

PRIMARY HEALTH CENTRE ROOF-TOP SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEM PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

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Abstract— A primary health centre roof-top solar energy system performance analysis is presented. Specifically, the photovoltaic (PV) energy yield is considered for six study sites selected from the six geopolitical regions in Nigeria. The basic analytical expressions for the determination of the rooftop energy yield of PV power system are presented along with the load demand of the health center. The global solar radiation data of the six selected study site are used to simulate and obtain the energy yield and losses due to temperature. The PV power system components and their sizes were selected using the PVSyst system dialogue box and the simulation was performed for each of the six study sites. The results of the annual average loss due to temperature show that Akwa Ibom has the lowest annual average temperature of 24.7°C while Gombe has the highest annual average temperature of 26.3°C. On the other hand, with a value of 695.87 kWh/year Akwa Ibom State has the lowest annual average energy loss due to temperature while Gombe has the highest annual average energy loss due to temperature with a value of 1115 kWh/year. In all, the results showed that solar energy are more abundant in the northern parts of Nigeria considered in the study, namely, Abuja, Gombe and Kano state. Also, the loss due to temperature is not dependent solely on temperature, but other parameters also affect its value.

Keywords— Component Sizing , Energy Yield, Rooftop PV , Solar Ower, Ambient Temperature, Solar Radiation, Thermal Loss

1. INTRODUCTION

Across the globe, health centers of different categories have been found to be essential for meeting the health challenges of any nation [1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8]. In the developing countries, health centers at the rural communities are essential for inclusive health services to the disadvantaged rural populations [9,10,11,12,13]. However, one major problem of the health centers located in the rural communities is lack of access to power supply from the national grid [14,15,16,17,18,19,20,21,22,23]. In such case, solar power system has been advocated as a more environmentally friendly alternative power supply system [24,25,26,27,28,29,30,31].

In practice, photovoltaic (PV) power system energy yield depends on different meteorological data which vary with location and time [32,33,34,35,36,37,38]. The spatio-

temporal nature of the PV power energy yield means that for a given set of PV system component configuration, the energy output will vary from one location to the other and from one particular time to another. Accordingly, in this paper, PV system component sizing and energy yield analysis is presented for a case study health center PV power installation located in different States in Nigeria, where one State is selected from each of the six geopolitical regions in Nigeria. The study seeks to evaluate how a model PV power system installation can be designed and employed for the health centers located in various States in Nigeria.

2. METHODOLOGY

2.1 The daily energy yield expected from rooftop installed PV array

The required effective rooftop area (A_{pv}) for PV array installation that will supply the daily electric energy demand (E_L) with temperature and dc/ac de-rating factors (f_{temp} and $f_{dc/ac}$ respectively) is determined as follows;

$$A_{pv} = \frac{E_L}{(PSH * \eta_{pv} * f_{dc/ac} * f_{temp})} \quad (1)$$

Where η_{pv} denotes the PV module efficiency and PSH is the daily Peak Sun Hour.

On the other hand, when A_{pv} is given, then the daily energy yield expected from PV array occupying the given roof area, A_{pv} is denoted as E_{PV} and it is computed as follows;

$$E_{PV} = A_{pv} (G_d * \eta_{pv} * f_{de-rating}) \quad (2)$$

2.2 Electric Load Demand of the Case Study Health Centre and the Peak Sun Hour (PSH) Data of Selected Study Sites

The case study health facility is the Primary Health Centre West Itam Uyo, Akwa Ibom State Nigeria located at latitude of 5.050834 and longitude of 7.902476 (Figure 1). The daily electric load demand (E_L) of the case study health centre is taken from [39] which has $E_L = 101.808$ kWh per day, as presented in Table 1. The equivalent daily energy demand can be expressed as a daily power demand of 12726 watts for an average of 8 hours a day which gives a daily energy demand of 101808 Wh/day.

The selected study sites from the Nigerian six geopolitical regions are shown in Table 2 and Figure 2.

