

# Renewables for electricity

## Advantages, problems, status in Europe

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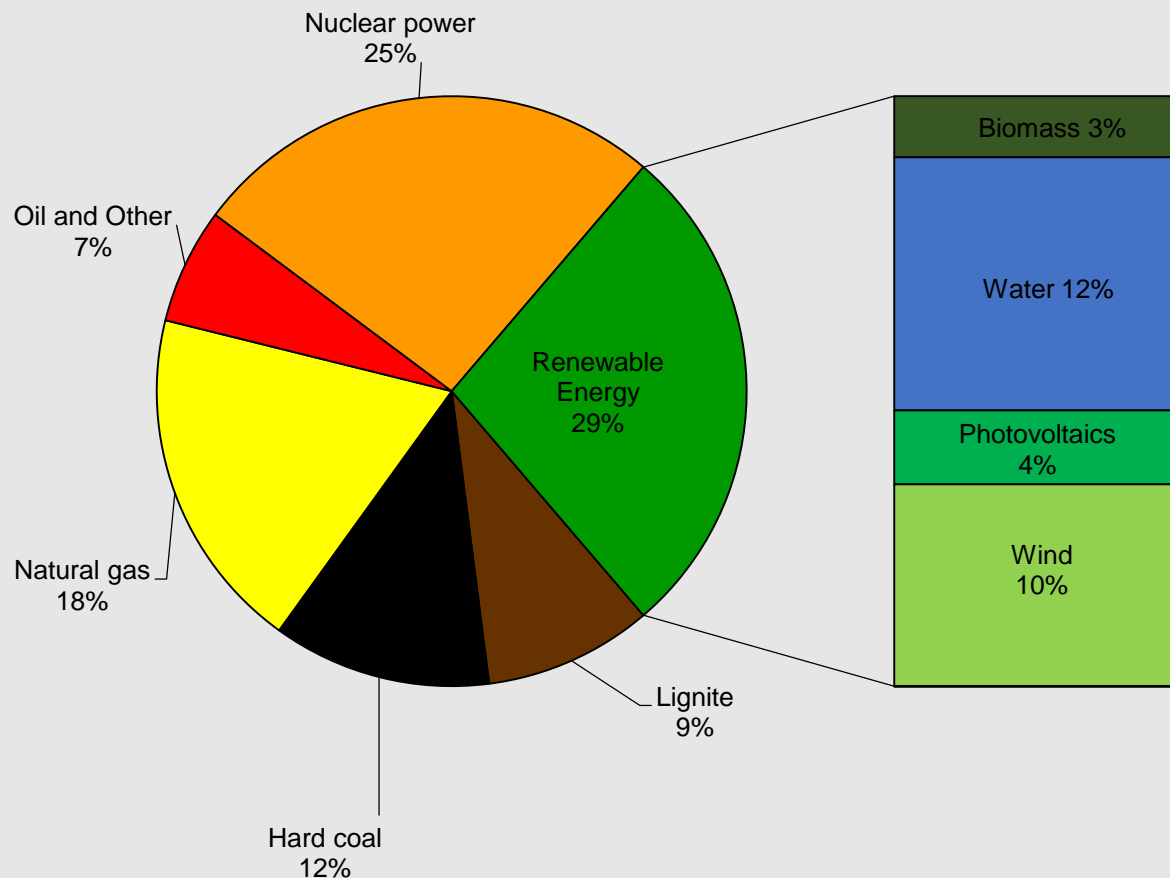
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- Actual Situation
- Policies and Objectives
- Scientific Effects - Eco-Balance Alpha Ventus

