

SolarMax Energy Systems

Investment cost per kilowatt for small energy storage





Overview

Chiang, professor of energy studies Jessika Trancik, and others have determined that energy storage would have to cost roughly US \$20 per kilowatt-hour (kWh) for the grid to be 100 percent powered by a wind-solar mix. Their analysis is published in Joule. Are battery electricity storage systems a good investment?

This study shows that battery electricity storage systems offer enormous deployment and cost-reduction potential. By 2030, total installed costs could fall between 50% and 60% (and battery cell costs by even more), driven by optimisation of manufacturing facilities, combined with better combinations and reduced use of materials.

How much does energy storage cost?

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How are battery energy storage costs forecasted?

Forecast procedures are described in the main body of this report. C&C or engineering, procurement, and construction (EPC) costs can be estimated using the footprint or total volume and weight of the battery energy storage system (BESS). For this report, volume was used as a proxy for these metrics.

What is the minimum power required for energy storage?

Objective: To compare cost and performance of various energy storage technologies. Minimum system power = 500 kW. DC system (two or more columns provided if you have two different systems on offer). Active heat exchanger (HEX)?

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What are energy storage technologies?

Informing the viable application of electricity storage technologies, including batteries and pumped hydro storage, with the latest data and analysis on costs and performance. Energy storage technologies, store energy either as electricity or heat/cold, so it can be used at a later time.

How much does electricity cost per kW?

Per International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA 2012), the \$/kW for electrical and mechanical equipment decreases with increasing power and is estimated to be \$570/kW for a 4 MW system, \$485/kW for a 48 MW system, and \$245/kW for a 500 MW system. There appears to be an inflection point at ~ 50 MW.



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Figure 1. Recent & projected costs of key grid

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