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## Overview

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Latvia is a net energy importer. Primary energy use in Latvia was 49 TWh, or 22 TWh per million persons in 2009. In 2018, electricity consumption per capita was 3731 kWh. Latvia has adopted the EU target to produce 50% of its energy from renewable sources by 2030.

The 2021-30 plan set a target of reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 65% compared to 1990. There is a target of being carbon neutral by 2050.

**Fossil fuel/Natural Gas** From 1 January 2023 Latvia banned the import of natural gas from Russia. The replacement comes from connections to LNG terminals, the LNG terminal in Lithuania, and from 2024 the recently-opened Inkoo LNG terminal in Finland. JSC Conexus Baltic Grid is the natural gas transmission system operator in Latvia. International transmission pipelines are 577 km long, consisting of the Riga-Pahneva, Pleskava-Riga, Izborska-Inčukalns UGS, Riga-Inčukalns UGS I - line, Riga-Inčukalns UGS II - line, Vireši-Tallinn pipelines. The total length of regional transmission pipelines is 613 km. Latvia has underground gas storage facilities at the Inčukalns UGS, with a capacity of 4.47 billion m<sup>3</sup>. Natural gas companies include . Renewable energy Renewable energy includes wind, solar, biomass and geothermal energy sources. Almost half of the used in the country is provided by renewable energy sources. The m.

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back up plan, should Russia disconnect the Baltic states before 2025, would enable a connection to the European grid to be completed within 24 hours.

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Will electricity be the cornerstone of Latvia's energy transition?

Electricity will be the cornerstone of Latvia's energy transition. Latvia's hydro-dominated electricity system provides a favourable starting point to use clean electricity to decarbonise other economic sectors and meet the target of 57% renewables in total final consumption by 2030.

What is the main renewable resource in Latvia?

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How can wind and solar power projects help Latvia?

Bringing wind and solar power projects online will also help reduce Latvia's dependence on natural gas imports and can contribute to lower electricity prices; current efforts to develop offshore wind will support this outcome.

What is a hydro power station in Latvia?

Hydro is an important power source in Latvia, Ķegums Hydroelectric Power Station is the oldest hydro power station in the country, built in 1940. It was agreed in 2018 that Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania would connect to the European Union's electricity system and desynchronize from the Russian BRELL power system.

Why is the Baltic electricity grid still synchronous?

For historical reasons, however, the Baltic States' electricity grid is still operated in a synchronous mode with the Russian and Belarusian systems. The joining of the Baltic states to the continental European network was agreed between the European Commission, Poland and the three Baltic states already in 2018 and reinforced in 2019.

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### [Foundation stone laid for the first AST](#)

Foundation stone laid for the first AST synchronous condenser station to further improve the stability of Latvia's electric power system. "Siemens Energy" is proud to be part of this project and today marks another important step in development for grid stabilisation of Latvian power system. The synchronous condensers as machines helps

## The Grid: Electricity Transmission, Industry, and Markets

Fast Facts About The Grid: Electricity Transmission, Industry, and Markets. Principal Uses for Electricity: Manufacturing, Heating, Cooling, Lighting The grid delivers electricity from generation points (e.g., power plants) to demand centers (e.g., homes and businesses) supply and demand of electricity must be balanced in real-time to ensure system stability and reliability.



- 100KWH/215KWH
- LIQUID/AIR COOLING
- IP54/IP55
- BATTERY 6000 CYCLES

## Electric Power Distribution & Transmission Losses in Latvia

Electric power distribution & transmission losses reached 463 GWh in 2019 in Latvia, according to World Bank / EIA. This is 3.18% more than in the previous year. Historically, electric power distribution & transmission losses in Latvia reached an all time high of 1,456 GWh in 1996 and an all time low of 448 GWh in 2018.

## Estonia, Latvia & Lithuania agree to synchronise their

The Commission warmly welcomes today's agreement by Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania to accelerate the integration of their electricity grids with the Continental Europe network (CEN) and their disconnection from ...



## Electric power generation in Latvia up 4.4% in seven months

RIGA, Aug 14 (LETA) - In January-July 2024, Latvia generated 4,362 gigawatt-hours (GWh) of electric power, up 4.4 percent from the same period last year, according to an electricity market review released by Augstsprieguma Tīkls transmission system operator. Hydroelectric power plants on the Daugava River generated 2,695.5 GWh of electric power, which is a decrease of ...

## Meet electric power industry representatives from Latvia in Batumi

The structure of Latvia's electric energy grid, the scope of legislative regulation, and its practical implementation. Latvia's journey from the Soviet model to European standards, and how adopting European standards is crucial for the development of Georgia's electric energy sector. educating field electricians in the rapidly evolving



## Latvia unveils first grid-scale battery as it prepares to swap



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The wind power unit of Estonian energy company Utilitas has added a 10 MW/20 MWh BESS to its 58.8 MW Targale Wind Park, which has been operating since 2022. Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania) grid. The Baltic nations are due to synchronize their shared grid with Europe's network two days later.

## Electricity system

The Elering-managed electricity transmission network connects Estonian power plants, distribution networks and electricity consumers into a single whole. which comprises the AC power lines that connect Estonia with the neighboring countries of Latvia and Russia and their neighbors Lithuania and Belarus. Estonia is connected to Russia via



## The third Estonia-Latvia interconnection

In addition, the new overhead power line creates opportunities for connecting additional electricity producers to the power transmission grid in West-Estonia. In 2015, the European Commission decided to finance the construction of the Estonia-Latvia ...

