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# Renewable Energy Status

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## About REN21



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WBA, WWEA



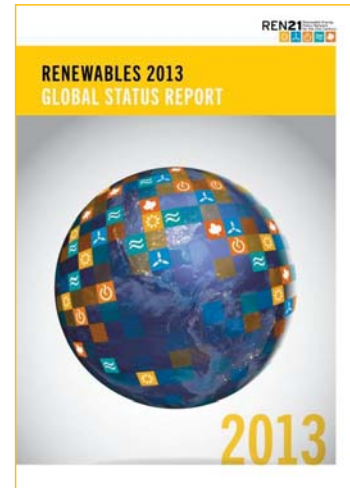
#### National Governments:

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Spain, Uganda, UAE, UK

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# REN21 Renewables Global Status Report

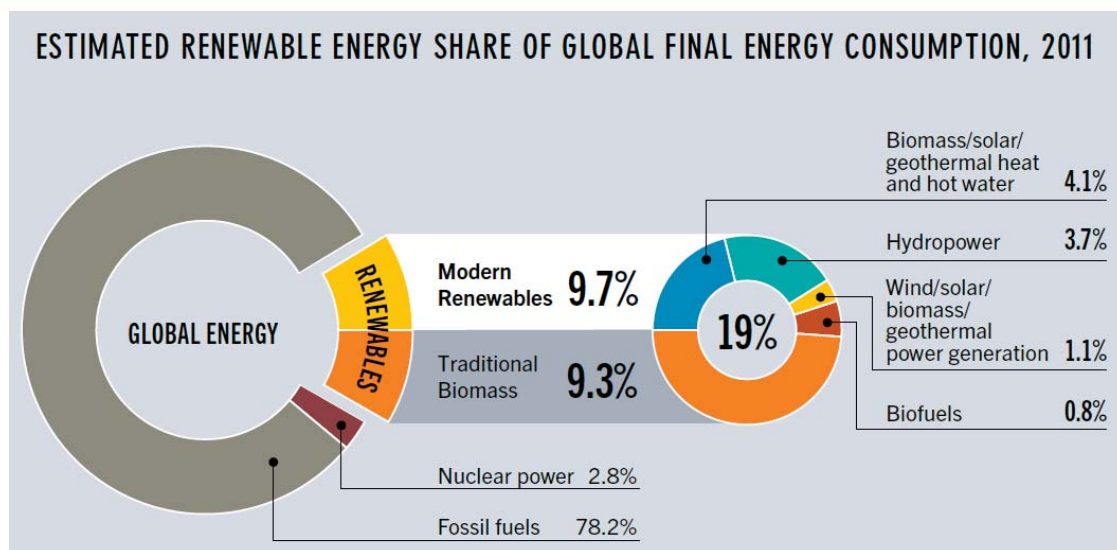
- Launched along with UNEP's Global trends in RE investment.
- Team of over 500 Contributors, researchers & reviewers worldwide.
- The report features:
  - Global Market Overview.
  - Industry Trends.
  - Policy Landscape.
  - Rural Renewable Energy.
- All renewable energy technologies.
- Sectors: power, heating/cooling, transport.
- New elements in 2013:
  - Feature on system transformation.



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## Renewable Energy in the World



Source: REN21 Renewables 2013 Global Status Report

- RE supplied an estimated **19%** of **global final energy consumption** in 2011.
- **UN Secretary General's goal : doubling the share of renewable energy in the global energy mix by 2030 (from 18% in base year 2010).**

