

Solar and coal-fired power stations



Overview

Even as China's expansion of solar and wind power raced ahead in 2025, the Asian giant opened many more coal power plants than it had in recent years – raising concern about whether the world's largest emitter will reduce carbon emissions enough to limit climate change. 3 terawatts by the end of 2026 as China expects 300 GW to come from primarily wind and solar. China's installed solar power capacity is projected to surpass coal-fired capacity for the first time this year, marking a major. Coal-burning power plants, also known as coal-fired power stations, are facilities that generate electricity by burning coal, a fossil fuel.

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Wind and solar are booming in China. So why is it building

The massive growth in wind and solar begs the question: why is China still building coal power plants and, by most analyses, way more than it actually needs? The answer is complicated.

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Coal-fired power station

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