

Does American Samoa have energy issues?

Although energy burdens pose a real challenge in American Samoa, the territory is working to advance energy justice. For example, the Territorial Energy Office provides home energy efficiency programs to help reduce energy costs for low-income households.

What is American Samoa's energy policy?

American Samoa is committed to leveraging these and other federal funding opportunities to advance its energy goals and priorities moving forward. American Samoa's energy policy landscape constitutes a blend of multilateral agreements, strategic plans, rules, regulations, and dedicated offices.

How much does electricity cost in Samoa?

Average U.S. and American Samoa Electricity Prices (2022) ASPA rates are down slightly as of January 2024--approximately \$0.41/kWh for residential and commercial customers and \$0.38/kWh for industrial customers. ASPA's total energy rates include a renewable energy flat rate charged at \$0.002/kWh across all service types (ASPA 2024).

Does American Samoa have a geothermal energy plan?

The 2016 American Samoa Energy Action Plan identifies some geothermal resources, but none of these are viable for commercial electricity generation. The 2016 plan instead emphasizes the development of wind and solar power (Ness, Haase, and Conrad 2016). American Samoa is exploring opportunities for both offshore and onshore wind power generation.

Does Samoa have an emergency energy conservation plan?

1979: The U.S. "Emergency Energy Conservation Act of 1979" requires the submission of an emergency energy conservation plan by each state or territory (Public Law 96-102, as amended). American Samoa adopted its Emergency Energy Conservation Plan in 1982 (see Chapter 5, Annex A of ASCA 12 for plan details).

Where does American Samoa get fuel?

Fuel for American Samoa comes from Singapore with Busan, South Korea as an alternate provider if needed. In the case of fuel disruption, Pacific Energy prioritizes serving ASPA to ensure power and water treatment services are not interrupted (Pacific Energy representative, personal communication, August 9, 2023).

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American Samoa Battery Energy. American Samoa Battery Energy Storage project included: system modelling; impact assessment; sizing optimization; control criteria; technical specifications for a Solar + BESS with up to 80% renewable energy penetration in ...

The Tesla battery system allows residents to use stored solar energy for a reliable electricity supply throughout the night, and the batteries can supply power to the entire island for three days without sunlight in the event of extended cloud cover, which is exceedingly rare in American Samoa.

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This factsheet provides a high-level overview of American Samoa's power and transportation sectors - as well as territorial policies, challenges, and opportunities related to renewable energy, energy efficiency, and resilience.

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