

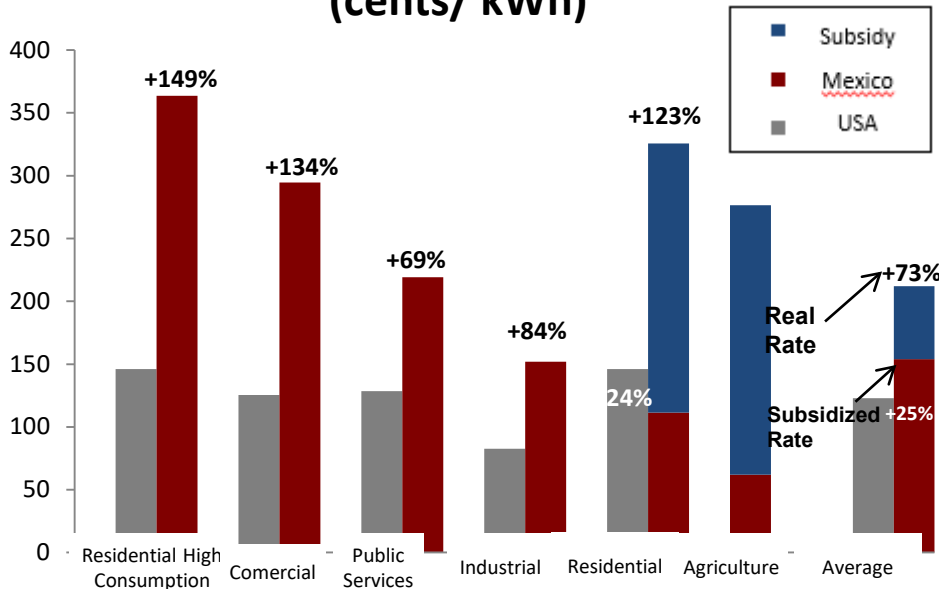
Status-quo and challenges of the Mexican electricity reform

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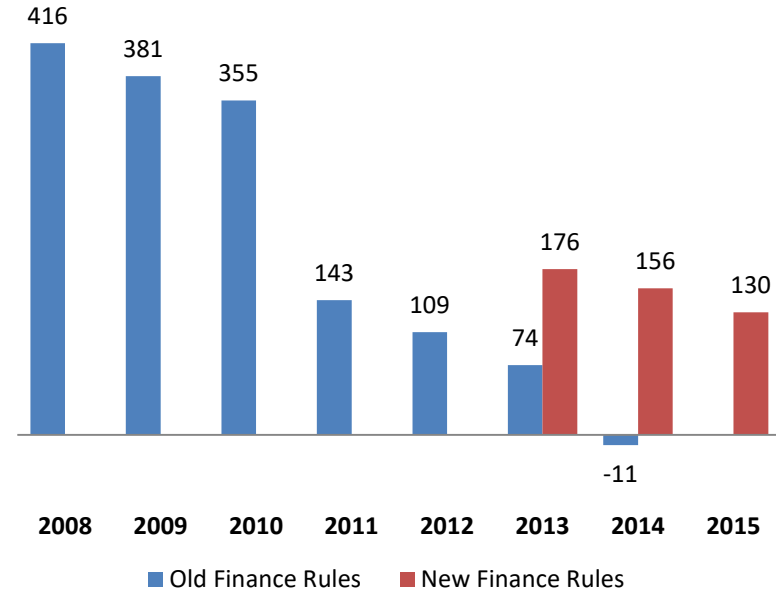
Diagnosis: Energy Tariffs and CFE

**Average rates, first quarter 2013
(cents/ kWh)**

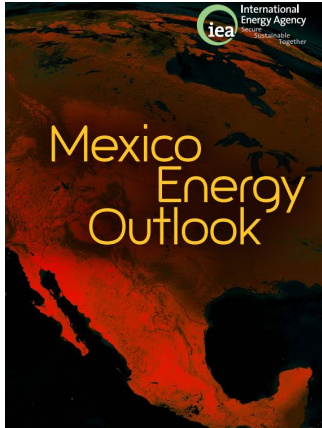


Source: Energy Information Administration – EIA (USA)
USA Tariffs converted to pesos considering 12.64 MXP/USD, daily average from the first trimester of 2013.