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# Top 5 RE champions

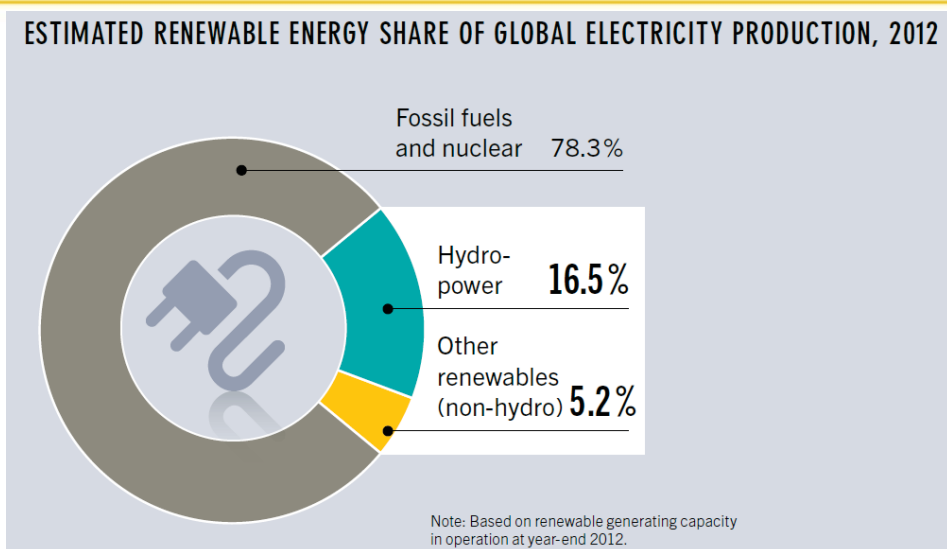
ANNUAL INVESTMENT/ADDITIONS/PRODUCTION IN 2012							
	New capacity investment	Hydropower capacity	Solar PV capacity	Wind power capacity	Solar water collector (heating) capacity <sup>1</sup>	Biodiesel production	Ethanol production
1	China	China	Germany	United States	China	United States	United States
2	United States	Turkey	Italy	China	Turkey	Germany	Brazil
3	Germany	Brazil/Vietnam	China	Germany	Germany	Argentina	China
4	Japan	Russia	United States	India	India	Brazil	Canada
5	Italy	Canada	Japan	United Kingdom	Brazil	France	France

TOTAL CAPACITY AS OF END-2012							
	Renewable power capacity (incl. hydro)	Renewable power capacity (not incl. hydro)	Renewable power capacity per capita (not incl. hydro) <sup>2</sup>	Biopower capacity	Geothermal power capacity	Hydropower capacity	Concentrating solar thermal power (CSP) capacity
1	China	China	Germany	United States	United States	China	Spain
2	United States	United States	Sweden	Brazil	Philippines	Brazil	United States
3	Brazil	Germany	Spain	China	Indonesia	United States	Algeria
4	Canada	Spain	Italy	Germany	Mexico	Canada	Egypt/Morocco
5	Germany	Italy	Canada	Sweden	Italy	Russia	Australia

Source: REN21 Renewables 2013 Global Status Report

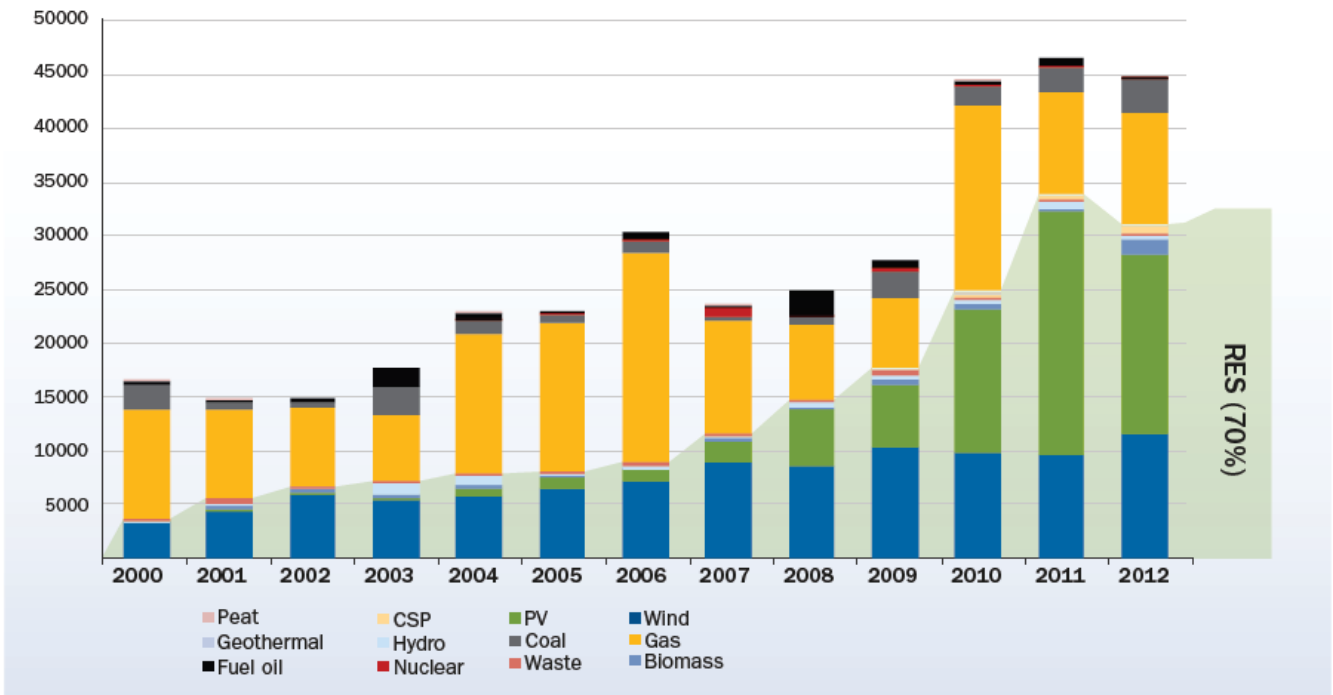
# Global Market Overview – Power Markets



