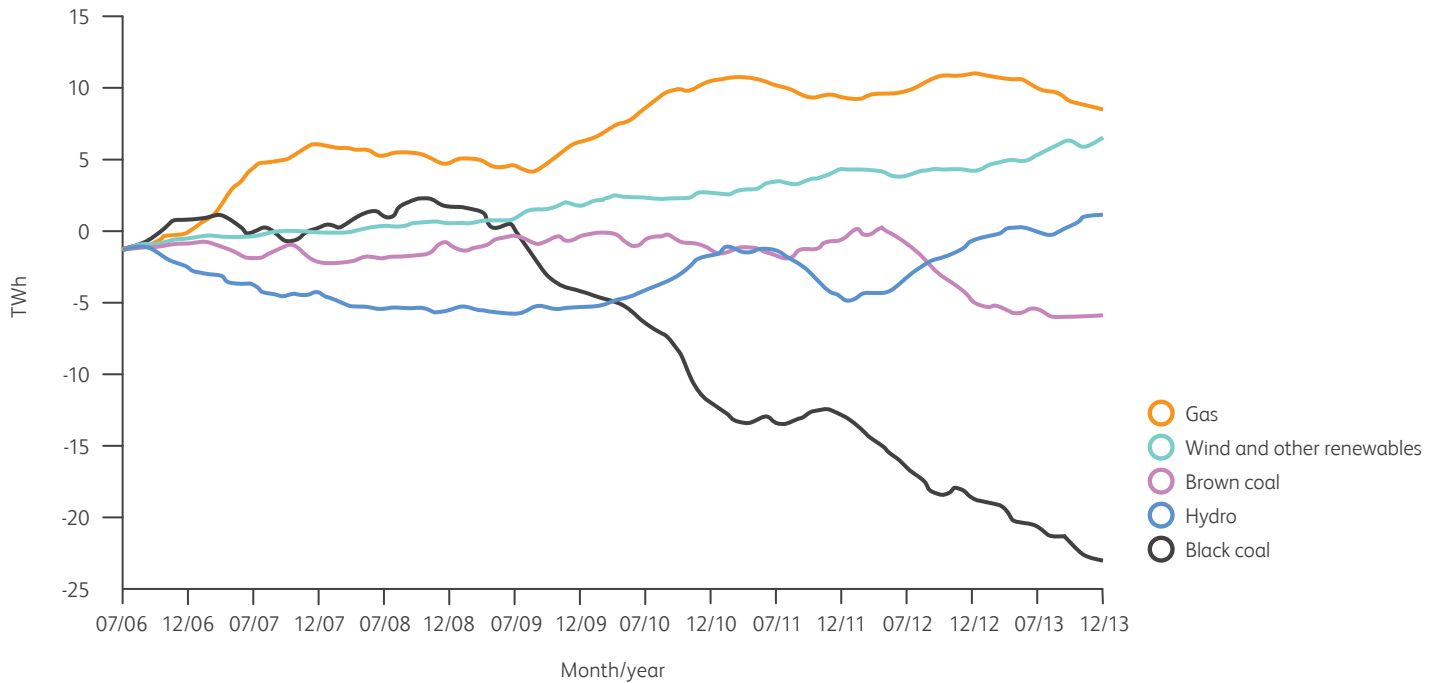


³⁰ Threat to energy support now shifts to bush fires and storms, ESAA media release, 17 January 2014. http://www.esaa.com.au/media/threat_to_energy_supply_shifts_to_bush_fires_and_storms_1

TOTAL NEM ELECTRICITY CONSUMPTION 2005-2013³¹



CHANGING ENERGY USE IN THE NATIONAL ELECTRICITY MARKET³²



31 AEMO data Source: Graph courtesy of greenmarkets.com.au – taken from <http://reneweconomy.com.au/2014/power-consumption-falls-as-renewables-make-up-12-of-australia-market-2013>

32 pitt&sherry, 2013, Carbon Emissions Index (Cedex) Electricity Update, <http://www.pittsh.com.au/cedex>

ENERGY EFFICIENCY

Recent decisions by major manufacturers to wind down their Australian operations underline the importance of increasing the energy productivity of local industry to enable it to perform better against international competitors – particularly in light of stark electricity price rises from 2007 to 2012.

Energy productivity is a measure of energy efficiency. The less energy it takes to produce particular goods and services, the higher the level of energy productivity. Boosting our energy productivity will increase the economic competitiveness of our commercial and industrial sectors, particularly as Australia has low energy productivity compared to many of our trading partners.³³

Energy efficiency programs work by making new and replacement appliances, equipment and buildings more efficient in the way they use energy. The New South Wales Government estimates that energy efficiency activities such as choosing high efficiency appliances, removing old inefficient spare fridges and carrying out home energy efficiency retrofits can save a household about \$450 a year on its electricity bills.³⁴

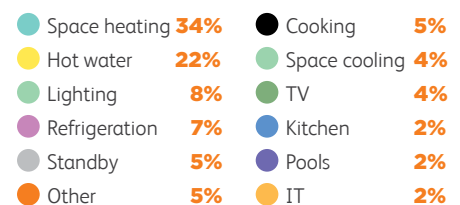
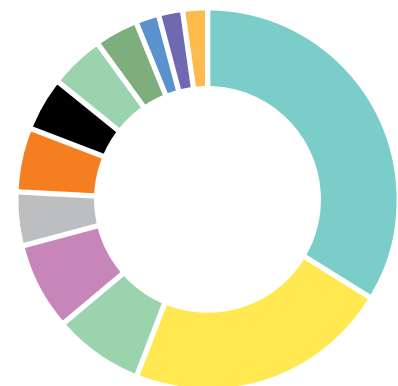
Evidence suggests^{35,36,37} that consumers are concerned by rising energy costs and are willing to take action to use

less energy. However, better and more accessible information is required to allow consumers to make smart choices about how to use power more efficiently – and reduce their bills in the process.

A report by ClimateWorks³⁸ found that the emissions intensity of Australia's electricity generation decreased by 8 per cent from 2008-09 to 2012-13, due to reductions in coal generation and improved energy efficiency throughout the economy. The energy intensity of Australia's buildings decreased by 3 per cent between 2002-03 and 2010-11, led by better building operations, improved energy efficiency standards, more efficient appliances and the use of distributed energy.³⁹

Improvements in energy efficiency requirements in households through the National Construction Code, minimum standards on appliances, and other policies have helped to decrease heating and cooling energy consumption of new homes by 17 per cent since 2010.

TYPICAL DISTRIBUTION OF ENERGY USE IN AN AUSTRALIAN HOUSEHOLD⁴⁰



33 Report of the Prime Minister's Task Group on Energy Efficiency, July 2010 http://ee.ret.gov.au/sites/default/files/documents/03_2013/report---prime---minister---task---group---energy---efficiency.pdf

34 NSW Government, Unlocking Energy Savings in NSW: Enhancing the NSW Energy Savings Scheme, Rule change consultation paper, 2013, http://www.energy.nsw.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0020/479000/ess-consultation-paper.pdf

35 Auspoll survey for the Clean Energy Council, June 2011;

36 Energy shock: pressure mounts for efficiency action, AiGroup, July 2012

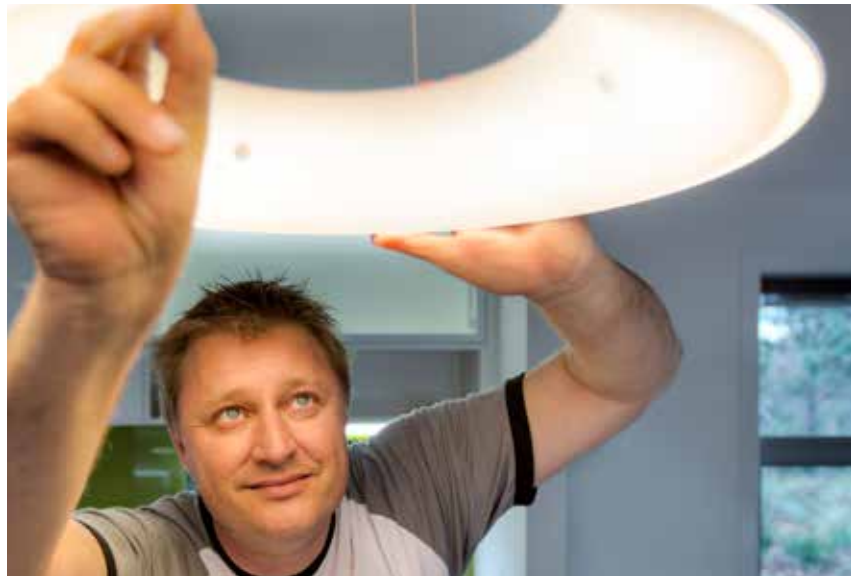
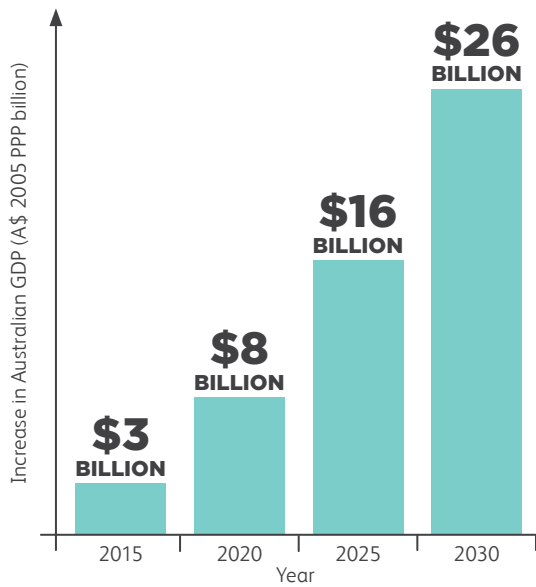
37 CHOICE online survey of Australian household energy decision makers, June 2012

38 ClimateWorks, July 2013, Tracking Progress Towards a Low Carbon Economy <http://www.climateworksaustralia.org/project/current/tracking-progress-towards-low-carbon-economy>

39 ibid

40 Energy Efficient Strategies (EES), 2013, Beyond Zero Emissions Zero Carbon Plan - Residential Plan, prepared for Beyond Zero emissions, results presented at the Australian Alliance to Save Energy (A2SE) conference, Sydney, NSW

FOR AUSTRALIA, A 1% INCREASE IN ENERGY EFFICIENCY WOULD BOOST 2030 GDP PER CAPITA BY 2.26%, OR \$1200 PER PERSON, AND TOTAL GDP BY \$26 BILLION⁴¹



17%

DECREASE IN HEATING AND COOLING ENERGY CONSUMPTION OF NEW HOMES SINCE 2010.

All images: 8-star energy efficiency house, New South Wales

41 Climate Institute, 2013, Boosting Australia's Energy Productivity

ENERGY EFFICIENCY

STATE-BASED ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS

The Energy Savings Scheme in New South Wales, the Energy Saver Incentive in Victoria and the Residential Energy Efficiency Scheme in South Australia were all introduced in 2009. Each has been effective at encouraging more efficient energy use and reducing power bills.

Navigating a patchwork of different state-based schemes can be challenging for businesses which operate across multiple states. A National Energy Savings Initiative would help streamline compliance and reporting processes as well as reduce the cost of administering individual state programs.

Smart meters make it easier for customers to access real-time information on their energy use and take action to change it. The Victorian Government had completed more than 90 per cent of its smart meter roll-out by the end of February 2014, reaching 2.5 million homes and businesses across the state. Smart meters are giving Victorians access to more detailed information about their power use, along with flexible pricing options that could help some households save money over the long term.



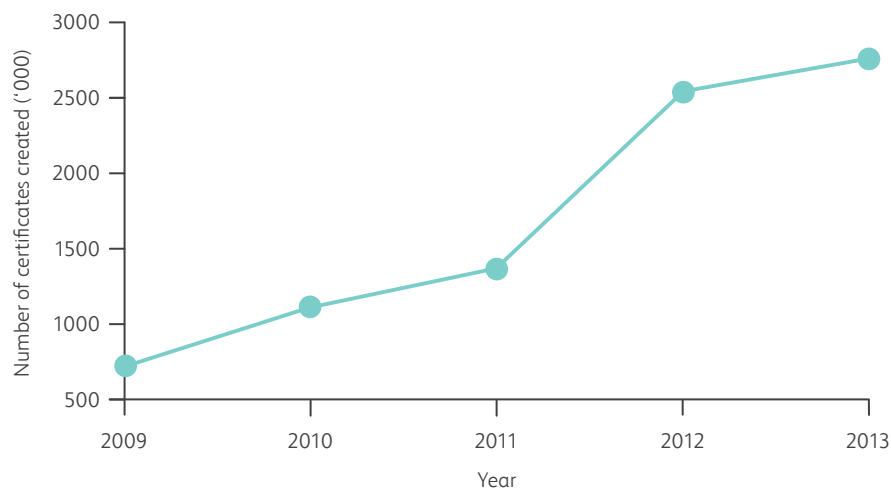
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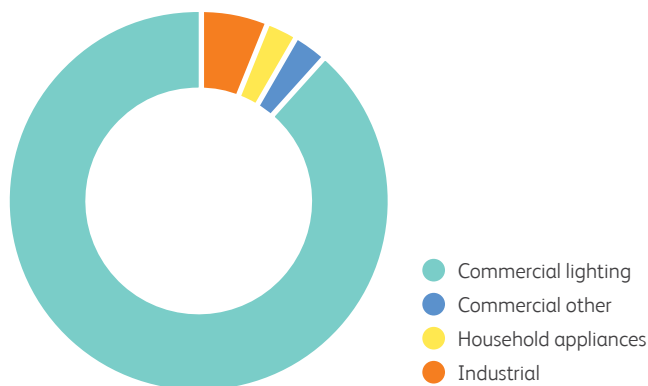
The New South Wales Energy Savings Scheme reduces electricity consumption in the state by creating financial incentives to invest in energy savings activities. These include everything from installing more efficient lighting or industrial equipment to retrofitting commercial buildings and buying whitegoods with a higher star rating. Upgrades to commercial lighting have delivered the largest savings under the program to date.

When households or businesses invest in reducing their energy use under the program, energy savings certificates (ESCs) are created. So far the program has also saved almost 4 million tonnes of emissions at a low cost. The amount of energy saved continues to increase each year and at the end of 2013, 112 businesses were accredited to provide services under the scheme.