**Net patrimony of CFE
(Billion Pesos)**

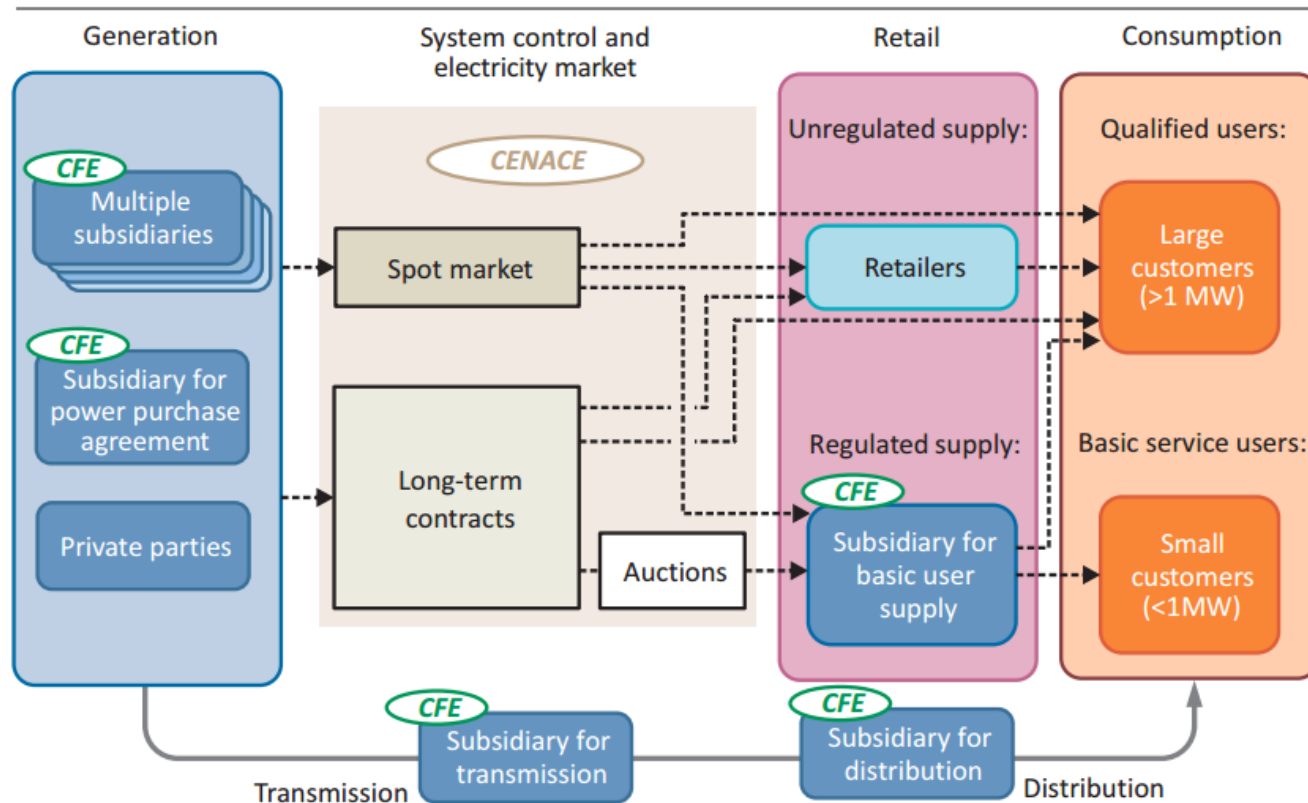


Source: CFE Financial Statements; Finance Division 2012 of CFE



<https://www.iea.org/publications/freepublications/publication/MexicoEnergyOutlook.pdf>

