

Climate-resilient Energy Infrastructure

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The IEA contributes to climate resilience of energy systems

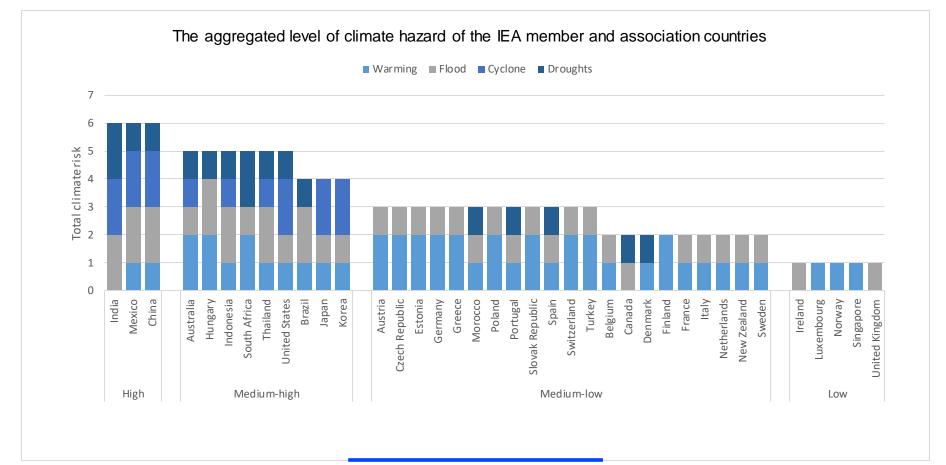
- IEA is actively working on assessing climate impacts and enhancing climate resilience
- Climate resilience refers to the capacity to anticipate, absorb, accommodate and recover from the effects from climate change





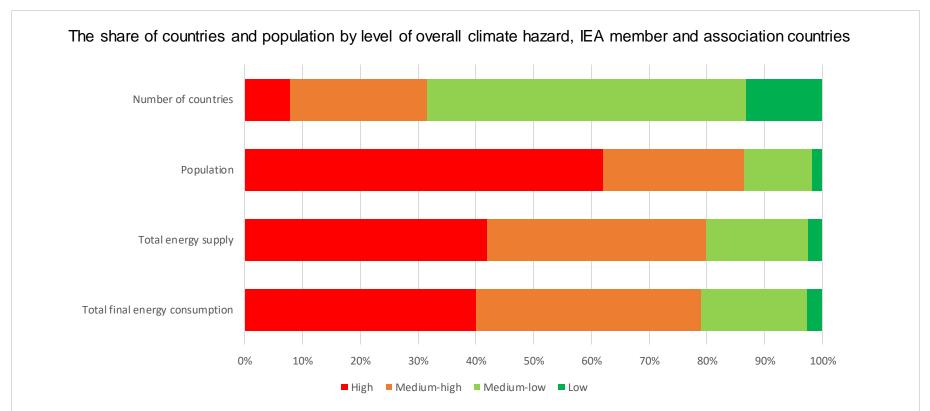
Countries are already exposed to climate hazard





Countries ranked high in terms of climate hazard are...





Countries with high or medium-high level of climate hazard are home to over 50% world population, accounting for over 50% of world's total energy supply and final energy consumption

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Climate change poses an increasing threat to energy security

- Recent extreme weather events across the globe highlight the energy security risks that climate change brings.
- The world's energy systems must be ready to counter the growing climate threat

Overview of main potential impacts on the electricity system due to climate change

Climate impact	Generation	Transmission and distribution	Demand
Rising global temperatures	EfficiencyCooling efficiencyGeneration potentialNeed for additional generation	• Efficiency	Cooling and heating
Changing precipitation patterns	Output and potentialPeak and variabilityTechnology application	Physical risks	CoolingWater supply
Sea-level rise	OutputPhysical risksNew asset development	Physical risksNew asset development	Water supply
Extreme weather events	Physical risksEfficiency	Physical risksEfficiency	• Cooling



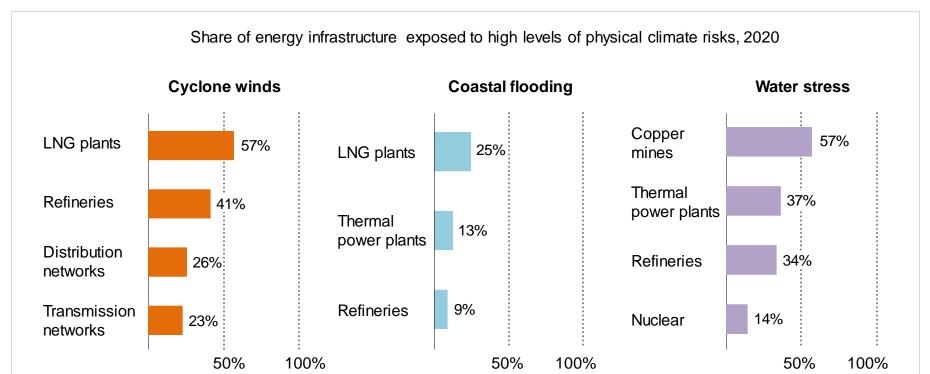
Energy systems witness increasing pressure from climate change

• Changing climate patterns put stress on hydropower generation in some regions.

Changes in regional mean hydropower capacity factor, 2020-2099, relative to 1970-2000, by scenario **Latin America** South and Southeast Asia 100% Hydropower capacity factor (relative to the baseline, %) 80% 60% 40% 20% 0% Baseline 2060-2099 Baseline 2020-2059 Baseline 2020-2059 2060-2099 Baseline 2020-2059 2060-2099 2020-2059 Baseline 2060-2099 Below 2°C Around 3°C Above 4°C Below 2°C Around 3°C Above 4°C

Growing stress from extreme weather events





The increase in the frequency and intensity of natural disasters and extreme weather events highlights the urgent need for action to enhance the resilience of energy systems to climate change

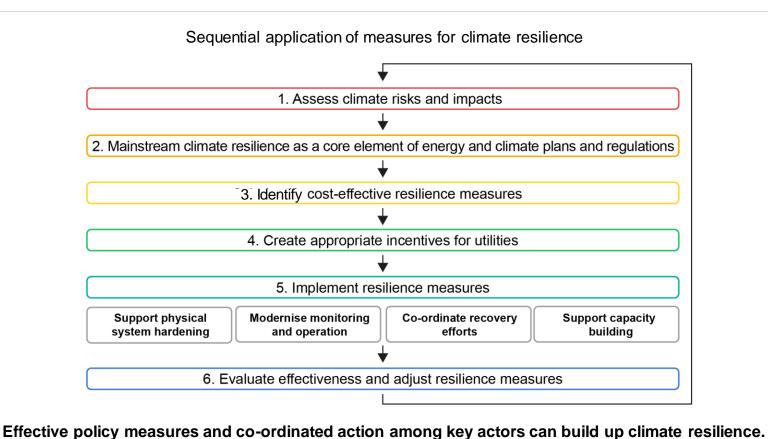
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Measures for climate resilience

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Potential collaboration in the coming years



- IEA plans to expand its work on climate impacts and resilience of energy systems
- In 2023-2024, focus areas will be:
 - General: Improving the resilience of energy systems against disasters and climate change
 - Region-specific: Climate resilience policy indicator for North Africa and the Middle East
 - Technology-specific: Climate resilience of electricity networks: focus on interconnections
 - Topic-specific: Investment needs for climate-resilient energy systems
- Raise awareness of climate impacts on energy systems







- · Multilateral discussions on climate resilience in the energy sector
 - IEA Consultation Group on Climate Resilience for Energy Security

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