NSW ENERGY SAVINGS CERTIFICATES CREATED BY YEAR⁴²



BREAKDOWN OF ENERGY SAVINGS CERTIFICATES (ESCS) FOR 2013⁴³



ENERGY EFFICIENCY

VICTORIAN ENERGY SAVER INCENTIVE

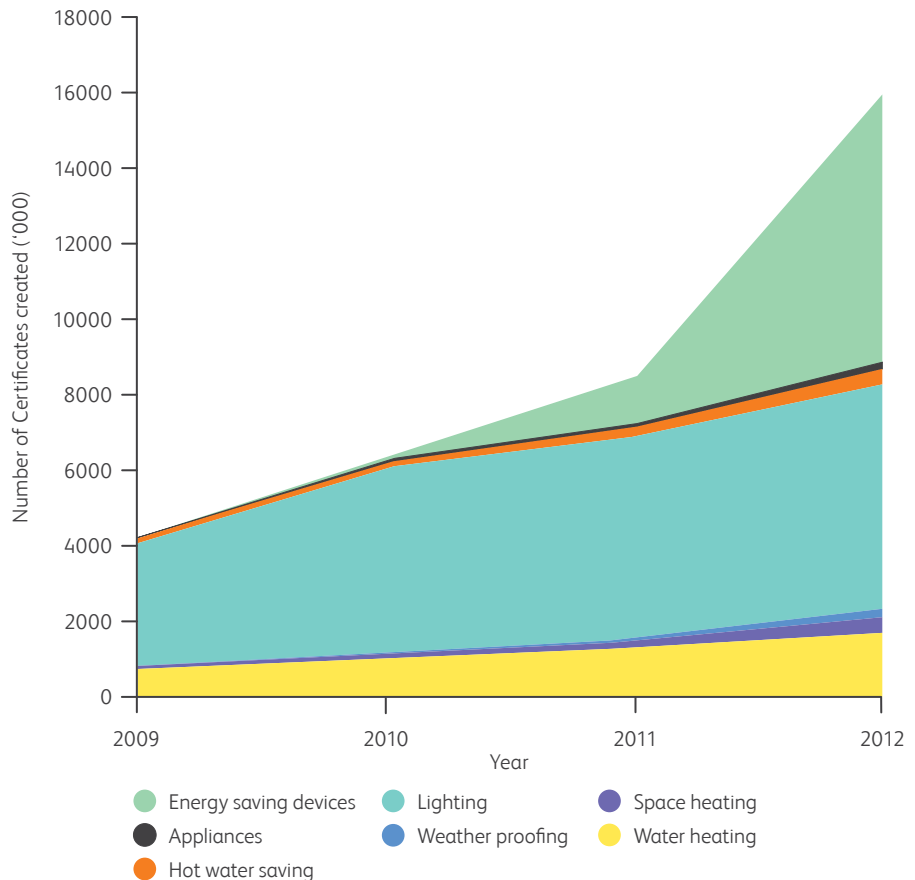
The Victorian Energy Saver Incentive, also known as the Victorian Energy Efficiency Target (VEET), has so far helped reduce energy costs for around 1.3 million households and businesses through approximately 2.5 million installations.

The Victorian program has created an industry sector that is highly diverse, ranging from businesses that install energy efficiency products or provide consulting services through to energy retailers and manufacturers.⁴⁴ There were 134 businesses accredited to provide services under the scheme at the end of 2013, supporting approximately 2500 jobs.

As with the New South Wales scheme, lighting has provided the largest energy savings, although hot water saving and water heating improvements have also been successful at reducing energy use.

The Victorian Government announced in May 2014 that the program would be phased out at the end of 2015.

BREAKDOWN OF VICTORIAN ENERGY SAVINGS CERTIFICATES BY YEAR AND TECHNOLOGY⁴⁵



A survey conducted by the Essential Services Commission in 2013⁴⁶ on Victorian residents who had received an installation through VEET found:

Reducing the energy consumption of my household is important to me



My main reason for wanting to save energy is to save money

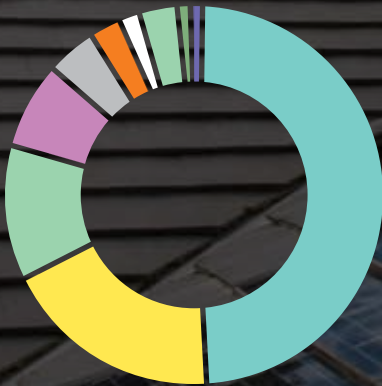


- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Neutral
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree

⁴⁴ Energy Saver Incentive Scheme: Phase 1 Evaluation Survey, September 2011, <http://www.dpi.vic.gov.au/energy/environment-and-community/energy-efficiency/energy-saver-incentive-scheme/esi-scheme-phase-1-evaluation-survey>

^{45, 46} Victorian Government ESC Public Forum, 8 November 2013, available: <https://www.veet.vic.gov.au/Public/Pub.aspx>

2013 VEET CERTIFICATES BY ACTIVITY



| | |
|--------------------------------------|-------|
| Standby power controllers | 50% |
| Lighting | 18.4% |
| Space conditioning | 12.2% |
| Shower roses | 7.3% |
| Water heating | 4.6% |
| Commercial lighting | 2.6% |
| Fridge/freezer | 2.3% |
| Space heating | 2.1% |
| In home displays | 0.5% |
| High efficiency TV and clothes dryer | 0.1% |

ENERGY EFFICIENCY

CASE STUDY

MARK GROUP

Mark Group was established in the United Kingdom in 1974 and has since grown to employ more than 2000 employees in the UK, the United States, Australia and New Zealand.

The business's Australian operations now employs more than 140 people directly and provides work to about 60 sub-contractors.

Mark Group's Australian Chairman Rob Grant established the local arm of the company in October 2009, recognising the potential for growth in the Australian market.

"We now operate in every mainland state and have grown to be one of the largest solar power installers in the country," Mr Grant said.

"Many new employees are unskilled and long-term unemployed and we provide a comprehensive training program to teach them valuable skills in installing renewable energy and energy efficiency products.

"We have a fully equipped training centre at Macquarie Park in NSW, where all employees are trained in best practice installation and work safety.

"Our growth plans indicate a doubling of employment in the next two years," he said.

CASE STUDY

GYPROCK MANUFACTURING PLANT



Gyprock, a plasterboard, cornice and plastering manufacturer located in Brisbane, engaged CSR Bradford Energy Solutions to recommend ways to reduce its power bills and emissions.

Gyprock's electricity bills were about \$50,000 a month. A comprehensive site assessment at the plant identified two main areas that could deliver permanent savings – the lighting in the manufacturing hall and warehouse; and power losses due to inefficient distribution of energy.

Overall, 283 metal halide lamps were replaced with low energy induction lamps, ensuring that the lower energy lamps would both meet Australian Standards and provide a safe and comfortable work environment. The lighting switch resulted in savings of more than \$28,500 per year.

A power factor correction was also installed, delivering a monthly saving of \$1800. The project was successful in attracting grants from the federal Clean Technology Investment Program and an Energex Demand Management Grant.

PROJECT SUMMARY

REPLACEMENT OF LIGHTING

\$28,570 per year

POWER FACTOR CORRECTION

\$21,600 per year

TOTAL SAVINGS

\$50,170 per year

CARBON EMISSIONS

Cut by 190 tonnes

TOTAL PROJECT COST

\$228,000

CLEAN TECHNOLOGY INVESTMENT PROGRAM GRANT

\$65,000

ENERGEX DEMAND MANAGEMENT GRANT

\$48,500

TOTAL PAYBACK

4.5 years

PAYBACK WITH GRANTS

2.3 years

ENERGY STORAGE

One technology with significant potential to transform our entire energy system is energy storage. Currently very little of the power we produce can be stored, meaning that power must be generated constantly to meet the demands of a modern society.

Whether at a household, commercial or industrial scale, the widespread use of electricity storage has major implications for the power system as we know it. Companies in Australia and internationally are working on new technologies with the potential to drive down the cost of storing energy.

Storage could help us deal more effectively with challenges such as peak demand, as well as maximising the efficiency of our power generation and reducing the use of expensive fuels such as diesel for remote operations and communities that are located off the power grid.

CASE STUDY

SJW MUSHROOMS,
SUNSHINE COAST,
QUEENSLAND

One enterprising mushroom farmer is doing things a bit differently, using the heat of the Queensland sun to provide a cool environment to grow mushrooms.

SJW Mushrooms owner Steven Willemse invested over \$100,000 in a 60 kilowatt solar power system with a battery back-up, which was installed by MaxiSolar.

His inspiration came during a four-day blackout in January 2013 following Cyclone Oswald, when the enterprise lost \$20,000 in stock. As well as providing some peace of mind about the farm's energy security, the solar system will help protect the business from rising power bills.

The batteries are used to power the cooling of the mushroom sheds during the evening or as back-up in the event of a blackout.

Mr Willemse expects the solar power system to have paid for itself within five years.

COMPANIES INVESTIGATING STORAGE⁴⁷

| OWNER | TECHNOLOGY TYPE | LOCATION OF PLANT | STATE | STATUS OF PLANT |
|------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|-------|---|
| Horizon Power | Flywheel storage system | Marble Bar, Nullagine | WA | 2 x 500 kW storage system installed to support solar power stations |
| Ergon Energy | Battery | Magnetic Island | QLD | Modular 5 kW batteries storage trial to support solar |
| Hydro Tasmania/ Ecoult | Battery | King Island | TAS | CSIRO-developed UltraBattery being trialled as part of Hydro Tasmania's King Island Renewable Energy Integration Project in Bass Strait |
| Ausgrid/ Energy Australia | Battery | Newcastle Scone Newington | NSW | 5 kW battery storage devices at volunteer properties across five sites |

COGENERATION/ TRIGENERATION

A cogeneration system both generates power and makes use of the heat that is produced during the process. For this reason the technology is sometimes called combined heat and power. Trigeneration takes this a step further by converting some of the heat into cooling.

Both cogeneration and trigeneration are extremely efficient technologies. Cogeneration can be up to 80 per cent more energy-efficient than conventional energy sources, producing around 60 per cent lower carbon emissions.

Cogeneration and trigeneration can use a variety of fuels, including biogas, biomass, natural gas, coal and petroleum products. The majority of facilities in Australia use either natural gas or biomass such as sugar cane waste. While they are mature technologies, the broader use of cogeneration and trigeneration is being held back by overly complex grid connection processes and sometimes heavy regulatory burdens, as well as the ongoing increase in natural gas prices.

There are many examples of cogeneration and trigeneration plants on properties such as:

- > Hospitals and health facilities
- > Hotels, cinemas and hospitality venues
- > Industrial, manufacturing, commercial and retail facilities
- > Educational facilities, universities and TAFEs
- > Public utilities such as RailCorp and Sydney Water.

Australia has approximately 3305 megawatts (MW) of cogeneration installed, with another 18 MW of trigeneration. The largest trigeneration plant is the GridX 8 MW power plant installed at the Qantas headquarters in Sydney, which came online in 2013 and will supply the facility with electricity, heating and cooling while cutting emissions by approximately 14,000 tonnes per year.

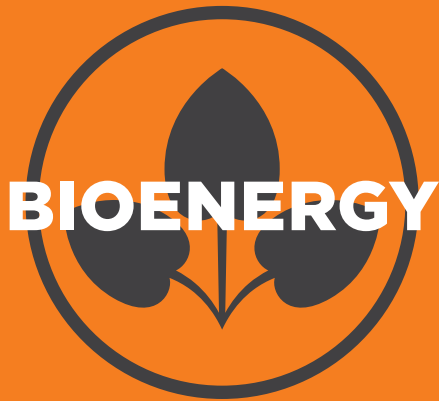


Castle Hill RSL trigeneration project, NSW

COGENERATION AND TRIGENERATION PROJECTS DELIVERED IN 2013⁴⁸

| FUEL SOURCE | LOCATION | OWNER | STATE | INSTALLED CAPACITY |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------|--------------------|
| Cogeneration (bioenergy) | Racecourse Mill | Mackay Sugar Ltd | QLD | 38 MW |
| Cogeneration (natural gas) | Altona (Qenos Cogeneration Facility) | AGL Energy | VIC | 21 MW |
| Trigeneration (natural gas) | Qantas Sydney | GridX | NSW | 8 MW |
| Cogeneration (natural gas) | Geelong | Little Creatures Brewery | VIC | 1.2 MW |
| Cogeneration (natural gas) | Clayton | Monash University | VIC | 1 MW |
| Cogeneration (bioenergy) | Colignan | Australian Tartaric Products | VIC | 0.6 MW |
| Trigeneration (natural gas) | Castle Hill | Castle Hill RSL | NSW | 0.38 MW |
| Cogeneration (natural gas) | Oasis Regional Aquatic Centre | Wagga Wagga Council | NSW | 0.23 MW |
| Trigeneration (natural gas) | Maitland | Maitland City Bowls Sports & Recreation Centre | NSW | 0.15 MW |
| | | | TOTAL | 70.56 MW |

SUMMARY OF CLEAN ENERGY GENERATION



BIOENERGY

6.9%

OF TOTAL CLEAN ENERGY GENERATION

139

OPERATIONAL PLANTS



GEO THERMAL

0.001%

OF TOTAL CLEAN ENERGY GENERATION

2

OPERATIONAL PLANTS



HOUSEHOLD SOLAR

11%

OF TOTAL CLEAN ENERGY GENERATION

1,250,000

INSTALLATIONS (APPROX)



WIND

26%

OF TOTAL CLEAN ENERGY GENERATION

68

OPERATIONAL PLANTS



HYDRO

55%

OF TOTAL CLEAN
ENERGY GENERATION

123

OPERATIONAL PLANTS



SOLAR WATER HEATING

7%

EQUIVALENT OF CLEAN ENERGY GENERATED
SAVED THROUGH SOLAR WATER HEATING

847,700

INSTALLATIONS



LARGE-SCALE SOLAR

0.21%

OF TOTAL CLEAN
ENERGY GENERATION

49

OPERATIONAL PLANTS



MARINE

0.001%

OF TOTAL CLEAN
ENERGY GENERATION

1

OPERATIONAL PLANT

BIOENERGY

Bioenergy refers to renewable energy produced from organic matter, known in the industry as biomass.

Bioenergy is a sustainable way to produce energy from waste. Just under two-thirds of the country's bioenergy generating potential comes from the fibrous sugar cane waste known as bagasse, and as a result cogeneration plants are often found in locations close to sugar cane processing areas.

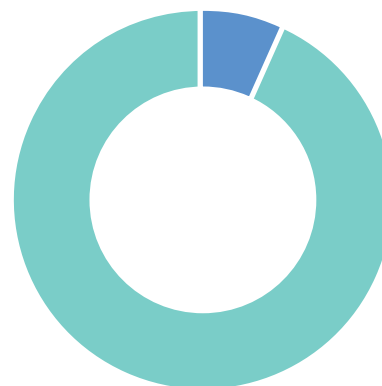
Landfill gas is the second most common fuel used to produce bioenergy in Australia, converting methane from landfills into energy. This type of power has one of the lowest costs of any energy source. Other bioenergy fuel sources include wood waste, household garbage, sewage gas, crop and livestock waste and 'black liquor' – a by-product of the paper-making process. Bioenergy generators tend to be smaller than hydro plants or wind farms.

Queensland has the largest bioenergy sector of any state, with its power stations accounting for over half the country's bioenergy generation potential. Australia's largest bioenergy plant is Sucrogen's 68 megawatt (MW) Pioneer Mill near Ayr in North Queensland.