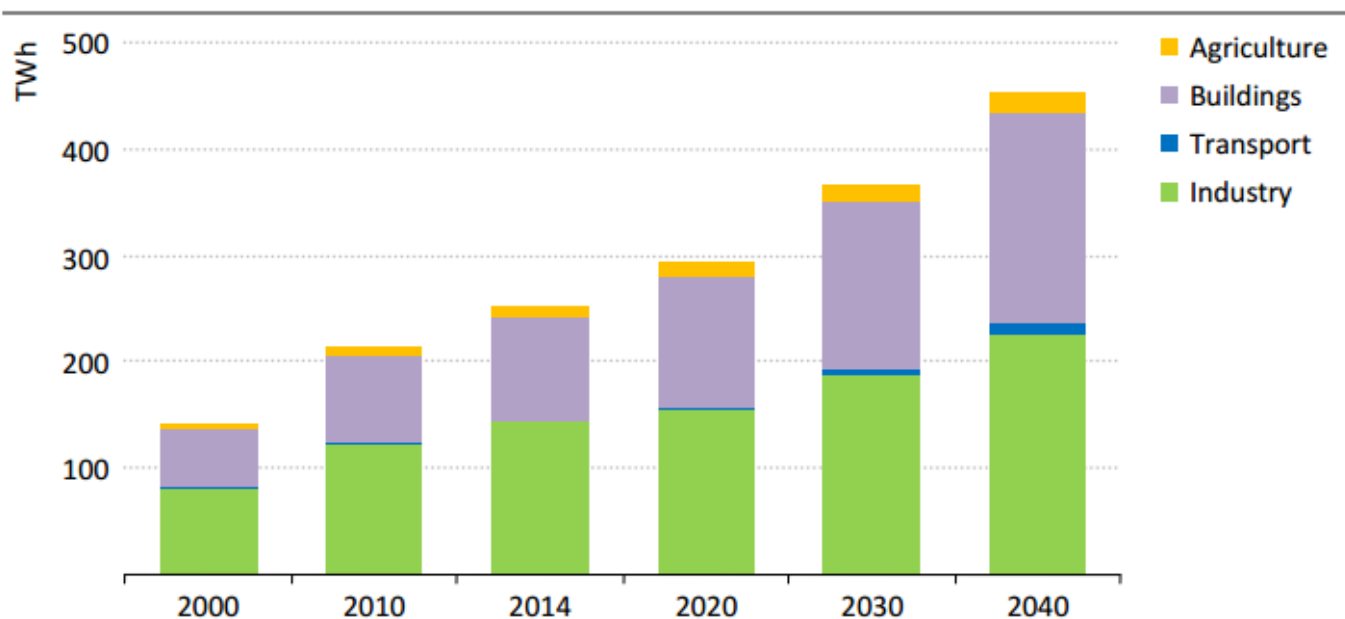
Figure 3.7 ▶ **New structure of the power sector in Mexico**



The power sector in Mexico is set to become competitive, as CFE is unbundled both vertically and horizontally

Source: Mexico Energy Outlook, 2016, OECD/IEA

Figure 2.4 ▶ Electricity demand by sector in Mexico in the New Policies Scenario

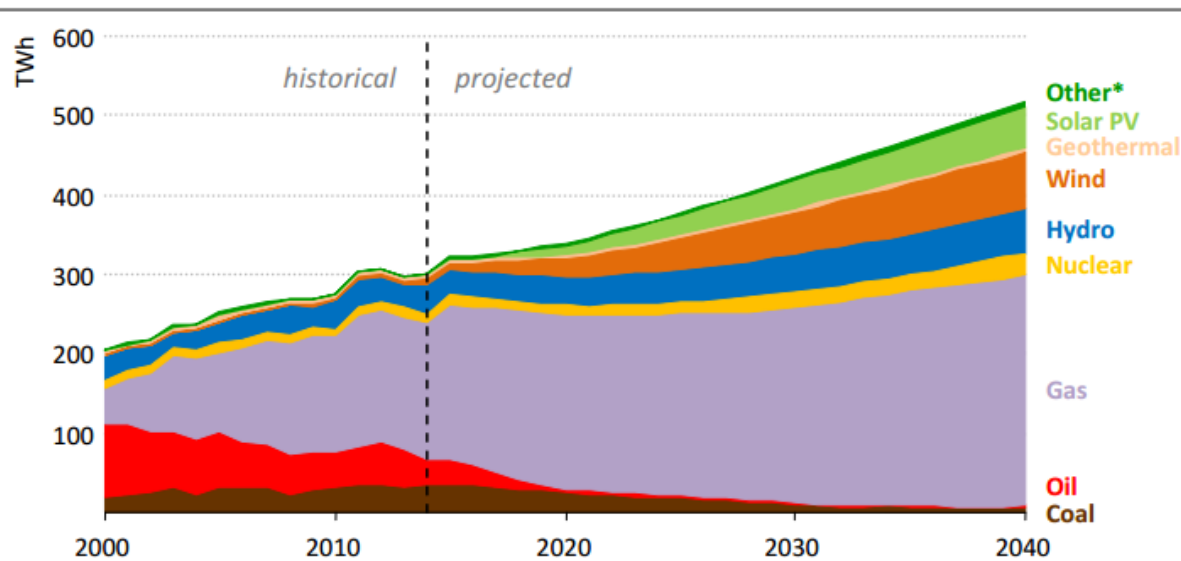


Industry remains the largest electricity user in Mexico in the New Policies Scenario, although buildings sector demand rises more quickly

Note: TWh = terawatt-hours.