The PVSyst software was used to extract the PSH data from the NASA solar radiation data web portal and the extracted solar radiation (PSH) data for the case study

sites are given in Table 3 and Figure 3.

Table 1 Case study health centre Daily Electric Load Demand (Source: [39])

S/N	Appliance Description	Qty.	Rated Power (Watts)	Number of Hours Operated	Total Power (Watts)	Total Wh per day	Total Kwh per day
1	Blood bank Fridge	2	50	24	100	2400	2.4
	Vaccine Fridge	2	80	12	160	1920	1.92
2	Microscope	2	15	6	30	180	0.18
3	Operating Lamp	1	125	4	125	500	0.5
4	Syringe Pumps	2	600	1	1200	1200	1.2
5	Air conditioners	2	746	6	1492	8952	8.952
6	Lighting	56	100	12	5600	67200	67.2
7	Hematology Mixer	1	28	4	28	112	0.112
8	Incubators	2	400	7	800	5600	5.6
9	Curing light	1	90	3	90	270	0.27
10	Microwave	1	700	3	700	2100	2.1
11	Medical Centrifuge	1	578	3	578	1734	1.734
12	Washing Machine	1	450	2	450	900	0.9
13	PC and Printer	2	120	6	240	1440	1.44
14	TV	2	50	10	100	1000	1
15	Drier	1	500	3	500	1500	1.5
16	Ceiling Fan	6	100	8	600	4800	4.8
Total					12793	101808	101.808
Average number of hours per day (hours)						7.958102	

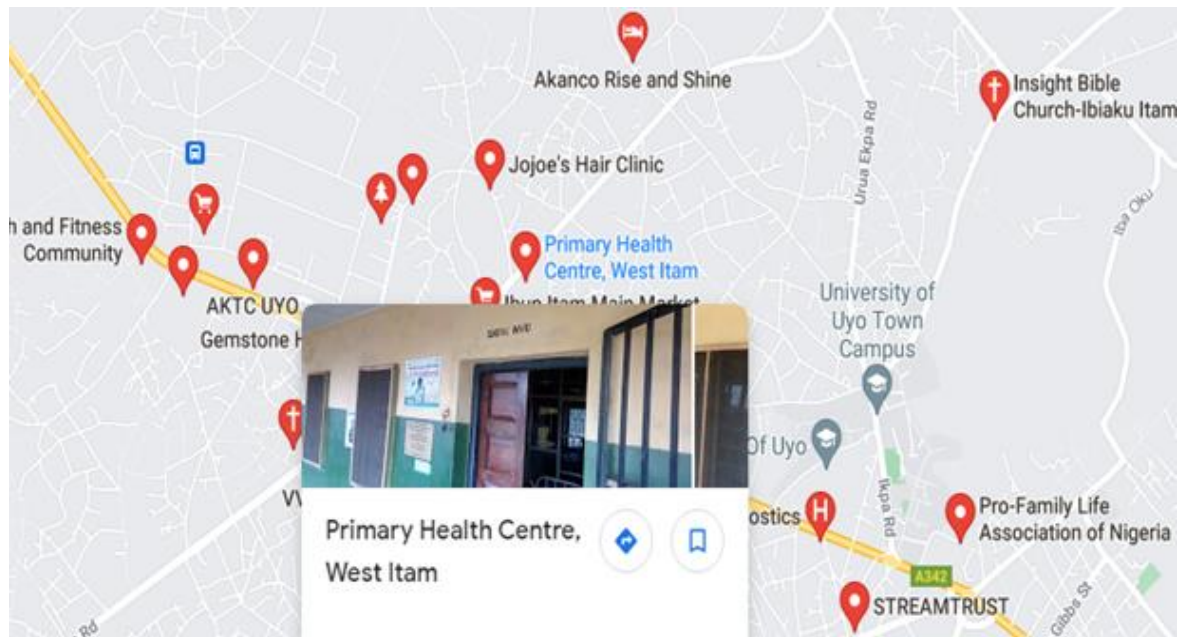


Figure 1 The case study is Primary Health Centre West Itam Uyo, Akwa Ibom State Nigeria located at latitude of 5.050834 and longitude of 7.902476

Table 2 The Selected Locations from the Nigerian Six Geopolitical Regions.

