

## Renewable energy

Pärnu-Jaagupi Gümnaasium Estonia

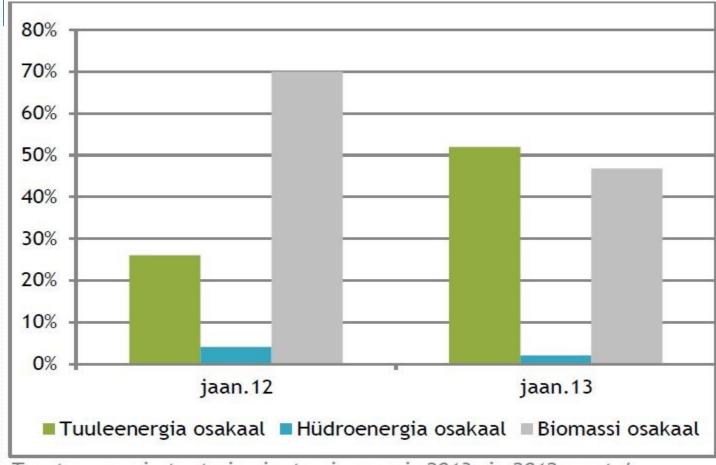


## Renewable energy

- is generally defined as energy that comes from resources which are continually replenished on a human timescale such as:
- Sunlight
- Wind
- Geothermal heat
- Tides
- Waves
- Biomass

#### Renewable energy in Estonia

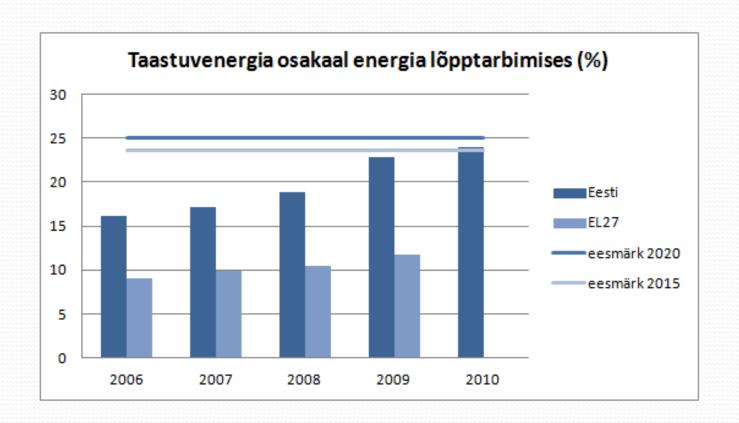
- 92% of energy is produced from non-renewable enrgy resources
- Mainly from oil shale
- Only 8% of energy is produced from renewable energy resources



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- About 70% of renewable energy comes from wind
- 25% comes from biomass
- Only 5 % from water

Estonia aims to get 25% of its energy from renewable sources by 2020..



### Wind energy in Estonia

- There were 126 wind turbines with a total capacity of 269,40MW installed by the end of 2012 in Estonia. See the table of the existing wind turbines and windfarms in Estonia: Wind energy statistics (end of 2012).
- In 2012 the wind turbines produced 448 GWh of energy, which is about 5,5% of the total electricity consumption in Estonia.



Wind resources Kunda m/s ♦ 7.0 9.0 Ristna 3.0 8.0 Kuusiku 7.0 6.0 5.0 4.0 Pärnu 3.5 3.0 Tartu Vilsandi 2.5 2.0 Valga

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## Hydro-energy

- the use of hydro-energy in Estonia is limited; it is estimated that 30 MW could be produced, but only a third of this theoretical amount is actually usable.
- There are quite a lot of hydroelectric plants in Estonia, but on a global scale these are still micro hydroelectric plants.

# Linnamäe plant



#### **Biofuels**

 Biomass is produced from low-quality wood, scrub, reeds and agricultural waste. Estonia has large resources of biomass, and its renewal period is similar to the average human lifespan.

The low environmental impact of biomass a

## Biomass, sawmill chips, peat



## Targets by 2020

• The EU aims to get 20% of its energy from renewable sources by 2020..

## THANK YOU!