Mackay Sugar brought its new biomass cogeneration power station online in 2013. The 38 MW Racecourse power plant will generate power for the Racecourse Sugar Mill, as well as delivering enough power to the grid to supply around a third of Mackay's electricity requirements.

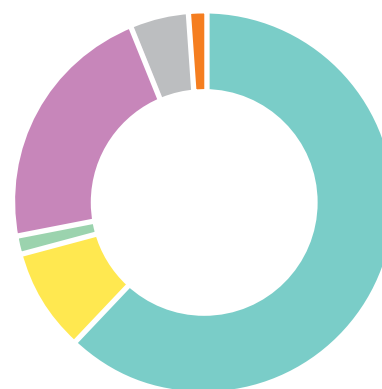
The Colignan Cogeneration plant (0.6 MW), installed by Australian Tartaric Products in Mildura, came online in 2013. The project uses spent grape waste to generate electricity, demonstrating an innovative use of food and agriculture waste.

Bioenergy currently generates approximately 2400 GWh per annum – just over 1 per cent of Australia's total electricity generation.

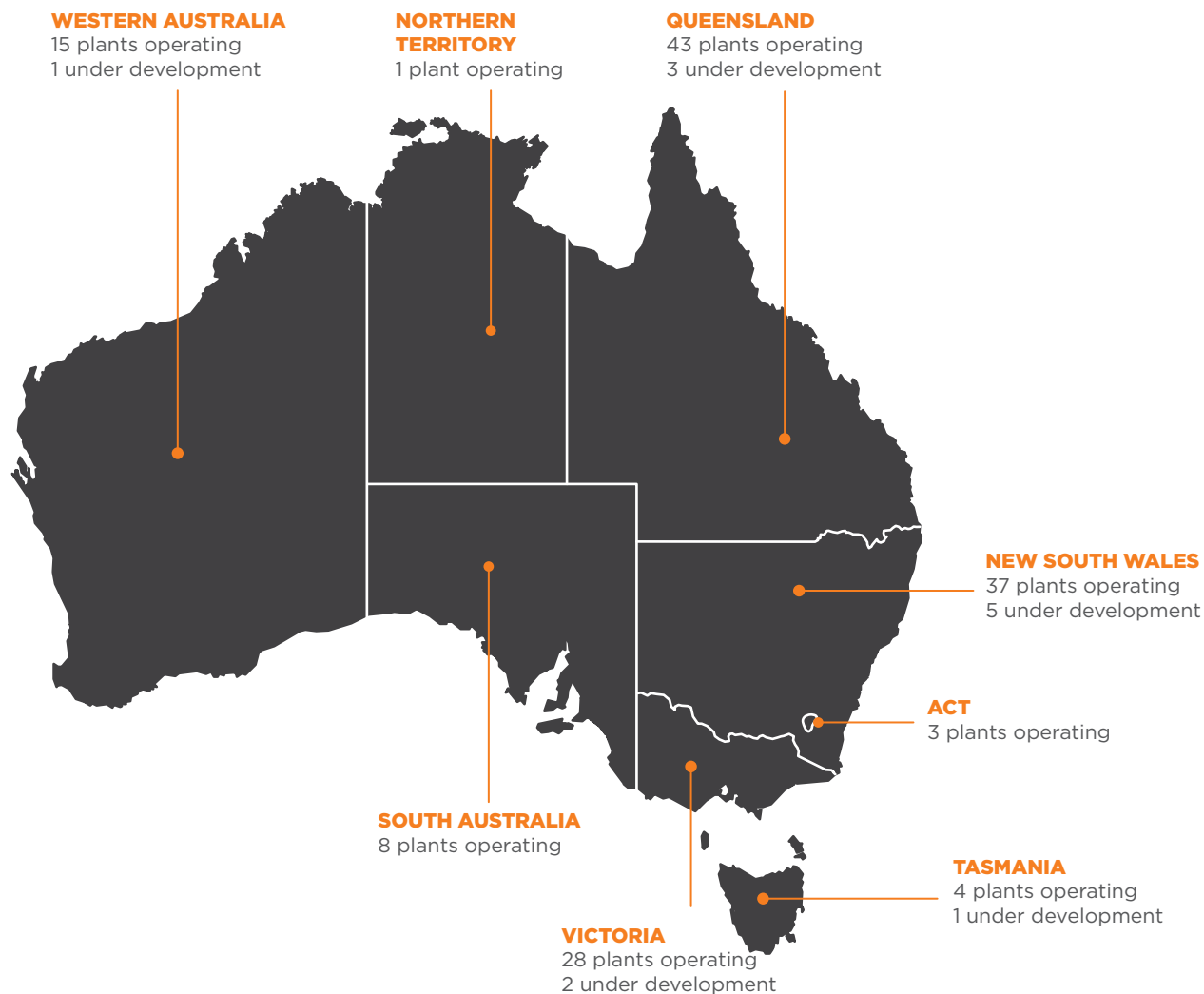


6.9%
OF TOTAL CLEAN
ENERGY GENERATION

CAPACITY OF BIOENERGY SUB-SECTORS BY PERCENTAGE⁴⁹



| | |
|-----------------------------------|------------|
| ● Bagasse Cogeneration | 62% |
| ● Landfill gas | 22% |
| ● Black Liquor | 9% |
| ● Sewage gas | 5% |
| ● Food and agricultural wet waste | 1% |
| ● Wood waste | 1% |



BIOENERGY PLANTS COMMISSIONED IN 2012 AND 2013⁵⁰

| FUEL SOURCE | LOCATION | OWNER | STATE | COMMISSION YEAR | INSTALLED CAPACITY |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Bagasse Cogeneration | Racecourse | Mackay Sugar | QLD | 2013 | 38 MW |
| Landfill Gas | Woodlawn Bioreactor (Unit 5) | Veolia Environmental Services | NSW | 2012 | 1.1 MW |
| Food and Agricultural Wet Waste | Colignan Cogeneration Plant (Mildura) | Australian Tartaric Products | VIC | 2013 | 0.6 MW |
| Food and Agricultural Wet Waste | Young | Blantyre Farms | NSW | 2012 | 0.16 MW |

GEOTHERMAL



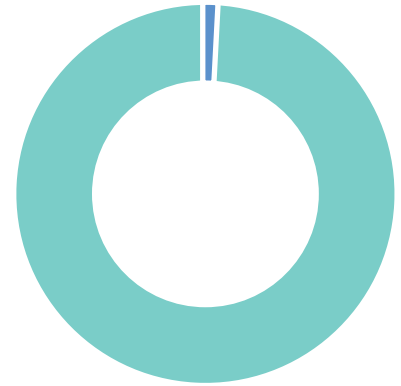
Geothermal technology has been used successfully on a large scale in many countries.

Several Australian companies have been working on a new type of technology to harness the power of hot rocks and super-heated water reservoirs up to 5 km beneath the surface of the Earth.

Although this technology shows immense promise, progress has not been as swift as its early financial backers may have wished. However,

Geodynamics passed a significant milestone in May 2013 when it commissioned Australia's first 'hot rocks' geothermal pilot plant (see case study).

Australia currently has one commercial geothermal power plant at Birdsville in Queensland.



0.001%
OF TOTAL CLEAN
ENERGY GENERATION

CASE STUDY

1 MW HABANERO PILOT PLANT PROJECT, COOPER BASIN, SOUTH AUSTRALIA

The Habanero Pilot Plant developed by Geodynamics Limited works by using superheated water from a high-pressure underground reservoir to generate energy.

Although the water is naturally heated to over 250 degrees Celsius, the intense pressure that exists 5 km underground means that it remains in liquid form.

A 'production well' drilled down to the reservoir enabled the water to travel to the surface where the heat was converted to electricity. The cooled water was then pumped back down to the reservoir via a separate 'injection well'. This type of power is known as an enhanced geothermal system (EGS) or hot fractured rock geothermal system.

The Habanero Pilot Plant operated between 30 April and 7 October 2013. It was Australia's first working EGS system and one of only a handful in the world. Two deep wells were drilled for the operation of the plant – one well for the injection of water and the other for the production of power.

Results of the project exceeded expectations and the plant is being maintained for further trials or as part of future commercial development of the technology. The information obtained during the trial was significant both for the Australian geothermal industry and worldwide.



Image: suspended drill at Habanero Pilot Plant Project



GEOTHERMAL PLANTS OPERATING IN 2013

| LOCATION | OWNER | STATE | INSTALLED CAPACITY |
|---------------------------|-------------|-------|--------------------|
| Innamincka (Cooper Basin) | Geodynamics | SA | 1 MW trial plant |
| Ergon Energy | Birdsville | QLD | 0.12 MW |

GEOTHERMAL PLANTS IN DEVELOPMENT IN 2013⁵¹

| LOCATION | OWNER | STATE | INSTALLED CAPACITY |
|---------------------------|-------------|-------|---|
| Innamincka (Cooper Basin) | Geodynamics | SA | Recorded closed loop flows and high well-head temperatures of 215 degrees Celsius. Looking at using trial results to put forward proposals to companies to further develop the project. |
| Paralana | Petratherm | QLD | Has drilled two wells. Awarded funding from ARENA to drill third well- Paralana 3. |



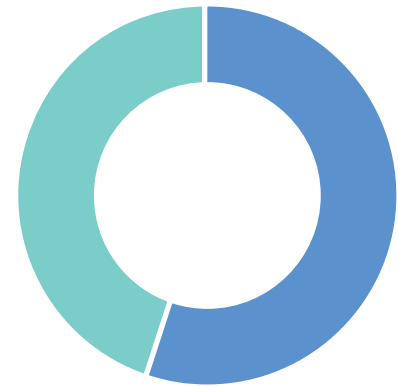
Australia's network of 123 operating hydro power stations produced enough electricity in 2013 to power the equivalent of almost 2.7 million homes. These hydro plants produced 8.2 per cent of all the electricity generated in Australia during the year, and were responsible for more than half of clean energy's total contribution.

Most of the country's hydro power is generated by the Snowy River Hydro Scheme in New South Wales and Hydro Tasmania's network of power plants. Most suitable sites for hydro power in Australia have already been developed and there is limited scope for growth. The development of mini hydro plants or upgrading existing power plants makes up most of the additional activity in the sector.

Rainfall was above average for Australia's eastern coastline and northern Tasmania in 2013 – the location of key hydro catchments. Parts of Tasmania experienced repeated heavy rains and flooding between July and November.

The strong rainfalls and a strategy to build up storages to take advantage of the carbon price saw water levels at Hydro Tasmania's Gordon Dam – the state's largest hydro generator – rise to their highest since the late 1990s.

The substantially higher output across the Tasmanian and Snowy Mountain schemes helped hydro push clean energy's contribution to the country's total power supply to 14.76 per cent, a significant increase on the previous year. This is likely to fall in 2014 as generation at the Gordon Dam returns to average levels.



55%
OF TOTAL CLEAN ENERGY GENERATION

TOP HYDRO PLANTS IN AUSTRALIA IN 2013 - BY GENERATION⁵²

| HYDRO PLANT | OWNER | STATE | GENERATION |
|--------------|----------------|-------|------------|
| Gordon | Hydro Tasmania | TAS | 2794 GWh |
| Murray 1 & 2 | Snowy Hydro | NSW | 2395 GWh |
| Upper Tumut | Snowy Hydro | NSW | 1705 GWh |
| Poatina | Hydro Tasmania | TAS | 1372 GWh |
| Reece 1 & 2 | Hydro Tasmania | TAS | 1042 GWh |

Murray 1 and 2 are physically located in NSW but the electricity is fed into the Victorian electricity market.



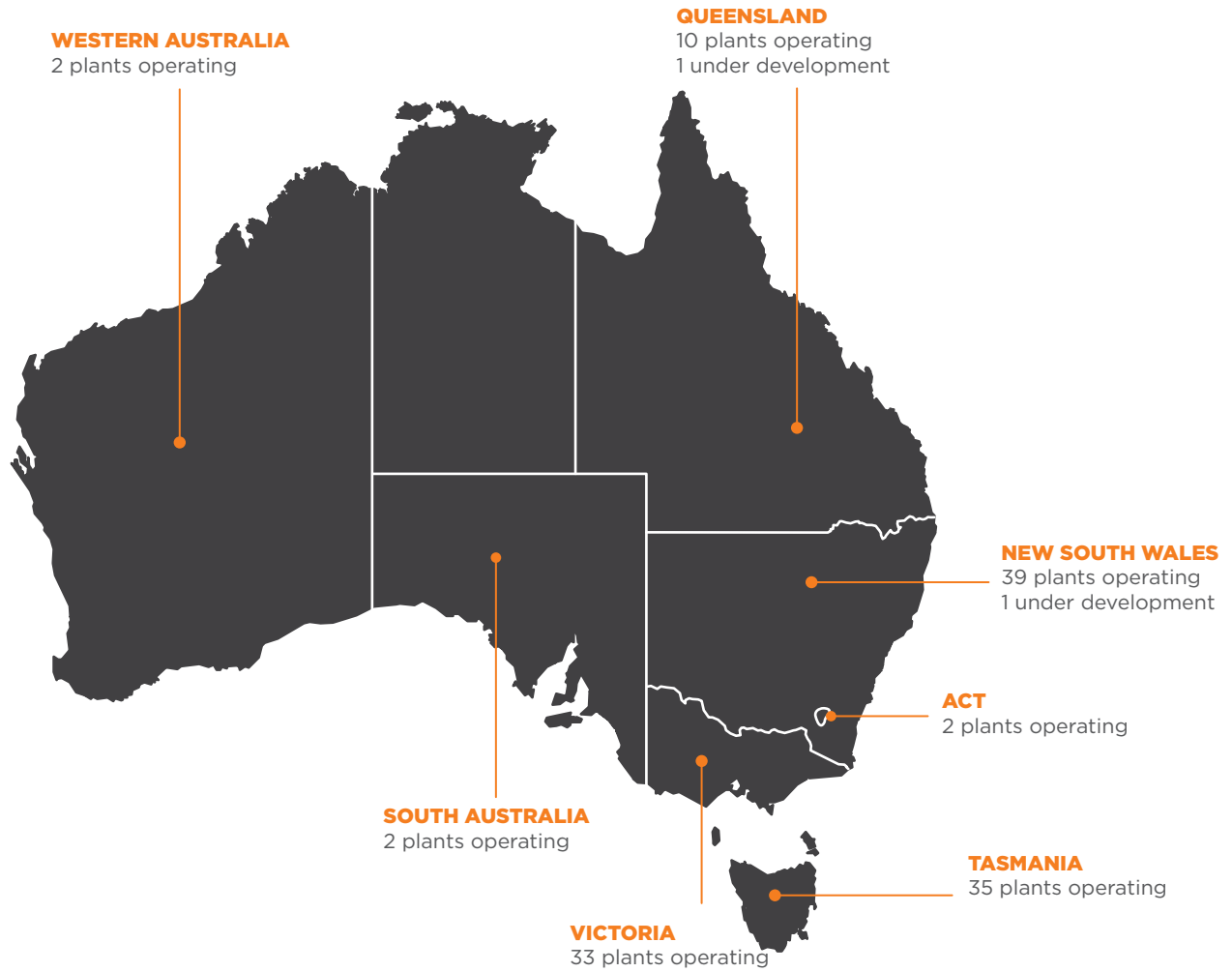


Image: Gordon Hydroelectric Power Station, Tasmania

Marine energy uses the movement of water to generate electricity through tides, current or waves. Australia's coastal areas are a massive potential source of marine energy.