S/N	Geopolitical Region	State	Latitude	Longitude
1	North Central	Gwaska Abuja	9.010229	7.28928
2	North East	Bajoga Gombe State	10.907129	11.306798
3	North West	Sharada Kano State	11.952035	8.49841
4	South East	Awkunanaw Enugu State	6.393511	7.484218
5	South South	Primary Health Centre West Itam Uyo	5.050834	7.902476
6	South West	Sagamu Ogun State	6.828251	3.554311

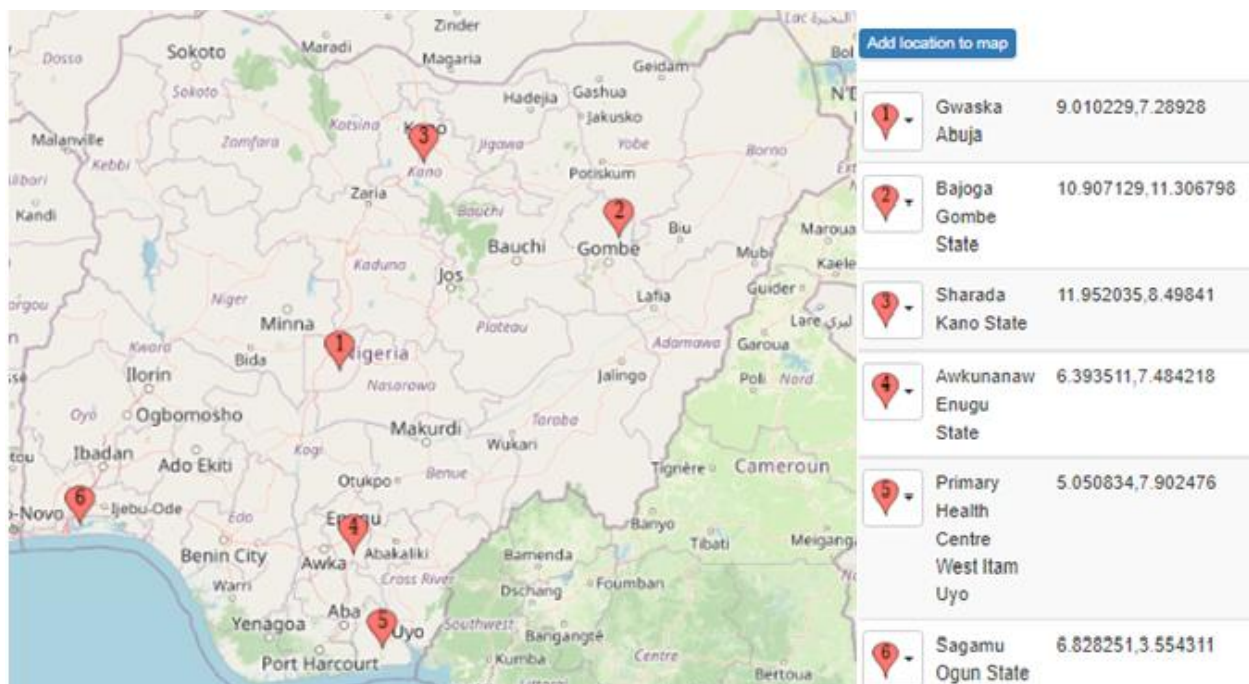


Figure 3 The Map Plot of the Selected Locations from the Nigerian Six Geopolitical Regions.

Table 3 The Solar Radiation data of the Selected Locations from the Nigerian Six Geopolitical Regions.

