

The LA100 Study: Lessons for State 100% Clean Energy Planning

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Assists states and other entities that have 100% clean energy goals (or are considering adopting such a goal) by providing knowledge-sharing activities and analysis so that they can address program challenges and opportunities.

The 100% Clean Energy Collaborative is managed by the Clean Energy States Alliance in partnership with the US Climate Alliance.



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NEW: Guide to 100% Clean Energy States

The Guide includes information about the goals, timelines, legislation, and plans of 18 states, plus the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico, that have adopted 100% clean electricity goals. It is divided into five parts:

- 1) Table of 100% Clean Energy States
- 2) Map and Timelines of 100% Clean Energy States
- 3) Summaries of State 100% Clean Energy Plans
- 4) Visual Comparison of State 100% Clean Energy Plans
- 5) State Legislation, Plans, Reports, and Other Documents



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The Los Angeles 100% Renewable Energy Study

LA100 and Implications for Other Locations

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Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP)



L.A.'s Current Power Grid

7,880 MW of Generation Capacity Peak Load: 6,502 MW (Aug. 31, 2017) 4 million residents LA100 Advisory Group

Provided Input and Review Throughout the Study

Representatives:

- Environmental groups
- Neighborhood councils
- Academia
- Key customers
- City government
- Business and workforce groups
- Utilities





Scenarios

LA100 Scenarios

Each Scenario Evaluated Under Different Customer Demand Projections (different levels of energy efficiency, electrification, and demand response)



SB100

Evaluated under Moderate, High, and Stress Load Electrification

- 100% clean energy by 2045
- Only scenario with a target based on retail sales, not generation
- Only scenario that allows up to 10% of the target to be natural gas offset by renewable electricity credits
- Allows existing nuclear and upgrades to transmission



Early & No Biofuels

Evaluated under Moderate and High Load Electrification

- 100% clean energy by **2035**, 10 years sooner than other scenarios
- No natural gas generation or biofuels
- Allows existing nuclear and upgrades to transmission

Moderate

High

Stress



Transmission Focus Evaluated under Moderate and High Load Electrification

• 100% clean energy by 2045

- Only scenario that builds new transmission corridors
- No natural gas or nuclear generation