Source: REN21 Renewables 2013 Global Status Report

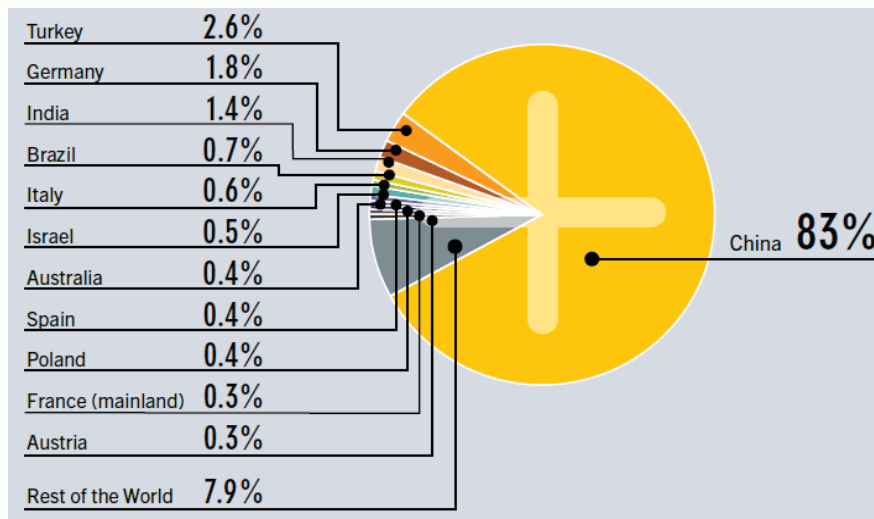
- Renewable energy comprise more than **26%** of **global power generation capacity**.
- 21.7%** of **global electricity** is produced from renewable energy.
- Renewables accounted for just over half of the estimated 280GW of new electric capacity installed in 2012.

## New annual power capacity added in EU in 2012: 70 % renewable based



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## Global Market Overview – Heating & Cooling



Source: REN21 Renewables 2013 Global Status Report

- By the end of 2012 solar thermal capacity reached an estimated 282 GWth.
- Europe** and China account for about 90% of world market.
- Growing trend to use solar resources to generate process heat for industry.

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## ■ Heating and Cooling

- Transition towards the use of larger systems, increasing use of CHP, for district schemes and industrial purposes.
- Solar collectors are used in more than 56 countries for water (and increasingly for space) heating.