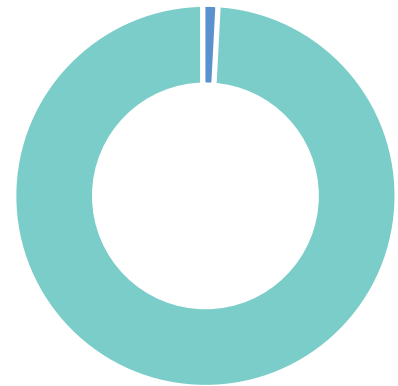
In 2013, 18 companies were actively investigating a variety of innovative marine energy projects in Australia, using tides, currents or waves to generate electricity.

The main challenge with the different types of marine technology in development lies in proving they are economically feasible and able to compete on cost with more established forms of renewable energy.

The country's best sources of wave energy are along the southern coastline. Some of the most outstanding sources of tidal energy occur in areas where there is a large movement between low and high tide, which can be amplified in some areas by the local geographical features. Regions being investigated include the Kimberley and Pilbara coasts of Western Australia's northern coastline, off the coast of northern Australia and Bass Strait in Tasmania.

Marine energy projects under development range from 250 kilowatt trials to Carnegie Wave Energy's 5 megawatt commercial power plant, which will supply power to a Department of Defence submarine facility on Garden Island in Western Australia. Carnegie Wave Energy and UK-based tidal developer Atlantis Resources Corporation announced an agreement in February 2014 to collaborate on a range of areas including technology and project development. The agreement aims to lower the cost of both wave and tidal generation.

In 2013 Lockheed Martin announced that it had signed a contract with Ocean Power Technologies Australasia to develop a 62.5 megawatt wave energy project along the Victorian coastline.



0.001%
OF TOTAL CLEAN ENERGY GENERATION

WAVE AND TIDAL PILOT PLANTS CURRENTLY OPERATING⁵³

| TECHNOLOGY TYPE | OWNER | LOCATION | STATE | INSTALLED CAPACITY |
|-----------------|----------------------|-----------------|-------|---|
| Wave | Carnegie Wave Energy | Fremantle | WA | 0.1 MW |
| Wave | Oceanlinx | Port MacDonnell | SA | 1 MW plant under construction (future of project is currently being assessed) |



WESTERN AUSTRALIA

1 plant operating
3 under development

NORTHERN TERRITORY

1 plant under development

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

1 plant under development

VICTORIA

4 plants under development

TASMANIA

3 plants under development



Image: Wave energy research facility, Fremantle

SOLAR POWER

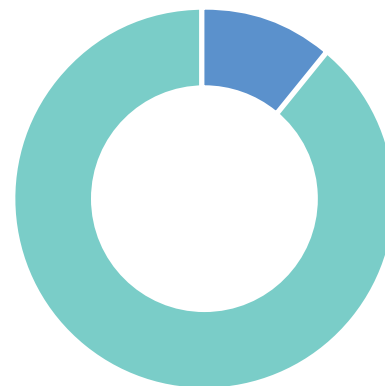
Almost 1.25 million small-scale solar power systems were installed by the end of 2013, meaning that approximately 3.1 million Australians now live or work beneath a set of solar panels. Solar power produced 1.62 per cent of the country's total electricity generation during the 2013 calendar year.

The one millionth solar power system was installed in the first half of 2013. The milestone came in a year where the solar market contracted following the reduction of all state-based solar power incentives. While more than 200,000 systems were installed during the year – the industry's third most successful in history – sales were a long way short of the historical highs of the preceding two years. With the cost of systems continuing to fall alongside growing awareness and concern about rising energy bills, the business case for solar remains very compelling.

Data from the Clean Energy Regulator continues to show that Australians from all walks of life are embracing solar technology. Residents from affluent inner-city suburbs generally installed solar at much lower rates than those in mortgage belt, retirement and regional areas.

Now that the last state-based solar incentive has been reduced, the industry has entered a period of consolidation as less profitable businesses are pushed out of the market. The closure of some state-based support schemes brought forward many months' worth of work as customers rushed to take advantage of them. This resulted in a quieter year in 2013 compared to 2012 and the peak in 2011.

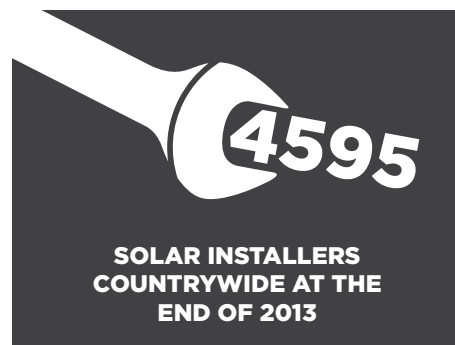
There were 4595 solar installers across the country at the end of 2013. This is a drop of 5 per cent compared to the year before and reflects the consolidation of the sector following the reduction of state support schemes.



11%
**OF TOTAL CLEAN
ENERGY GENERATION**



**AUSTRALIA'S TOP SOLAR
POSTCODE, WITH 8015
INSTALLATIONS**



**SOLAR INSTALLERS
COUNTRYWIDE AT THE
END OF 2013**

TOP 10 SOLAR POSTCODES IN AUSTRALIA

| POSTCODE | NUMBER OF INSTALLATIONS | POSTCODE COVERAGE |
|----------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 4670 | 8015 | QLD - Bundaberg and surrounds |
| 6210 | 7362 | WA - Mandurah |
| 4551 | 6574 | QLD - Caloundra region |
| 4655 | 6525 | QLD - Hervey Bay |
| 4350 | 5928 | QLD - East Toowoomba |
| 4305 | 5268 | QLD - Ipswich and surrounds |
| 4211 | 5039 | QLD - Nerang and hinterland |
| 6065 | 4799 | WA - Wanneroo |
| 4207 | 4703 | QLD - Beenleigh and Yatala |
| 6155 | 4662 | WA - Canning Vale |
| 4570 | 4622 | QLD - Gympie |

TOP SOLAR POSTCODES FOR EACH STATE

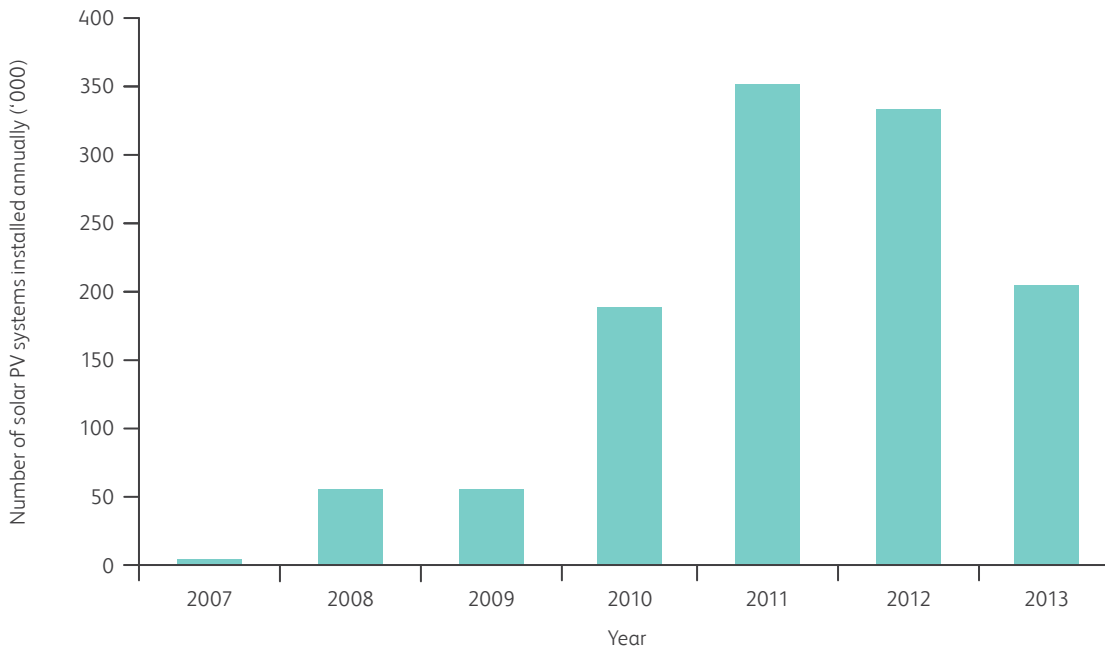
| STATE | POSTCODE | NUMBER OF INSTALLATIONS | POSTCODE COVERAGE |
|-------|----------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| QLD | 4670 | 8015 | Bundaberg and surrounds |
| WA | 6210 | 7362 | Mandurah |
| NSW | 2830 | 4024 | Dubbo and surrounds |
| VIC | 3029 | 4185 | Hoppers Crossing |
| SA | 5162 | 3968 | Morphett Vale, Woodcraft |
| TAS | 7250 | 1701 | Launceston |

The top 10 solar postcodes in each state are available in the Appendix

Image: Solar installers, Melbourne

SOLAR POWER

ANNUAL NUMBER OF SOLAR PV SYSTEM INSTALLATIONS IN AUSTRALIA⁵⁴

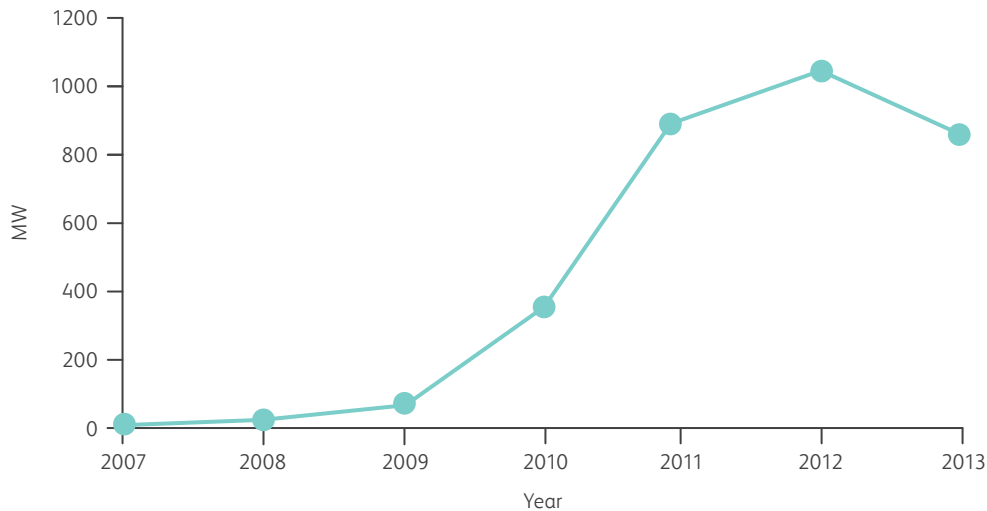


ANNUAL NUMBER OF SOLAR PV SYSTEM INSTALLATIONS IN AUSTRALIA⁵⁴

| YEAR INSTALLED | ACT | NSW | NT | QLD | SA | TAS | VIC | WA | NATIONAL |
|----------------|---------------|----------------|-------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|
| 2007 | 102 | 670 | 2 | 348 | 719 | 26 | 606 | 156 | 2629 |
| 2008 | 277 | 14,026 | 225 | 18,377 | 8592 | 1454 | 8735 | 11,166 | 62,852 |
| 2009 | 803 | 14,009 | 215 | 18,283 | 8573 | 1452 | 8429 | 11,157 | 62,921 |
| 2010 | 2390 | 69,887 | 637 | 48,691 | 16,703 | 1889 | 35,680 | 22,292 | 198,169 |
| 2011 | 6944 | 80,115 | 401 | 95,261 | 63,476 | 2475 | 60,203 | 51,658 | 360,533 |
| 2012 | 1560 | 53,825 | 512 | 130,158 | 41,803 | 6358 | 66,198 | 42,628 | 343,042 |
| 2013 | 2553 | 36,605 | 986 | 79,581 | 28,247 | 7552 | 33,666 | 24,050 | 213,239 |
| TOTAL* | 14,658 | 269,748 | 2983 | 390,987 | 169,679 | 21,230 | 214,291 | 163,200 | 1,246,775 |

*includes pre 2007

ANNUAL CAPACITY OF SOLAR PV INSTALLED IN AUSTRALIA (2007-13)⁵⁵



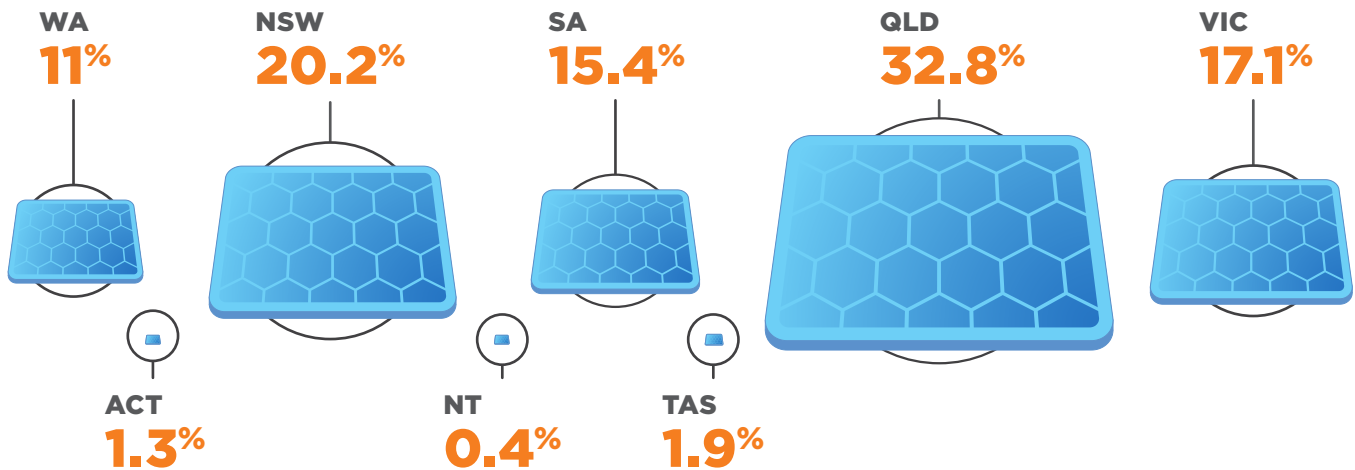
ANNUAL CAPACITY OF SOLAR PV INSTALLED IN AUSTRALIA (2007-13)⁵⁵

| | ACT | NSW | NT | QLD | SA | TAS | VIC | WA | NATIONAL (MW) |
|---------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|
| 2007 | 0.20 | 1.10 | 0.00 | 0.57 | 1.16 | 0.04 | 0.97 | 0.27 | 4.30 |
| 2008 | 0.49 | 4.21 | 0.41 | 4.16 | 4.88 | 0.24 | 2.73 | 2.92 | 20.05 |
| 2009 | 1.28 | 19.20 | 0.51 | 24.51 | 12.44 | 1.72 | 10.51 | 14.30 | 84.48 |
| 2010 | 5.35 | 153.06 | 1.49 | 92.35 | 33.23 | 3.02 | 58.95 | 42.15 | 389.60 |
| 2011 | 17.42 | 194.82 | 1.80 | 225.06 | 163.25 | 5.91 | 140.27 | 122.97 | 871.52 |
| 2012 | 5.08 | 144.33 | 4.95 | 418.01 | 137.82 | 20.24 | 207.46 | 99.46 | 1034.68 |
| 2013 | 11.66 | 141.40 | 4.95 | 308.64 | 147.06 | 32.40 | 137.17 | 76.69 | 859.97 |
| TOTAL* | 41.54 | 659.03 | 11.47 | 1073.79 | 502.39 | 63.60 | 559.20 | 358.89 | 3269.90 |

