

# Wind solar storage cost vs benefit calculation in Saudi Arabia

Is a wind/solar hybrid system feasible in Saudi Arabia?

In this work, the techno-economic feasibility study of wind/solar hybrid system is analyzed for Yanbu, Saudi Arabia (Latitude: 24°05'20" N, Longitude: 38°03'49" E). Yanbu is located on the Red Sea coast area and has great wind potential, and good level of solar irradiation.

Are solar and wind generators a viable alternative to electricity in Saudi Arabia?

Saudi Arabia, spanning about 2.2 million km<sup>2</sup>, includes many remote villages not connected to the power grid and reliant on diesel generators (DG). DGs, however, incur high maintenance and operational costs. Solar and wind generators, combined with DGs or energy storage systems (ESS), offer cost-effective and sustainable alternatives.

Will a high-res solar energy system improve wind energy production?

The WTGs will generate power most efficiently at this wind speed, but the overall wind energy output will be lower than in regions with higher peak wind speeds. A HRES integrating wind with solar and storage technologies could optimize energy production in this region.

Does a wind/solar hybrid system increase cost?

It was noted that the improved reliability increases cost, but the increase can be justified for users needing more reliability. In this work, the techno-economic feasibility study of wind/solar hybrid system is analyzed for Yanbu, Saudi Arabia (Latitude: 24°05'20" N, Longitude: 38°03'49" E).

How to simulate a wind/solar hybrid energy system?

For the simulation of the wind/solar hybrid system, the key variables to be examined are wind turbine, PV array, and battery sizes in order to determine which hybrid energy system configuration is optimal based on energy production, cost, unmet electric load, and excess electricity.

Can small-scale wind energy be integrated into hybrid systems?

The study targets six Class 1 wind regions in Saudi Arabia--Abha, Al-Baha, Arar, Qassim, Tabuk, and Taif--traditionally considered unsuitable for large-scale wind energy. By using the Weibull distribution function for wind energy evaluation, the research highlights opportunities for integrating small-scale wind energy into hybrid systems.

Abstract Solar and wind energy systems are attractive hybrid renewable energy systems suitable for various applications and most commonly for power generation. Compared to standalone ...

The study focuses on optimizing the energy mix between solar and wind, while minimizing the required hydrogen storage capacity to ensure a stable and cost-effective energy supply.

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LCOE and value-adjusted LCOE for solar PV plus battery storage, coal and natural gas in selected regions in the Stated Policies Scenario, 2022-2030 - Chart and data by the International Energy Agency.

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How much of Saudi Arabia's energy is renewable? Renewable energy sources accounted for less than 1% of electricity generation in Saudi Arabia between 2018 and 2022 (Figure 6). The Saudi ...

The penetration of renewable energy, especially solar and wind, is increasing globally to promote a sustainable environment. However, in the Middle East, this momentum is slower compared to other regions, primarily ...

The integration of renewable energy sources is essential for meeting the growing energy demands while mitigating environmental impacts, particularly in regions like ...

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This study conducts a comprehensive cost-benefit analysis (CBA) of wind, solar, and fossil fuel energy systems in the Middle East from 2000 to 2040, addressing the region's unique energy ...

This work aims to conduct a feasibility study and a performance analysis of a hybrid wind and solar photovoltaic (PV) power system in selected regions in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (KSA).

Saudi Arabia and the UAE have already begun exploring battery storage solutions and regional grid interconnections, but without substantial investment in grid modernization, solar projects may face curtailment--where ...

The article produces fairly accurate forecasting for utility-scale solar energy market in Saudi Arabia. Several significant conclusions are presented that could act as ...

The objective of this study is to investigate the potentials of power generation and hydrogen production via solar and wind energy resources at different locations in the Kingdom of Saudi ...

How investment in solar capacity is powering Saudi Arabia's sustainable energy future The Sakaka Solar farm in Al-Jouf province, the first project under the NREP, ...

Additionally, Rafique and Rehman et al. [18] studied the feasibility of installing a 100 MW capacity Wind Farm under different climatic conditions in Saudi Arabia. The results showed that the ...

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The large number of irregular obstacles on the roof prevents the benefit of a regular solar system with good efficiency due to the additional costs of installation in addition to its impact on the ...

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