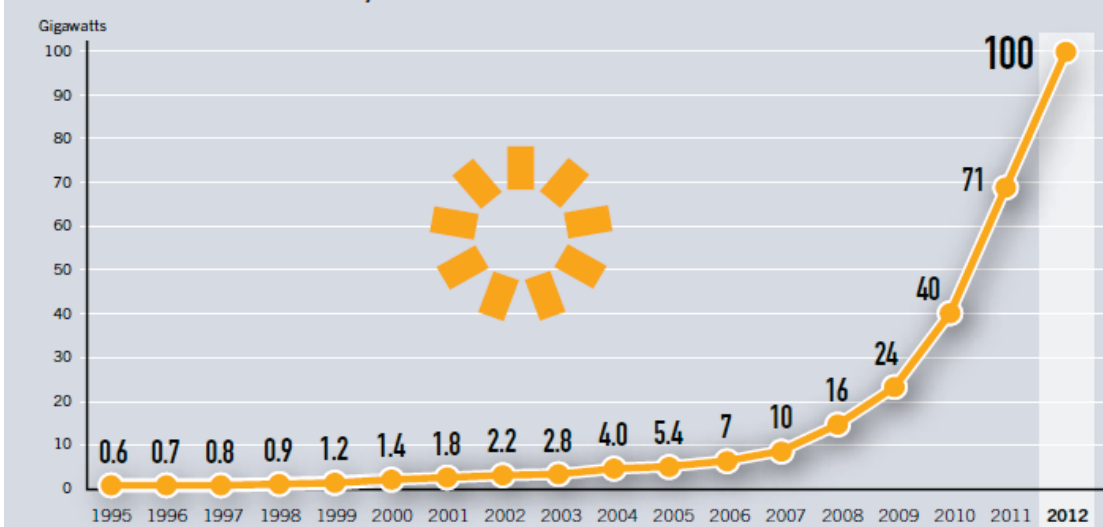
## ■ Transport

- RE used in the form of liquid and gaseous biofuels, electricity and renewably produced hydrogen for fuel cell vehicles.
- Liquid biofuels provided about 3,4 % of global road transport fuels in 2012.
- Electric transport is being tied directly with renewable energy through policy directives particularly at local level.

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## Solar Photovoltaics (PV)

SOLAR PV GLOBAL CAPACITY, 1995–2012



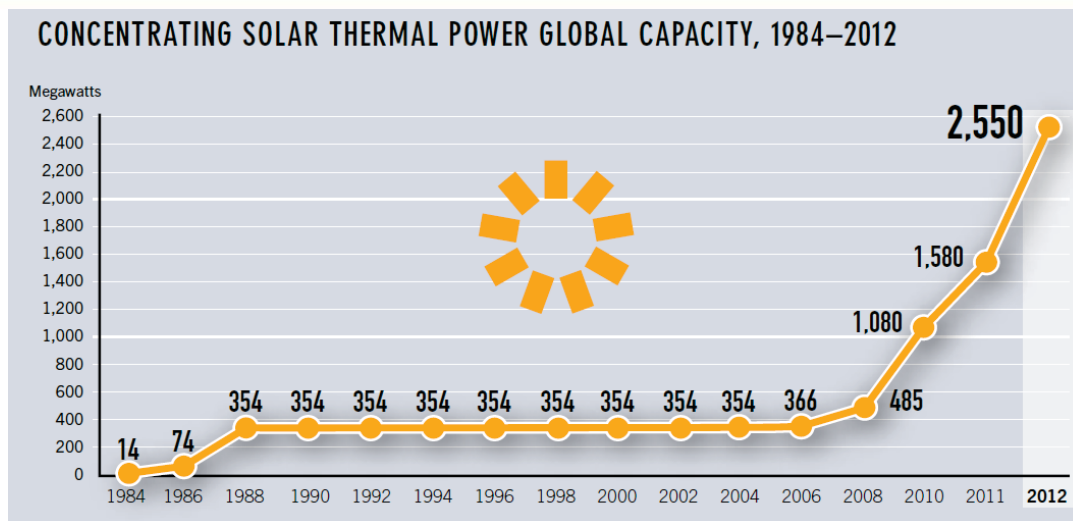
- Total global operating capacity of solar PV reached the 100 GW milestone.
- Prices of solar PV modules fell by more than 30 % in 2012.

- Europe again dominated the market, adding 16.9 GW and accounting for about 57% of newly installed capacity, to end 2012 with 70 GW in operation.

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# Concentrating Solar Thermal Power (CSP)

