

Leading the Way to a Clean Energy Future

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Hawaii Clean Energy Study Tour

Laboratory Snapshot

Only National Laboratory Dedicated Solely to Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

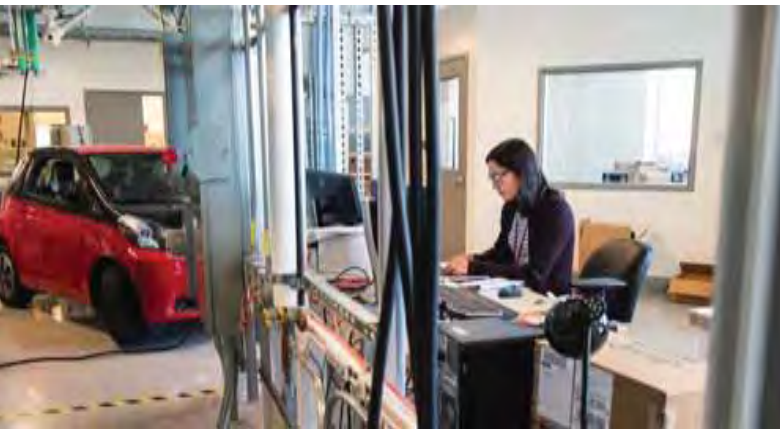
- Leading clean-energy innovation
- 37 years
- 1,763 employees with world-class facilities
- Campus is a living model of sustainable energy
- Owned by the Department of Energy
- Operated by the Alliance for Sustainable Energy



NREL's Energy Vision



A clean, resilient and reliable energy system that contributes to economic prosperity, national security, and environmental quality.



Scope of Mission

Sustainable Transportation

Vehicle Technologies
Hydrogen
Biofuels

Energy Productivity

Residential Buildings
Commercial Buildings

Renewable Electricity

Solar
Wind
Water: Marine Hydrokinetics
Geothermal

Systems Integration

Grid Integration of Clean Energy
Distributed Energy Systems
Batteries and Thermal Storage
Energy Analysis

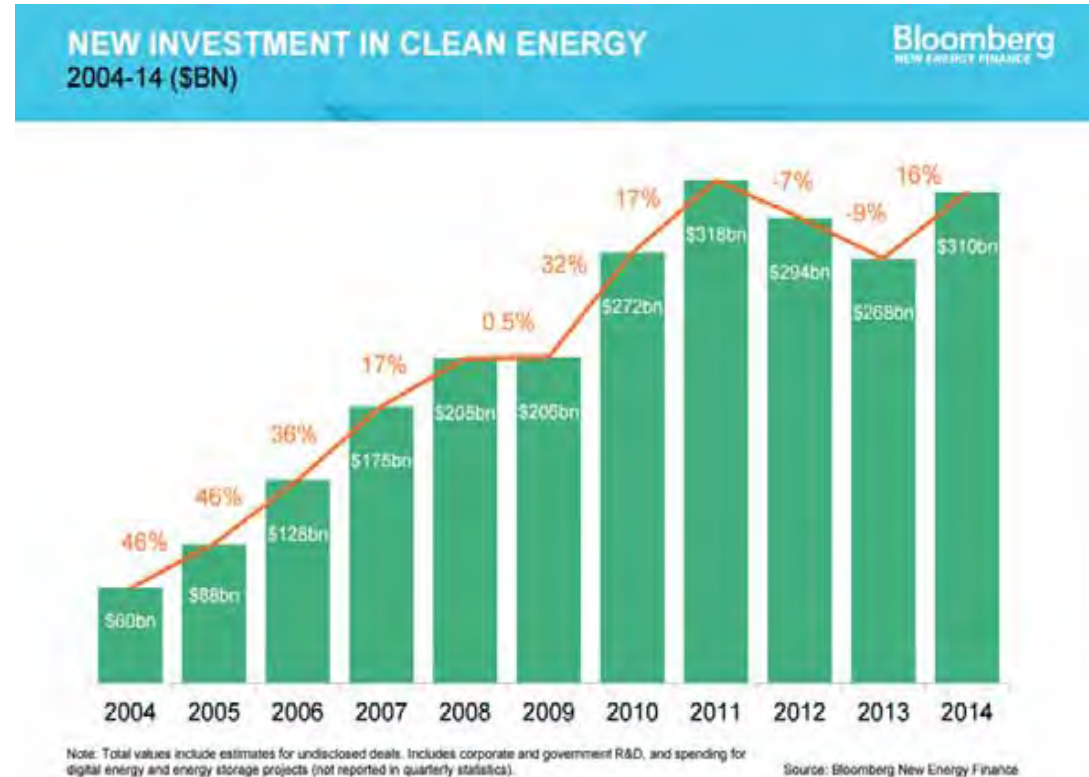
Partners

Private Industry
Federal Agencies
State/Local Government
International

Challenges to Success

Energy Market Barriers

- Inconsistent public policy
- Outdated infrastructure
- Lack of knowledge
- Limited private investment
- Global renewable industry investment increased from 2013 to 2014



NREL's Solutions Role

Reducing Investment Risk

- Integrating technology at scale
- Enabling basic and applied clean energy technology innovation
- Accelerating technology market introduction and adoption
- Encouraging collaboration in unique research and testing partnering facilities
- Providing analysis and expertise to inform decisions and catalyze market adoption



Commercial Partnerships



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Energy Systems Integration Facility



Energy Systems Integration

- NREL's Energy Systems Integration Facility (ESIF) integrates electric, thermal, and fuel systems with high-performance modeling and simulation capabilities
- The ESIF's world-class laboratories offer megawatt-scale hardware-in-the-loop testing with actual or simulated electrical devices, a supervisory control and data acquisition system, and unique analysis and visualization tools
- Energy systems integration brings together the wide range of energy carriers—electricity, thermal sources, and fuels—with other infrastructures, such as water and transportation, to work together optimally

Analyses, Models, and Tools

- NREL analyzed high penetrations of renewable energy in the eastern and western U.S. power grids for benefits, impacts, and mitigation strategies
- For solar photovoltaic manufacturing, NREL modeling tools identify cost improvements and assess competitive advantages
- The OpenEI website links and shares energy data worldwide
- NREL's System Advisor Model determines the economic value of proposed solar, wind, and geothermal projects

ANALYSIS



Innovation for the Future

Integrating/Upgrading Energy Systems

- Grid modernization through integration of energy systems at all scales
- Innovation today for the smart homes of tomorrow

Advancing DOE's SunShot Solar Initiative

- Reduce the cost of solar energy systems to 6 cents per kWh by 2020
- Cost competitive without subsidies to enable large-scale adoption across the US

Achieving Scientific Breakthroughs

- Improving Efficiency in Bio-based Hydrocarbon Fuels – NREL scientists discover effect of catalyst structure for producing significant amounts of hydrocarbon fuels
- Water Power Software Makes a Splash – Open-source software provides essential modeling and simulation for water power research and development
- Semiautomated Truck Platooning – NREL study finds platooning of long-haul trucks reduces fuel consumption at all tested highway speeds



For more than 37 years, NREL has delivered innovation impact enabling the emergence of the U.S. clean energy industry.



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