### 2017: 3.255 Mrd. kWh

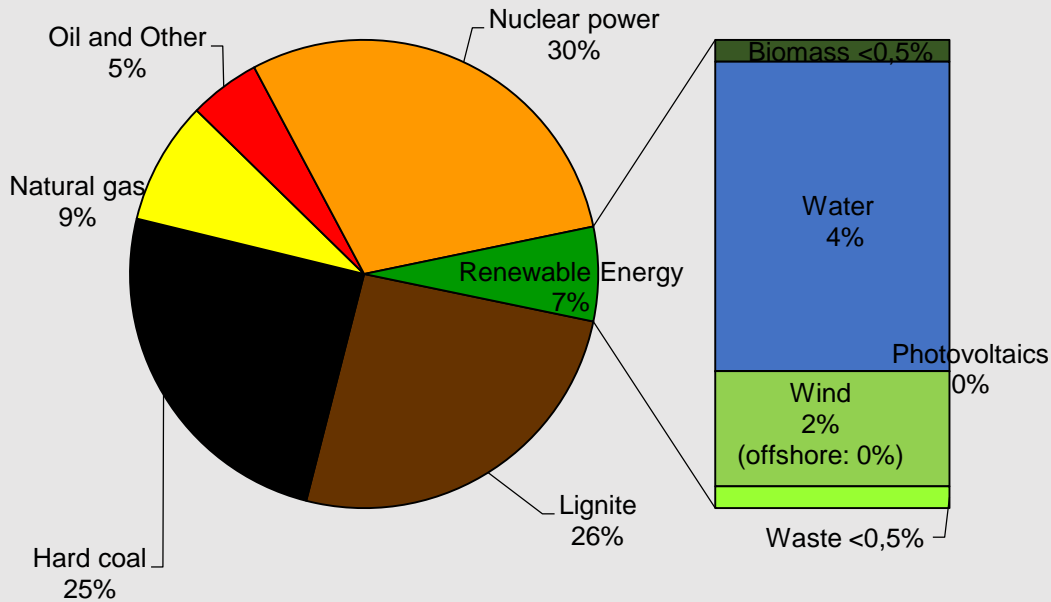


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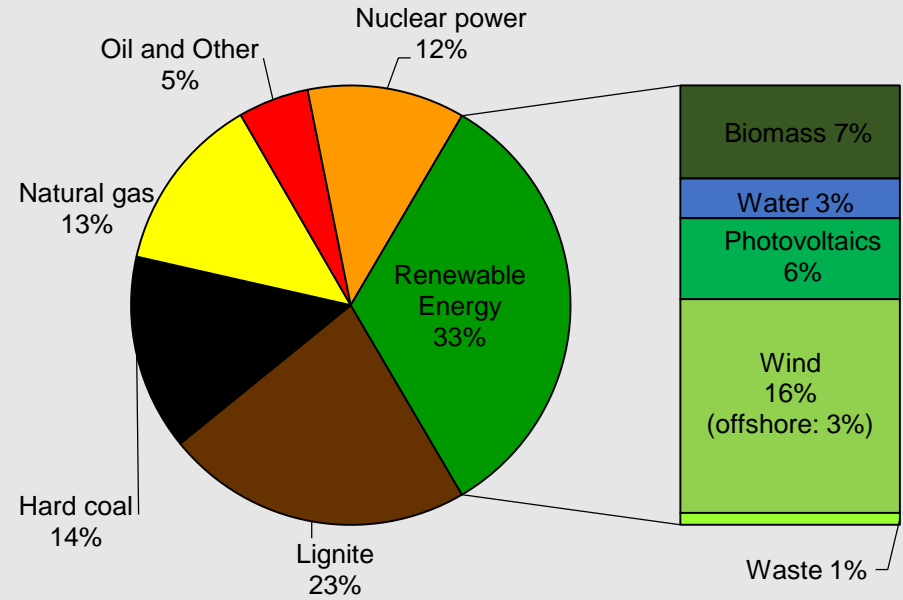
Source: Statistik der Energiewirtschaft, Ausgabe 2018, VIK Energie für die Industrie

