

FAKE NEWS: BRITAIN'S WEEK OF 'NO COAL' POWER

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[The warmist Guardian gloats:](#)

Britain passes one week without coal power for first time since 1882

The UK has been aggressively embracing so-called renewables and supposedly phasing out the use of fossil-fuels for thirty years now. It's supposed to be aiming for 100 per cent renewables by 2050.

Over the last week, various Brits have been gloating over getting by with zero — yes, zero — electricity from coal-fired generation. So it must be getting oodles from renewables?

Well, actually, no.

The real-time official website electricityinfo.org tells us that over the last 24 hours the UK got the vast bulk of its electricity, some 54 per cent, from gas.

Another 23 per cent came from nuclear and just under 8 per cent from the long power cords into France (nuclear) and Belgium (nuclear and gas).

We're up to 85 per cent and I ain't seen any renewables yet. Ah, here's one: a solid 8 per cent was coming from 'biomass'.

Except, as I've exposed, 'biomass' is a classic European con job... Almost all the UK's 'biomass' electricity is the burning of wood — the last time I looked, a fossil fuel — in a former coal-fired power station called Drax.

Drax now actually pumps out 50 per cent more CO₂ than it used to...

So 30 years of going all-in on renewables has left the UK still getting 93 per cent of its power from fossil fuels and nuclear and just 5 per cent overnight — but it's often just 1 per cent — from wind.

Why? Because wind and solar just do not work and never will in terms of the scale needed for a 21st century generation grid.

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