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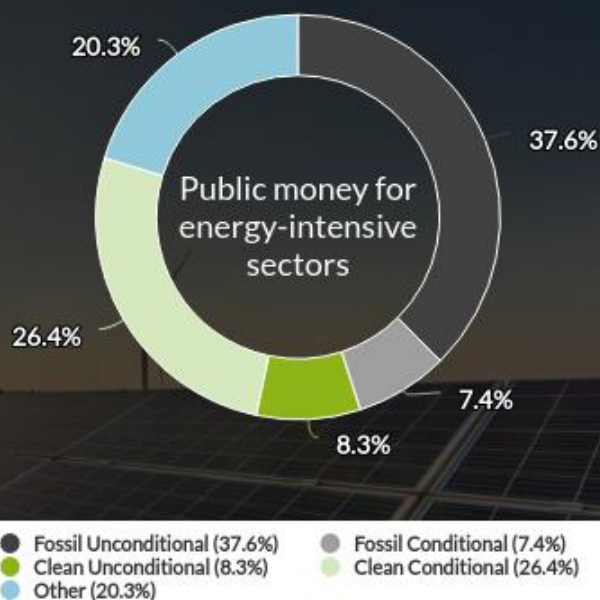
Monthly newsletter focused on what we are doing, saying, and watching

Data GEM:

energypolicytracker.org

**G20 countries
committed USD 296.67
billion to fossil fuels
and USD 228.60 billion
to clean energy since
the pandemic began**

Source: energypolicytracker.org, Aug 25 2021



LATEST FROM CSIS ECONOMICS



Drilling Down on Treasury's New Fossil Fuel Energy Guidance for Multilateral Development Banks

The CSIS Economics Program breaks down the U.S. Treasury Department's recent fossil fuel energy guidance for multilateral development banks. [Read more.](#)



How Biden is Building on Trump's Legacy in Taiwan

On August 5, 2021, President Biden approved his administration's first arms sale to Taiwan: a \$750 million weapons package. The sale represents yet another step in a series of moves that point to the expansion of U.S.-Taiwanese relations. [Read more.](#)



Japan and Vaccine Diplomacy

Despite Japan's difficulties in combatting the virus at home, Japan has become the leader of vaccine donations across Asia. [Read more.](#)

LATEST FROM RECONNECTING ASIA



The Secret History of Hambantota

A new report featuring recently declassified documents reveals the complicated history behind Hambantota Port's debt woes. [Read more.](#)



The Gender Gap in China's Belt and Road

When Chinese leader Xi Jinping announced the Belt and Road Initiative (BRI), he promised to "promote common development and prosperity so as to bring benefits to our people." But nearly eight years later, the "people" that have benefited most from the BRI are predominantly men. [Read more.](#)

IN THE NEWS

"The cloud is the next frontier in Beijing's quest to dominate the information supply chain, from handheld devices to data servers."

Jonathan Hillman | [Politico China](#)
Watcher

"The U.S. position 'translates into voting power and an outsize role in setting the [MDBs'] agendas and lending programs,' [Segal writes.](#)"

Stephanie Segal | [Axios Generate](#)

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RECENT & UPCOMING EVENTS

Supply Chain Resilience: Opportunities for U.S.-Korea Cooperation

September 8, 2021 | [Watch live here at 9:00am ET](#)

Build Back Better World: Meeting the Global Infrastructure Challenge

July 30, 2021 | [Watch on demand](#)

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