## European electricity generation

**2000: 576,6 Mrd. kWh**



**2017: 654,2 Mrd. kWh**



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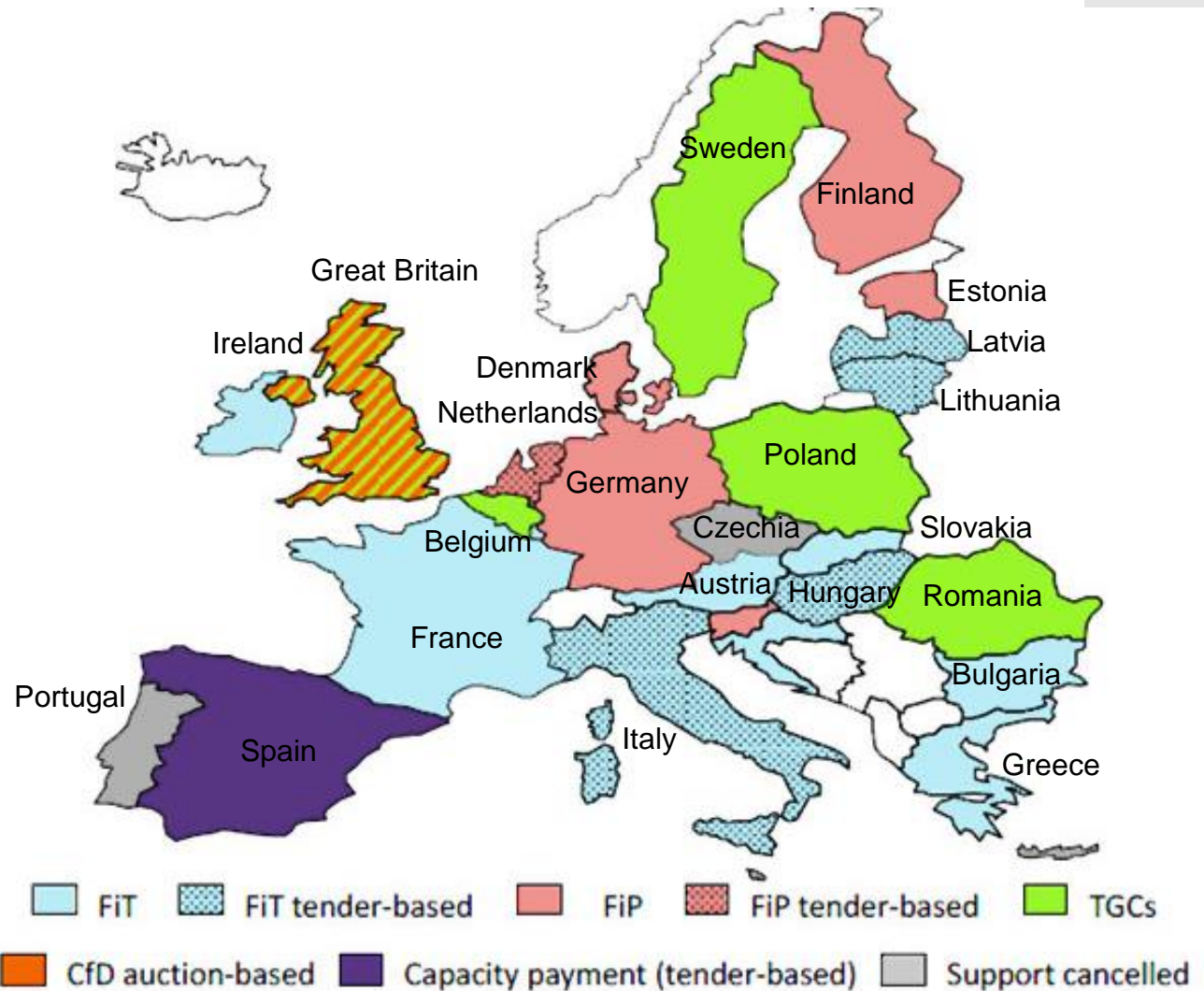
Source: AG Energiedaten, 21.12.2017

## Electricity generation in Germany – comparison of the years 2000 and 2017

Policies are changing in direction of invitation of tenders

FIT = Feed-in tariffs  
FiP = Feed-in premium  
TGCs= Tradable green certificates  
CfD= Contract for Difference

Source: 2014 JRC wind status report



## Different conveying systems for renewable electricity in the EU

**Objective of green electricity:**

- 2025 (2035): 40-45 % (55-60 %) of the electricity consumption should be covered by green energy
- Expansion target wind offshore till 2020: 6,5 GW and till 2025: 11 GW
- Limiting the expansion of new wind onshore: 2,9 GW/year including replacement of old stations
- Limiting the expansion of new biogas plants: 150 MW/year (next 3 years) than 200 MW/year
- Limiting the annual expansion of new photovoltaic: 2,5 GW/year

**Green electricity marketing:**

- Direct marketing of all new plants with a power output of 750 kW or more, except biomass 150kW or more

**Reducing of financial support:**

- Degradation of immoderate promotion and bonus, progressively reducing of support

**Industrial companies:**

- Energy-intensive companies have to pay about 15 % of the Renewable Energy Act levy, up to a maximum limit of 4 % of the companies' gross value added
- For large scale consumers, such as aluminum or steel plants, the maximum limit decreases to 0,5 %

**Own power consumption:**

- Existing plants are exempted from the Renewable Energy Act
- Electricity, generated by eco-electricity plants, is charged with 40 %, all the rest has to pay the whole amount
- Small plants up to 10 kW (e.g. photovoltaic systems on house roofs) are exempted from the Renewable Energy Act levy

