

# China's solar thermal power generation technology

How does China use solar energy?

China's initiative in solar thermal energy storage utilizes multiple towers, with two of them sharing a common turbine. This design optimizes the efficiency of solar thermal power generation by strategically positioning mirrors in overlapping concentric circles to maximize sunlight reflection. How can solar energy be utilized after sunset?

Are China's solar thermal power plants ready to go global?

China's solar thermal power generation companies have mastered the core technology of building large-scale molten salt tower thermal power stations, and are ready to go global, industry experts said.

Which technologies are used in concentrated solar power plants in China?

Fig. 6. Annual power generation and potential installed capacity of concentrated solar power (CSP) plants with four different technologies by province in China: (A) Parabolic trough collector (PTC), (B) linear Fresnel collector (LFC), (C) central receiver system (CRS), and (D) parabolic dish system (PDS).

What is the installed capacity of solar power in China?

The installed capacity of solar power in China had grown steadily. The newly installed capacity of solar power was 30.3GW (including an increase of 200MW for CSP), and the cumulative installed capacity had reached 204.74GW (including 440 MW of CSP).

What percentage of solar thermal power is installed?

Accounting for 8.3% of the global cumulative installed capacity of solar thermal power generation. In recent years, the total installed solar thermal capacity has plateaued due to competition from heat pumps and photovoltaic systems and a slowing growth rate.

How solar thermal system can be used in process industry?

The solar thermal system can be integrated with the central steam/hot water supply system of the process industry (Fig. 2). Apart from power generation and process heating, the solar thermal system can also be used for various applications such as air-conditioning, space heating, cooling, cooking, desalination, etc. (Kalogirou, 2004). 4.1.

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