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Key Facts About America’s Electric Companies

We rely on electricity for nearly everything we do, and the energy grid is vital to our nation’s security and economy. Every day, EEI’s member companies—America’s investor-owned electric companies—are working to provide the reliable, affordable, secure, and resilient clean energy we all need and deserve. We are committed to delivering America’s energy future.

LEADING ON CLEAN ENERGY

America’s electric companies are leading a clean energy transformation. We are committed to getting the energy we provide as clean as we can as fast as we can, while keeping affordability and reliability front and center, as always.

40%  
Today, 40% of all U.S. power generation comes from clean, carbon-free sources, including nuclear energy, hydropower, wind, and solar energy.

↓40%  
Carbon emissions from the U.S. power sector are at their lowest level in more than 40 years—and will continue to fall.

>50%  
Wind and solar energy account for more than half of the new power generation capacity installed over the past decade.

67%  
Electric companies provide 67 percent of solar energy...

Nearly 100%  
virtually all of the wind energy...

96%  
and, 96 percent of all energy storage in use today.
Since 2010, America’s electric companies have invested more than $1 trillion to build smarter energy infrastructure and to integrate more renewables and clean energy technologies into the energy grid. These transformative investments and increased electrification can play a key role in helping to reduce carbon emissions cost-effectively throughout the economy, particularly in the industrial and transportation sectors.

**INVESTING IN SMARTER ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE**

>2 million

The number of electric vehicles (EVs) on U.S. roads today.

>$3 billion

Electric companies are investing more than $3 billion in new EV charging infrastructure.

>107 million

The number of smart meters installed in the U.S. through year-end 2020.

>$1 trillion

Since 2010, electric companies have invested more than $1 trillion in critical energy infrastructure.

>2 million

The number of electric vehicles (EVs) on U.S. roads today.

>$132 billion

Electric companies spent $132.7 billion in 2020 alone to make the energy grid stronger, smarter, cleaner, more dynamic, and more secure.

>67 billion

Of this, electric companies invested an estimated $67.7 billion in transmission and distribution to further support grid resilience and the industry’s clean energy transformation.
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<th><strong>POWERING OUR ECONOMY</strong></th>
<th>The electric power industry underpins all sectors of the U.S. economy and provides high-quality jobs in communities across the country. America’s electric companies are creating long-term solutions and driving employment for a skilled, diverse workforce in the future. We are committed to advancing racial and social justice, diversity, equity, and inclusion. Having a diverse and inclusive workforce that mirrors the communities we serve benefits our customers, our employees, and our businesses.</th>
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<td><strong>~5%</strong> of the nation’s total GDP</td>
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<td><strong>&lt;1.5¢</strong></td>
<td>In 2020, for every dollar in consumer expenditures, less than a penny and a half went to pay residential electric bills.</td>
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<td><strong>~3x</strong></td>
<td>Compared to Fortune 500 companies, regulated electric companies have nearly 3 times the percentage of women CEOs.</td>
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EEI is the association that represents all U.S. investor-owned electric companies. Our members provide electricity for more than 220 million Americans, and operate in all 50 states and the District of Columbia. In addition to our U.S. members, EEI has more than 65 international electric companies, with operations in more than 90 countries, as International Members, and hundreds of industry suppliers and related organizations as Associate Members.

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