Source: Mexico Energy Outlook, 2016, OECD/IEA

Figure 2.6 ▶ Electricity generation by source in the New Policies Scenario, 2000-2040

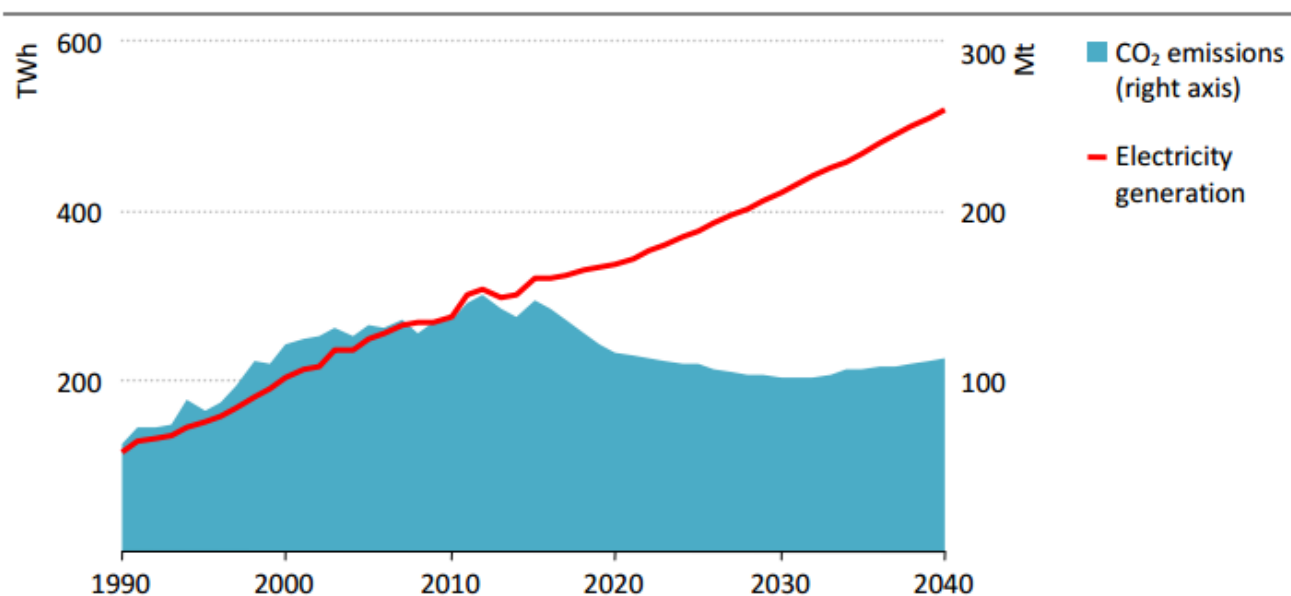


The power generation mix in Mexico becomes steadily more diverse and less carbon-intensive in the New Policies Scenario

*Other renewables include bioenergy and concentrating solar power.

Source: Mexico Energy Outlook, 2016, OECD/IEA

Figure 2.19 ▸ Electricity generation and energy-related CO₂ emissions, 1990-2040



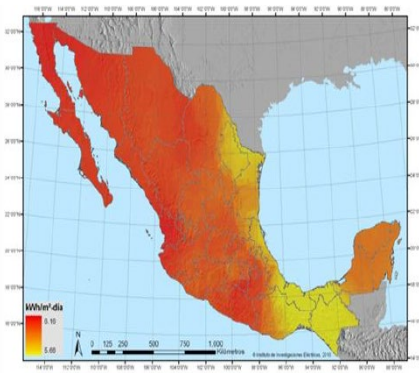
After years of parallel growth, Mexico successfully decouples electricity generation from power sector CO₂ emissions

Note: Mt = million tonnes.

