

Priority pricing for photovoltaic and energy storage





Overview

The National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) publishes benchmark reports that disaggregate photovoltaic (PV) and energy storage (battery) system installation costs to inform SETO's R&D investment decisions. This year, we introduce a new PV and storage cost modeling approach. How efficient is a residential PV system in 2024?

The representative residential PV system (RPV) for 2024 has a rating of 8 kW dc (the sum of the system's module ratings). Each module has an area (with frame) of 1.9 m² and a rated power of 400 watts, corresponding to an efficiency of 21.1%.

How do market analysts evaluate the cost of PV systems?

Market analysts routinely monitor and report the average cost of PV systems and components, but more detail is needed to understand the impact of recent and future technology developments on cost. Consequently, benchmark systems in the utility-scale, commercial, and residential PV market sectors are evaluated each year.

How much does avantus charge for solar power?

The price that Avantus charges for solar power has roughly doubled to \$60 per megawatt-hour as interest rates and tariffs have increased over the years, said CEO Graham. Prices will surge again to around \$100 per megawatt-hour when the tax credits are gone, he said.

How will tariffs affect avantus solar power?

Their termination and the rising costs from tariffs will mean higher utility bills for families and businesses, he said. The price that Avantus charges for solar power has roughly doubled to \$60 per megawatt-hour as interest rates and tariffs have increased over the years, said CEO Graham.

How efficient is a rooftop PV system?



We model a baseline 8-kWdc rooftop PV system using 20.8%-efficient, 1.97-m² monofacial monocrystalline silicon modules from a Tier 1 U.S. supplier, microinverters with an inverter loading ratio (ILR) of 1.21 imported from China with the Section 301 tariff, and a 5-kW/12.5-kWh alternating-current (ac) coupled lithium-ion storage system.

How many inverters does a PV system use?

The DC cables are connected to 19 utility-scale central inverters, each rated at 4 MW ac, giving the PV system a rated AC power output of 76 MW ac, which corresponds to an inverter loading ratio of 1.32. The inverters are made in Europe in a plant that produces 250 of them each year. These inverters are not subject to import tariffs.



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