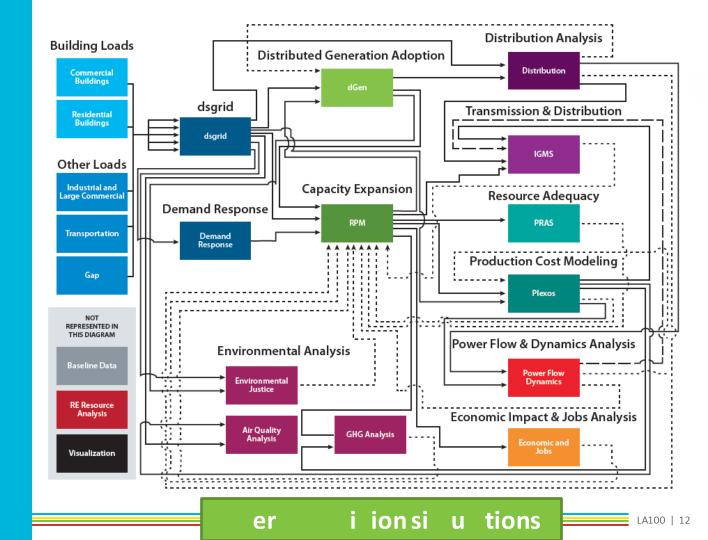


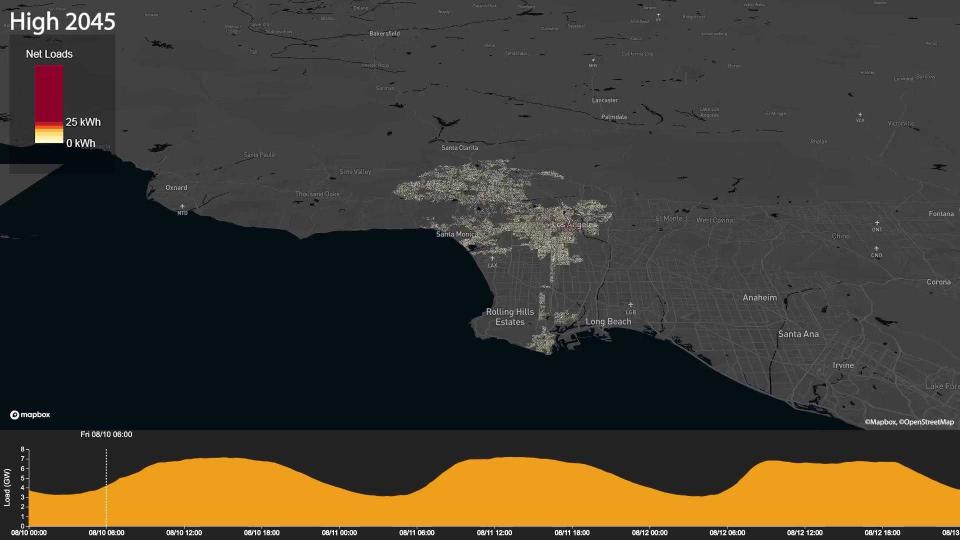
Limited New Transmission

Evaluated under <u>Moderate</u> and <u>High</u> Load Electrification

- 100% clean energy by **2045**
- Only scenario that does not allow upgrades to transmission beyond currently planned projects
- No natural gas or nuclear generation

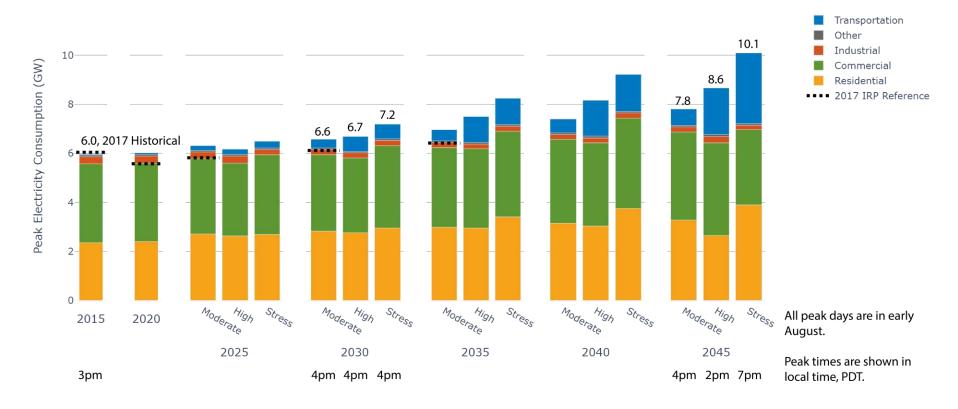
Unprecedented Model Resolution and Integration





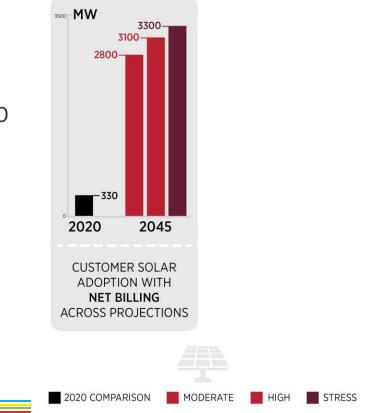
Results

Growth in customer demand for electricity



By 2045 rooftop solar would be an economic choice for nearly all households and businesses

Adoption would occur on 22% 38% of all existing single-family homes, up from 6% in 2020

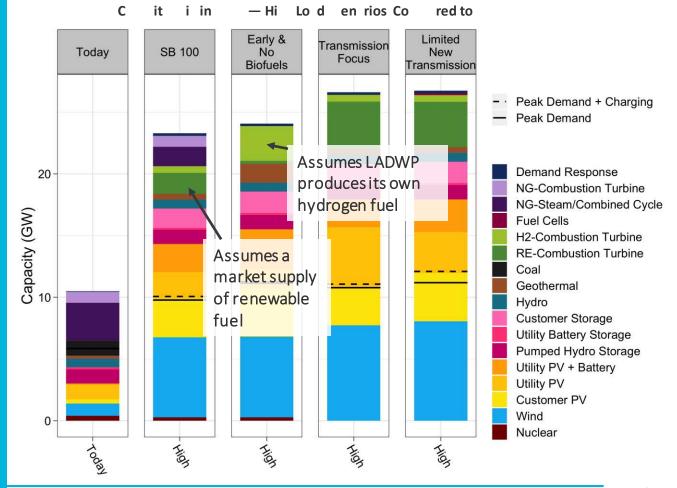


In all scenarios, wind and solar provide 69%–87% of future electricity demand.

The pathways diverge going from 90% to 100% renewables.

This last 10% is what is needed for reliability during periods of very low wind and solar, extremely high demand, and unplanned events like transmission outages. Meeting the last 10% on the road to 100% renewables

Producing hydrogen (rather than buying commercially available RE fuels) adds ~20% to cumulative costs



How do we get to the 100% RE target?

