

Feed-in Tariffs (FIT)

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Introduction

This report summarises statistics for the second quarter of FIT Year 15 (1 July to 30 September 2024) and FIT activity since the start of the scheme in 2010¹. The statistics in this report are based on information held on our Central FIT Register (CFR)².

The Feed-in Tariffs (FIT) scheme was designed by government to promote the uptake of renewable and low-carbon electricity generation. Introduced on 1 April 2010, the scheme requires participating licensed electricity to make payments on electricity generated and exported by accredited installations.

The FIT scheme closed to new applicants from 1 April 2019.

For more information about the FIT scheme, including our guidance for suppliers and generators, visit our website.

Contacts

If you would like to contact us, <u>visit the FIT contacts page</u>. For general enquiries, you can also write to us at <u>Renewable.Enquiry@ofgem.gov.uk</u>.

Feedback

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¹ The installation statistics shown in this report represent only those installations that remain eligible for support. This means that installations where the eligibility period has expired are not included.

² The CFR is a database of all FIT accredited installations.

Accreditations and Capacity

A total of **17** FIT installations were registered this quarter bringing the total number of registrations on the scheme to **869,858**.

Total Installed Capacity (TIC) of **0.7 MW** was accredited this quarter bringing the total to **6,490 MW**.

Accredited installations by technology type

Of the 17 installations accredited this quarter, 93.8% (or 16) are solar photovoltaic (PV) and the remaining 6.3% (1) are wind. Overall, PV technologies account for 99.3% of the new capacity installed this quarter.

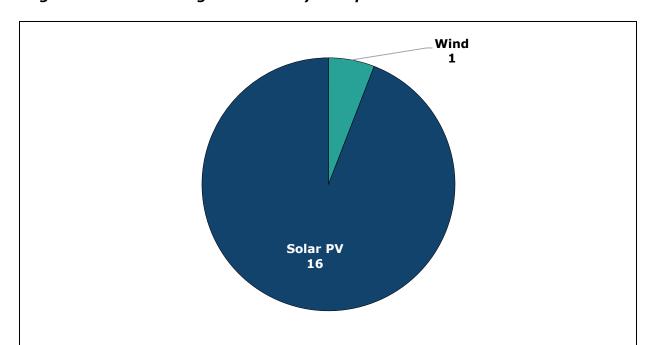


Figure 1: Number of registrations July to September 2024

This figure shows solar PV (16) registrations form the majority of registrations this quarter, followed by wind (1). There were no registrations for anaerobic digestion or hydro this quarter.

The number of new registrations increased from 8 in the previous quarter to 17 this quarter. The TIC accredited also increased to 0.7 MW against 0.2 MW reported in the previous quarter.

Solar PV 99.30%

This figure shows solar PV (99.30%) forms the highest proportion of capacity registered from July to September 2024. Wind constitutes 0.70% of installed capacity this quarter.

Figure 2: Capacity registered by technology type July to September 2024

The breakdown of accredited capacity by technology type since the scheme began is

shown below. Micro-CHP is not included as it makes up less than 0.01% of TIC.

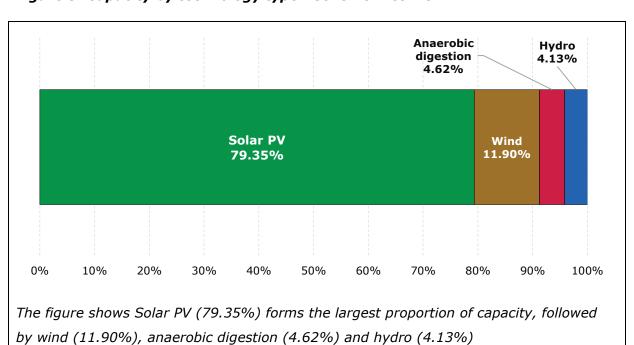


Figure 3: Capacity by technology type - scheme lifetime

National and Regional Breakdown

The proportion of installations and capacity located in England, Scotland and Wales on the FIT scheme is shown in **Figure 4** below.