Month	Abuja GlobHor (kWh/m ² .mth)	Akwa Ibom State GlobHor (kWh/m ² .mth)	Enugu State GlobHor (kWh/m ² .mth)	Gombe State GlobHor (kWh/m ² .mth)	Kano State GlobHor (kWh/m ² .mth)	Ogun State GlobHor (kWh/m ² .mth)
Jan	182.3	171.4	176.1	176.1	172	163.7
Feb	170.5	156.5	160.7	173.3	176.1	153.7
Mar	194.4	164.9	172.7	199.9	206.2	169.3
Apr	181.8	152.7	157.5	192.9	200.7	156.3
May	173	146.3	153.1	192.5	197.5	147.6
Jun	151.8	129.3	136.2	173.7	177.9	121.2
Jul	137.6	119.3	128.3	163.7	168.9	122.5
Aug	129.9	116.9	121.2	155	160	123.4
Sep	141.9	118.2	125.7	160.8	165.9	122.7
Oct	164.6	132.4	141.7	177.3	178.9	141.1
Nov	179.4	145.2	153.3	171	169.5	148.5
Dec	181.7	164	169.3	168.9	165.8	160.3
Year	1988.8	1717.2	1795.8	2105.2	2139.4	1730.1

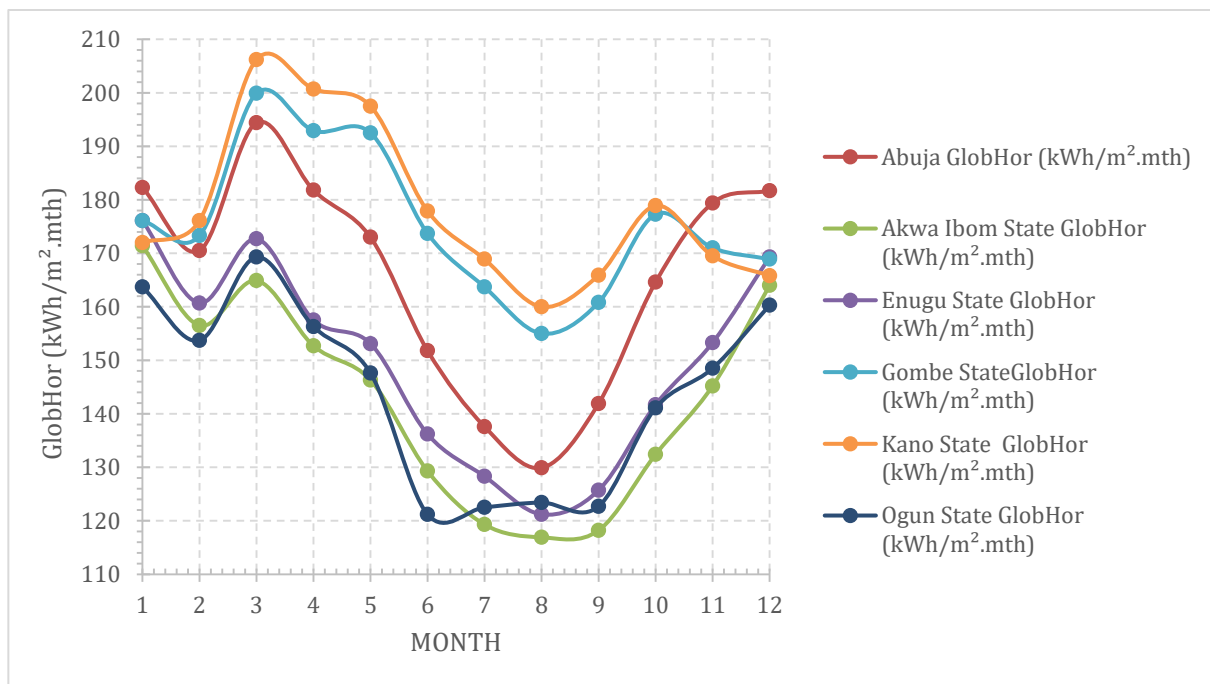


Figure 3 The Plot of the Solar Radiation data of the Selected Locations from the Nigerian Six Geopolitical Regions.