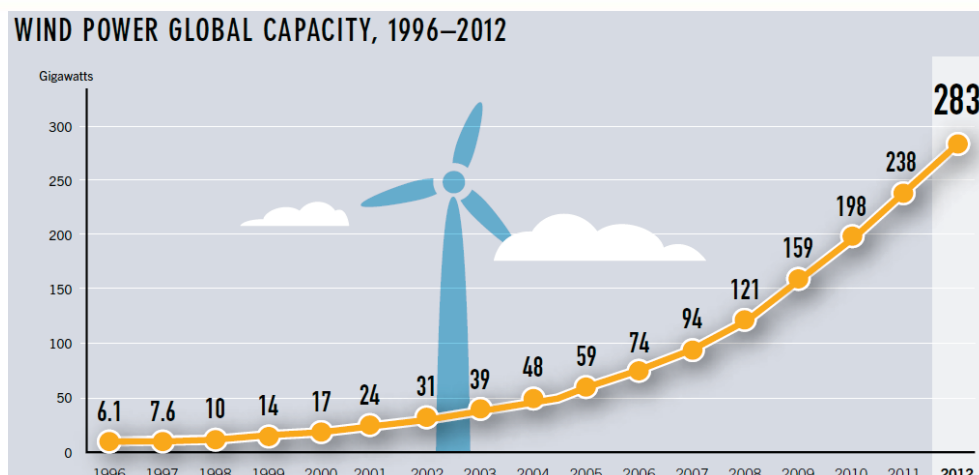


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- Interest in CSP is on the rise, particularly in developing countries, with investment spreading across Africa, the Middle East, Asia, and Latin America.
- Spain continued to lead the world for both deployment and total capacity of CSP, adding 950 MW to increase operating capacity by 95% to a total of 1,950 MW.

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# Wind Power

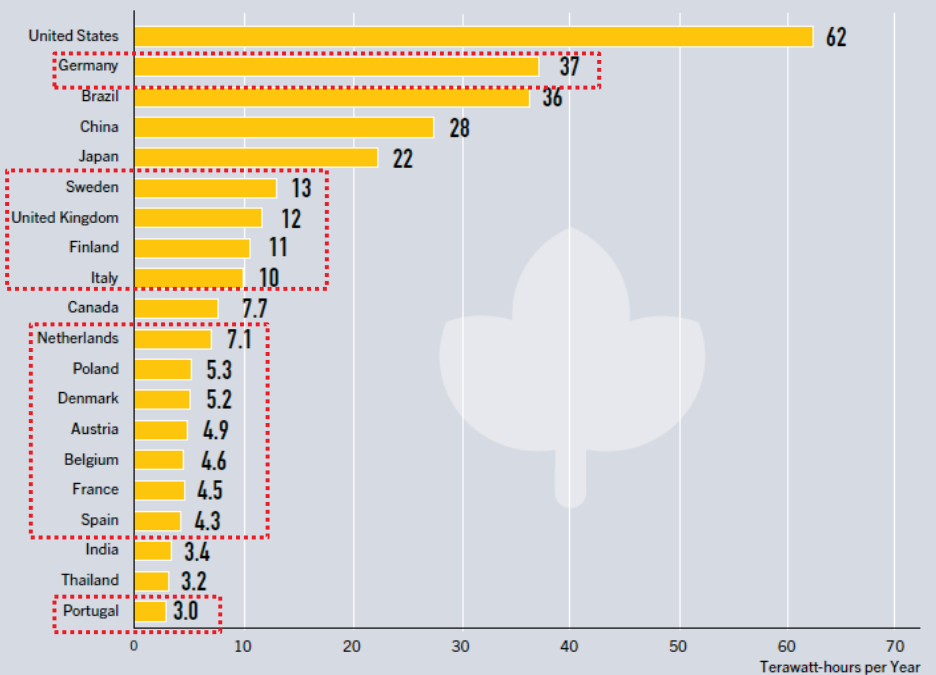


- Almost 45GW of wind power capacity began operation, increasing global wind capacity 19% to 283 GW.
- The European Union passed the 100 GW milestone in 2012, adding a record 11.9 GW of wind capacity for a total exceeding 106 GW.
- Wind accounts for 11.4% of total EU electric capacity.

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# Bioenergy

BIOPOWER GENERATION OF TOP 20 COUNTRIES, ANNUAL AVERAGE 2010–2012



Source: REN21 Renewables 2013 Global Status Report

- Use of biomass in the heat, power and transport sectors increased 2–3% to approximately 55 EJ.
- Bio-power capacity was up 12% to nearly 83 GW.
- In Europe, bio-power capacity increased by almost 2% to 31.4 GW, generating around 136 TWh. Mainly by biogas in CHP plants, and with renewable municipal solid waste.