Example scenario: 2035 target, no biofuels





Customer **Rooftop Solar** Renewable Energy

340 MW

(utility scale)

1,300 MW

Solar + Battery: 90 MW Solar: 1,200 MW Wind: 1,000 MW Geothermal: 230 MW

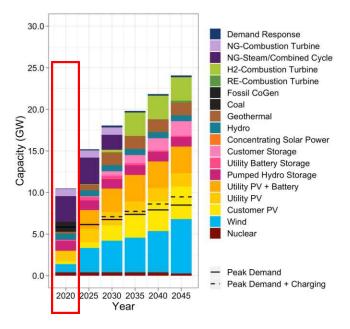
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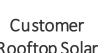
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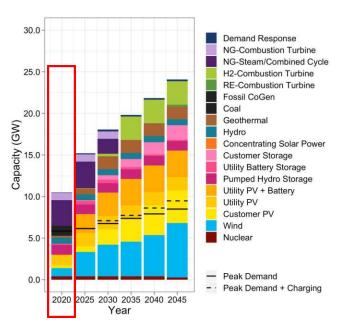
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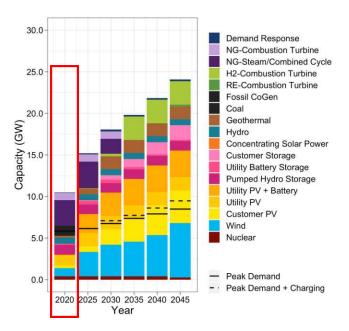
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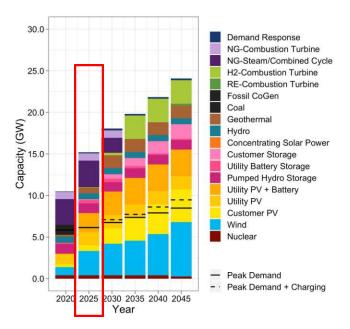
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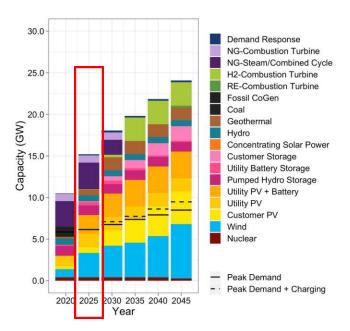
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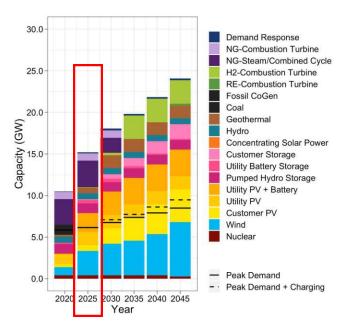
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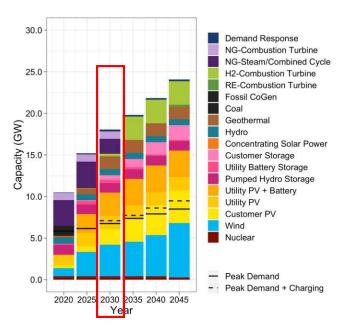


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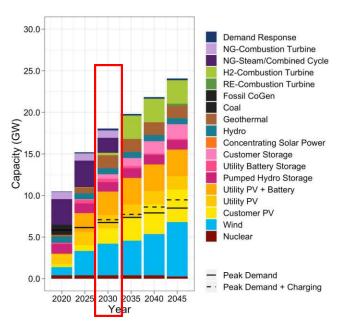