3. Results and discussions

The PV power system components and their sizes were selected using the PVSyst system dialogue box. The system simulation parameters used for the six selected sites are presented in Figure 4. The results of the monthly and annual available energy at the inverter output, EOutInv (kWh) for the selected six study sites are presented in Table

4 and Figure 5. The results showed that Kano State has the highest annual energy yield of 6654.4 kWh/year while Akwa Ibom State has the lowest annual energy yield of 5363.1 kWh/year, as shown in Table 4, Figure 5 and Figure 6. Also, Figure 7 shows that Kano State has 124% of annual energy when compared to that of Akwa Ibom State, which is the reference State with 100% annual energy yield.

The results of the annual average loss due to temperature and the annual average temperature for the selected six study sites are presented in Figure 6 and Figure 7. The results show that Akwa Abuja has the lowest annual average temperature of 24.7°C while Gombe has the highest annual average temperature of 26.3°C. On the other hand, with a value of 695.87 kWh/year, Akwa Ibom State has the lowest annual average energy loss due to temperature while Gombe has the highest annual average energy loss due to temperature with a value of 1115 kWh/year.

In all, the results showed that the loss due to temperature is not dependent solely on temperature, but other parameters also affect its value. That is why the site with the lowest temperature does not give the lowest energy loss due to temperature. Also, the energy yield results showed that solar energy are more abundant in the northern parts of Nigeria considered in the study, namely, Abuja, Gombe and Kano state.

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Grid-Connected System: Simulation parameters					
Project : HEALTH CENTER					
Geographical Site		AKWA IBOM STATE		Country Nigeria	
Situation		Latitude 5.05° N		Longitude 7.90° E	
Time defined as		Legal Time Time zone UT		Altitude 56 m	
Meteo data:		AKWA IBOM STATE		NASA-SSE satellite data, 1983-2005 - Synthetic	
Simulation variant : New simulation variant					
Simulation date 29/05/21 07h18					
Simulation parameters		System type No 3D scene defined			
Collector Plane Orientation		Tilt 14°		Azimuth 0°	
Models used		Transposition Perez		Diffuse Perez, Meteororm	
Horizon		Free Horizon			
Near Shadings		No Shadings			
PV Array Characteristics					
PV module		Si-poly Model GES-6P50			
Original Pvsyst database		Manufacturer Sainty Solar			
Number of PV modules		In series 14 modules		In parallel 5 strings	
Total number of PV modules		Nb. modules 70		Unit Nom. Power 50 Wp	
Array global power		Nominal (STC) 3500 Wp		At operating cond. 3417 Wp (50°C)	
Array operating characteristics (50°C)		U mpp 359 V		I mpp 9.5 A	
Total area		Module area 31.1 m²		Cell area 25.6 m²	
Inverter					
Original Pvsyst database		Model AT 3600			
Characteristics		Manufacturer Sunways			
Inverter pack		Operating Voltage 242-600 V		Unit Nom. Power 3.60 kWac	
		Nb. of inverters 1 units		Total Power 3.6 kWac	
				Pnom ratio 0.97	
PV Array loss factors					
Thermal Loss factor		Uc (const) 20.0 W/m²K		Uv (wind) 0.0 W/m²K / m/s	
Wiring Ohmic Loss		Global array res. 633 mOhm		Loss Fraction 1.5 % at STC	
Module Quality Loss				Loss Fraction -0.8 %	
Module Mismatch Losses				Loss Fraction 1.0 % at MPP	
Strings Mismatch loss				Loss Fraction 0.10 %	
Incidence effect, ASHRAE parametrization		IAM = 1 - bo (1/cos i - 1)		bo Param. 0.05	
User's needs :		Unlimited load (grid)			

Figure 4 The PVSyst simulation parameters for the PV Power SYstem

Table 4 The monthly and Annual Available Energy at the Inverter Output, EOutInv (kWh) for of the Selected Six Locations

Month	Month	AKWA IBOM STATE EOutInv (kWh)	ENUGU STATE EOutInv (kWh)	OGUN STATE EOutInv (kWh)	ABUJA EOutInv (kWh)	GOMBE STATE EOutInv (kWh)	KANO STATE EOutInv (kWh)
Jan	1	582.6	616.8	573.1	652.4	631.6	629.4
Feb	2	508.5	530	508.3	566.7	574.9	591.5

