
Chinese reliance on coal to drop by 7pct by 2015

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Xinhua quoted an official with the National Energy Administration said China coal consumption is likely to drop to 63% of total energy consumption by 2015 down from 70% last year.

Mr Jiang Bing head of the development and planning department of the NEA said non-fossil fuels will provide 11% of China energy needs in 2015 and 15% in 2020. He said that China's will focus on increasing consumption of non-fossil fuels and cutting carbon emissions over the next 5 years.

Mr Zhou Xi'an another senior official with the NEA said China closed 620 substandard small coal mines in the first five months of the year.

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