

Targets of the German government and the EU

By 2010

- Reduce CO₂ emissions by 23 million tons through utilisation of CHP (German government)
- Double the share of renewable energies in primary energy consumption to 4.2 % (German government)
- Increase electricity generation from renewable energies in the EU from 14 % (1997) to 22 % (EU recommendation)
- Double the share of renewable energies in electricity generation to 12.5 % (German government)
- Increase the share biogenous fuels in petrol and diesel consumption in the EU to 5.75 % from today's figure of 0.2 % (EU recommendation)

By 2020

- Cover 20 % of electricity consumption with renewable energy sources (German Federal Environment Ministry, BMU)
- Renewable energies to have a share of 10 % in primary energy consumption in Germany (BMU)
- Reduce greenhouse gas emissions in the EU by an average of 30 % compared to 1990 (EU)
- Reduce greenhouse gas emissions in Germany by 40 % compared to 1990 (German government)

By 2030

- Generate 15 % of total electricity requirements from offshore wind farms and 10 % from onshore ones (BMU)

By 2050

- Around 50 % of the energy supply to come from renewable energies (German government)