Jobs and Economic Development
Impacts from Small Wind: JEDI Model in the Works

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Overview

- NREL’s role in economic impact analysis for wind power
- Jobs and Economic Development Impacts (JEDI) models
- JEDI results
- Small wind JEDI specifics
- What we need from you to finish our model.

www.nrel.gov/analysis/jedi
NREL’s Economic Impact Analysis for Wind

- **JEDI models**
  - NREL strives to keep JEDI model multipliers updated and consistent. Models, user guides, and reports are peer reviewed, tested, and validated by industry.

- **NREL’s roles**
  - Gather cost, employment, tax, & other data
  - Verify with developers, owners, counties
  - Develop & test model
  - Facilitate peer review
  - Issue user guide
  - Publish (www.nrel.gov/analysis/jedi)
  - Manage and maintain models.

- **Other NREL economic impacts analyses**
  - Workforce development
    - National skills assessment
  - Manufacturing and supply chain
  - Analysis (including federal, state, and regional policy and employment)
  - National discussion on renewable energy employment.
JEDI Model Availability

• **Current JEDI models**
  - Utility-scale wind
  - Natural gas (combined cycle)
  - Coal (pulverized coal)
  - Marine and hydrokinetic
  - Concentrating solar power
  - Dry mill corn ethanol
  - Lignocellulosic ethanol
  - Photovoltaic.

• **JEDI models under development**
  - Small wind, offshore wind
  - Hydropower (conventional)
  - Natural gas (combined cycle)
  - Transmission
  - Geothermal
  - Biopower
  - Petroleum.

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JEDI Model Approach

Based on project-specific or default inputs (derived from industry norms), JEDI estimates the number of jobs and economic impacts that could reasonably be supported by a power generation project.

JEDI estimates *gross not net* jobs. For example, JEDI estimates the number of in-state construction jobs from a new wind farm.

Jobs, earnings, and output are distributed across three categories:

- Project Development and Onsite Labor Impacts
- Local Revenue, Turbine, and Supply Chain Impacts
- Induced Impacts.

JEDI model defaults are based on interviews with industry experts and project developers. Economic multipliers within the model are derived from Minnesota IMPLAN Group (Bureau of Economic Analysis, Bureau of Labor Statistics, etc).
Jobs & Economic Impacts from the JEDI Model

Wind Energy’s Economic Impact (Large Wind)

Wind energy’s economic “ripple effect”

Project Development & Onsite Labor Impacts
- Construction workers
- Management
- Administrative support
- Cement truck drivers
- Road crews
- Maintenance workers
- Legal and siting

Local Revenue, Turbine, & Supply Chain Impacts
- Blades, towers, gear boxes
- Boom truck & management, gas and gas station workers
- Supporting businesses, such as bankers financing the construction, contractor, manufacturers and equipment suppliers
- Utilities
- Hardware store purchases and workers, spare parts and their suppliers

Induced Impacts
Jobs and earnings that result from the spending supported by the project, including benefits to grocery store clerks, retail salespeople, and child care providers

Construction Phase = 1-2 years
Operational Phase = 20+ years
Project Development & Onsite Labor

- Sample job types
  - Truck driving
  - Crane operation, hoisting, rigging
  - Earth moving
  - Pouring cement
  - Management, support
  - Siting.
Local Revenues, Turbine, & Supply Chain

- Steel mill jobs, parts, services
- Equipment manufacturing & sales
- Blade & tower manufacturers
- Property taxes: financing, banking, accounting.
Induced Impacts

Money spent in the local area on goods and services from increased revenue: sandwich shops, child care, grocery stores, clothing, other retail, public transit, new cars, restaurants, medical services
Using the JEDI Model
The Jobs and Economic Development Impact (JEDI) models are user-friendly tools that estimate the economic impacts of constructing and operating power generation and biofuel plants at the local and state levels. First developed by NREL's Wind Powering America program to model wind energy impacts, JEDI has been expanded to analyze concentrating solar power, biofuels, coal and natural gas power plants.