Mar	3	511.3	529	519	597.1	605.2	630.1
Apr	4	449.3	449.6	449.2	515.5	543.3	568.4
May	5	416.1	413.5	400	461.9	511.3	530.7
Jun	6	362.2	361.5	325.3	398.7	456.1	473.1
Jul	7	342.6	350.3	333	373.7	444.1	463
Aug	8	351.2	349.9	352.8	373.3	442.9	460.6
Sep	9	363.5	382.3	374.8	432.2	484.2	509.6
Oct	10	417.6	457.7	456.4	540	576.4	587.6
Nov	11	489.2	530.3	511.6	634	588.1	593.8
Dec	12	569	609	576.8	666.3	611.3	616.6
Year		5363.1	5579.8	5380.3	6211.8	6469.4	6654.4

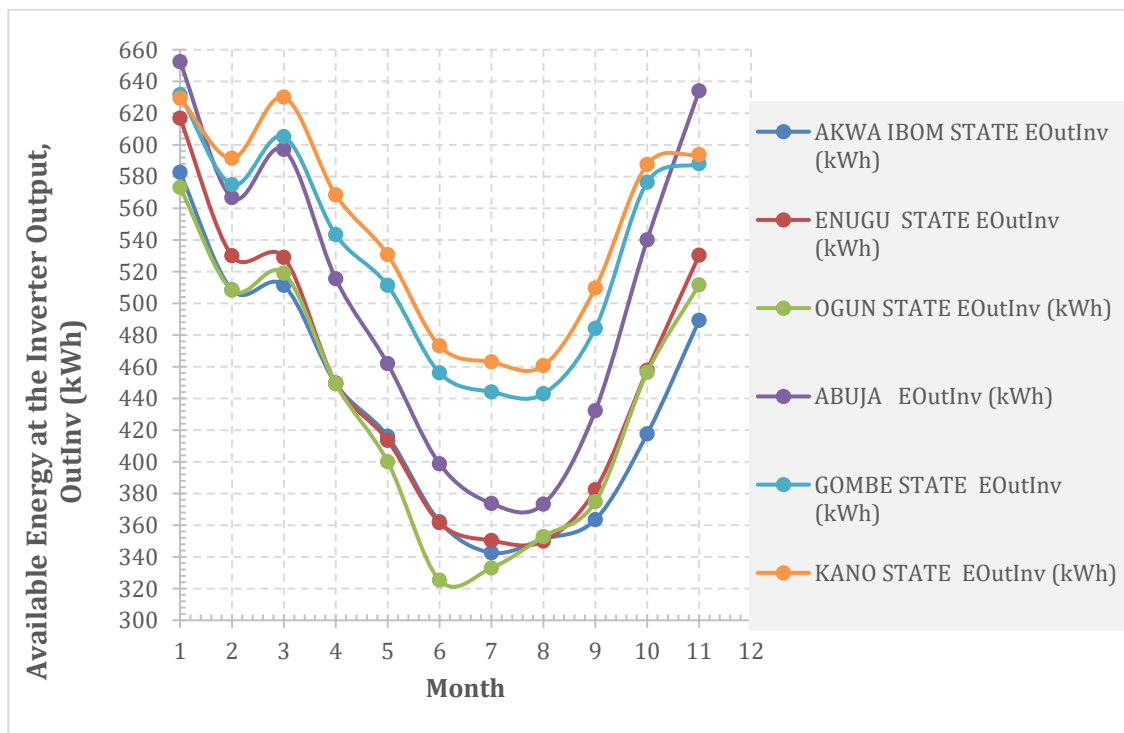


Figure 5 The plot of the monthly Available Energy at the Inverter Output, EOutInv (kWh) for of the Selected Six Locations