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# Renewable Energy and Jobs

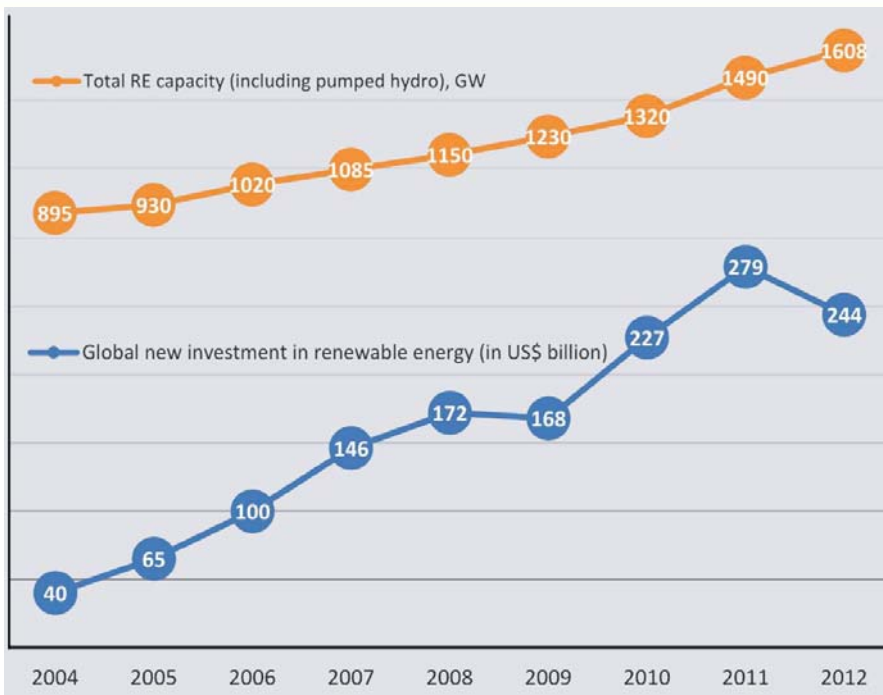


Data source: IRENA, Renewable Energy and Jobs 2013

- Worldwide renewable energy employment continues to increase.
- An estimated **5.7 million people** work in the renewable energy sector.
- The bulk of employment remains concentrated in the **EU**, Brazil, China, India, and the United States.

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# Global New Investment in Renewable Energy

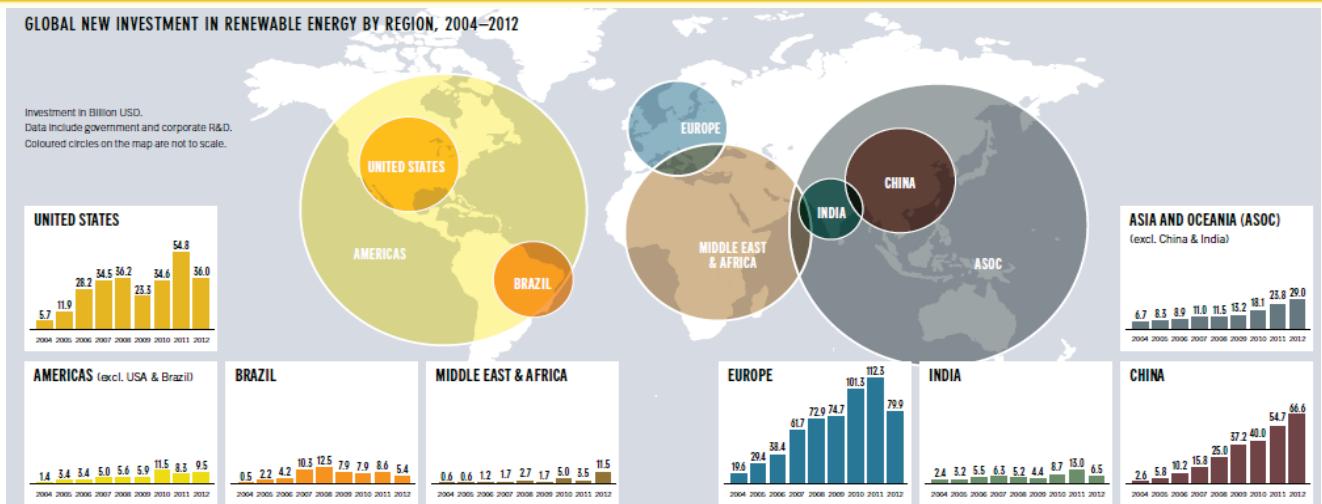


Data sources: Renewables 2013 Global Status Report, UNEP FS/ BNEF Global Trends in Renewable Energy Investment 2013

- Global new investment in renewable power went down 12% from the previous year's record (still the second highest ever).
- Installed capacity, which continued to grow due to falling technology costs.
- Europe experienced a reduction in subsidies for wind and solar project development but it remained the largest centre for R&D.