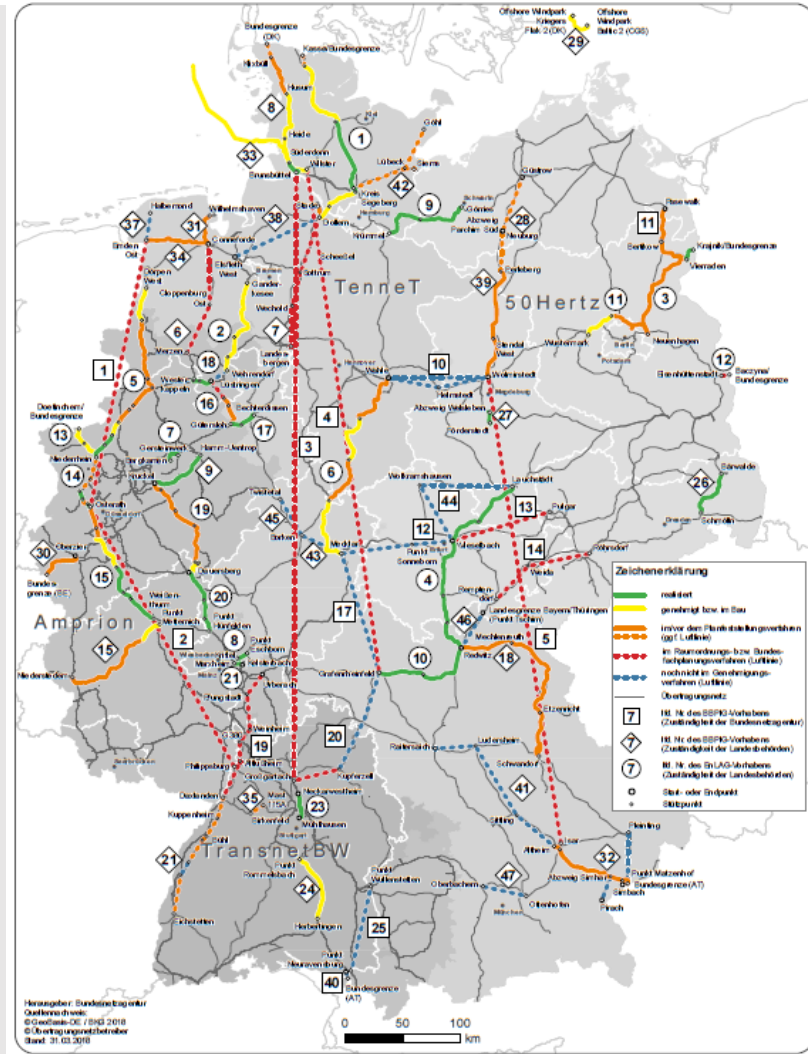
**Railway:**

- Payment of 20 % of the Renewable Energy Act levy

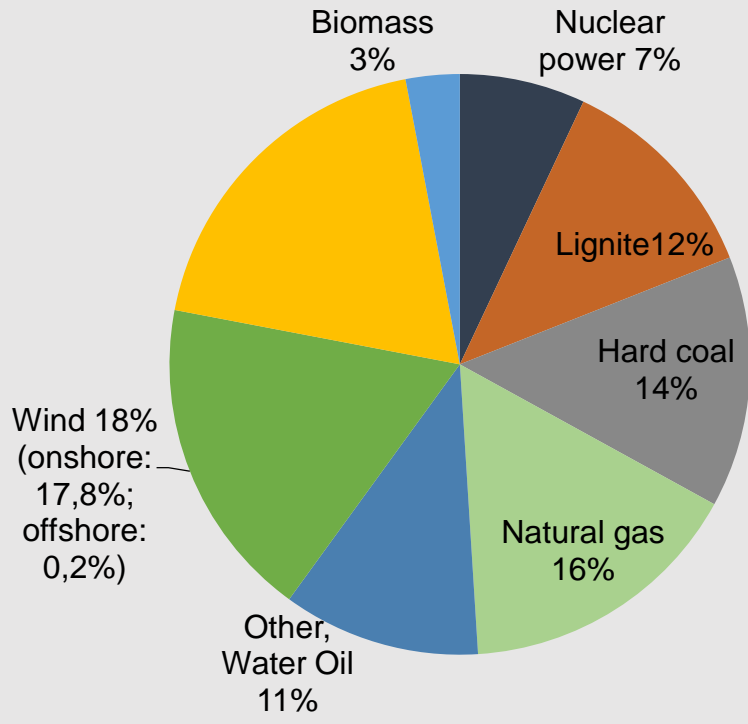
**Private Consumer:**

- Payment of 100 % of the Renewable Energy Act levy (about 7,3 €-Ct/kWh)

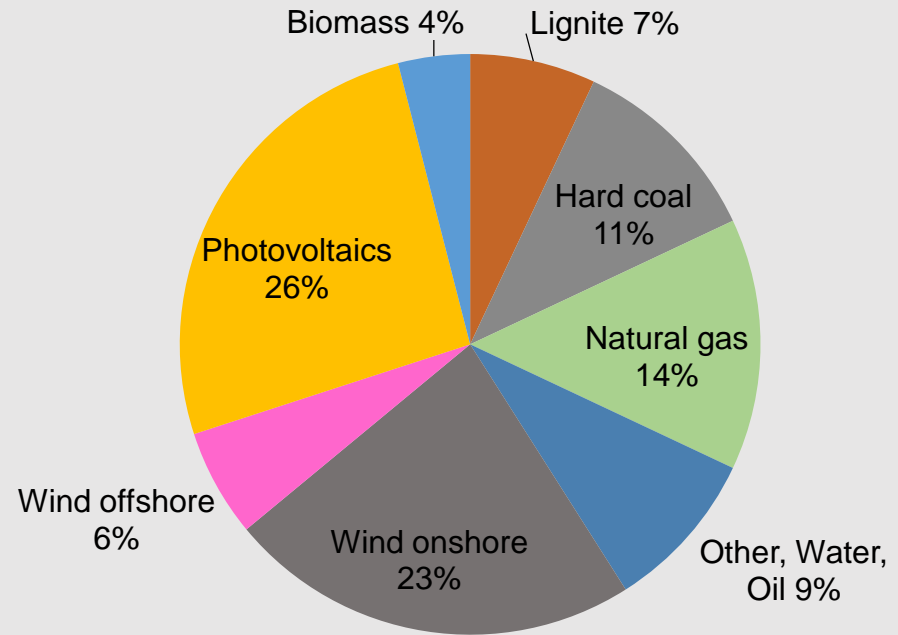
## German Renewable Energy Act (EEG) 2016 (valid from 2017)