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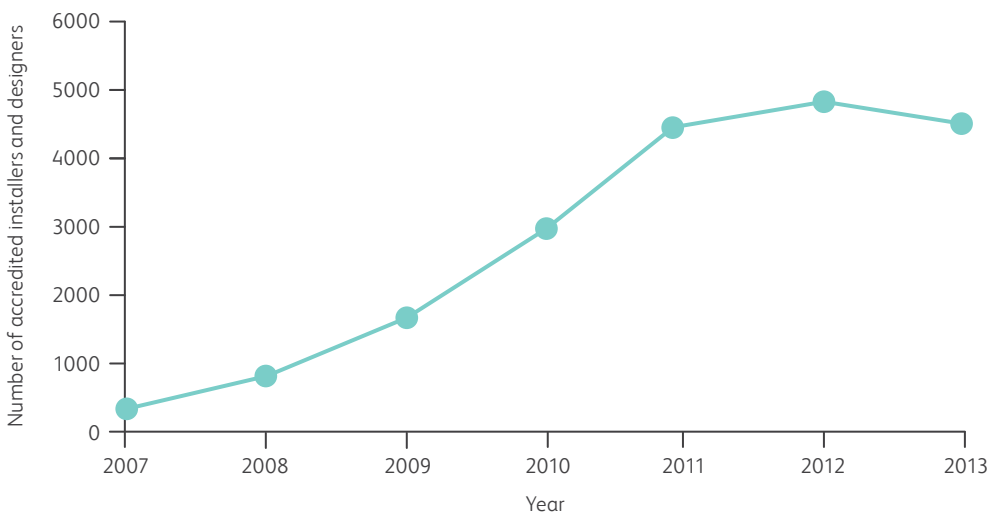
SOLAR POWER

PERCENTAGE OF SOLAR PV CAPACITY INSTALLED BY STATE⁵⁶



Bloomberg New Energy Finance predicts another 2.6 GW – 3.7 GW of solar capacity to be installed in Australia between 2013 and 2016.⁵⁵

TOTAL NUMBER OF ACCREDITED INSTALLERS AND DESIGNERS IN AUSTRALIA⁵⁷

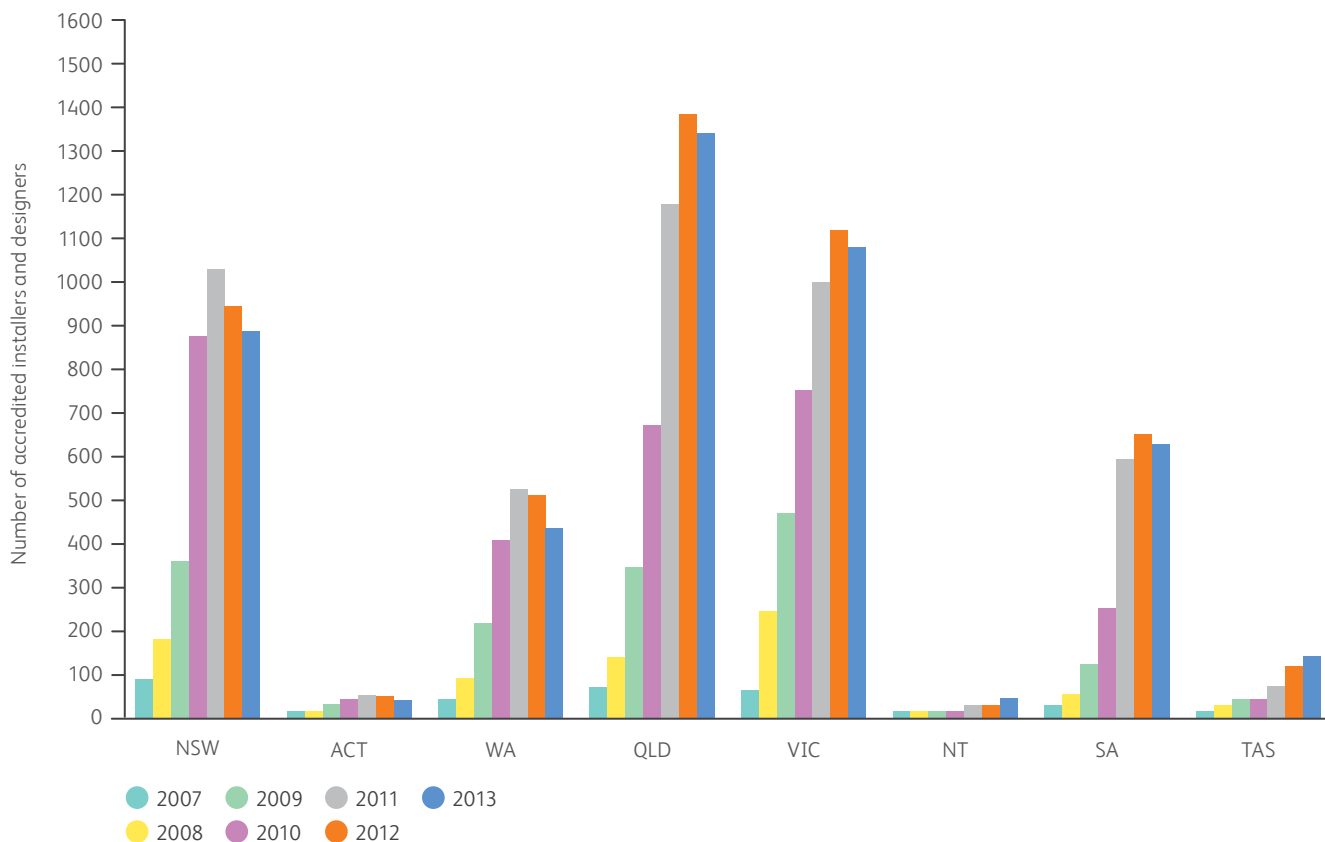


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⁵⁶ SunWiz 2014. Due to rounding, totals may not add up to 100 per cent

⁵⁷ Bloomberg New Energy Finance, 2013, H1 2013 Australia Clean Energy Market Outlook

ACCREDITED SOLAR PANEL INSTALLERS AND DESIGNERS IN AUSTRALIA - BY STATE



ACCREDITED SOLAR PANEL INSTALLERS AND DESIGNERS IN AUSTRALIA - BY STATE

| | NSW | ACT | WA | QLD | VIC | NT | SA | TAS | TOTAL |
|------|------|-----|-----|------|------|----|-----|-----|-------|
| 2007 | 95 | 6 | 46 | 73 | 66 | 13 | 24 | 14 | 337 |
| 2008 | 192 | 11 | 95 | 143 | 245 | 11 | 57 | 24 | 778 |
| 2009 | 360 | 28 | 220 | 349 | 473 | 16 | 130 | 43 | 1619 |
| 2010 | 879 | 46 | 414 | 675 | 754 | 16 | 252 | 45 | 3081 |
| 2011 | 1034 | 53 | 531 | 1187 | 1004 | 22 | 593 | 71 | 4495 |
| 2012 | 948 | 48 | 514 | 1391 | 1122 | 28 | 650 | 120 | 4821 |
| 2013 | 894 | 44 | 439 | 1336 | 1093 | 41 | 604 | 144 | 4595 |

LARGE-SCALE SOLAR POWER

Australia's world-class solar energy resources, wide open spaces and strong public enthusiasm for large-scale solar technology combine to give this technology a bright future. With a series of projects announced in 2013 and several now under construction, large-scale solar power⁵⁸ is on its way to playing a major role in Australia's future energy mix.

Australia currently has only two genuinely large-scale solar power plants – the 10 megawatt (MW) Greenough River solar photovoltaic (PV) facility in Western Australia and a 9.3 MW solar thermal plant which was added to the Liddell coal-fired power plant in New South Wales (NSW). Meanwhile, interest in solar systems of between 30 and 400 kilowatts has rapidly increased as commercial and industrial businesses take up solar to reduce their exposure to rising energy bills. This presents an exciting future growth opportunity for the Australian solar industry.

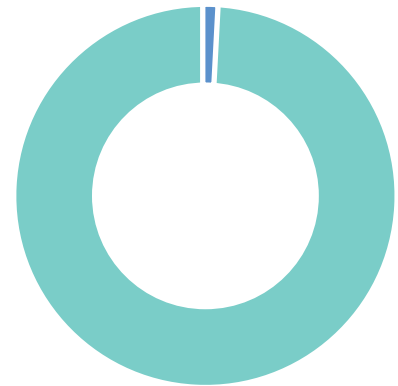
The Australian Renewable Energy Agency (ARENA) was set up by the former Federal Government with bipartisan support to coordinate support for emerging technologies such as large-scale solar. The 102 MW Nyngan Solar Plant is the first of two large-scale solar PV projects that AGL will deliver in partnership with First Solar, with support from ARENA and the NSW Government. Construction began at Nyngan in early 2014 and it is expected to come online by mid-2015. AGL's second plant at Broken Hill is scheduled to start construction during 2014, with an expected completion date of late 2015.

The Australian Capital Territory Government has also run a 'reverse auction' support process to reward the proponents of lowest cost large-scale solar projects. Fotowatio Renewable Ventures is currently constructing a 20 megawatt solar plant at Royalla in the ACT under this process, while two other projects have been awarded and are heading towards construction.

Almost all recent activity in the large-scale sector has been in solar PV technology, which is the same kind of technology that is installed on household rooftops.

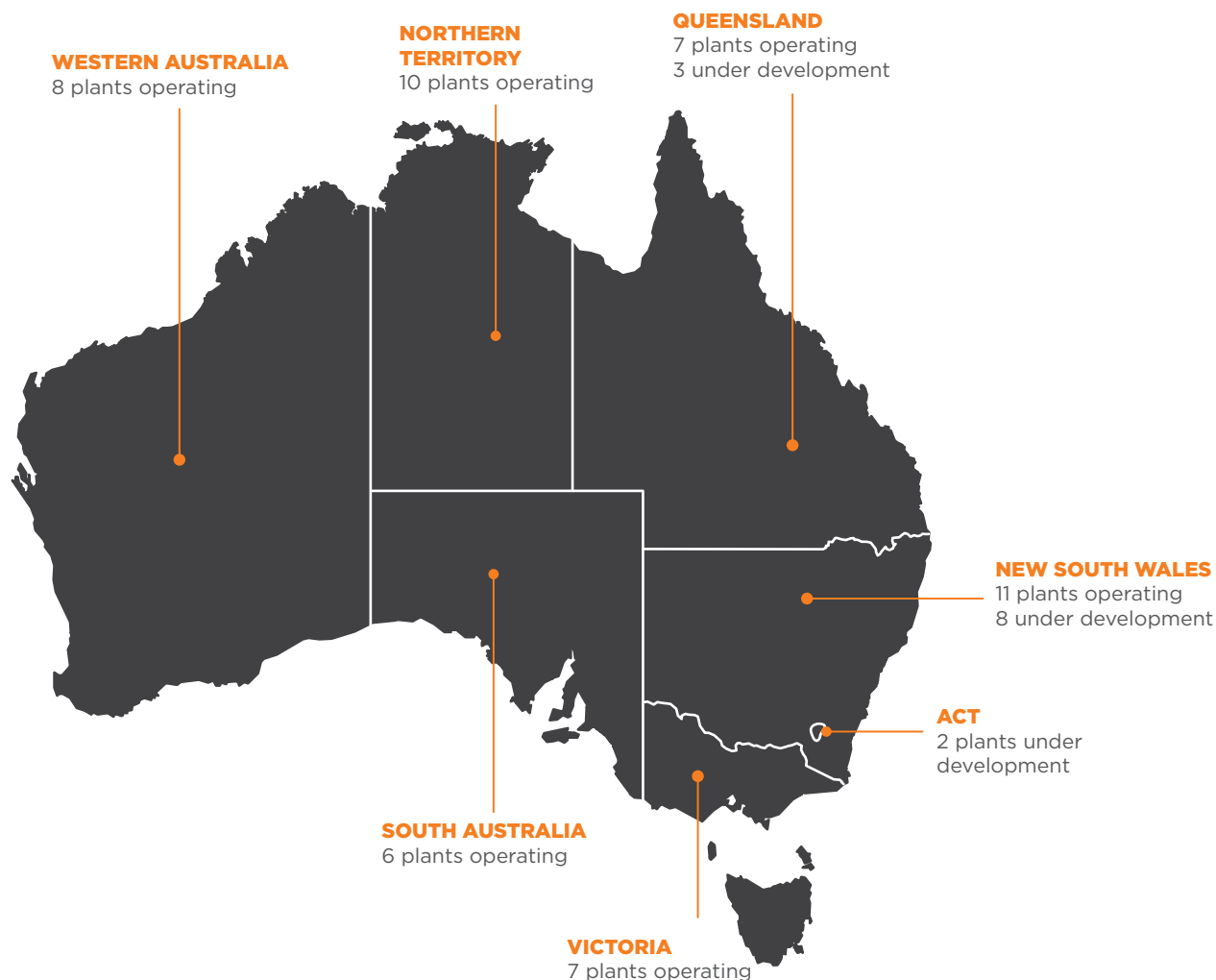
The domestic market for large-scale solar has attracted interest from leading Australian renewable energy companies and major international investors and developers. The Federal Government announced in the 2014 Federal Budget that ARENA would be abolished and its \$1.3 billion of unspent funding removed.

There are concerns that this move will cause many international investors to seek out other markets with more support for large-scale solar power.