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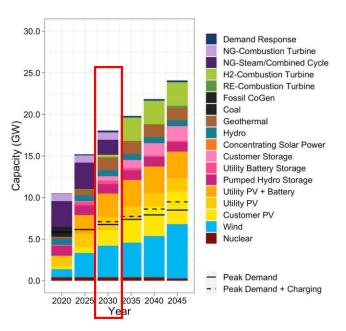
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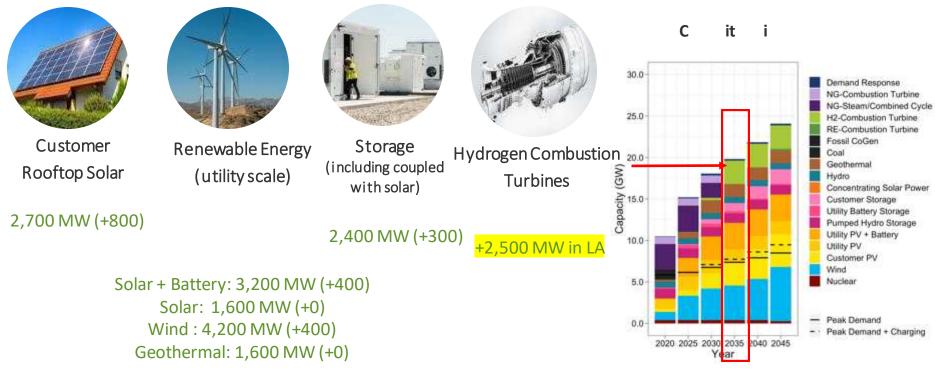
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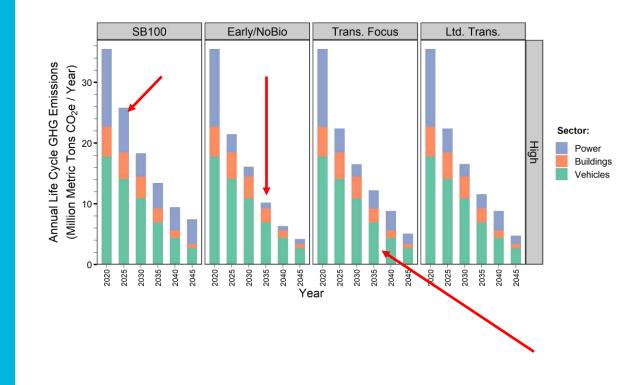
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Identifying alternative options for firm, in-basin capacity likely represents the largest opportunity to reduce the costs of the transition and points to the highest priorities for **R&D: hydrogen and extended** demand response.

Reliable, 100% renewable energy is achievable—and, if coupled with electrification of other sectors, provides significant greenhouse gas, air quality, and public health benefits.

Life-Cycle Greenhouse Gas Emissions

All Sectors

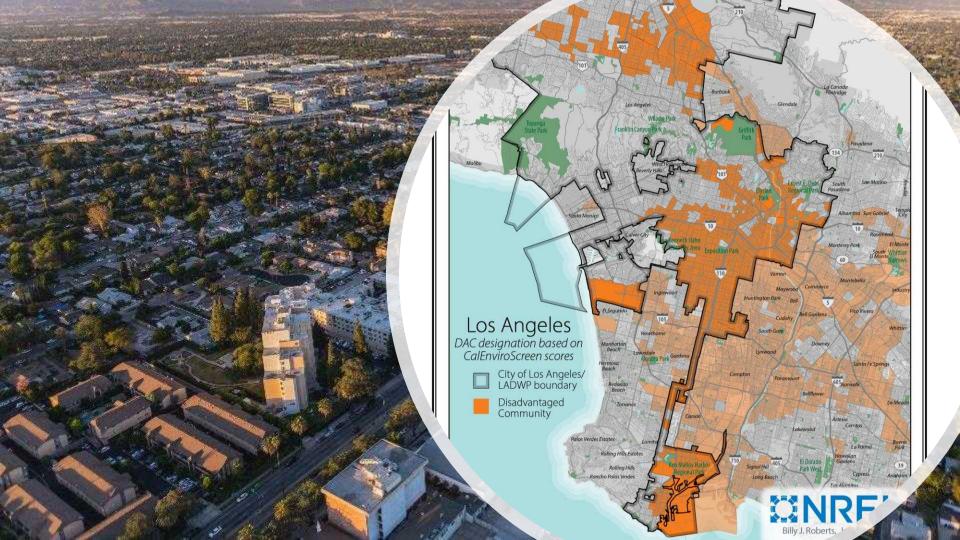


Two pollutants of concern 1.

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Fine particulate matter Ozone PRIMARY NH₃ NO₂ VOC SO2 PM **EMISSIONS** IN





All scenarios achieve 6%–8% reduction in concentrations of fine particulate matter.





Reductions in fine particulate matter result in \$1.5 billion in public health savings from avoided death and disease.

How do the scenarios compare in terms of benefits and costs?





The combination of higher energy efficiency, electrification, and demand flexibility offers both greater benefits and reduced per-unit electricity costs compared to alternative scenarios.