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# Investment Flows



Data Source: UNEP FS/ BNEF Global Trends in Renewable Energy Investment 2013

- Dramatic shift in the balance of new investment activity between developed and developing economies.
- Developing countries reached USD 112 billion, representing 46% of the world total; this was up from 34% in 2011, and continued an unbroken eight-year growth trend.
- Developed economies fell 29% to USD 132 billion, the lowest level since 2009.

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# Policy Landscape

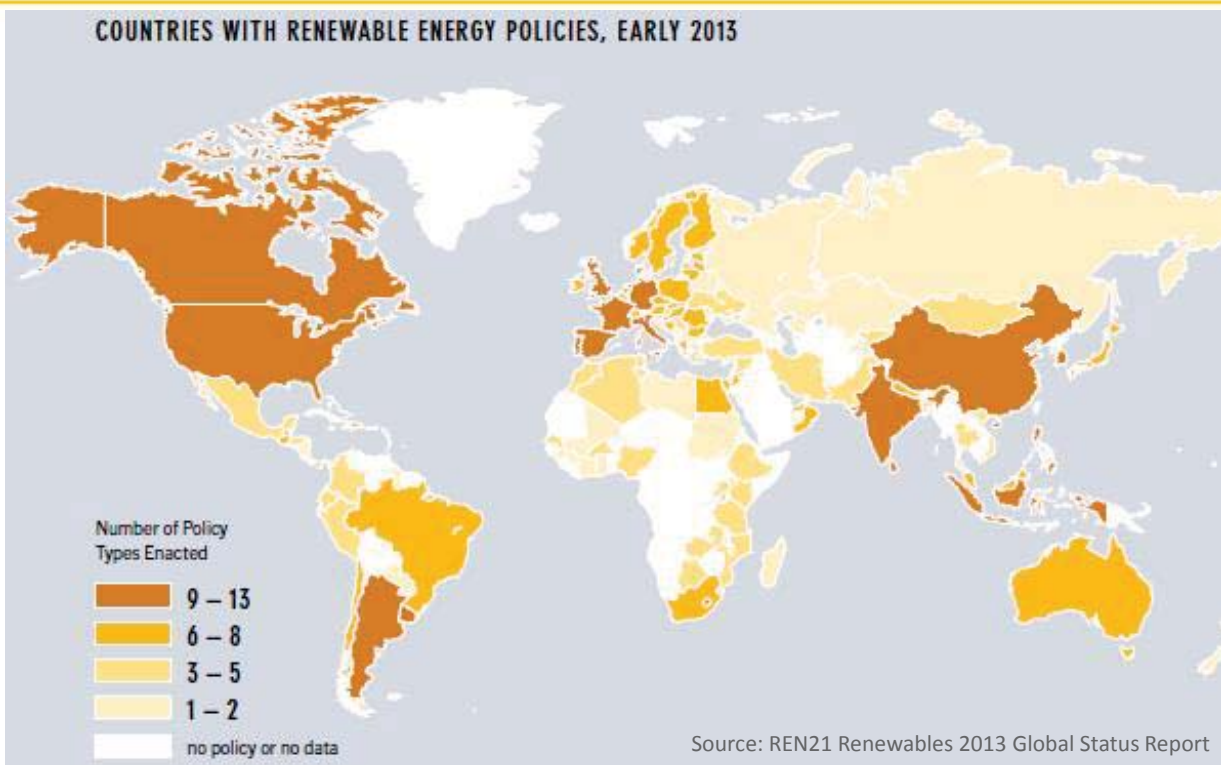
THE NUMBER OF COUNTRIES WITH RENEWABLE TARGETS MORE THAN DOUBLED BETWEEN 2005 AND 2012. A LARGE NUMBER OF CITY AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS ARE ALSO PROMOTING RENEWABLE ENERGY.



- At least **138 countries** had renewable energy targets by the end of 2012.
- Most policies to support renewable energy target the power sector, with Feed-in tariffs (FITs) and renewable portfolio standards (RPS) used most frequently.
- Policymakers are increasingly aware of the potential national development impacts of renewable energy.
- GSR provides a comprehensive policy table giving an overview of applied instruments worldwide on a country-by-country basis.

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# Policy Map



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# Added-value of Renewables

- Decreased dependency on fossil fuel imports
- Decreased energy price volatility
- Increased resilience to climate change impacts: system diversification; decentralisation
- No nuclear risk
- Environmental benefits: CO<sub>2</sub> reduction; SO<sub>x</sub>, NO<sub>x</sub> reduction
- Local value added: job creation, industry development



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