0.021%
**OF TOTAL CLEAN
ENERGY GENERATION**

⁵⁸ Large-scale is defined as larger than 100 kilowatts



LARGE-SCALE SOLAR PLANTS COMMISSIONED IN 2013⁵⁹

| FUEL SOURCE | LOCATION | OWNER | STATE | INSTALLED CAPACITY |
|-------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------|--------------------|
| Solar PV | Mildura Stage 1 | Silex (Solar Systems) | VIC | 1.5 MW |
| Solar PV | Darwin | Nightcliff Shopping Centre | NT | 1.06 MW |
| Solar PV | KJM Contractors | Edinburgh Park | SA | 0.5 MW |
| Solar PV | Port Melbourne | NEXTDC | VIC | 0.4 MW |
| Solar PV | Griffith | Griffith University | NSW | 0.38 MW |
| Solar PV | Bibra Lake | Bidvest Foodservices | WA | 0.3 MW |
| Solar PV | Griffith | De Bortoli Winery | NSW | 0.23 MW |
| Solar PV | Frankland River | Ferngrove Wines | WA | 0.23 MW |
| Solar PV | Moorebank | Tacca Plastics | NSW | 0.2 MW |
| Solar PV | Mount Cotton | Sirromet Wines | QLD | 0.2 MW |
| Solar PV | McLaren Vale | D'Arenberg Winery | SA | 0.2 MW |
| Solar PV | Bibra Lake | Australian Wool Testing Authority | WA | 0.15 MW |
| Solar PV | Capital East Solar Farm | Infigen Energy | NSW | 0.13 MW |

LARGE-SCALE SOLAR POWER

TOP 5 LARGE-SCALE COMMERCIAL SOLAR PLANTS⁶⁰

| FUEL SOURCE | LOCATION | OWNER | STATE | COMMISSION YEAR | INSTALLED CAPACITY |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|-------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Solar PV | Greenough River Solar | Verve Energy / GE Energy | WA | 2012 | 10 MW |
| Solar Thermal Concentrator | Liddell III | Areva / Macquarie Generation | NSW | 2012 | 9.3 MW |
| Solar PV | Mildura Stage 1 | Silex (Solar Systems) | VIC | 2013 | 1.5 MW |
| Solar PV | St Lucia Campus | University of QLD / Ingenero | QLD | 2011 | 1.2 MW |
| Solar PV | Newington | Newington Athletes Village | NSW | 2010 | 1.1 MW |

LARGE-SCALE SOLAR PROJECTS CURRENTLY UNDER CONSTRUCTION

| FUEL SOURCE | LOCATION | OWNER | STATE | COMMISSION YEAR | INSTALLED CAPACITY |
|---------------|------------------------------|-------------|-------|--|--------------------|
| Solar Thermal | CS Energy | Kogan Creek | QLD | TBA | 44 MW |
| Solar PV | Fotowatio Renewable Ventures | Royalla | ACT | 2014 | 20 MW |
| Solar PV | AGL | Nyngan | NSW | 2015 | 102 MW |
| Solar PV | AGL | Broken Hill | NSW | Construction expected to commence mid-2014 | 62 MW |



Image: Capital East Solar Farm, New South Wales

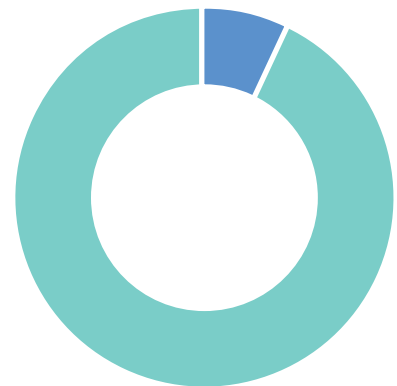
SOLAR WATER HEATING



The energy saved from solar water heating in 2013 was equivalent to 7 per cent of the clean energy generated in Australia.

Solar water heating can refer to either a solar hot water system or heat pump technology. Solar hot water systems typically use collectors on the roof of a house to capture the warmth from the sun to heat water in a tank. Heat pumps draw warmth from the air to heat water and are approximately three times more efficient than a conventional electric storage water heater.

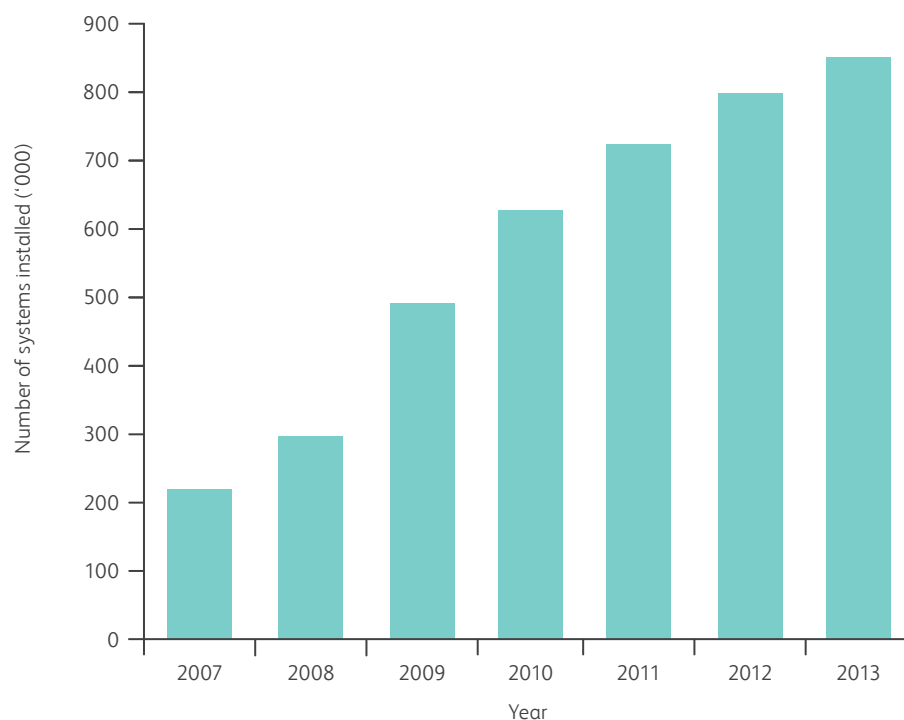
A solar water heating system can save the average household hundreds of dollars on power bills every year compared to an electric hot water system, as well as lowering emissions by 2.4 to 3 tonnes. Many solar water heaters are manufactured in Australia, and the use of this technology supports local jobs.



7%

EQUIVALENT OF CLEAN ENERGY GENERATED SAVED THROUGH SOLAR WATER HEATING

CUMULATIVE SOLAR WATER HEATER INSTALLATIONS IN AUSTRALIA⁶¹

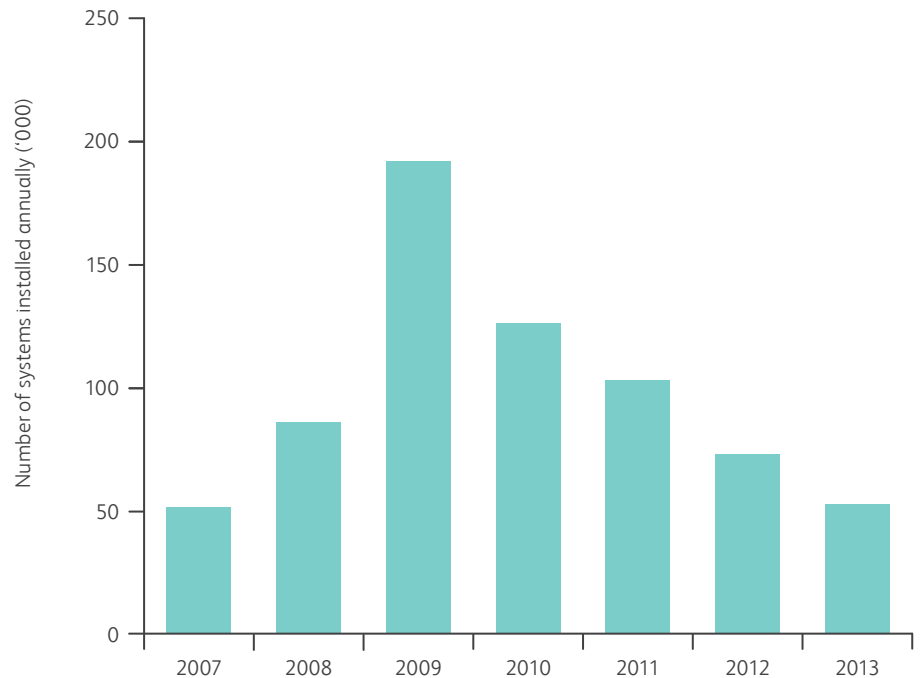


| YEAR | CUMULATIVE NUMBER OF INSTALLATIONS |
|------|------------------------------------|
| 2007 | 212,422 |
| 2008 | 297,806 |
| 2009 | 492,497 |
| 2010 | 619,589 |
| 2011 | 724,639 |
| 2012 | 794,105 |
| 2013 | 847,700 |

ANNUAL INSTALLATIONS OF SOLAR WATER HEATERS BY STATE PER YEAR⁶²

Approximately 54,000 solar hot water systems and heat pumps were installed in 2013, a 23 per cent decline on the year before and the continuation of a downward trend since a peak in 2009. Sales in recent years have been affected by the removal of state and federal government rebates. Solar power has also made substantial inroads into the market share of solar water heating.

Installations in 2013 were strongest in Victoria due to state building regulations that encourage higher levels of energy efficiency, including the installation of solar water heating.



| YEAR | ACT | NSW | NT | QLD | SA | TAS | VIC | WA | NATIONAL |
|------|------|--------|------|--------|------|------|--------|--------|----------|
| 2007 | 453 | 8765 | 1414 | 16,830 | 2869 | 350 | 9157 | 11,139 | 50,977 |
| 2008 | 1001 | 20,203 | 1236 | 23,330 | 5103 | 906 | 21,207 | 12,398 | 85,384 |
| 2009 | 1974 | 85,454 | 1731 | 36,659 | 8793 | 2269 | 42,119 | 15,692 | 194,691 |
| 2010 | 960 | 38,524 | 1303 | 34,262 | 6812 | 1433 | 27,733 | 16,065 | 127,092 |
| 2011 | 1038 | 25,331 | 1267 | 30,937 | 5444 | 1725 | 26,446 | 12,862 | 105,050 |
| 2012 | 734 | 10,810 | 1171 | 18,973 | 3473 | 899 | 21,594 | 11,812 | 69,466 |
| 2013 | 400 | 8957 | 698 | 12,398 | 2541 | 734 | 17,594 | 10,273 | 53,595 |

SOLAR WATER HEATING



CURRENT TOTAL NUMBER OF SOLAR WATER HEATING SYSTEMS INSTALLED BY STATE⁶³

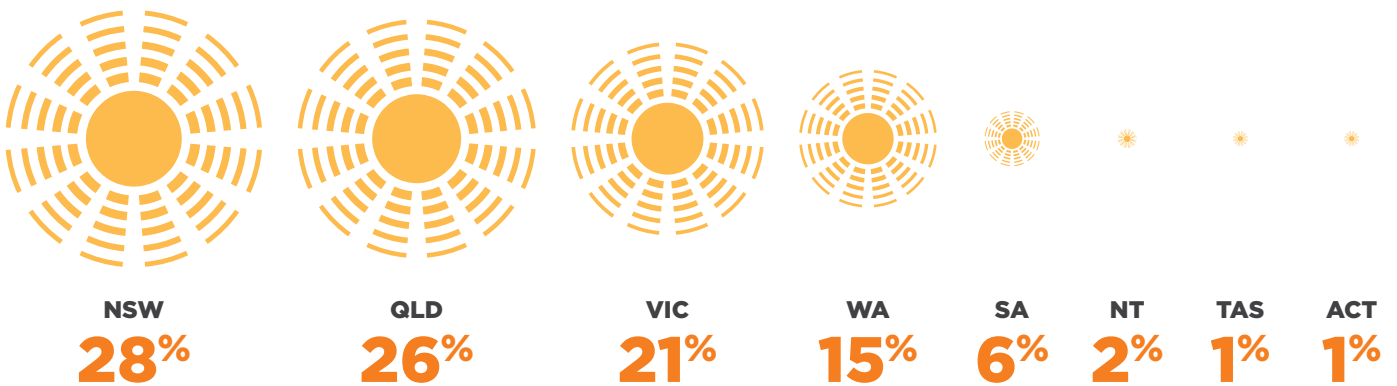
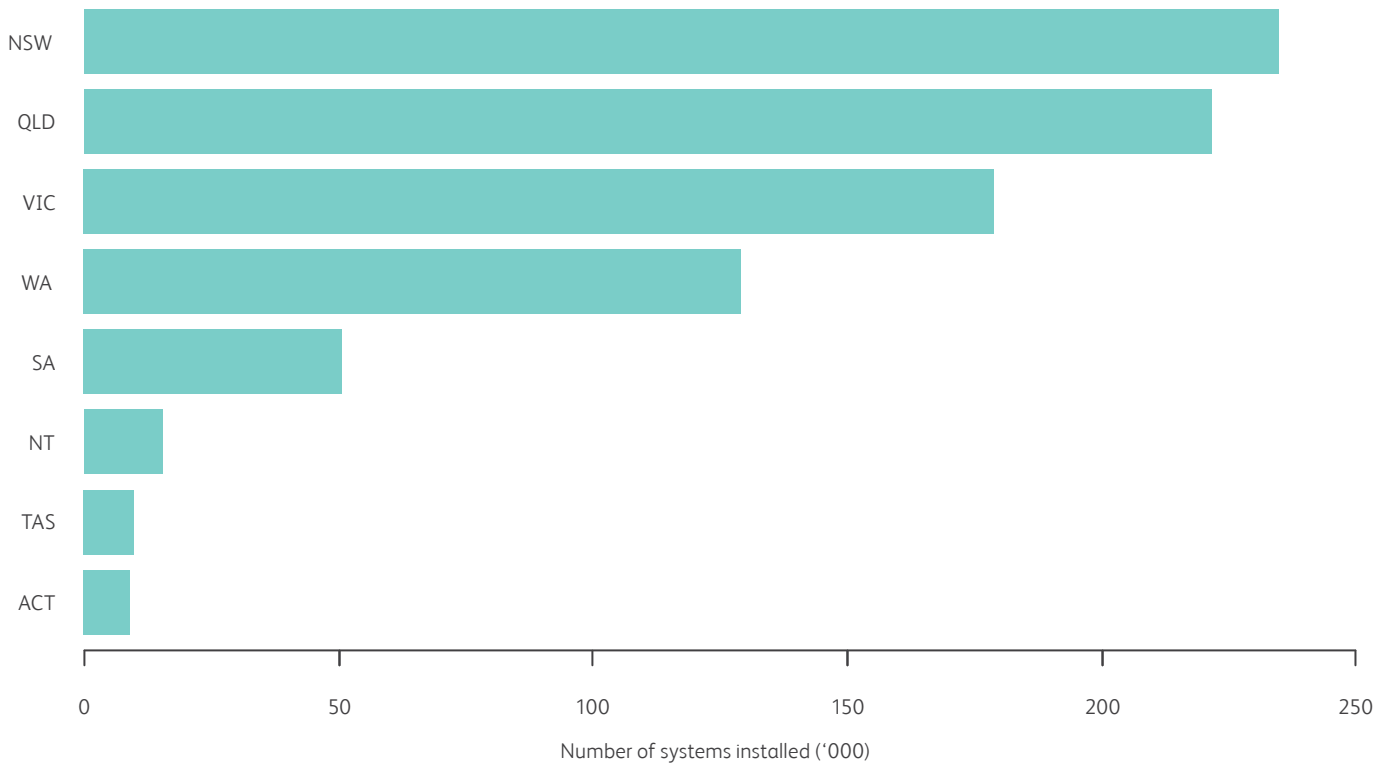




Image: Rooftop solar hot water installation

WIND POWER



Australia's 68 wind farms produced just over a quarter of all clean energy generated in 2013, enough for the equivalent of more than 1.3 million average homes. Wind power supplied 4 per cent of the country's overall electricity needs during the year.