## Electricity network development plan for the Germany (BBPIG 2018)



**2012**  
Statistical value (175 GW)

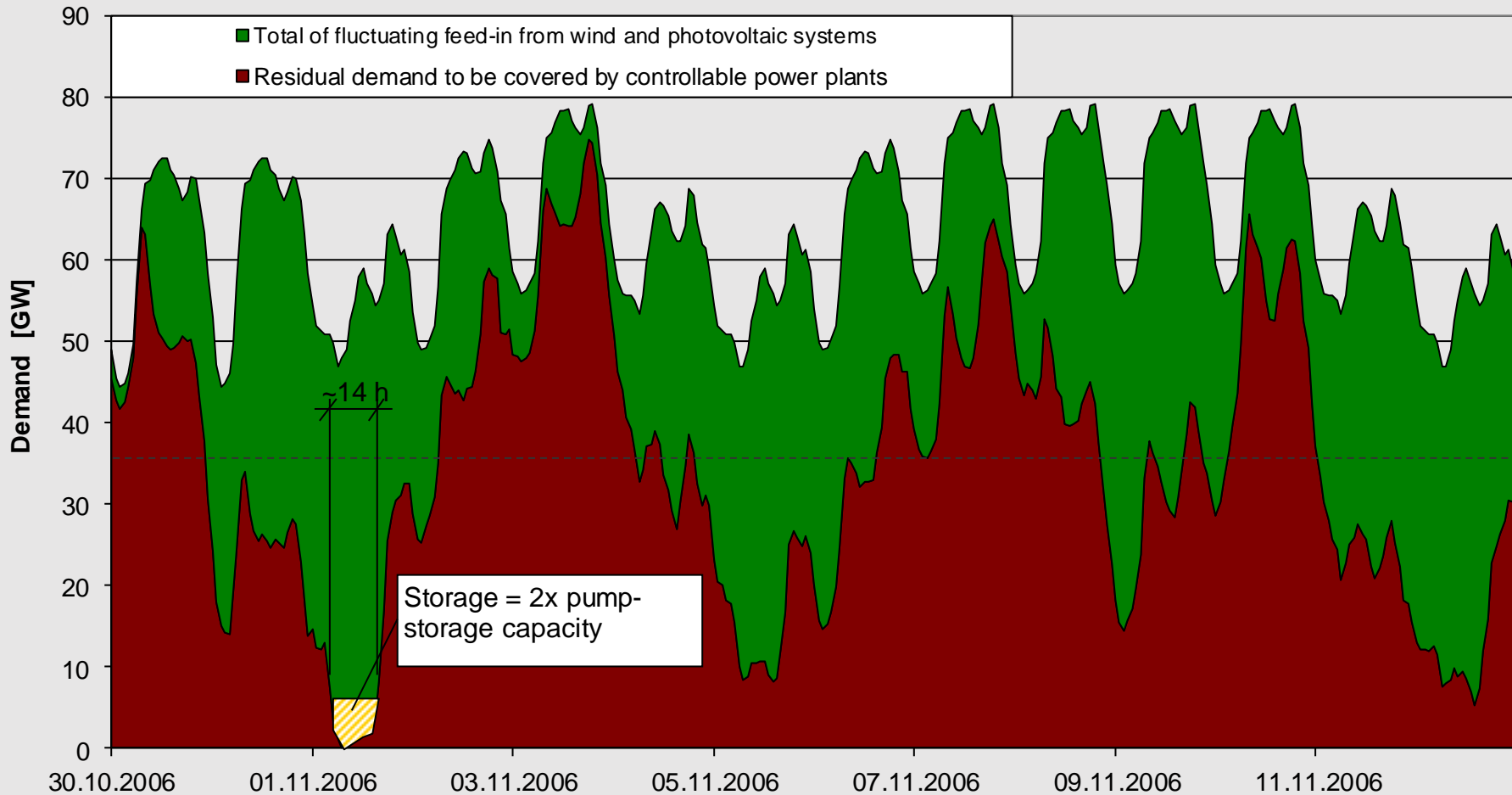


**2024**  
Objective of government (225 GW)

(Scenario B)

