

The cost of wind and solar power storage





Overview

How much does solar power cost?

A recent study published in *Energy*, a peer-reviewed energy and engineering journal, found that—after accounting for backup, energy storage and associated indirect costs—solar power costs skyrocket from US\$36 per megawatt hour (MWh) to as high as US\$1,548 and wind generation costs increase from US\$40 to up to US\$504 per MWh.

Do projections overestimate the costs of wind power and solar photovoltaics?

Projections overestimate the costs of wind power and solar photovoltaics (PV) by excluding existing flexibility strategies like dispatchable renewables, demand response, and grid expansion, and by adding inflated integration costs due to low spatial and temporal granularity .

How much does wind energy cost?

It finds that those prices range from as low as \$71 per MWh for unsubsidized wind in the Midwest to as high as \$164 for solar-plus-storage in the mid-Atlantic. This story also appears in *Energywire*. Reprinted from *E&E News* with permission from POLITICO, LLC.

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