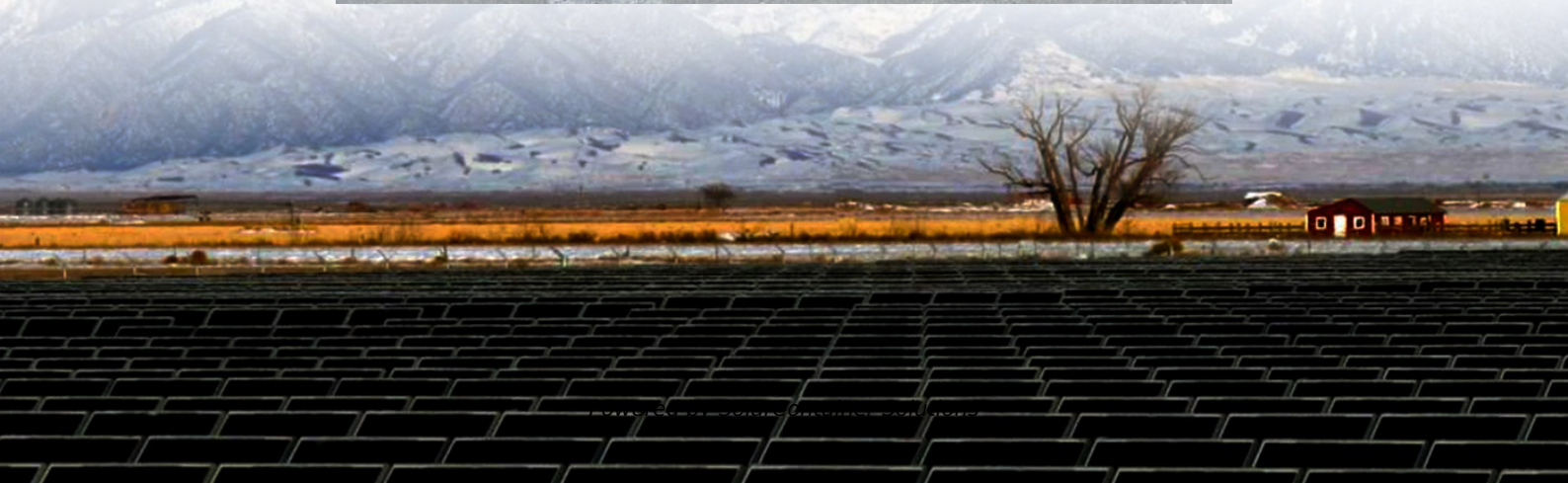


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Overview

What is the primary source of energy in Belize?

In Belize, almost half the energy comes from hydroelectric power and biomass. The rest is produced by domestic independent power producers (IPPs) and a Mexican utility, with IPPs contributing about 55.6% of the country's electrical needs.

Why has Belize invested in energy?

Belize has invested in energy for the purpose of strengthening and stabilizing its energy sector over the last 20 years. The country has made investments in hydropower, biomass, solar, and liquified petroleum gas (LPG) to ensure energy security.

Who is Belize Electricity Limited (BEL)?

Belize Electricity Limited (BEL) is the company with a license to generate and supply, transmit and distribute power and energy throughout Belize.

Does Belize use solar power?

Belize uses solar power on a smaller scale, with the Government having installed solar micro-grids and solar-powered streetlights in rural communities not yet connected to the national grid. The Government of Belize, along with Belize Electricity Limited (BEL), intends to launch a pilot project introducing electric vehicles.

What is the cost of electricity in Belize?

Belize's utility rates are approximately \$0.22 per kilowatt-hour (kWh). This is lower than the Caribbean regional average of \$0.33/kWh due to existing renewable energy projects, but still high compared with U.S. mainland rates.

What percentage of Belize's electricity is imported?



About 40% of Belize's electricity is imported from a Mexican government-owned electric utility. Almost half the energy in Belize comes from hydroelectric power and biomass. BEL purchases 71.5% of its electricity from five domestic independent power producers (IPPs)



