

# What is the normal amount of wind power generated in summer

How much power does a wind turbine produce?

Wind turbines commonly produce considerably less than rated capacity, which is the maximum amount of power it could produce if it ran all the time. For example, a 1.5-megawatt wind turbine with an efficiency factor of 33 percent may produce only half a megawatt in a year-- less if the wind isn't blowing reliably.

#### How do wind farms produce energy?

The previous section looked at the energy output from wind farms across the world. Energy output is a function of power (installed capacity) multiplied by the time of generation. Energy generation is therefore a function of how much wind capacity is installed.

#### What are seasonal wind capacity factors?

Because seasonal wind patterns vary by location, seasonal capacity factor patterns also vary across regions. Capacity factors for most regions of the country rise or are flat January through April, fall through August or September, and increase through the remainder of the year.

## Why is energy output a function of wind capacity?

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## What factors affect wind power generation?

Wind power generation of a single wind farm depends on many factors. The most important ones are the number of installed turbines and the turbine model-which determine the maximum power that can be produced (also known as installed capacity)- altogether with the wind blowing at the site.

## Can wind power generation forecasts be forecasted at seasonal timescales?

While forecasts of wind power generation at lead times from minutes and hours to a few days ahead have been produced with very advanced methodologies (e.g. dynamical downscaling,machine learning or statistical downscaling [17]), a number of difficulties make the provision of generation forecasts at seasonal timescales challenging.



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