

Wind power installations

- Annual installations of wind power have increased steadily over the last 12 years, from 3.2 GW in 2000 to 11.9 GW in 2012, a compound annual growth rate of over 11.6%.
- A total of 106 GW is now installed in the European Union, an increase in installed cumulative capacity of 12.6% compared to the previous year.
- Germany remains the EU country with the largest installed capacity followed by Spain, the UK and Italy. 15 Member States have more than 1 GW of installed capacity, including two newer Member States, Poland and Romania.
- There was generalised growth in wind energy installations across Europe, although it is expected that a number of large markets, such as Italy and Spain, and certain previously fast growing emerging markets, such as Bulgaria, may slow down significantly over the coming years.