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## How many solar PV projects are being built in Azerbaijan?

UAE state-owned renewable energy developer Masdar has started constructing twosolar PV projects in Azerbaijan, with a combined capacity of 760MW. The entire development, developed in collaboration with Azerbaijan's state oil company SOCAR, includes the 445MW Bilasuvar solar PV project, the 315MW Neftchala solar PV project and a 240MW wind project.

#### Does Azerbaijan have solar power?

As Azerbaijan is relatively sunny, it has excellent solar power potential. According to the Ministry of Energy, technical potential is around 23 000 MW. The country's 2 400 to 3 200 sunshine hours annually compare well internationally, as does its solar intensity, estimated at 1 500 to 2 000 kWh/m 2.

## When did Azerbaijan start installing a solar plant?

Azerbaijan began installment of its first major solar plant in 2023. The government of Azerbaijan aims to increase share of renewables in total electricity production to 30% by 2030. Azerbaijan's renewable energy sources are hydropower, wind, solar, and biomass power plants.

Is Azerbaijan ready for green energy?

"Laying the foundation of 3 stations with a capacity of 1 GW is not only a first in the field of green energy in Azerbaijan, but also a bright indicator of our solidarity and commitment to the energy transition," said Shahbazov. Masdar completed a 230 MW solar plant in Garadagh, near Baku, in October 2023.

Will Azerbaijan generate 30% of its energy by 2030?

Azerbaijan has set a target of generating 30% of its energy capacity from renewables by 2030. The country's total solar capacity reached 282 MW at the end of last year, according to figures from the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA). Azerbaijan's first-ever solar auction, for a 100 MW project, launched earlier this year.

How much electricity will Azerbaijan generate a year?

PV Tech reported that these projects are the first phase of a 10GW pipeline of renewables projects in Azerbaijan signed in 2022. Parviz Shahbazov, Azerbaijan's energy minister, said the projects could generate 2.3 billion kWh of electricity annually.

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The Project involves financing the development, construction, operation, and maintenance of two solar photovoltaic (PV) power plants in Azerbaijan - (i) 315 MWac Banka solar PV power plant (Banka Solar); and (ii) 445 MWac ...

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The Memorandum includes cooperation on utility scale solar energy, onshore and offshore wind power, energy storage and integrated smart energy systems, as well as capacity assessment for investment in green hydrogen production projects in Azerbaijan.

Database; IRENA Global Atlas; and World Bank Global Solar Atlas and Global Wind Atlas. Additional notes: Capacity per capita and public investments SDGs only apply to developing areas. Energy self-sufficiency has been defined as total primary energy production divided by total primary energy supply. Energy trade includes all

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