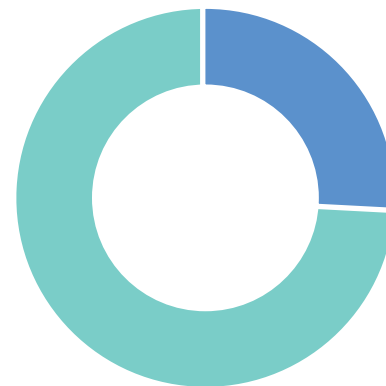
There were 1639 wind turbines operating at the end of 2013, providing a combined capacity of 3240 megawatts (MW). Six new projects came online during the year, including the Southern Hemisphere's largest operating wind farm at Macarthur in western Victoria. The 420 MW project led the wind sector to an 80 per cent increase on the amount of wind power installed during 2012, with the 655 MW of new capacity representing the largest yearly increase in installed capacity in the industry's history.

The \$1.5 billion of new financial investment was almost double the level of the year before.

Wind power is currently the lowest cost type of renewable energy that can be rolled out on a large scale. The national Renewable Energy Target provides an incentive to build the lowest cost renewable energy projects, meaning that wind power is likely to be the main technology supported by the target this decade.

At the end of 2013, 16 projects with a combined capacity of 1896 MW were under construction and expected to be fully operational within three years.

South Australia had the most wind turbines of any state at the end of 2013, accounting for over a third (37 per cent) of the nation's wind capacity. More than a quarter (28 per cent) of its demand for electricity was produced by wind power in the 2013 calendar year.



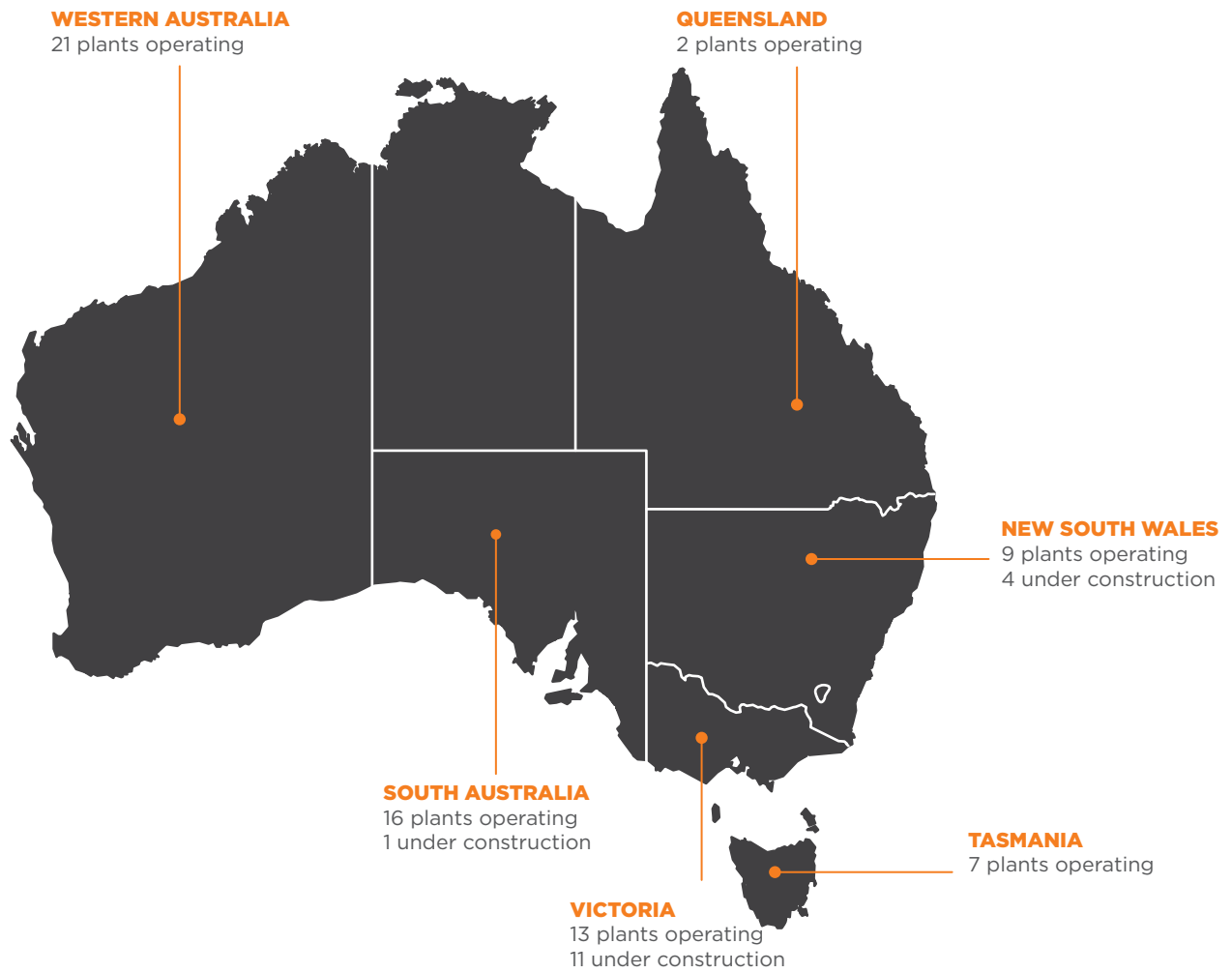
26%
OF TOTAL CLEAN ENERGY GENERATION



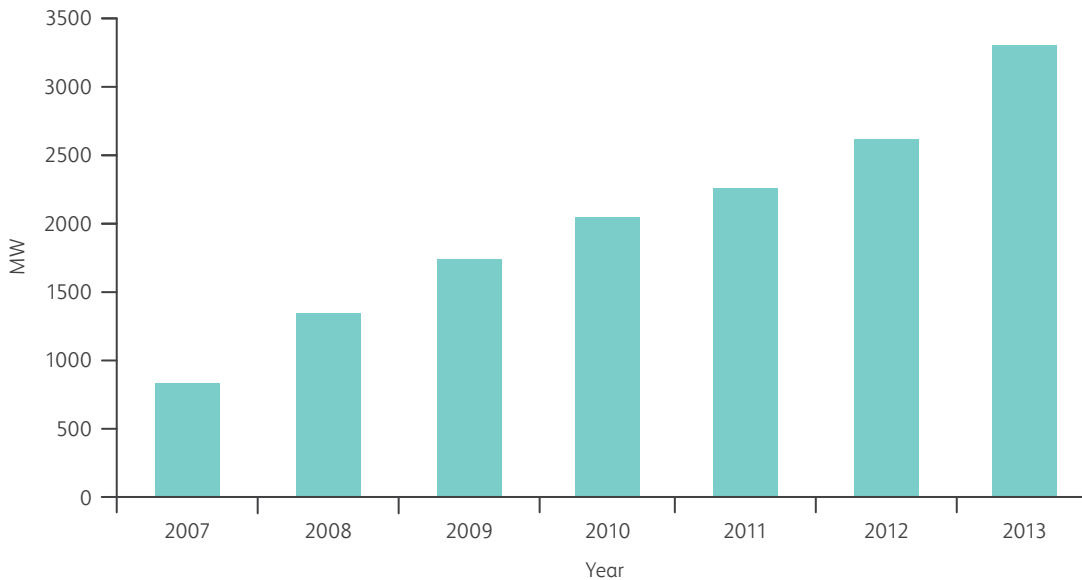
"I am very proud and will, at every opportunity, advocate that southwest Victoria is not only the home of renewable energy, but we've only just started in terms of the potential for renewable energy in this area.

"I think they (the turbines) are absolutely fantastic."

Victorian Premier Denis Napthine at the launch of the Macarthur Wind Farm, from The Herald Sun, 12 April 2013.



CUMULATIVE INSTALLED WIND CAPACITY IN AUSTRALIA⁶⁴



WIND POWER



WIND FARMS COMMISSIONED IN 2013⁶⁵

| OWNER | LOCATION | STATE | INSTALLED CAPACITY |
|---|-----------------------------|-------|--------------------|
| AGL Energy and Malakoff Corp BHD | Macarthur | VIC | 420 MW |
| Woolnorth Wind Farm Holdings | Musselroe | TAS | 168 MW |
| Verve Energy and Infrastructure Capital Group | Mumbida | WA | 55 MW |
| Blair Fox | Karakin (Lancelin) | WA | 5 MW |
| Blair Fox | West Hills Farm (Lancelin) | WA | 5 MW |
| Denmark Community Wind Farm | Denmark Community Wind Farm | WA | 2.4 MW |

WIND FARMS UNDER CONSTRUCTION AT END 2013

| OWNER | LOCATION | STATE | EXPECTED COMMISSION YEAR | INSTALLED CAPACITY |
|--------------------------------|----------------------|-------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| Trustpower Australia | Snowtown 2 | SA | 2014 | 270 MW |
| RES | Ararat | VIC | 2015 | 247.5 MW |
| ACCIONA | Mt Gellibrand | VIC | 2015 | 189 MW |
| Goldwind Australia | Gullen Range | NSW | 2014 | 165.5 MW |
| Union Fenosa | Ryan Corner | VIC | TBA | 134 MW |
| Meridian Energy | Mt Mercer | VIC | 2015 | 131.2 MW |
| Electricity Generating PCL | Boco Rock | NSW | 2015 | 113 MW |
| CBD Energy and Banco Santander | Taralga | NSW | 2015 | 106.8 MW |
| Mitsui & Co Ltd | Bald Hills (1 and 2) | VIC | 2015 | 106.6 MW |
| Union Fenosa | Crookwell 2 | NSW | TBA | 92 MW |
| Pacific Hydro | Crowlands | VIC | 2015 | 84 MW |
| ACCIONA | Mortlake South | VIC | 2016 | 76.5 MW |
| Union Fenosa | Hawkesdale | VIC | TBA | 62 MW |
| Pacific Hydro | Portland Stage 4 | VIC | 2015 | 47.2 MW |
| Wind Farm Developments | Woolsthorpe | VIC | 2015 | 40 MW |
| Trustpower Australia | Salt Creek | VIC | 2015 | 31.5 MW |

TOTAL INSTALLED WIND CAPACITY BY STATE⁶⁶

SA

1205 MW
561 TURBINES
16 PROJECTS

VIC

939 MW
454 TURBINES
13 PROJECTS

WA

491 MW
308 TURBINES
21 PROJECTS

TAS

310 MW
124 TURBINES
7 PROJECTS

NSW

282 MW
170 TURBINES
9 PROJECTS

QLD

12.5 MW
22 TURBINES
2 PROJECTS

TOTAL

3240 MW
1639 TURBINES
68 PROJECTS

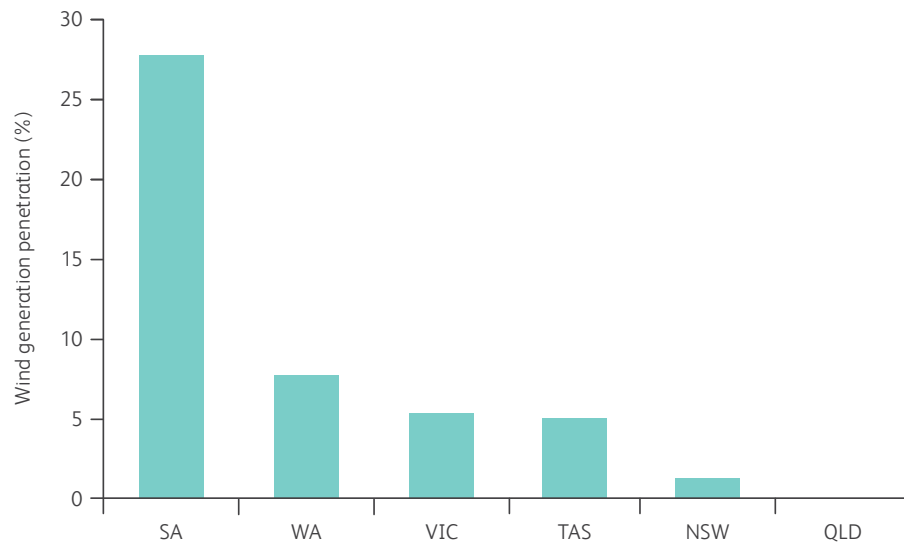
Image: Musselroe Wind Farm, Tasmania

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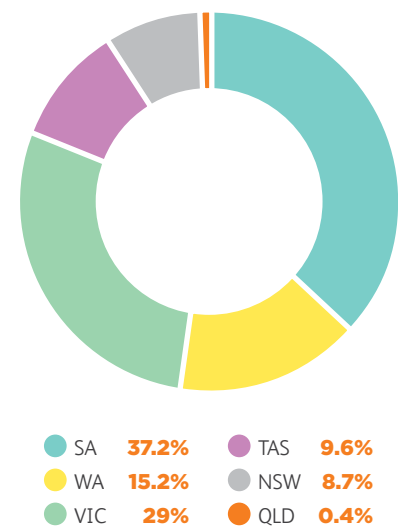
WIND POWER



PENETRATION OF WIND GENERATION IN EACH STATE AS A PERCENTAGE OF DEMAND⁶⁷



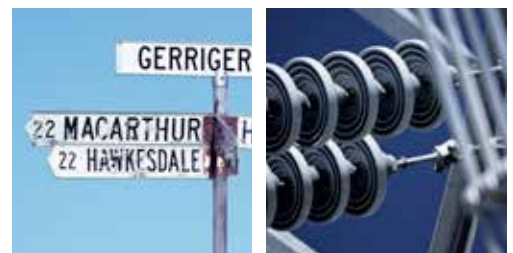
PERCENTAGE OF INSTALLED WIND CAPACITY BY STATE⁶⁸



All images: Macarthur Wind Farm, Victoria

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APPENDIX 1

TOP 10 SOLAR POSTCODES BY STATE⁶⁹

QUEENSLAND

| POSTCODE | TOTAL SYSTEMS INSTALLED | TOTAL CAPACITY OF INSTALLED SYSTEMS (KILOWATTS) | SUBURB |
|----------|-------------------------|---|-----------------------------------|
| 4670 | 8015 | 22,648 | Bundaberg |
| 4551 | 6574 | 15,322 | Caloundra |
| 4655 | 6525 | 16,513 | Hervey Bay |
| 4350 | 5928 | 16,280 | Toowoomba |
| 4305 | 5268 | 13,227 | Ipswich |
| 4211 | 5039 | 13,716 | Nerang and surrounding Hinterland |
| 4207 | 4703 | 12,257 | Beenleigh |
| 4570 | 4622 | 12,905.325 | Gympie |
| 4556 | 4510 | 11,366.152 | Buderim |
| 4306 | 4314 | 12,751.662 | Amberley and Wivenhoe |

