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Overview

Are newer glass modules more prone to glass breakage?

Some recent studies suggested that glass defects were more prominent in newer modules (less than 4 years of age) as compared to 20 year old modules, which may be attributed to the adoption of thinner glass sheets that are more susceptible to glass breakage . Figure 6.

What causes glass breakage?

Glass breakage likely developed at scratches or chips on glass surfaces and edges. Some recent studies suggested that glass defects were more prominent in newer modules (less than 4 years of age) as compared to 20 year old modules, which may be attributed to the adoption of thinner glass sheets that are more susceptible to glass breakage .

How common is glass breakage in PV modules?

A customer complaints research, on PV modules after two years of operation, observed glass breakage for 10% of the failure cases [28]. Another study on PV failures observed an even higher failure-share for glass breakage.

Can glass break a PV module?

Studies have found that contact between glass and frames is linked to spontaneous breakage in some PV modules. A recommended solution is using rubbery silicone spacers which maintain separation between the glass and the frame. Many modules already use silicone gaskets, but some designs leave gaps where the glass directly touches the metal frame.



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