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# The cost of energy storage per watt for photovoltaic projects



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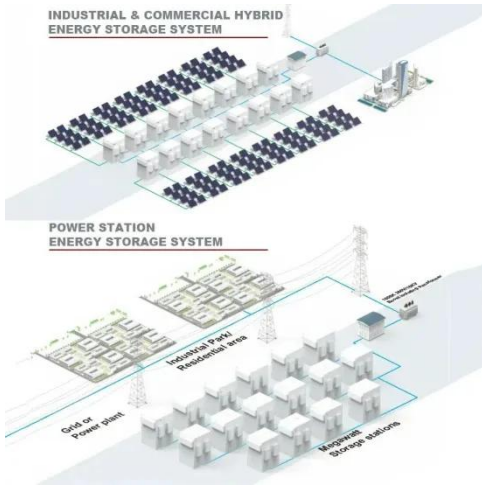
## Overview

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As of 2025, prices range from \$0.86 per watt-hour (Wh) for utility-scale projects, while residential systems hover around \$1,000–\$1,500 per kWh [4] [6] [9]. But wait—why the wild variation?

Let's dive deeper. Department of Energy (DOE) Solar Energy Technologies Office (SETO) and its national laboratory partners analyze cost data for U.S. solar photovoltaic (PV) systems to develop cost benchmarks. These benchmarks help measure progress toward goals for reducing solar electricity costs. 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. Cumulative solar capacity is measured in megawatts. Data source: IRENA (2025); Nemet (2009); Farmer and Lafond (2016) – Learn more about this data  
Note: Costs.

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### U.S. Solar Photovoltaic System and Energy Storage Cost

This year, we introduce a new PV and storage cost modeling approach. The PV System Cost Model (PVSCM) was developed by SETO and NREL to make the cost benchmarks simpler and more ...

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### How much does a photovoltaic energy storage project cost?

Numerous elements contribute to installation costs in photovoltaic energy storage projects. Labor costs, installation intricacies, and the need for local permitting can all affect pricing.



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### Solar photovoltaic module prices vs. cumulative capacity

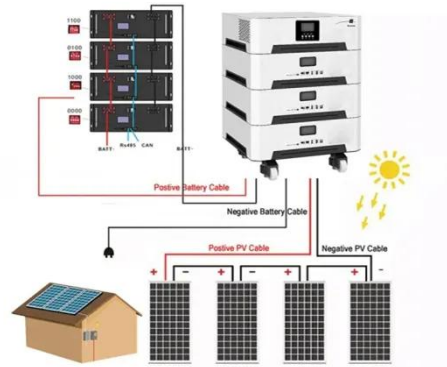
Solar photovoltaic module prices vs. cumulative capacity Average price of solar modules versus cumulative installed capacity. Prices are expressed in US dollars per watt, adjusted for inflation. ...

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## Solar Photovoltaic System Cost Benchmarks

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## Energy Storage Cost and Performance Database

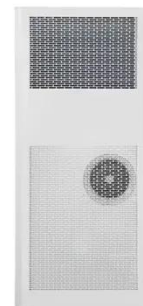
DOE's Energy Storage Grand Challenge supports detailed cost and performance analysis for a variety of energy storage technologies to accelerate their development and deployment.

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## Solar Installed System Cost Analysis , Solar Market Research

NLR 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 ...

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## Understanding the Price of Photovoltaic Energy Storage Stations: A ...



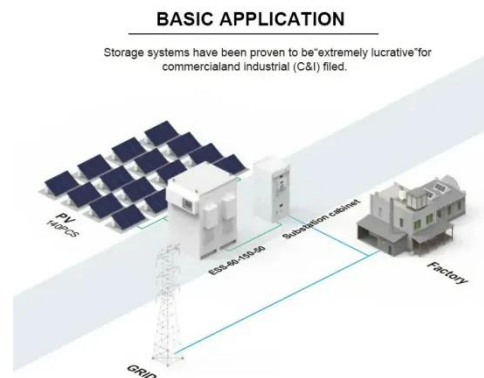
Prices sit at \$0.14-\$0.21 per watt, with a 1MW system costing \$140,000-\$216,000 [3]. Pro tip: Monocrystalline panels might cost more upfront but last longer than a Netflix subscription.

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## U.S. Solar Photovoltaic System and Energy Storage Cost ...

The benchmarks in this report are bottom-up cost estimates of all major inputs to PV and energy storage system installations. Bottom-up costs are based on national averages and do not ...

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Biomass -- \$89.21 per MWh; Battery storage -- \$119.84 per MWh; Wind, offshore -- \$120.52 per MWh; Compare these costs to ultra-supercritical coal, which costs \$72.78 per megawatt-hour, more than ...

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## Photovoltaic Energy Storage Cost per Watt: Breaking Down the \$1/W

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