## Objective for the power station capacities in Germany in the year 2024





Source: Doctoral thesis from T. Große Böckmann; Szenario BEE2020-2 Wochen

## How much wind and photovoltaic without storage?

12 Wind energy converter, each 5 MW

(6 of Multibrid (AREVA) and 6 of REpower (Senvion) company)

Operation time 20 years

Lifetime foundation 20 years

Capacity Factor 45% (load duration 3900 h/a):

incl. maintenance- and failure times, power consumption of WEC and  
transmission platform inside wind park

Maintenance and services:

Change of 1/2 gearbox per station and operation time

Change of 1,25 rotor blades per station and operation time

120 helicopter transports per year for the wind park

180 ship transports per year for the wind park



## Life Cycle Assessment wind park alpha ventus - Reference system



### Classification of the results - Comparison with German Power Mix (uniform ranking)

Actual Situation	Policies and Objectives	Scientific Effets – Eco-Balance Alpha Ventus
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- Scientific eco-balance of wind converter and photovoltaic shows good results
- Wind energy and photovoltaic use is increasing worldwide
- Technology is available
- Off shore wind park's are under construction, they deliver more electricity, but they are expensive
- In Europe are different support systems: Feed-in tariff, tax incentives, quota
- Germany: In the past fixed feed-in regulation for electricity of renewables over 20 years, private consumers are paying 7,4 €-Cent/kWh<sup>1)</sup> (wind) and 7-10 €-Cent/kWh<sup>1)</sup> (photovoltaic) for introduction and operating of renewables, companies less
- Today: The suppliers are selected through tendering
  - Last tendering on February 2015 = 4,5 €-Cent/kWh<sup>1)</sup>

