

Early Assessment of Carbon Dioxide Capture and Storage Potential in China

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Topics

- CO₂ Point Source Inventory
- Geologic CO₂ Storage Potential
- Cost Curves for Transport and Storage
- Sensitivity Analyses
- Summary & Next Steps





China Overview

- Rapidly expanding economy
- Driven largely by coal
- Emissions increasing
- Increasing pressure and determination for GHG mitigation
- Growing focus on environmental protection and sustainable development of China
- Primary goals:
 - Assess the potential for CCS technologies to deploy in China
 - Provide preliminary insight for decision-makers on the potential role of CCS technologies in China

Large CO₂ Point Sources in China





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CO₂ Sources & Storage Reservoirs

- 2300 GtCO₂ total potential onshore storage capacity
- 99% in deep saline formations
- 91% of large CO₂ point sources have a candidate storage formation within 100 miles (161 km)
 - 83% within 50 miles (80 km)
- Some sources in coastal regions do not appear to have many onshore storage options



Preliminary Cost Curve for CO₂ Transport & Storage in China

- CO₂ capture, dehydration, and compression cost intentionally excluded
- Each point on the curve represents a unique CO₂ source and its selected CO₂ storage reservoir.
- This curve represents the potential for annual storage at the specified costs assuming that all sources seek to begin storing their CO₂ at the same time and all capacity is available on day one, based on a 20-year commitment.



- Deep saline formations provide storage for over 90% of the individual source-reservoir pairs on this curve.
- Low-cost storage opportunities appear to be available in China but are likely exaggerated here due to a number of factors (e.g., timing of availability, smaller overall and individual capacities, lack of demonstrated performance)

Regional Cost Curves for CO₂ Transport & Storage in China

Regional cost curves highlight variations in CO₂ emissions distribution and accessibility and cost of CO₂ storage capacity East + North A Northeast • Northwest A South Central • Southwest \$80 \$60 \$40 Administrative Regions North Region lortheast Region \$20 Cost (\$/tonne CO₂) ast Region South Central Region Southwest Region \$0 Northwest Region -\$20 -\$40 -\$60 -\$80 -\$100

800

1,000

1,200

600 Cumulative Supplied CO₂ Capacity (Annual, MtCO₂)

400

200

0



Sanjiang Basin

Hailaer Basin

Erlian Basin

Songliao Basin

Bohai Bay Basin(Liaoning)

Basin-Specific Cost Curves

 Basin-specific cost curves help to identify highly demanded storage targets; as well as those where future growth could best be accommodated.



Jungger Basin

Tarím Basin

Turpan hami Basin



Sensitivity: Reduced Storage Capacity (50%)



Value of CCS in China

 China's Electricity Sector Use of Coal under WRE450 Constraint and Varying Storage Capacity Availability



Value of CCS in China – Cost Curve Results for 100%, 10%, 1% Storage





Sensitivity: Reduced Injection Rates (50%)

Base Values (tonnes/yr/well): Oil 21,000; coal 14,000; gas/DSF 100,000 - 1,000,000





Sensitivity: Increased Transport Costs (150%)





Reservoir Filling Impacts – Over Two 20 Year Periods



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Summary

- Over 1600 large CO_2 point sources \rightarrow 3890 MtCO₂/yr
- 2300 GtCO₂ theoretical storage capacity in onshore reservoirs
- There is strong potential for CCS technologies to offer significant emissions reductions in China, at transport and storage costs of up to about \$10/tCO₂
- Sensitivity analyses suggest that the storage capacity in China is robust and able to withstand significant reductions in ultimately accessible capacity and possible increases in component costs
- However, certain key regions may not have ready access to sufficient storage capacity in onshore basins – and may need to consider basins near offshore
- This work represents an initial step; follow-on research is critical to further understand the technical and economic potential and challenges for CCS to help reduce the carbon emissions from the growing Chinese economy