

# Panama Container Power Generation







### **Overview**

Who is responsible for energy distribution in Panama?

Three distributors are responsible for energy distribution in Panama: ENSA, Edemet, and Edechi. Electricity is distributed via Panama's nationally interconnected system (SIN). Electricity prices are impacted by weather patterns because of Panama's use of hydropower.

How much power does Panama have?

Panama's installed electrical capacity has grown steadily over the last decade. As of 2020, the country had 4116 MW of installed capacity, relying on a mix of fossil fuels (44.2%), hydro power (43.9%), wind (6.6%) and solar (5.2%).

Is biomass a source of electricity in Panama?

Traditional biomass – the burning of charcoal, crop waste, and other organic matter – is not included. This can be an important source in lower-income settings. Panama: How much of the country's electricity comes from nuclear power?

Nuclear power – alongside renewables – is a low-carbon source of electricity.

Does Panama have a power station?

Panama's older Bahía las Minas power station has shut down completely, while the newer Cobre Panamá power station has committed to converting to natural gas by December 2023. In 2014, approximately 15 million long tons of thermal coal passed through the Panama Canal.

Who regulates the electricity sector in Panama?

The ASEP (Autoridad Nacional de los Servicios Públicos) is responsible for regulation of the electricity sector in Panama. The ASEP oversees all aspects of Panama's electrical sector. Panama does not have a national oil company. Naturgy is the leading energy distributor in Panama.

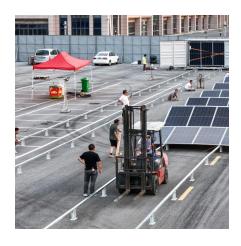


### Is Panama phasing out diesel power plants?

Panama has committed to phasing out power plants that burn diesel or other heavy fuels by the end of 2023, with the decommissioned capacity to be replaced by the 670 MW Gatún power station, a natural gas plant scheduled to begin operations in 2024.



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