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Wind and solar in the EU produced more electricity than fossil fuels in the first half of 2024, the first time this has happened in any half-year period, according to a new report released today by think tank Ember.

By 2028, potential renewable electricity generation is expected to reach 14 430 TWh, an increase of almost 70% from 2022. Over the next five years, several renewable energy milestones could be achieved: In 2024, variable renewable generation surpasses hydropower. In 2025, renewables surpass coal-fired electricity generation.

Greek renewables output surpasses fossil fuels in Jan-Apr. Image source: The Green Tank. Renewable power generation, excluding large hydro, topped the output of fossil fuel plants for the first time in Greece in January-April and clean energy covered 53.7% of the country's total power demand in that period, shows data by a local environmental ...

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Investment in clean energy technologies is significantly outpacing spending on fossil fuels as affordability and security concerns triggered by the global energy crisis strengthen the momentum behind more sustainable ...

This has major implications for the global climate, as well as for human health. Three-quarters of global greenhouse gas emissions result from the burning of fossil fuels for energy. Fossil fuels are responsible for large amounts of local air pollution - a health problem that leads to at least 5 million premature deaths each year.

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Texas, a state notorious for loving fossil fuels (and suppressing climate science education) actually led in wind energy production last year. The state's production in part boosted the renewable ...

Fossil fuels -- petroleum, natural gas, and coal -- have been the primary energy source of the US since 1949, the earliest EIA data is available. ... Combined, renewable energy sources overtook nuclear power, considered nonrenewable, though zero-emissions, as the second-leading energy category in 2011. Renewable and nuclear energy. In 2021 ...

In 2018, those "fossil fuels" fed about 80% of the nation's energy demand, down slightly from 84% a decade earlier. Although coal use has declined in recent years, natural gas use has soared, while oil's share of the ...

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Europeans got more of their electricity from renewable sources than fossil fuels for the first time last year, according to an annual report from Ember and Agora Energiewende.

The recent momentum in renewable energy growth is not enough to help the world limit global warming to 1.5 degrees Celsius (2.7 degrees Fahrenheit) compared to preindustrial levels, said Doug Vine ...

The UN's Global Goal 13 for climate action means embracing renewable energy and phasing out fossil fuels. Although progress has been slow, we can take heart that the tide is turning -- especially in Europe, where green energy just overtook fossil fuels, which produce greenhouse gases, for the first ever time.

Coal plants have retired at a rapid pace over the past 25 years, the Energy Information Administration data shows. From 2000 to 2024, total coal capacity in the United States nearly halved, while ...

Last year, newly completed renewable projects added 1.8 gigawatts (GW) to Canada's energy, enough to power about 1.6 million homes for one year, up from 1 GW in 2021, Canadian Renewable Energy ...

Energy from solar and wind hits 12% of global power generation, as fossil fuels decline. Image: Ember The above chart shows historical levels of annual electricity generation, as well as projections for 2023-2026, and illustrates the significant advances in wind and solar power generation investment during recent years.

What the chart makes clear is that the alternatives to fossil fuels - renewable energy sources and nuclear power



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- are orders of magnitude safer and cleaner than fossil fuels. Why then is the world relying on fossil fuels? Fossil fuels dominate the world's energy supply because in the past they were cheaper than all other sources of ...

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