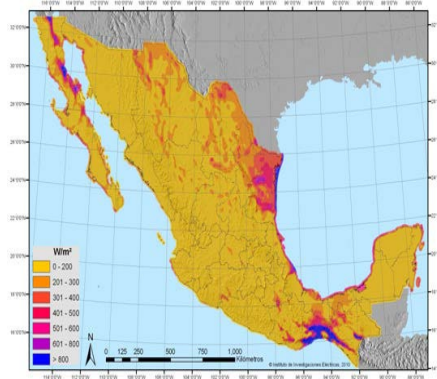
Source: Mexico Energy Outlook, 2016, OECD/IEA

Clean energy potential in Mexico

Solar Resources



Wind Resources



Geothermal Resources



Wind
Geothermal
Solar
Mini Hydro
Total

Installed Capacity 2° semestre 2014 (MW)
1900
823
64
419
3206

Renewable Energy Potential				
Actual Generation Year 2013 (% of total GWh)	Actual Generation + Proven Resources	Actual Generation + Proven Resources + Probable Resources	Actual Generation + Proven Resources + Probable Resources	Actual Generation + Proven Resources + Probable Resources + Possible Resources
1.38%	5.30%	5.30%	5.30%	34.80%
2.04%	2.22%	22.52%	22.52%	40.03%
0.01%	0.65%	0.65%	0.65%	2,189.40%
0.54%	1.72%	9.48%	9.48%	24.35%
3.97%	9.89%	37.95%	37.95%	2,288.59%

Source: SENER

Regulatory reform on renewables in Mexico

- Mexico: 13th largest GHG emitter in the world (Mexico represents approximately 1.4% of global emissions)
- Ambitious GHG reductions goals adopted in Paris COP 21
- 35% and 43% of domestic energy should come from renewable sources by 2024 and 2030, respectively

Regulatory reform on renewables in Mexico

- CEL markets
 - Different schemes to foster renewable electricity technologies
 - Direct subsidies
 - Feed in tariffs
 - CEL (or CEC) markets
- Renewable auctions with premia
 - Designed for CFEs public service
- PV Solar Distributed Generation

PV solar distributed generation

- 90% of total energy consumed in Mexico comes from fossil fuels, including more than 70% of electricity generation
- Generation explains more than 20% of total GHG emissions; residential sector accounts for 25% of total electricity consumed
- More than 75% of the country has an isolation greater than 5 kWh/m²/day. Mexico's solar potential could be considered among the largest in the world (SENER, 2016)
- Aligning policy objectives to reduce subsidies, households' electricity expenses and GHG emissions

PV solar distributed generation

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Table 10

Annualized savings, payback period and internal rate of return, when opportunity cost pricing is implemented.

Tariff class	Levelized savings (USD/year)		Payback period (years)		IRR (%)
1	41,0	(19,4)	11,7	(1,1)	10,8%
1A	46,0	(22,1)	11,9	(1,3)	10,5%
1B	47,2	(22,8)	12,9	(1,6)	9,2%
1C	59,0	(28,0)	14,0	(1,7)	7,8%
1D	66,3	(32,4)	14,4	(1,4)	7,8%
1E	77,1	(34,4)	14,9	(0,5)	8,7%
1F	77,2	(35,0)	16,0	(0,2)	8,3%
DAC	729,0	(150,7)	5,1	(0,5)	26,3%

Source: own elaboration using ENIGH 2014 and CFE.
Standard deviations in parenthesis.

Table 12: Relative change in household welfare by distribution region when opportunity cost pricing is implemented

Tariff class	mean	standard deviation
1	10.4%	(10.3%)
1A	13.8%	(10.6%)
1B	13.5%	(10.6%)
1C	14.0%	(9.2%)
1D	19.9%	(15.2%)
1E	28.3%	(19.1%)
1F	28.7%	(21.7%)
DAC	44.1%	(34.0%)

Source: own elaboration based on ENIGH 2014 and CFE.

- Regressively subsidized residential tariffs:
 - Fiscal burden represents more than 0.5% of the GDP. This happens in a country where poverty and inequality are significantly high

Concluding remarks

- Mexico possesses enormous potential on renewable energy.
- But is an accelerated decarbonization process a good idea for Mexico, in FINANCIAL terms?
- Will CFE count with the needed resources to meet by itself demand growth?
- Or will private investment also be needed?
- What is the future of renewable energy auctions?