ASTURIAS, SPAIN

Record unemployment

It’s one of the highest rates in the EU (13.1%) and has led to an emigration of young people to other regions.

Populational decrease

Due to ageing and emigration, the decrease will be one of the highest in the country (−8.3%).

MOST INDUSTRIES RELY ON COAL

The decommissioning of regional coal power plants affects electricity supply, undermining the region’s industrial base, much of which is electro-intensive in nature and dependent on reliable and affordable electricity supplies.

Less coal, less supply

The closure process of thermal power plants involves the closure of 2,222 MW of coal, reducing the installed capacity by 48.6%.

90% OF CITIZENS AFFECTED

90% of the population of the region of Asturias is being affected by the closure of coal mines.

Additionally, around 80% of the population and most economic activity are concentrated near coal-fired power plants.

21 out of 57 mining municipalities expected to be severely and directly impacted by the energy transition.

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