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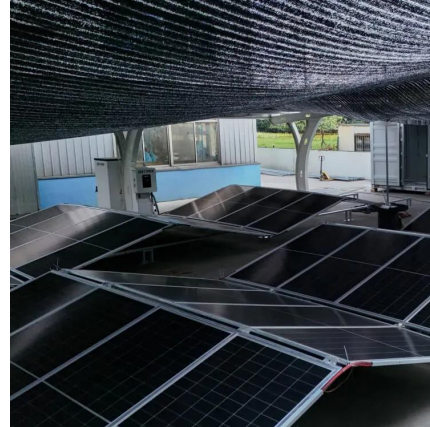
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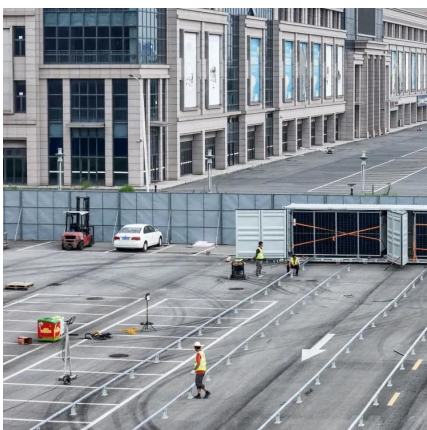
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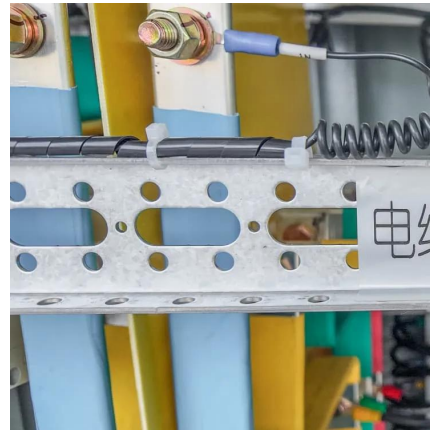




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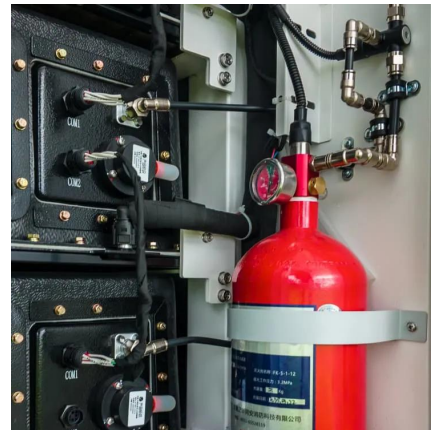
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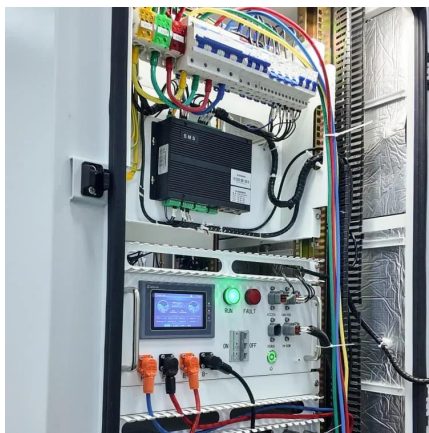
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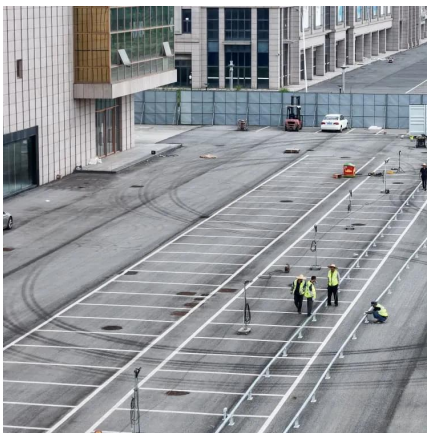
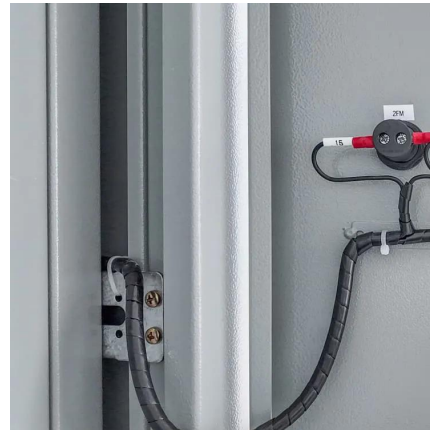




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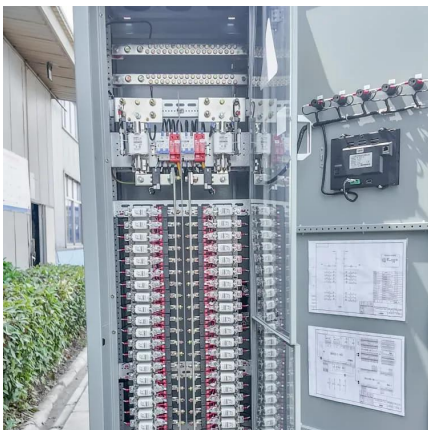
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