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## Rating North Carolina's green economy

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North Carolina is a national leader in "energy infrastructure," but the state's not doing so well in energy generation or energy storage.

Those are some of the findings in a new **profile** of North Carolina's green economy by the National Governors Association **Center for Best Practices**.

The NGA prepared profiles on the green economy in all 50 states. It did not rank the states, instead opting to provide a report on each state.

The report on North Carolina describes the state as "a national leader in energy infrastructure, which includes consulting and management services and "cable and equipment." The report says 400 people in North Carolina are employed in energy infrastructure.

The report says that "recycling and waste," with 5,200 jobs, is the largest employment area in North Carolina's green economy.

But the report also shows that North Carolina lags far behind the national average in areas such as energy generation and energy storage.

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