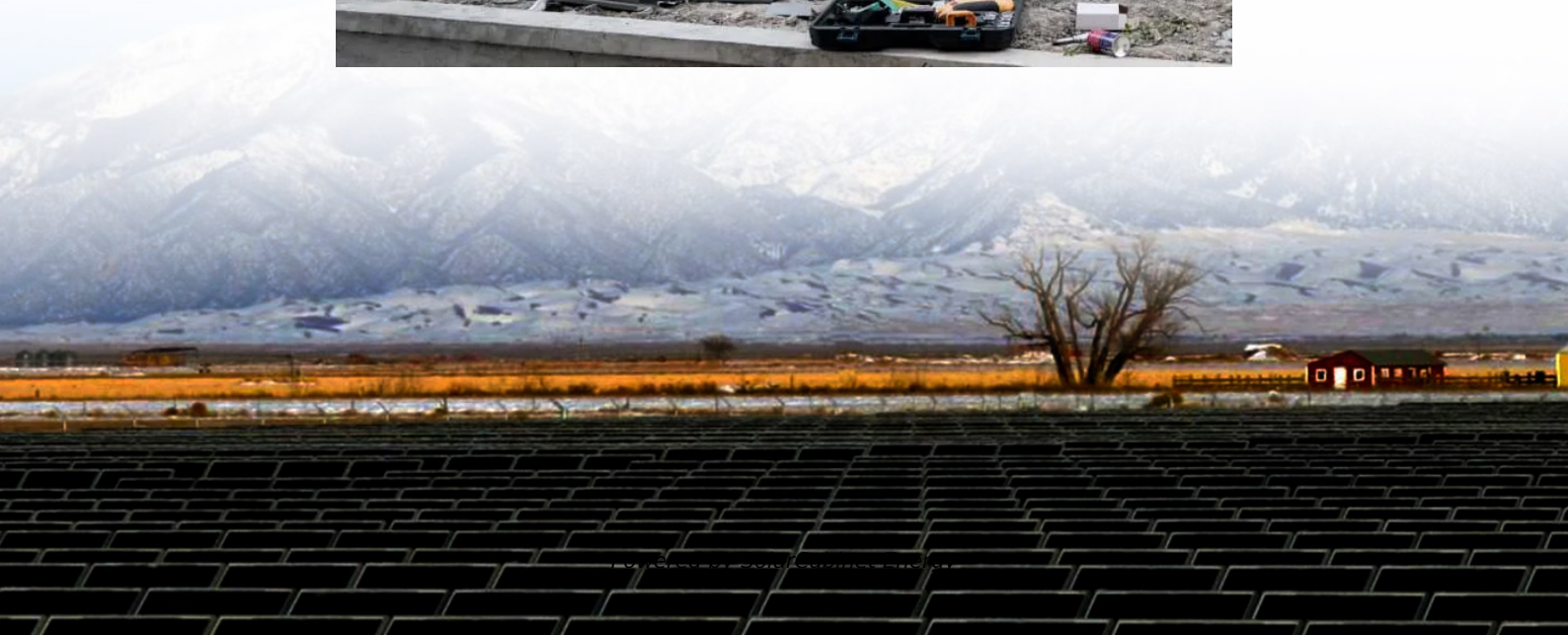


Photovoltaic AC energy storage costs





Overview

How much AC does a solar PV system produce?

The aluminum rails and module clamps are imported from China and subject to 25% tariff. Each module is paired with a microinverter rated at 330 W ac, giving the PV system a rated AC power output of 6.6 kW ac, which corresponds to an inverter loading ratio of 1.22.

How much does a PV system cost?

Our operations and maintenance (O&M) analysis breaks costs into various categories and provides total annualized O&M costs. The MSP results for PV systems (in units of 2022 real USD/kWdc/yr) are \$28.78 (residential), \$39.83 (community solar), and \$16.12 (utility-scale).

Can a utility-scale PV plus storage system provide reliable capacity?

Declining photovoltaic (PV) and energy storage costs could enable “PV plus storage” systems to provide dispatchable energy and reliable capacity. This study explores the technical and economic performance of utility-scale PV plus storage systems. Co-Located?

AC = alternating current, DC = direct current.

How much does a PV system cost in 2022?

The current MSP benchmarks for PV systems in 2022 real USD are \$28.78/kWdc/yr (residential), \$39.83/kWdc/yr (community solar), and \$16.12/kWdc/yr (utility-scale, single-axis tracking). For MMP, the current benchmarks are \$30.36/kWdc/yr (residential), \$40.51/kWdc/yr (community solar), and \$16.58/kWdc/yr (utility-scale, single-axis tracking).

How does a DC-coupled storage system affect PV output?

DC-coupled system (right figure)—with shared 50-MW inverter—must shift storage output to lower-price periods to accommodate PV output. DC-coupled



system value decreases by about 1% relative to independent PV + storage system. Impacts of DC tightly coupled storage systems are more significant.

What makes a PV system a market price?

Market prices can include items such as smaller-market-share PV systems (e.g., those with premium efficiency panels), atypical system configurations due to site irregularities (e.g., additional land grading) or customer preferences (e.g., pest traps), and specific project requirements (e.g., unionized labor).



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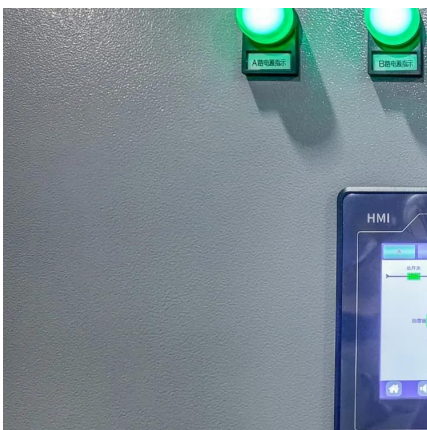


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