

High-Performance Solar On-Site Energy Prices







Overview

What is solar technology cost analysis?

NREL's solar technology cost analysis examines the technology costs and supply chain issues for solar photovoltaic (PV) technologies. This work informs research and development by identifying drivers of cost and competitiveness for solar technologies.

Why are high-powered solar panels better than smaller solar panels?

Since larger panels require an equivalent amount of connections and labour compared to smaller panels, the installation cost per kW is reduced, resulting in a lower overall cost and decreased Levelized Cost of Energy (LCOE). As explained below, high-powered panels are far larger than those used on residential rooftops.

Who makes high-power solar panels?

While early leaders such as Trina Solar, Jinko Solar, Canadian Solar, Risen Energy, and JA Solar laid the groundwork for high-power panels in the 600–700W range, a new wave of manufacturers is now surpassing those limits.

How much does a solar module cost?

As a result, the price of solar modules has fallen to \$0.10 per watt, a considerable decline from over \$0.25 per watt two years ago. 3 While input prices remain low, the intense competition and the need to maintain high utilization rates in manufacturing facilities have led many players in the solar supply chain to operate at a loss.

Is rooftop solar a good option for a building?

Rooftop solar remains one of the most accessible and cost-effective ways to generate on-site power, particularly for facilities with high daytime energy usage. These systems can typically offset a large portion of energy



consumption in a building and are relatively simple to install.

What is NREL's PV cost benchmarking work?

NREL analyzes the total costs associated with installing photovoltaic (PV) systems for residential rooftop, commercial rooftop, and utility-scale ground-mount systems. This work has grown to include cost models for solar-plus-storage systems. NREL's PV cost benchmarking work uses a bottom-up approach.



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