

# **China solar powered generator in Nicaragua**





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Could Chinese investment boost solar power in San Isidro?

In San Isidro, a mountainous and rural municipality in northern Nicaragua's Matagalpa department, Chinese investment is helping to establish solar power – one of the latest arrivals in a wave of new projects announced in recent years, amid closer ties between the two countries.

How much energy does Nicaragua use?

According to the International Energy Agency, Nicaragua supplies around 60% of its total energy from renewable sources, including wind, solar and geothermal, with biomass – an often contested renewable – accounting for the largest share, at roughly 40% of total supply.

What is Nicaragua's energy supply?

“This gives us a guarantee that the project will be carried out in the best way and will ensure its best performance.” Around 60% of Nicaragua's total energy supply is drawn from renewable sources, with biomass (41.8%) accounting for the largest share of generation as of 2022. The remaining 40% is supplied by oil imports.

Does Nicaragua have geothermal power?

The Maribios Range is part of the Pacific “Ring of Fire” and contains several active volcanoes. The government estimates Nicaragua's geothermal potential to be 2,000 megawatts. Nicaragua's National Electric Transmission Company (Enatrel) seeks to transform the country's energy mix by focusing on renewable energy with its 2022-2037 expansion plan.



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