

Global status of solar power generation installed capacity



Overview

Global solar installations are on track for another record year. In the first six months of 2025, the world added 380 GW of new solar capacity — 64% higher than during the same period in 2024, when 232 GW were installed. Data source: IRENA (2025) - Learn more about this data processed This is the citation of the original data obtained from the source, prior to any processing or adaptation by Our World in Data. To cite data downloaded from this page. Globally, renewable power capacity is projected to increase almost 4 600 GW between 2025 and 2030 - double the deployment of the previous five years (2019-2024). Growth in utility-scale and distributed solar PV more than doubles, representing nearly 80% of worldwide renewable electricity capacity. The International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA) produces comprehensive, reliable datasets on renewable energy capacity and use worldwide. Renewable energy statistics 2025 provides datasets on power-generation capacity for 2015-2024, actual power generation for 2015-2023 and renewable energy. In 2024, solar photovoltaic capacity additions surpassed 600 gigawatts, accounting for over 80 percent of the total renewable power installed during that year.

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Global solar energy outlook



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Snapshot 2025

34 countries installed more than 1 GW of new capacity in 2024; 23 countries now exceed 10 GW in total installed capacity. Utility-scale PV led global installations, but distributed PV remained strong in key ...



Renewable energy statistics 2025

Renewable energy statistics 2025 provides datasets on power-generation capacity for 2015-2024, actual power generation for 2015-2023 and renewable energy balances for over 150 countries and areas for ...

Global Solar Power Tracker

The Global Solar Power Tracker is composed of worldwide facility-level data on utility-scale (1 MW+) solar photovoltaic (PV) and solar thermal facilities, as well as country-aggregated distributed (<1 ...



Renewable electricity - Renewables 2025 - Analysis

Growth in utility-scale and distributed solar PV more than doubles, representing nearly 80% of worldwide renewable electricity capacity expansion. Low module costs, relatively efficient permitting processes ...

Solar energy status in the world: A comprehensive review

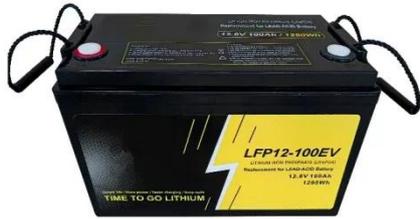
A comparison of the solar power status among countries and territories has been provided, considering their concentrated solar power and PV installed capacities for each continent.



Global installed photovoltaic capacity exceeds 2,260 gigawatts in 2024

According to the report, global installed

photovoltaic capacity rose to between 553 gigawatts and 601 gigawatts by the end of 2024 - a new record. Compared to 2023, this represents ...



Global Solar Installations Up 64 Percent So Far This Year

Even as the U.S. guts support for renewable power, the world is still pushing ahead on the shift to solar energy, with installations up 64 percent in the first half of this year. Solar is the fastest ...



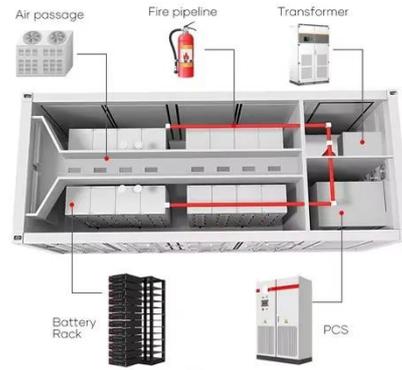
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Installed solar energy capacity

Depending on the data, this can include standardizing country names and world region definitions, converting units, calculating derived indicators such as

per capita measures, as well as ...



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