



2050 Simulator 中国

Simulating the evolution of the Chinese energy system

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The 2050 simulator is a simplified model of reality.

The objective of this exercise is simply to convey, in a intuitive and educational form, the key variables of the energy sector and the way to reach its sustainability.

As a consequence, the simulator's results should not be interpreted as exact estimations, and they do not necessarily represent EDP's vision regarding the Energy Policy options that should be taken in the 2050 timeframe.



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China is already the top energy consumer in the world, despite still having low levels per capita

Primary energy demand Gtoe, 1970-2010



Primary energy consumption top countries % total cons. and toe/cap, 2010



X% China 10 years CAGR

Source: BP Statistical Review of World Energy (Jun'11) and IEA World Energy Outlook 2011 © Copyright EDP – Energias de Portugal, S.A. 2013



Chinese primary energy mix is mainly focused on coal, while the US and EU are much more dependent on oil and gas





China is expected to remain the major energy consumer in the forthcoming years, reducing the share of coal in the energy mix



What could alternative scenarios for the future evolution of the Chinese energy sector look like?



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China energy roadmap – drawn in Five-Year Plans (FYP) – already points to challenging objectives on efficiency, emissions and RES

Key energy and climate policy goals and indicators China, 2006-2020

	11TH FYP (2006-2010) (TARGET)	11TH FYP (ACTUAL)	12TH FYP (2011-2015) (TARGET)	13TH FYP (2016-2020) (TARGET)
INDICATORS				
ENERGY INTENSITY (% REDUCTION IN FIVE YEARS)	20%	19.1%	16%	NOT SET
CARBON INTENSITY (% REDUCTION IN FIVE YEARS)	NOT SET		17%	40-45% VS 2005
NEW ENERGY (% OF PRIMARY ENERGY)	10%	9.6% ¹	11.4%	15%
GROWTH RATES				
PRIMARY ENERGY CONSUMPTION (ANNUAL GROWTH)	4%	6.3%	3.75-5%*	-
ELECTRICITY ENERGY CONSUMPTION (ANNUAL GROWTH)	-	11%	8.5%*	(5.5%)*
ELECTRICITY GENERATING CAPACITY (ANNUAL GROWTH)	8.4% ^{2,3}	13.2% ⁴	8.5%*	(5.6%)*
GDP (ANNUAL GROWTH)	7.5%	10.6%	7%	-

ASTERISKED NUMBERS INDICATE ESTIMATES MADE BY GOVERNMENT THAT ARE NOT FORMAL TARGETS. BOLD NUMBERS ARE NEW TARGETS.

Source: HSBC - Delivering Low Carbon Growth, A Guide to China's 12th Five Year Plan (Mar'11)



The 2050 simulator allows users to view the energy sector's evolution given their forecast about future technology adoption and consumption behaviors



By answering 32 questions about energy prices, demand and supply evolution, and GHG emissions, the user defines an energy path



The simulator allows for immediate visualization of the path impacts along several dimensions in graph or numeric format





Outputs also include energy flows and performance data





The simulator's objective function is to (1) minimize greenhouse gas emissions, (2) at the lowest cost, and (3) at the lowest difficulty level



What will China's future energy sector look like in the decades to come?





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Common assumptions across all scenarios

	Common assumptions for all simulated scenarios (answers from 1 to 4)	
Prices	 IEA long term oil price scenario: 130 \$_{'10}/bbl (2) IEA long term oil coal scenario: 110 \$_{'10}/ton (2) IEA long term natural gas scenario: 11 \$_{'10}/Mbtu (2) Long term CO₂ base case scenario: 50 €_{'10}/ton (2) 	
Population	Current Chinese population by 2050: 1350 Million (3)	
GDP/capita	Double current Chinese GDP/Capita by 2050: 10 k\$/capita (4)	
Energy intensity	 Current Residential Chinese energy intensity level by 2050: 260 toe/kcapita (3) Current Services, agr. & fish Chinese energy intensity level by 2050: 25 toe/M\$ (2) Double current Chinese vehicles penetration level by 2050: 400 vehicles/kcapita (3) 	
Power imports	• No power imports by 2050 (1)	
CO ₂ mitigation	 No thermal power plants with CCS (1) No industrial plants with CCS (1) No emissions reduction due to geosequestration (1) 	



Three stylized scenarios were defined: King Coal, Shale Gas and RES & Electrification

Scenarios	Rationale	EDP's 2050 Simulator answers (different from 1)	
1 King Coal	 Business as Usual Coal keeps its leading high market share Low energy efficiency levels 	• N.a.	
2 Shale Gas	 China discovers Shale Gas Power system shifts from Coal to Gas Low energy efficiency levels 	 Transports fuel switching: 75% road and non-road transports from oil to biofuels and natural gas (4) Power generation: gas accounts for 2,000 GW (4) 	
3 RES & Electrification	 Focus on electrification and energy efficiency Clean power generation (Nuclear and Renewables) 	 Industry: 40% current intensity level to 50 toe/M\$ (3) Demand electrification: Residential, services and industry electrification (3) Transports: 50% road and 30% non-road electrification (3) Power generation: focus on nuclear and RES (3) 	

These 3 scenarios imply very different energy mixes...

Share of primary energy demand evolution by fuels %, 2000-2050



...leading to substantially different GHG emissions



The higher energy efficiency level of the RES & Electrification scenario has a huge impact on energy consumption...



...which, even with higher levels of electrification, leads to similar needs of power generation than that of the King Coal and Shale Gas scenarios





Although the RES & Elect scenario has higher unit costs of energy and seems to be more difficult to implement, it leads to lower total energy costs





If China increases its GDP/Cap by 2050 to current US values primary energy demand would increase by 3.4x to 16 Gtoe





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King Coal scenario









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