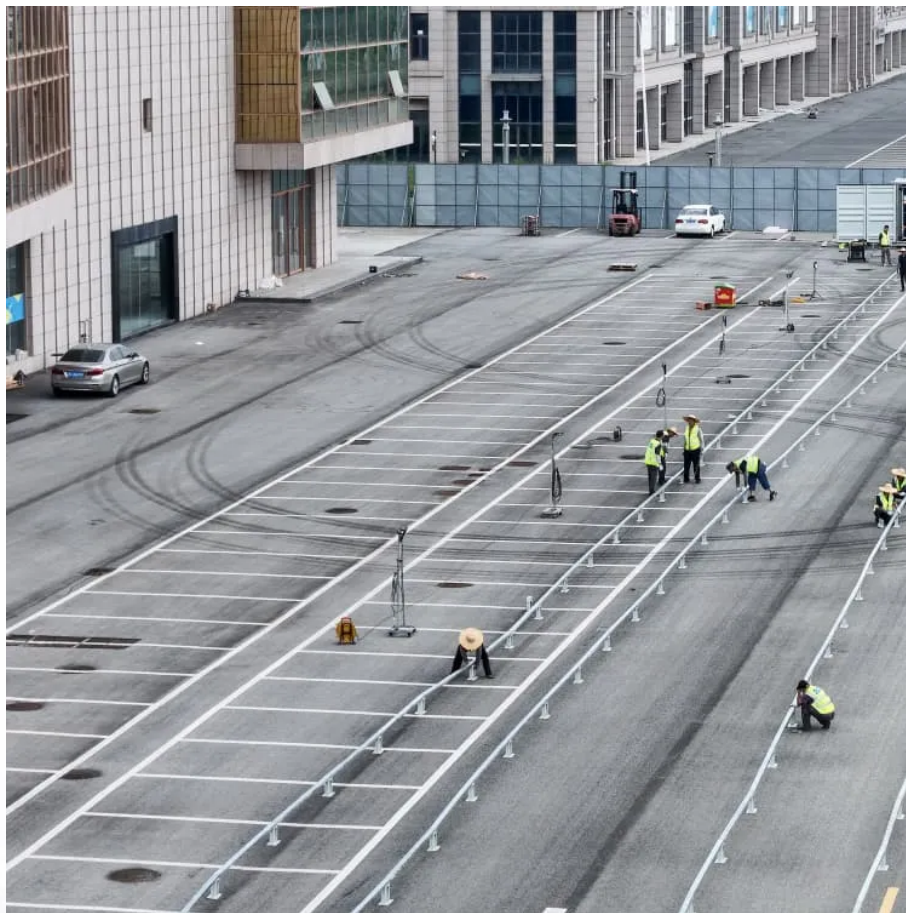


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Overview

Is solar power a viable option in Norway?

Norwegian hydropower is currently so cheap that power companies do not consider it attractive to build solar power plants in Norway. In recent years, however, companies have started selling or leasing solar systems to private customers and businesses in Norway. Despite the low energy prices, solar power is growing rapidly in Norway.

How will solar energy impact Norway?

Together with wind, solar energy will account for most of the replacement of fossil fuels. Norway is closely linked to the European energy market. Regardless of the growth of solar in Norway, the development in the EU will have consequences for Norwegians.

How does solar power work in Norway?

Solar power is only produced during the day, thus it must either be used immediately, stored or sold via the central electricity grid. In Norway, production of solar energy can offload the tapping of water reservoirs. Smart grids and digitization: Most Norwegian households will soon be equipped with smart meters.

How much solar power does Norway have?

The Norwegian Water Resources and Energy Directorate (NVE, 2024) reported a total installed capacity of around 0.6 GW by the end of 2023. About half of the capacity is installed on households - the rest for industrial and commercial use, with a very limited Utility scale solar.

How much solar power does Norway have in 2023?

In 2023, solar PV provided 1% of the electricity into the Finnish grid (Electricity Maps, 2024). Norway, having had plenty of hydropower, only recently began to tap into solar energy. The Norwegian Water Resources and Energy



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Does Norway have a battery market?

Today Norway has not one, but two huge battery markets. “There are two market drivers for batteries: EVs and stationary energy storage. Energy storage is coming on strong now. It’s the key to turning intermittent wind and solar into a stable energy source,” explains Pål Runde, Head of Battery Norway.



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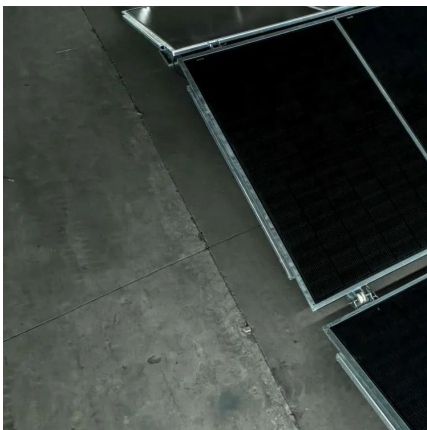
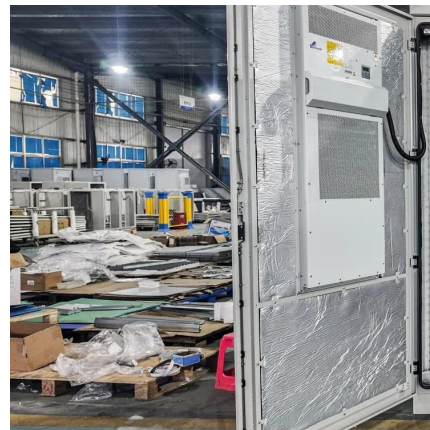


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