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Overview

What percentage of Uruguay's electricity is renewable?

Renewables accounted for 99% of Uruguay's electricity generation in 2024, according to preliminary energy balance data published by the country's ministry of industry, energy and mining on Friday. Cardal transmission line in Uruguay. Image by Invenergy (invenergy.com).

Does Uruguay have a power grid?

The map of Uruguay's electrical grid today is starkly different from that of 2008, when the majority of power was generated at a few hydroelectric dams north of Montevideo and the rest at a handful of fossil fuel plants in the capital. It's now possible for the entire grid to run several hours a day entirely on wind power.

How much does Uruguay's energy bill cost a year?

Even in years with average rainfall, costs could often skyrocket to \$1.1 billion a year. According to UTE, droughts and fluctuations in oil pricing threatened to more than double that, bringing Uruguay's annual energy bill to \$2.5 billion.

Is Uruguay a big carbon emitter?

Uruguay was never a huge carbon emitter. When the South American country hit its highest carbon emissions ever in 2012, the average Uruguayan put 2.6 tons of carbon into the atmosphere; that same year, the average individual American carbon footprint was more than 16 tons.

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