<sup>1)</sup> 1,00 € = 1,1682 USD – 25<sup>th</sup> July 2018

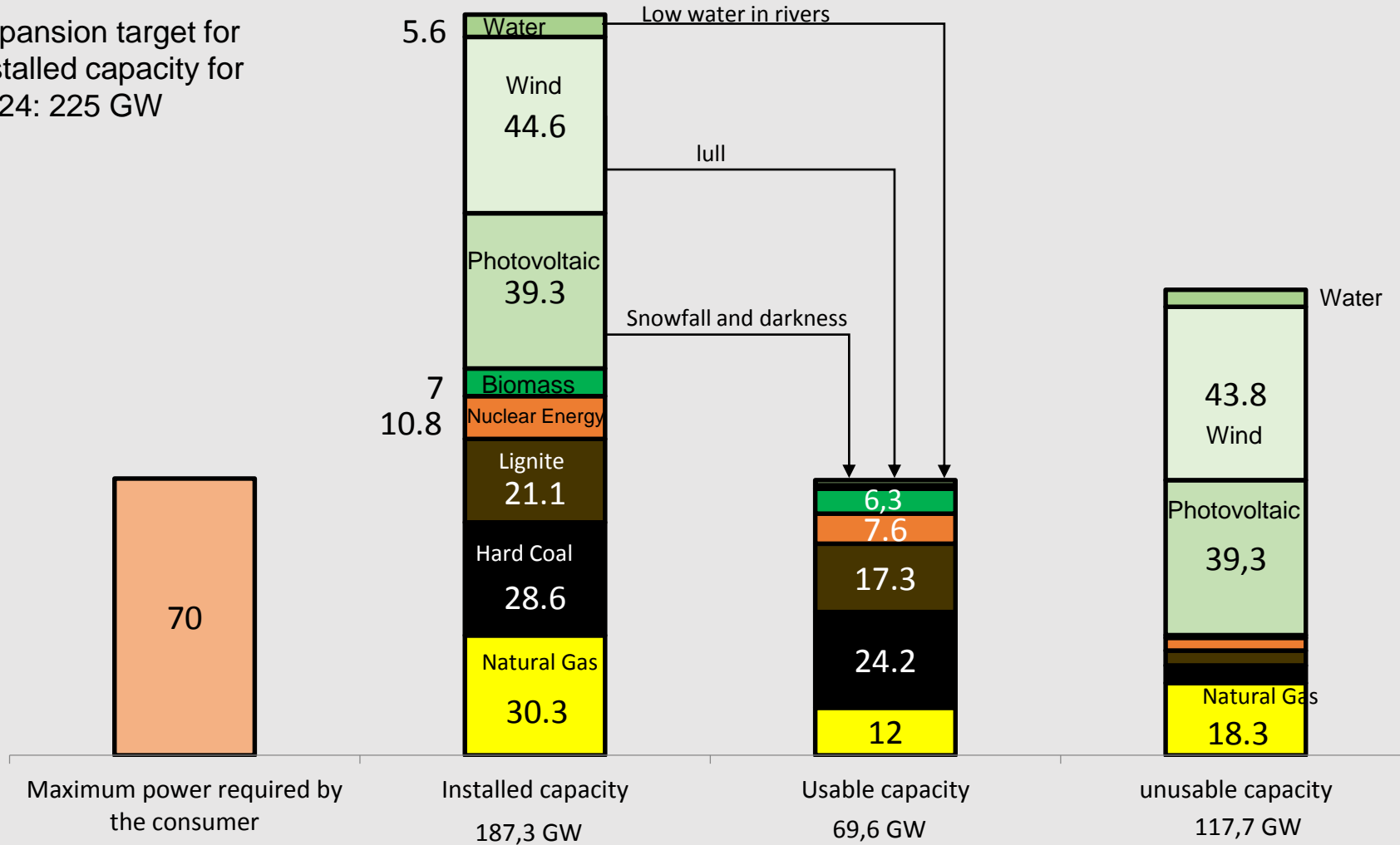
## Conclusions



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# Discussion

Expansion target for installed capacity for 2024: 225 GW



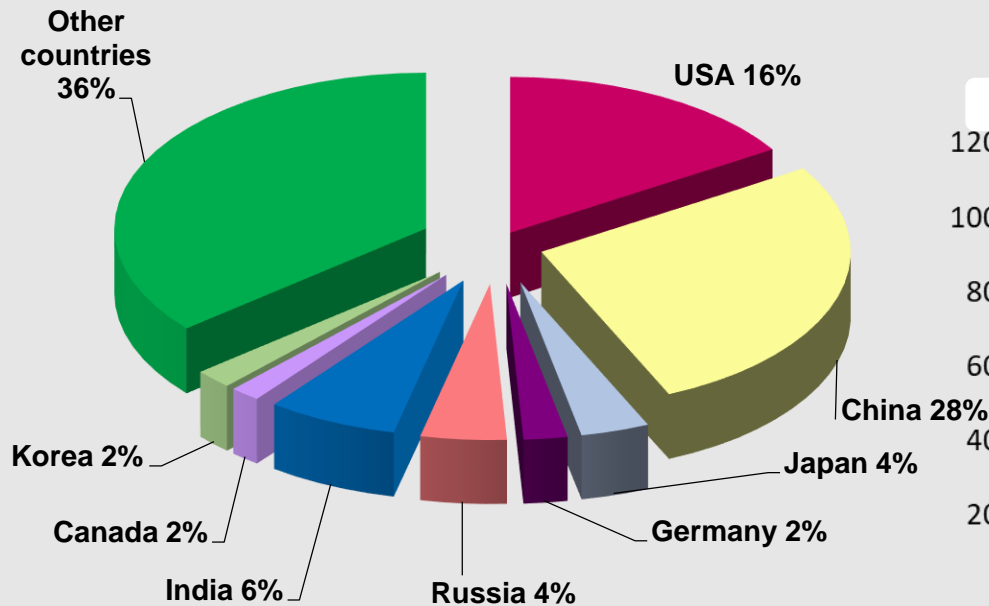
**Current account of German power generation 24.01.2017 in GW**

**Global**

**CO<sub>2</sub> emission worldwide**

2016: ~ 33,4 billion t

(In 2000: 24 billion t) In 1991: 21,6 billion t



Rounded values

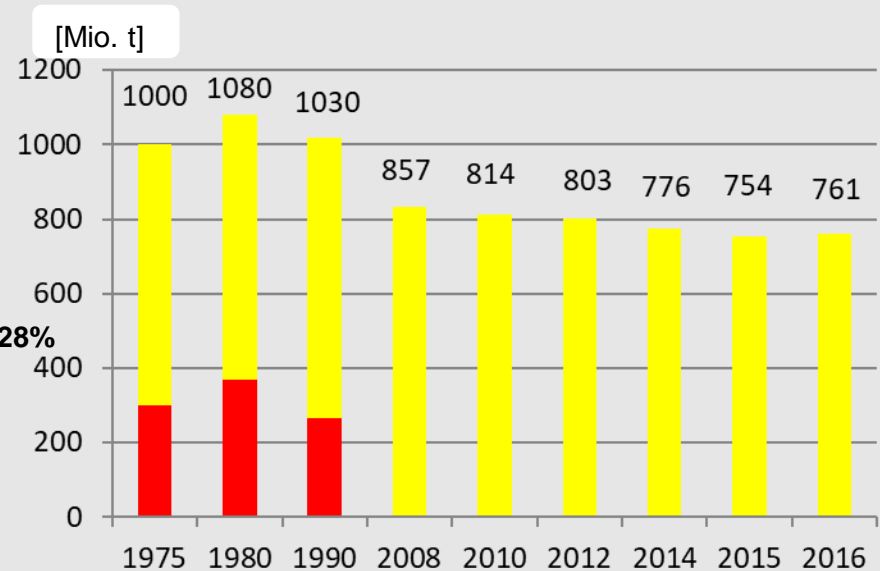
Sources: BMWI Energiedaten Status 04.10.2017  
BP Statistical Review 2017