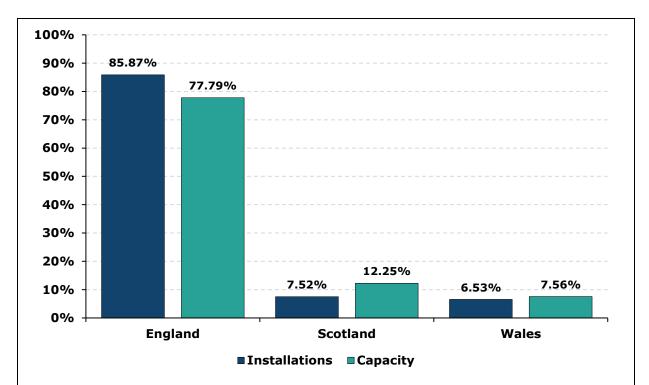


Figure 4: Installations and capacity by country, scheme lifetime

Column chart showing total percentages of installations and capacity by country. Figures for installations are 85.87% in England, 7.52% in Scotland, and 6.53% in Wales. For capacity the figures are 77.79% in England, 12.25% in Scotland, and 7.56% in Wales.

Regionally, the largest proportion of installed capacity is located in the South West at a total of 17.86% (1.16 GW) of the total deployed. This is followed by Scotland with 12.25% (0.80 GW), and the South East with 11.29% (0.73 GW) of the total capacity installed to date. In Scotland solar PV makes up only 37.89% of installed capacity, whereas in all other regions it accounts for over 74% of installed capacity. The difference in Scotland is accounted for by much higher levels of capacity coming from hydro and wind installations.

Installations reaching end of support

FIT generators receive support for between 10 to 25 years depending on technology type, capacity, when their installation was commissioned, and whether it was previously accredited under the Renewables Obligation (RO) scheme.

The number of FIT installations that have now reached the end of their support period and exited the scheme is 497. This means that three additional installations reached the end of their support period in quarter two of FIT Year 15. The expired installations are all micro-CHP technology types which are eligible to receive support for 10 years.

The number of installations exiting, withdrawn, or removed³ from the scheme this quarter was higher than the new registrations added during the same period. This led to a decrease in the total number of installations. Overall, the total number of FIT installations decreased by 23 from 869,881 in the previous quarter to 869,858 this quarter.

³ In addition to generators reaching the end of their support under the scheme, they can also cease to be accredited if they choose to withdraw, or have their accreditation removed if found to be non-compliant with scheme regulations.

FIT Levelisation

A total of £552,632,367.12 FIT Export and Generation payments were made this quarter with £520,129,113.44 claimed in FIT generation payments and £32,503,253.68 in export payments. The levelisation fund totalled £518,450,371.90. 4

The levelisation process for quarter two of FIT Year 15 was completed on 15 November 2024. Licensed electricity suppliers reported a total of 57,555,001 MWh of electricity supplied during this period of which 2,941,096 MWh was exempt to Energy Intensive Industries.⁵

The third quarterly periodic levelisation process of FIT Year 15 covering 1 October to 31 December 2024 will start on 16 January 2025.⁶

FIT Levelisation Payments

In quarter two of FIT Year 15, all suppliers made their levelisation payments in full by the deadline of 6 November 2024.

When they occur, late and missed payments are incidents of non-compliance and will be added to the Supplier Performance Report.⁷

⁴ <u>FIT Levelisation Reports</u>: https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/environmental-programmes/fit/contacts-quidance-and-resources/public-reports-and-data-fit/levelisation-reports>

⁵ Further information on exemptions and the levelisation process can be found in our Guidance for Licenced Electricity Suppliers. <u>Guidance for Licenced Electricity Suppliers</u>:

https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications/feed-in-tariffs-guidance-licensed-electricity-suppliers https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications/feed-tariff-levelisation-schedule-year-15 https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publication-schedule-year-15 https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publication-schedule-year-15 https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publication-year-15 https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publication-year-15 https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publication-year-15 https://www.ofg

⁷ <u>Information on the Supplier Performance Report</u>: https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/supplier-performance-report-spr>