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# **Energy Storage Backup Power Supply in the Democratic Republic of Congo**



## Overview

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How does the Democratic Republic of the Congo support the economy?

In the AC, Democratic Republic of the Congo supports an economy six-times larger than today's with only 35% more energy by diversifying its energy mix away from one that is 95% dependent on bioenergy.

What is the main energy source in DRC?

Hydropower comes as the number one and major energy supplier in the country, with biomass (wood & agricultural residues) and oil as the secondary ones . 99% of the DRC's produced electricity comes from hydropower, while both oil and gas account for the remaining 1% .

What renewable resources does the DRC have?

Nevertheless, the DRC possesses huge potential in renewable resources such as hydropower, biomass, methane gas, solar geothermal and moderate wind potential that can be used for energy generation.

Could the Congo become an electricity exporter?

Almost all electricity generation today comes from hydropower and the Inga project has the potential to provide much more. If network constraints are addressed, Democratic Republic of the Congo could become an electricity exporter.

What are the main sources of energy in the Congo?

Hydropower: For which the Congo River is the main source, with an average flow rate 42,000 m<sup>3</sup> /s. Biogas: Coming mainly from both plant and animal waste. Solar: The DRC has noticeably high solar radiation averaging 6 kWh/m<sup>2</sup> /day.

Why is the Democratic Republic of Congo experiencing a general energy crisis?

The Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) is currently experiencing a general energy crisis due to the lack of proper investment and management in the energy sector. Some 93.6% of the country is highly dependent on wood fuel as main source of energy, which is having severe impacts such as deforestation and general degradation of the environment.

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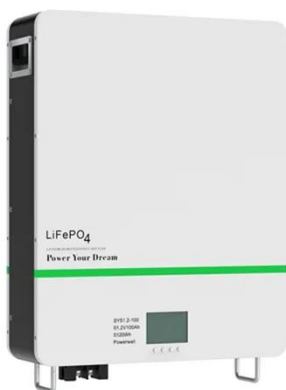


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