

Why is strategic energy planning important in Paraguay?

The electricity demand projections analyzed emphasize the importance of strategic energy planning. Even though Paraguay has overcapacity in the power system to supply domestic electricity demand, the generation capacity needs to be expanded in the future.

Does Paraguay need energy?

In the Reference demand scenario, Paraguay covers its energy needs until 2040, taking into consideration the country's National Development Plan for 2014-2030 [28]. Also, it maintains its electricity exports to Argentina and Brazil at similar levels compared to 2018 by investing in new hydropower plants, mainly in 2026.

Does Paraguay need to expand its power system?

Also, we estimated the annual revenues for the government of Paraguay and Itaipu through its electricity exports to Brazil. We find that Paraguay needs to expand the capacity of its power system, mainly by investing in hydropower plants, to cover its future electricity needs and sustain national electricity export levels.

What is the electricity system of Paraguay?

The electricity system of Paraguay is mainly powered by two binational (Itaipu, Yacyretá) and one national (Rio Acaray) hydropower plant. The Paraná River, located in the Southeastern area of the country, is responsible for most of this hydroelectric generation potential.

How much electricity does Paraguay need in 2040?

The electricity needs of Paraguay increase from 12.42 TWh in 2018 to 24.40 TWh in 2040. Thus, the existing capacity of the country's energy system increases from 8.84 GW in 2018, to 11.5 GW in 2026 and 11.65 GW in 2040 to cover the local electricity demand and export the excess electricity.

How much power does Paraguay have?

The total installed capacity of the country was 8844 MW in 2017, with hydro constituting the majority (99.7%). The electricity system of Paraguay is mainly powered by two binational (Itaipu, Yacyretá) and one national (Rio Acaray) hydropower plant.

With Paraguay's unique load profiles, lower-cost thermal storage possibly combined with rooftop solar could be an option for newer modern buildings so that new buildings can be 2

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