## Baltic states set to decouple from Russian power grid in early 2025

Lithuanian power grid operator Litgrid said it would continue to lobby Estonia and Latvia to move sooner, but it will follow Estonia's timetable if Estonia holds firm, because all three Baltic





## Latvia: first BESS opens ahead of Russia grid uncoupling

The project is integrated with Targale Wind Park, a 58.8MW wind power plant that went into commercial operation in 2022. The battery storage system will be connected to the transmission grid this autumn and will enable surplus wind power generated at times of high production to be stored and outputted to the grid when demand peaks and renewable ...

## Electric power generation in Latvia up 3.5% in January-March

RIGA, April 18 (LETA) - In January-March 2024, Latvia generated 2,551 gigawatt-hours (GWh) of electric power, up 3.5 percent from the same period last year, according to an electricity market review released by Augstsprieguma Tīkls transmission system operator. Hydroelectric power plants on the Daugava River generated 1,421.3 GWh of electric power, which is a decrease of ...



## [latvia electric grid](#)

The electric power transmission grid of the contiguous United States consists of 120,000 miles (190,000 km) of lines operated by 500 companies. The electrical power grid that powers Northern America is not a single grid, but is instead divided into multiple wide area synchronous grids. [1] The third 330 kV Estonia-Latvia electric power

## [Electrical grid](#)

Diagram of an electrical grid (generation system in red, transmission system in blue, distribution system in green) An electrical grid (or electricity network) is an interconnected network for electricity delivery from producers to consumers. Electrical grids consist of power stations, electrical substations to step voltage up or down, electric power transmission to carry power ...



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## Executive summary - Latvia 2024 - Analysis

Electricity will be the cornerstone of Latvia's energy transition. Latvia's hydro-dominated electricity system provides a favourable starting point to use clean electricity to decarbonise other economic sectors and meet the target of 57% ...

## [Securing Energy Supply in the Baltics](#)

This arrangement has left Moscow in a position of control over the power grids of Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania, in addition to Belarus, Kaliningrad, and northwestern Russia. Given Russia's history of using energy supplies as a tool of political coercion, this leaves the Baltic States' power grid vulnerable to Moscow's machinations.



## Baltic states fully prepared for synchronization with European power

RIGA, July 10 (LETA) - The three Baltic states are fully prepared to synchronize their power grids with the continental Europe in February 2025, Lithuanian Energy Minister Dainius Kreivys,



Latvian Climate and Energy Minister Kaspars Melnis (Greens/Farmers) and Estonian Climate Minister Kristen Michal announced at a meeting in Jurmala on Wednesday. The Latvian Climate and ...

[North American power transmission grid](#)

The two major and three minor North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) interconnections, and the nine NERC Regional Reliability Councils. The electric power transmission grid of the contiguous United States consists of 120,000 miles (190,000 km) of lines operated by 500 companies.. The electrical power grid that powers Northern America is not a ...



**The Baltic Electricity Grid: Synchronizing Symphony**

The legacy of the Soviet electrical grid has been a pernicious thorn in the side of the three Baltic states. In the late 2000s, they began negotiating their exit from the Soviet-era joint BRELL (Belarus, Russia, Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania) agreement, which also provides western Russia and Belarus with electricity.

**The first synchronous condenser for the stability of the Latvia's**

The first synchronous condenser for the stability



of the Latvia's electric power system has been installed in the new AST station in Grobina We are glad that all projects related to power grid synchronisation are going according to plan and will allow us to fulfil all the prerequisites for the successful synchronisation of the Baltic power



## Electric Power Grid Modernization Trends, Challenges, and

Figure 1. Transition from a traditional to new electrical grid with two-way power flow. The re-regulation of electric power industries in the United States and elsewhere introduced wholesale electric markets. Competition shifted the risk away from rate payers to investors, reduced consumer costs, and supported rapid innovation.

## List of Voltages & Frequencies (Hz) Around the World

Single-phase power is primarily for residential use (such as homeowners and what you would find in a hotel) while 3-phase electric power provides more stable, heavy-duty power for most industrial applications like manufacturing plants, commercial facilities, data centers, telecom towers, hospitals, food processing, and utility power plants.



## Electric power generation in Latvia up 15.1% in two ...

RIGA, March 20 (LETA) - In January-February



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## Electric power generation in Latvia up 15.1% in two months

RIGA, March 20 (LETA) - In January-February 2020, Latvia generated 1,233 gigawatt-hours (GWh) of electric power, up 15.1 percent against the same period last year, according to an electricity market review released by Augstsprieguma Tīkls transmission system operator. Hydropower plants on the Daugava River generated 738,357 MWh of power in the first two ...



## [Organisation of the electricity market](#)

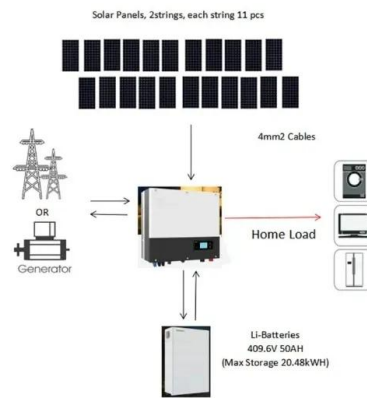
Two important processes should be distinguished in relation to the supply of electric power - ensuring physical flows of electricity (provided by the power grid) and electricity trading (wholesale and retail market) in the form of commercial transactions. Latvia is an integral part of the European Union's internal electricity market

## [Latvia: Energy Country Profile](#)

Latvia: Many of us want an overview of how much energy our country consumes, where it comes from, and if we're making progress on decarbonizing our energy mix. Having clean fuels

and technologies for cooking - meaning non-solid

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## Facts and Figures 2020

distributed power A mix of DSOs, with the three largest accounting for more than 60% of distributed power One dominant DSO (more than 80% of distributed power) and several local DSOs One DSO company CYPRUS Figure 1.1 Level of DSO concentration 4 The figure represents the number of DSOs that are not part of a company with power retailing activities.

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