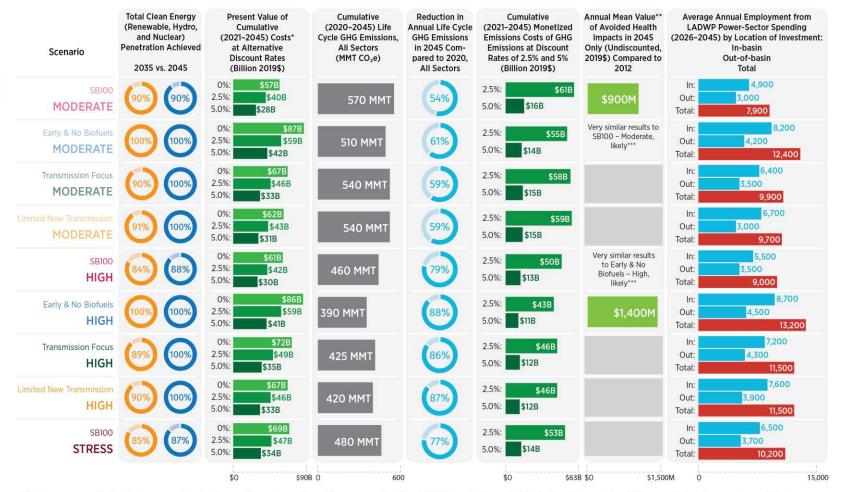
Accelerating the target date to 2035 increases both the costs and benefits of the transition.

Technology restrictions result in higher costs when it comes to meeting the last 10%–20% of energy demand—but almost no additional regional air quality or health benefits.

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While the transition to 100% renewables could create thousands of clean energy jobs annually, overall, the renewable energy investments alone are not anticipated to notably impact LA's economy.





*Costs, as measured in the study, represent costs of expanding and operating of the power system from 2021. Present values calculated with a discount rate of 0% are equivalent to an undiscounted value. **95% confidence interval of values of avoided health impacts in 2045 compared to 2012 is SB100 – M is (-\$480M-\$3,000M) and of Early & No Biofuels – H is (-\$470M-\$4,400 M). ***Because the contribution to emissions reductions from the power sector is small (ranging from 0.8%-1% for NOx among LA100-evaluated reductions), it is reasonable to qualitatively estimate the results stated. All communities will share in the benefits of the clean energy transition—but improving equity in participation and outcomes would require this to be integrated into the design of policies and programs.





The Los Angeles 100% Renewable Energy Study



LA100 Equity Strategies

THE CHALLENGE:

• How can Los Angeles ensure its transition to 100% clean energy with high levels of electrification improves energy justice?

OUR SOLUTION:

- Prioritize energy justice outcomes based on community input
- Analyze clean-energy transition pathways that maximize energy justice outcomes for all communities in LA

POTENTIAL IMPACT:

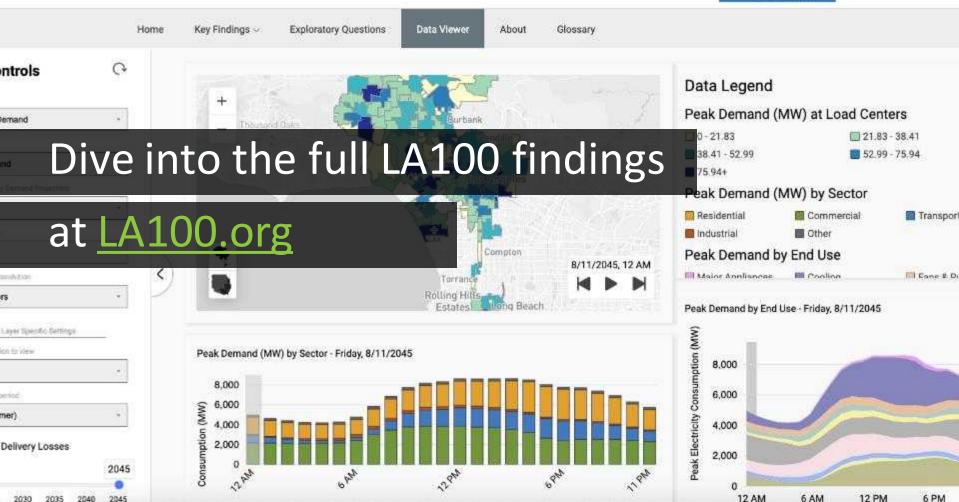
- Improved understanding of factors contributing to energy inequities
- Implementation-ready strategies to address energy justice in LA
- Replicable approaches for incorporating energy justice in future research

LA can get started now, with many options that achieve significant reductions in greenhouse gas emissions (76%–99%) by 2030.



LA100: The Los Angeles 100% Renewable Energy Study





Thank you for attending our webinar

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