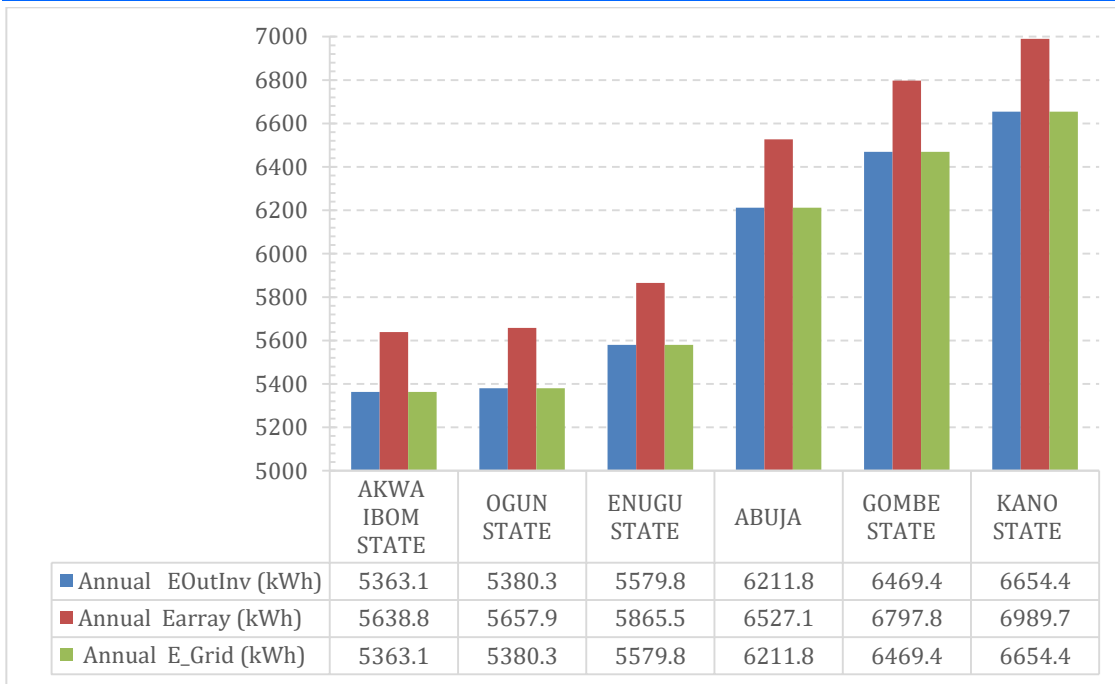


Figure 6 The plot of the Annual Available Energy at the Inverter Output, EOutInv (kWh) for of the Selected Six Locations