NEW SOUTH WALES

| POSTCODE | TOTAL SYSTEMS INSTALLED | TOTAL CAPACITY OF INSTALLED SYSTEMS (KILOWATTS) | SUBURB |
|----------|-------------------------|---|-------------------------|
| 2830 | 4024 | 8800 | Dubbo |
| 2480 | 3864 | 9595 | Lismore and surrounds |
| 2170 | 3216 | 6988 | Liverpool |
| 2486 | 3116 | 6786 | Tweed Heads South |
| 2560 | 3062 | 6752 | Campbelltown |
| 2444 | 2958 | 7161 | Port Macquarie |
| 2259 | 2842 | 5994 | Wyang |
| 2250 | 2622 | 5770 | Gosford |
| 2540 | 2573 | 6042 | Jervis Bay, Falls Creek |
| 2478 | 2345 | 5627 | Ballina |

VICTORIA

| POSTCODE | TOTAL SYSTEMS INSTALLED | TOTAL CAPACITY OF INSTALLED SYSTEMS (KILOWATTS) | SUBURB |
|----------|-------------------------|---|--------------------------------|
| 3029 | 4185 | 9981 | Hoppers Crossing |
| 3030 | 3706 | 9185 | Werribee |
| 3977 | 3502 | 8561 | Cranbourne |
| 3023 | 2782 | 6634 | Caroline Springs and Deer Park |
| 3805 | 2461 | 6340 | Narre Warren |
| 3064 | 2390 | 6053 | Craigieburn |
| 3216 | 2,267 | 5728 | Belmont and Highton |
| 3150 | 2055 | 4758 | Glen Waverley |
| 3551 | 1875 | 5873 | Bendigo suburbs |
| 3037 | 1871 | 4935 | Calder Park |

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

| POSTCODE | TOTAL SYSTEMS INSTALLED | TOTAL CAPACITY OF INSTALLED SYSTEMS (KILOWATTS) | SUBURB |
|----------|-------------------------|---|------------|
| 6210 | 7362 | 14,462 | Mandurah |
| 6065 | 4799 | 11,279 | Wanneroo |
| 6155 | 4662 | 10,104 | Willetton |
| 6164 | 4019 | 9126 | Jandakot |
| 6112 | 3493 | 7488 | Armadale |
| 6163 | 3398 | 7017 | Spearwood |
| 6169 | 3273 | 6814 | Safety Bay |
| 6027 | 3073 | 6951 | Joondalup |
| 6030 | 2916 | 6123 | Clarkson |
| 6110 | 2909 | 5994 | Gosnells |

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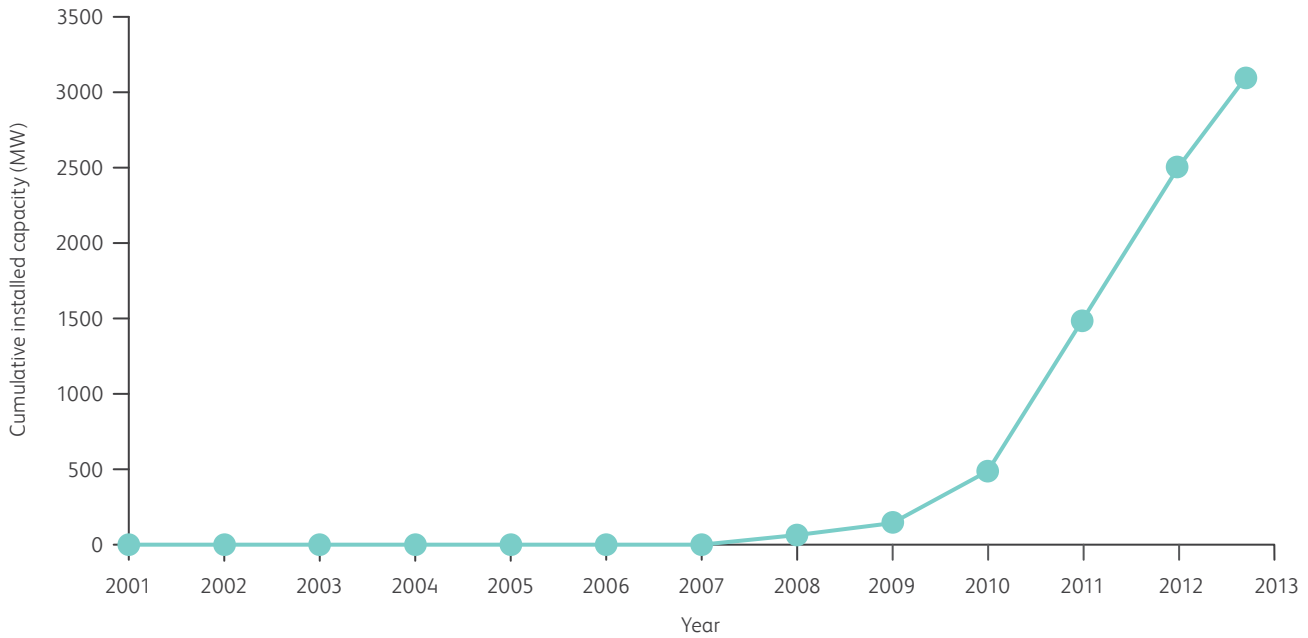
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|----------|-------------------------|---|-------------|
| 7250 | 1701 | 5414 | Launceston |
| 7310 | 784 | 2510 | Devonport |
| 7018 | 761 | 2090 | Rosny |
| 7030 | 596 | 1851 | Bridgewater |
| 7011 | 526 | 1368 | Claremont |
| 7315 | 505 | 1808 | Ulverstone |
| 7054 | 501 | 1502 | Margate |
| 7050 | 468 | 1392 | Kingston |
| 7010 | 447 | 1311 | Glenorchy |
| 7109 | 437 | 1288 | Huonville |

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

| POSTCODE | TOTAL SYSTEMS INSTALLED | TOTAL CAPACITY OF INSTALLED SYSTEMS (KILOWATTS) | SUBURB |
|----------|-------------------------|---|--------------------------------|
| 5162 | 3968 | 10,075 | Morphett Vale |
| 5159 | 3928 | 10,560 | Aberfoyle Park Happy Valley |
| 5108 | 3347 | 8803 | Salisbury and Paralowie |
| 5158 | 3179 | 8394 | Hallett Cove |
| 5114 | 2979 | 8336 | Craigmore |
| 5211 | 2881 | 7076 | Victor Harbor |
| 5125 | 2176 | 6018 | Golden Grove |
| 5109 | 2090 | 5394 | Salisbury |
| 5118 | 2063 | 6475 | Gawler |
| 5253 | 2042 | 6414 | Murray Bridge |

APPENDIX 2

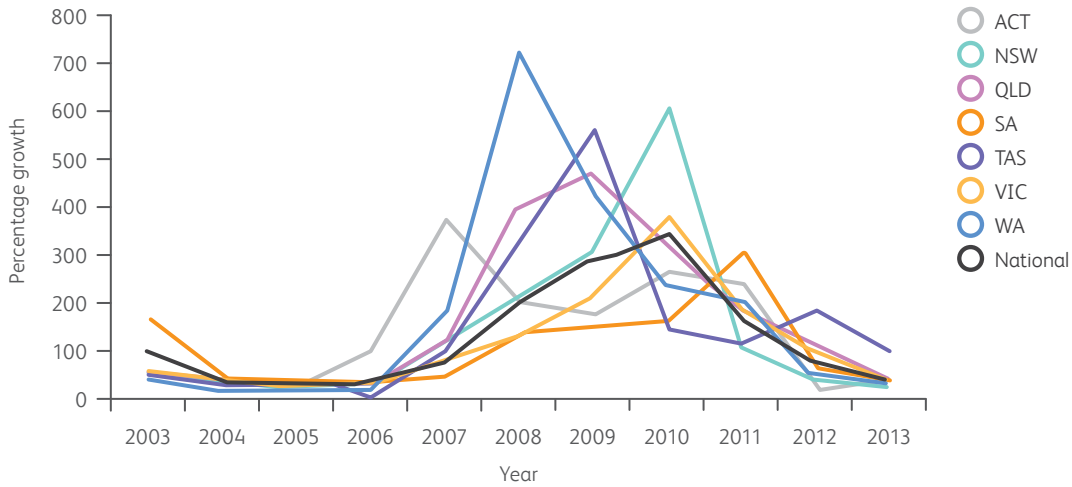
CUMULATIVE INSTALLED CAPACITY OF SOLAR PV IN AUSTRALIA⁷⁰



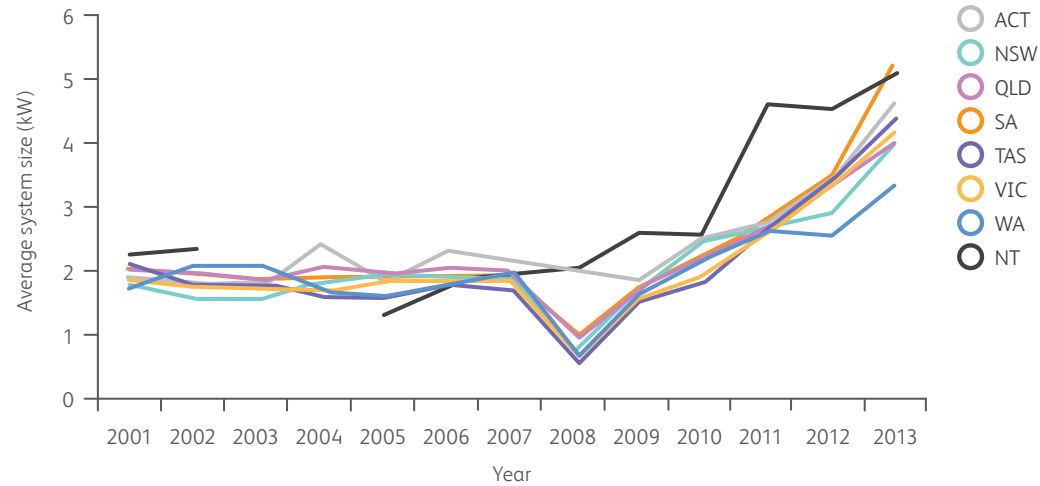
| YEAR INSTALLED | ACT | NSW | NT | QLD | SA | TAS | VIC | WA | TOTAL (MW) |
|----------------|--------|---------|--------|----------|---------|--------|---------|---------|------------|
| 2001 | 0.007 | 0.062 | 0.004 | 0.061 | 0.126 | 0.002 | 0.113 | 0.034 | 0.409 |
| 2002 | 0.010 | 0.236 | 0.006 | 0.110 | 0.330 | 0.011 | 0.255 | 0.055 | 1.013 |
| 2003 | 0.015 | 0.378 | 0.006 | 0.178 | 0.876 | 0.017 | 0.439 | 0.081 | 1.989 |
| 2004 | 0.021 | 0.495 | 0.006 | 0.280 | 1.269 | 0.022 | 0.616 | 0.095 | 2.804 |
| 2005 | 0.026 | 0.671 | 0.007 | 0.387 | 1.865 | 0.032 | 0.827 | 0.116 | 3.931 |
| 2006 | 0.053 | 0.907 | 0.009 | 0.488 | 2.542 | 0.034 | 1.133 | 0.143 | 5.307 |
| 2007 | 0.249 | 2.007 | 0.012 | 1.057 | 3.705 | 0.072 | 2.099 | 0.410 | 9.609 |
| 2008 | 0.741 | 6.221 | 0.426 | 5.214 | 8.588 | 0.308 | 4.830 | 3.334 | 29.660 |
| 2009 | 2.024 | 25.421 | 0.936 | 29.724 | 21.025 | 2.030 | 15.343 | 17.635 | 114.136 |
| 2010 | 7.373 | 178.483 | 2.429 | 122.075 | 54.256 | 5.046 | 74.290 | 59.780 | 503.732 |
| 2011 | 24.797 | 373.307 | 4.233 | 347.137 | 217.510 | 10.958 | 214.565 | 182.748 | 1375.255 |
| 2012 | 29.876 | 517.636 | 6.516 | 765.144 | 355.330 | 31.196 | 422.028 | 282.205 | 2409.932 |
| 2013 | 41.538 | 659.034 | 11.468 | 1073.786 | 502.387 | 63.597 | 559.196 | 358.892 | 3269.899 |

APPENDIX 2

GROWTH RATES OF SOLAR PV CAPACITY BY STATE SINCE 2003⁷¹



AVERAGE SOLAR PV SYSTEM SIZE BY INSTALLATION YEAR⁷²



COMPANIES INVESTIGATING MARINE ENERGY IN AUSTRALIA⁷³

| OWNER | TECHNOLOGY TYPE | LOCATION OF PLANT | STATE | SUBURB |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|--|--|--|
| Advanced Wave Power | Wave | Moreton Bay | QLD | Has deployed and tested one array |
| AquaGen Technologies | Wave | Lorne, Portland | VIC | 1.5 kW unit installed at Lorne Pier in 2010 |
| Atlantis Resources | Tidal | San Remo | VIC | Completed testing of turbines |
| BioPower Systems | Wave | King Island Port Fairy Flinders Island | TAS VIC TAS | Construction on 250 kW pilot in Port Fairy expected to commence 2014 |
| Carnegie Wave Energy | Wave | Limestone Coast Portland Warrnambool Phillip Island Garden Island Eden Exmouth | SA VIC VIC VIC WA NSW WA | Trialling its CETO units. Construction expected to commence on 2 MW demonstration project at Garden Island in 2014 |
| Oceanlinx | Wave | Portland Port MacDonnell | VIC SA | Developing 1MW and 2.5 MW prototypes. |
| Tenax Energy | Tidal | Clarence Strait Port Phillip Heads Banks Strait | NT VIC TAS | Plans to build a 2 MW plant near Darwin by 2015 |
| Tidal Energy Australia | Tidal | Derby | WA | Has plans to develop a 48 MW project |
| Ocean Power Technologies (OPT) | Wave | Portland | VIC | Joint venture between OPT and Lockheed Martin to develop a 19 MW plant. Awarded \$66m government grant through ARENA |
| Wave Rider Energy | Wave | Elliston | SA | Development of pre-commercial wave rider platform |

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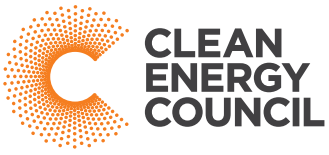
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