

Table 7.8d Capacity Factors and Usage Factors at Electric Generators: Industrial Sector
(Percent)

	Capacity Factors ^a											Usage Factors ^b		
	Coal ^{c,d}	Petro- leum ^{c,e}	Natural Gas ^f			Nuclear Electric Power	Conven- tional Hydro- electric Power	Bio- mass ^{c,g}	Geo- thermal	Solar		Wind ⁱ	Hydro- electric Pumped Storage	Battery Storage
			Com- bined Cycle	Gas Turbine	Steam Turbine					Photo- voltaic ^h	Thermal			
2008 Year	51.8	32.6	55.2	53.1	45.2	—	54.9	63.1	—	—	—	—	—	—
2009 Year	46.6	33.4	52.9	54.3	46.9	—	61.6	61.7	—	—	—	—	—	—
2010 Year	54.3	33.9	62.4	69.6	54.3	—	55.9	62.2	—	19.3	—	—	—	—
2011 Year	50.6	29.5	61.1	69.7	56.8	—	61.0	60.2	—	30.3	—	11.6	—	—
2012 Year	48.8	38.2	64.5	71.0	57.0	—	43.4	60.9	—	25.2	—	25.6	—	—
2013 Year	49.8	30.0	70.7	75.1	50.2	—	61.1	60.7	—	25.6	—	25.6	—	—
2014 Year	49.9	27.5	67.5	71.0	48.8	—	52.4	60.9	—	24.3	—	26.4	—	—
2015 Year	48.2	28.1	66.1	72.7	41.2	—	57.6	62.2	—	20.6	—	25.1	—	—
2016 Year	46.3	25.2	69.7	73.0	40.3	—	51.4	61.7	—	16.7	—	25.3	—	—
2017 Year	46.7	24.4	68.9	74.9	37.7	—	55.9	62.7	—	14.8	—	27.0	—	.9
2018 Year	45.6	26.2	71.8	75.3	40.8	—	62.8	63.6	—	12.1	—	25.8	—	.8
2019 Year	41.6	26.3	73.4	75.9	44.2	—	55.0	62.2	—	17.2	—	25.3	—	15.3
2020 Year	41.9	23.2	67.0	74.5	44.0	—	53.2	61.2	—	16.3	—	39.7	—	2.4
2021 Year	42.0	19.6	63.8	74.1	45.1	—	49.9	62.1	—	16.3	—	23.2	—	(s)
2022 Year	42.0	26.3	67.0	73.2	41.7	—	49.1	59.0	—	19.9	—	26.2	—	2.6
2023 January	41.0	18.7	67.1	69.9	37.6	—	55.0	58.9	—	12.1	—	25.3	—	2.9
February	38.8	16.9	67.6	72.5	40.7	—	61.6	57.6	—	15.8	—	35.1	—	5.6
March	34.9	18.1	64.6	69.9	45.5	—	66.7	56.1	—	18.9	—	31.2	—	4.5
April	35.6	13.4	54.6	63.6	41.8	—	58.1	52.8	—	26.8	—	27.3	—	4.5
May	36.9	14.1	58.9	71.9	41.8	—	54.4	54.8	—	26.6	—	20.8	—	2.0
June	40.0	13.4	67.1	79.2	45.3	—	45.6	53.5	—	27.7	—	17.4	—	5.9
July	39.5	15.2	68.8	80.5	46.3	—	44.2	52.8	—	28.2	—	11.2	—	3.5
August	37.5	15.1	68.3	83.6	45.1	—	36.4	55.7	—	25.6	—	15.3	—	3.4
September	37.6	13.1	69.0	79.8	46.6	—	30.8	54.2	—	22.9	—	11.7	—	5.0
October	34.9	12.8	65.7	70.9	43.7	—	26.0	51.8	—	18.4	—	23.2	—	5.2
November	35.0	13.8	68.8	74.2	47.9	—	30.1	58.0	—	15.2	—	30.2	—	4.1
December	37.1	13.5	70.9	75.2	45.2	—	46.9	60.8	—	11.6	—	24.8	—	2.4
Average	37.4	14.8	65.9	74.3	44.0	—	46.3	55.6	—	20.7	—	22.7	—	—
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^a Capacity factors are a measure of how often electric generators operate over a specific period of time, using a ratio of actual output (net generation) to the maximum possible output over that same time period (using time-adjusted capacity).

^b Usage factors are a measure of how often electric generators operate over a specific period of time, using a ratio of actual output (gross generation) to the maximum possible output over that same time period (using time-adjusted capacity).

^c Steam turbine, gas turbine, internal combustion engine, combined-cycle, and other plants.

^d Anthracite, bituminous coal, subbituminous coal, lignite, waste coal, and coal synfuel.

^e Distillate fuel oil, residual fuel oil, petroleum coke, jet fuel, kerosene, other petroleum, waste oil, and, beginning in 2011, propane.

^f Natural gas, plus a small amount of supplemental gaseous fuels. Capacity factors for natural gas internal combustion engine, energy storage, fuel cell, and other plants are not displayed.

^g Wood and wood-derived fuels, municipal solid waste from biogenic sources, landfill gas, sludge waste, agricultural byproducts, and other biomass. Through 2000, also includes non-renewable waste (municipal solid waste from non-biogenic

sources, and tire-derived fuels).

^h Solar photovoltaic (PV) energy at utility-scale facilities. Does not include small-scale solar photovoltaic generators.

ⁱ Onshore wind plants, and, beginning in 2017, offshore wind plants.

— = No data reported. (s) = Less than 0.5 percent.

Notes: • Data are for utility-scale facilities. See Note 1, "Coverage of Electricity Statistics," at end of section. • Monthly factors are based on a time-adjusted total net summer capacity of generators in operation for the entire month. Annual factors are based on a time-weighted average of the monthly time-adjusted capacity.

• For plants that use multiple energy sources or technologies, capacity is assigned to the reported combination of predominant energy source and technology. • See EIA's *Electric Power Annual*, "Technical notes," for further information. • See "Capacity factor" in Glossary. • See Note 2, "Classification of Power Plants Into Energy-Use Sectors," at end of section. • Geographic coverage is the 50 states and the District of Columbia.

Web Page: See <http://www.eia.gov/totalenergy/data/monthly/#electricity> (Excel and CSV files) for all available annual and monthly data beginning in 2008.

Sources: U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA), Form EIA-860, "Annual Electric Generator Report"; Form EIA-860M, "Monthly Update to the Annual Electric Generator Report"; and Form EIA-923, "Power Plant Operations Report."