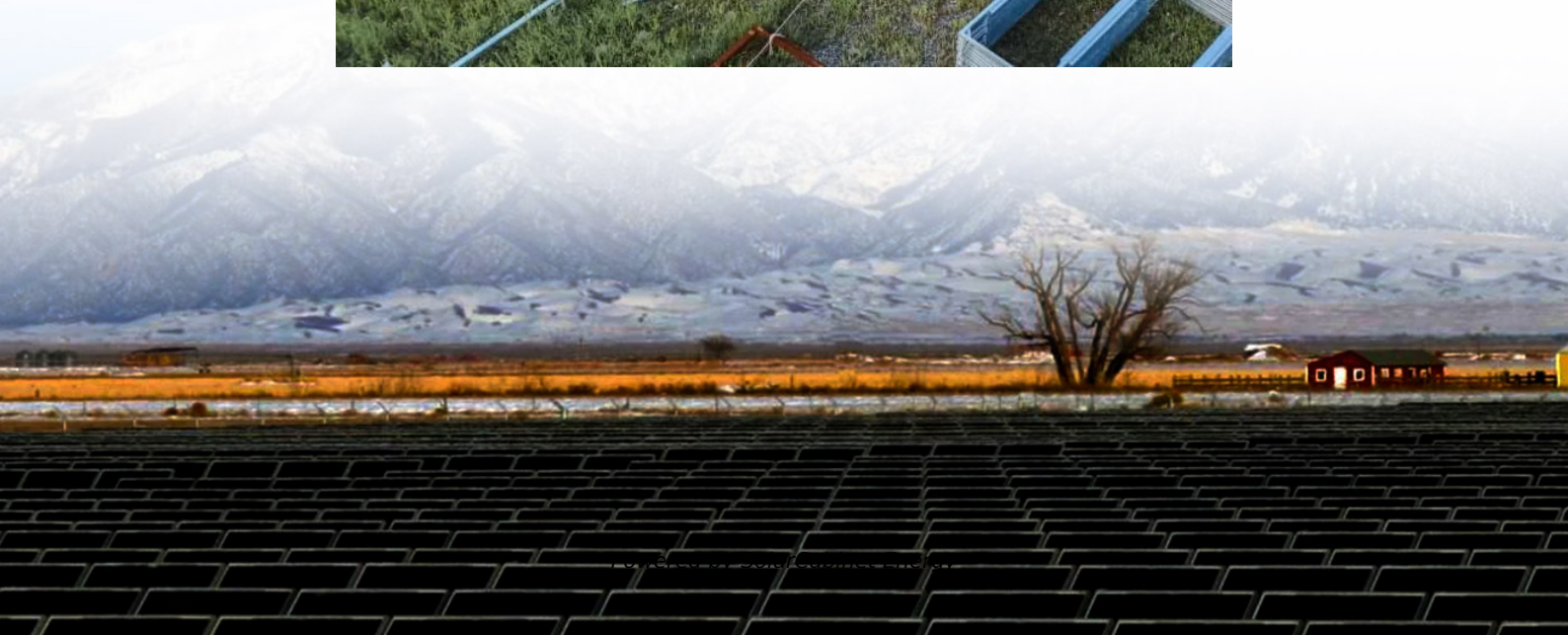


# **How big should a photovoltaic panel be when installing**





## Overview

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Learn how to size a solar system for your home. Here's our step-by-step guide on sizing a solar system that meets your energy needs.

Statistics show that most people consume more electricity during the summer and winter, when the A/C or heat is running. If possible, collect your

Next, divide your monthly kWh usage by 30 to estimate your average daily kWh usage. The average American home uses about 900 kWh per month, so we'll use that in our example:  $900 \text{ kWh} / 30 \text{ days} = 30 \text{ kWh per day}$ .

From there, we need to add a bit of overhead to account for inefficiencies and degradation rate of the panels. The output of solar panels drops slightly each year, which is outlined by.

Sunlight availability affects how much energy your solar panels generate. Use NREL's GHI maps to see how many sun hours you can expect to get in your location. Below is.

A typical residential solar panel measures about 65 inches by 39 inches (roughly 5.4 feet by 3.25 feet), though slight variations exist between manufacturers. These standard dimensions provide approximately 15 square feet of surface area per panel.



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