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As seen in Table 3.7, solar is the leading resource for proposed and pending application generation capacity, with wind making up most of the remaining capacity.

Find up-to-date statistics and facts on the global solar photovoltaic industry.

Global operating capacity increased by 14% in 2024, as at least 240 gigawatts (GW) of utility-scale solar and wind came online. Despite their 45% ...

In our STEO forecast, utility-scale solar is the fastest-growing source of electricity generation in the United States, increasing from 290 BkWh in 2025 to 424 BkWh by 2027.

The US Energy Information Agency (EIA) has forecast that power generation growth in the country up to 2027 will be driven predominantly by ...

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Data source: IRENA (2025) - Learn more about this data. Total solar (on- and off-grid) electricity installed capacity, measured in gigawatts. This ...

OverviewSolar PV nameplate capacityCurrent statusHistory of leading countriesHistory of market developmentSee alsoExternal linksBetween 1992 and 2023, the worldwide usage of photovoltaics (PV) increased exponentially. During this period, it evolved from a niche market of small-scale applications to a mainstream electricity source. From 2016 to 2022, PV has seen an annual capacity and production growth rate of around 26%, doubling approximately every three years.

Solar developers are expected to increase the nation's total operational capacity by 38%. Total solar capacity



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is expected to grow from 95 ...

Energy generation from renewables continued its steady upward trend, as a result of increases in solar generation (and despite a drop in wind and hydro generation).

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