On this site, you can download the models for free, learn more about how JEDI works, understand the output, and get answers to questions about using the model.

**Contact**
For questions regarding the JEDI models or model updates, please contact: JEDIsupport@nrel.gov

www.nrel.gov/analysis/jedi/
The JEDI Model on Your Screen

Small Wind Project Data

INSTRUCTIONS: Begin by entering Project Location (from pull-down list) and other System Descriptive Data. After inserting required data press enter (or cursor to the next cell) to continue. Once Descriptive Data is complete, enter "Y" or "N" on Line 27 to continue.

- Enter "Y" to accept System Cost and Local Share defaults or "N" to review/modify values.
- To utilize new values in analysis choose "N" in "Utilize Project Cost Data default values analysis?" - Line 27.

Additional information is available by pointing to the red triangles located in cell corners and in the FAQ tab. Only those cells with a white background can be changed (accept new values).

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Utilize Project Cost Data default values in analysis? Choose "Y" to accept default values below or "N" to over-ride default values and utilize new user defined values as entered below. See FAQ for related topics.

- Press 'Go To Summary Impacts' Button

Go To Summary Impacts
The JEDI Model on Your Screen

The models contain state multipliers, but county or regional multipliers can be acquired and input into the model to carry out analysis on entities other than states.

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![Project Data Table](image)
### Detailed User Inputs

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JEDI Model Caveats

- Not a precise forecast but an estimate of overall economic impacts
- Inputs need your context!
- Project size
- Gross jobs vs. net jobs
- Local sourcing levels have significant impact
- Full-time equivalent (FTE) jobs.

Photo from First Wind, NREL/PIX 16738
NREL’s JEDI Results
Sample JEDI Results: Wyoming Infrastructure Authority: Deployment (2012 – 2021)

New HV Transmission Capacity (MW)

Annual Capacity Installed (MW)

- **500 kV HVAC Line; 1,500 MW Capacity; ~ 310 miles (Right Axis)**
- **500 kV HVDC Line; 3,000 MW Capacity; ~ 225 miles (Right Axis)**
- **Collector System 230 kV Line; Variable Capacity & Length (Right Axis)**

Source: Lantz and Tegen, 2011.
Wyoming: Base Case for New Wind over Time

Wyoming Employment (Annual) from 9,000 MW of New Wind Generation

- Construction Project Development and Onsite Labor Activity
- Construction Equipment and Supply Chain Activity
- Construction Induced Activity
- Operations Onsite Labor Activity
- Operations Local Revenue and Supply Chain Activity
- Operations Induced Activity
Small Wind JEDI Model

- Four turbine size categories:
  - 0+ kW – 2.4 kW
  - 2.5 kW – 10 kW
  - 10.1 kW – 50 kW
  - 50.1 kW – 100 kW.

- Costs vary by size, and users should add project-specific information.

- Supply chain and manufacturing jobs and impacts vary by size and by state (depending on multipliers).

- All default inputs and assumptions come from recent projects and industry interviews.

- NREL is requesting more data on current projects to help populate and validate the Small Wind JEDI model.
## Preliminary Small Wind Inputs and Outputs

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*Preliminary model runs indicate small wind supports more jobs per MW than large/utility-scale wind.* These JEDI model results are based on the preliminary model and will change as the model is updated.

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<td>~ 8-25 jobs/100 MW</td>
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Approximately 151,000 small wind turbines totaling 205 MW as of 12/31/2011.
Your Input Is Needed: Improve the Small Wind JEDI Model
• Data on turbines between <1 - 100 kW
  o Siting/development cost and labor
  o Site preparation cost and labor
  o Capital cost and labor
  o Installation cost and labor
  o Operations and maintenance cost and labor.

• Cost and labor ranges may be provided instead of a dollar amount.

• We will not release company or project-specific data.
Thank you
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