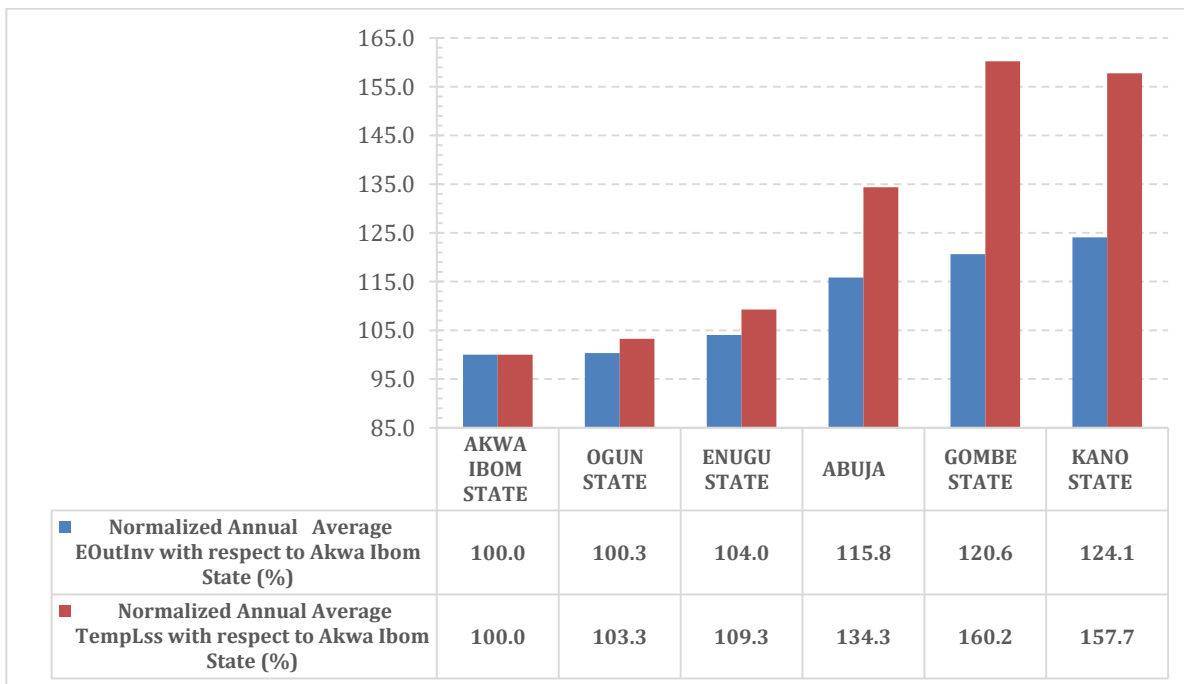


Figure 7 The plot of the Normalized Annual Available Energy at the Inverter Output, EOutInv (kWh) for of the Selected Six Locations

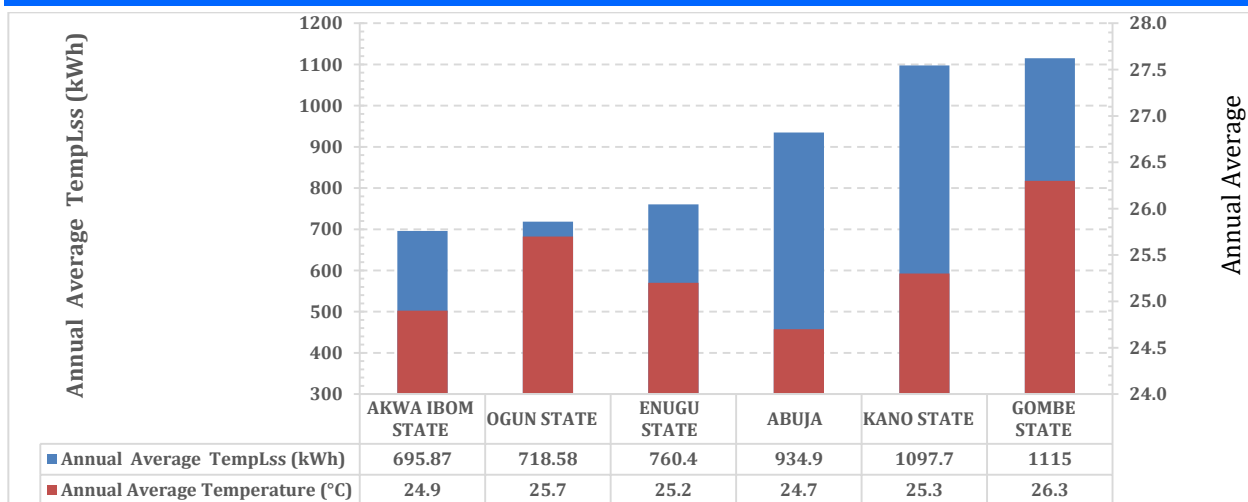


Figure 8 The bar chart of the Annual Average Loss Due to Temperature and the Annual Average Temperature for of the Selected Six Locations

4. Conclusion

The component sizing and energy yield of a rooftop PV power installation for a health center is presented. The PV energy yield is considered for six study sites selected from the six geopolitical regions in Nigeria. The basic analytical expressions for the determination of the rooftop energy yield of PV power system are presented along with the load demand of the health center. The global solar radiation data of the six selected study site used to simulate and obtain the energy yield and losses due to temperature. In all, the northern part of Nigeria gave higher annual energy yield than the southern study sites.

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