

# Cost of solar power production Faroe Islands

Can the electricity sector be 100% renewable in the Faroe Islands?

In 2030 the electricity sector in the Faroe Islands should be 100% renewable, according to the local electrical power company SEV. It is therefore necessary to study how this goal can be reached with the minimum costs. This can be determined through optimisation of the future electricity sector. This paper presents such an optimisation.

Who produces electricity in the Faroe Islands?

SEV, the municipality-owned company, produces approximately 90% of the electricity in the Faroe Islands. Wind power was introduced in 1993, initially producing as little as 423 MWh, but rising to 90 GWh by 2022.

Does the Faroe Islands have a solar park?

The Faroe Islands have a solar park with a 250 kW capacity in Sumba. It is expected to produce 160 MWh/year (i.e. a capacity factor of 7.3% and equivalent to 35 tons of oil), mainly in the summer when rain and wind are low.

How much electricity will the Faroese economy have in 2025?

The projection assumes that the normal electricity from 2009 to 2018. This historic data is obtained from every and the Faroese Vehicle Administration. It is assumed that 50% year 2025 and 100% in 2030. This is a worst case scenario in terms of investments required to meet the demand.

Why are the Faroe Islands buried underground?

Due to extreme weather conditions and lack of interconnections, the Faroe Islands experience one to three total blackouts annually, a ratio higher than that of continental Europe. Most of the powerlines have therefore been buried underground as cables for better protection and improving grid stability.

What is the performance ratio of PV systems in the Faore?

The performance ratio of PV systems in the Faore and is found to be 81%. The expected FLH and generation performance ratio. The FLH in the regions based on the calculations computed vary between 584 and 620. PV power is not as site specific as e.g. WP. This technology is therefore capacity has been defined.

The energy production in Suðuroy in 2020 was 35 GWh in total, which was 9% of the total generation in the Faroe Islands and consisted of diesel and heavy fuel oil (85%), hydro (11.5%), wind (3%) and solar power generation (0.5%).

Fig. 2. The monthly average energy resources available in the Faroe Islands. [1] mixture of the Faroe Islands, these are briefly discussed in [2]. The studies agree that the most feasible ...

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The generation capacity is 102 MW of thermal power using fuel oil (FO) and gas oil (GO), 41 MW of hydro power (HP) with reservoirs, 18 MW of wind power (WP), 0.25 MW of photovoltaic ...

SEV has a green vision for 100 percent renewable electricity production by 2030 by making full use of the Faroe Islands' abundant wind and hydro energy resources, together with emerging ...

The electricity demand in the Faroe Islands for the year 2020 reached a total of 400 GWh/year [33], [34]. To meet the heating needs of the population and various sectors, the ...

o The Faroese Power System o Energy demand o Renewable resource potential o Energy mixture optimisation o The optimal energy mixture o Conclusion and future work

The impact of different technologies and costs has been investigated through multiple scenarios. In ratios of average consumption in 2030, installed power will be 224% wind, 105% solar with ...

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The results show that if the least-cost path to a 100% renewable electricity is followed, SEV should invest in 98 MW of wind power, 125 MW solar power, a battery system ...

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Minesto's DG100 unit in Faroe Islands (Courtesy of Minesto) Minesto's DG100 unit in Faroe Islands (Courtesy of Minesto) During electricity production runs over the last ...



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