**FRG**

**CO<sub>2</sub> emission Germany**

2016: ~ 760 million t

■ BRD  
■ DDR



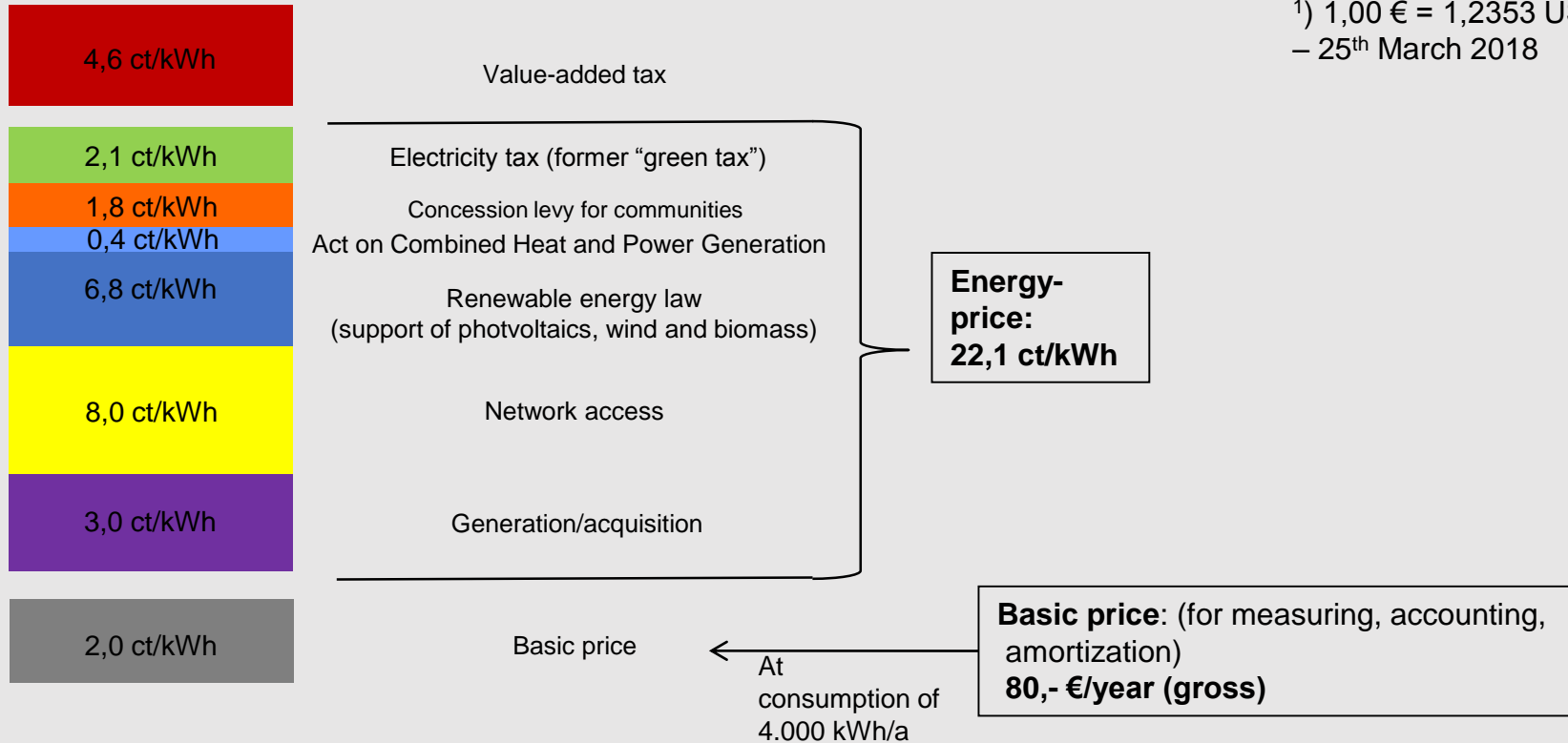
**Global and energy consumption CO<sub>2</sub> emission**



# Total: 28,7 €-ct/kWh <sup>1)</sup>, of which 56% are federal demand

For comparison: The electricity price was at the beginning of the year 2010 about 21,3 ct/kWh

<sup>1)</sup> 1,00 € = 1,2353 USD  
 – 25<sup>th</sup> March 2018



Source: *Basic price, generation, network access* by using of tariffs of the Stadtwerke Velbert, November 2017  
*Concession levy is an average: It is depending from the population in the city, Status 2017*

## Average structure of the electricity rate in Germany: Household with a consumption of 4.000 kWh/a