

Title: Latest news on wind power generation

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How did Storms affect wind power generation in the UK?

The dramatic rise in wind power generation was largely driven by the powerful storms that battered the UK in January. Storms Gorette, Ingrid, and Chandra unleashed hurricane-force winds, pushing turbines to generate 10.6 TWh of electricity, surpassing the previous record set in December 2023 by 3%.

Will wind power securing the UK's energy future?

The January 2026 record further solidifies wind energy's role in securing the UK's energy future. As the nation continues to build on its renewable infrastructure, wind power will likely play a larger role in both meeting winter demand and mitigating the impact of high gas prices.

Why did wind & solar hit a new monthly record?

Wind output was 3 per cent higher than the previous record, boosted by the trio of storms which have brought hurricane-force gusts, along with heavy rain and widespread disruption to the UK in recent weeks. The turbulent conditions meant wind and solar together also hit a new monthly combined record of 11.1TWh.

How much wind power does the UK have in 2026?

Meanwhile overall electricity demand rose to 29TWh - up by 2 per cent since January 2025. The record comes on the heels of the UK's landmark 2026 offshore wind auction, which secured 8.4GW of new capacity across England and Scotland. Britain currently has 33GW of wind capacity, with a further 4.7GW expected to come online this year.

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