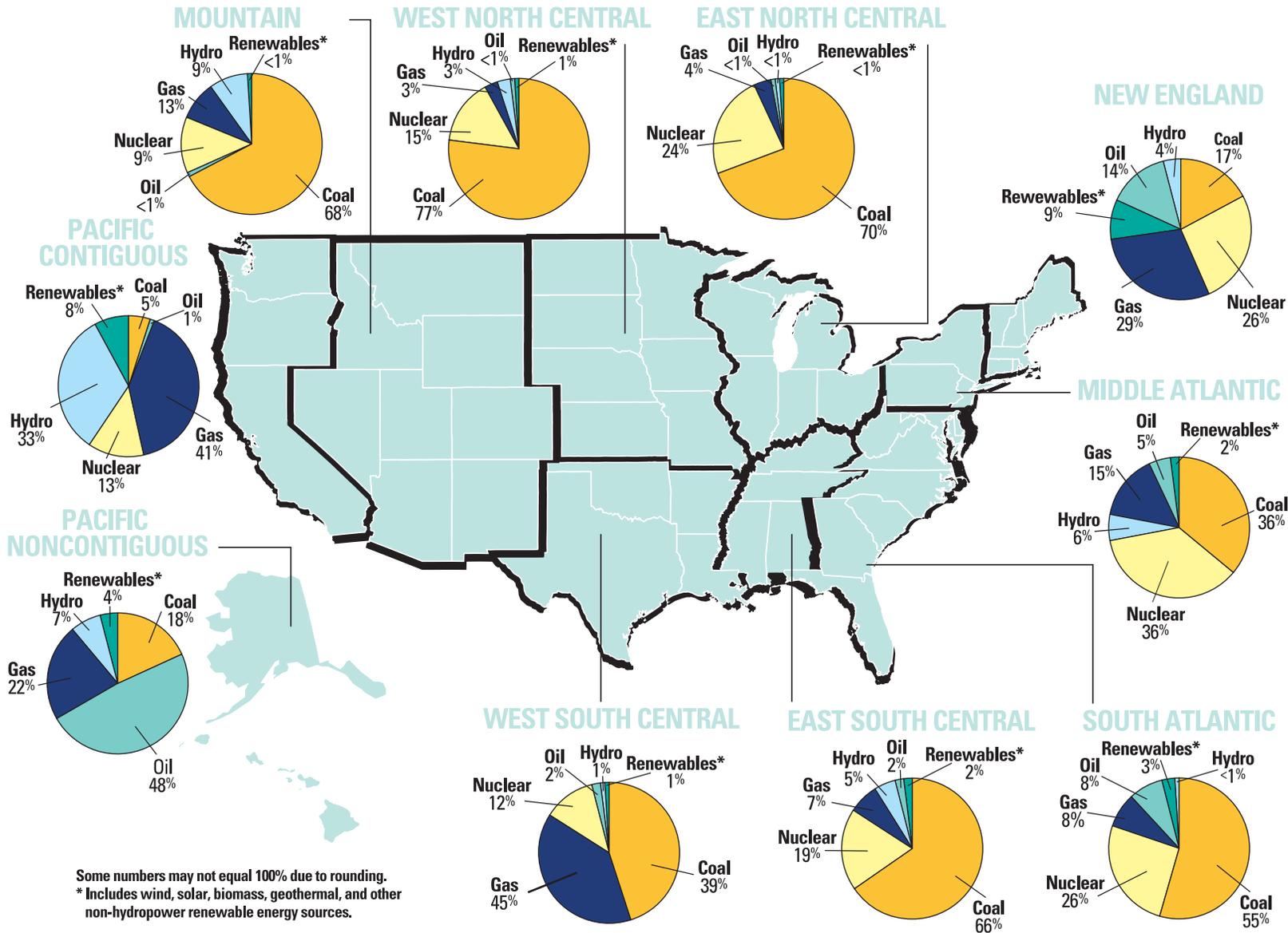


Different Regions of the Country Rely on Different Fuel Mixes to Generate Electricity.



Electric companies use a diverse mix of fuel sources to generate electricity. Several factors influence an electric company's decision to use particular fuels. These include the price, the availability, and the reliability of supply. This map, arranged by census region, illustrates the diversity of fuel use across our nation and shows how the electricity generation mixes in various regions of the country differ. The map further demonstrates that major changes in the generation mix could have economic and reliability impacts, especially on a regional basis.

Source: Energy Information Administration, Annual Electric Generator Report, Utility and Non-Utility Data (2001 Preliminary). By U.S. Census Division.

Some numbers may not equal 100% due to rounding.
* Includes wind, solar, biomass, geothermal, and other non-hydropower renewable energy sources.



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