

# **Solar power generation and energy storage**





## Overview

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What is energy storage?

Energy storage is a system that can help more effectively integrate solar into the energy landscape. Sometimes it is co-located with, or placed next to, a solar energy system, and sometimes the storage system stands alone.

What is solar thermal energy storage?

Sensible and latent thermal energy storage systems efficiencies over 90 %. Solar thermal energy storage is considered one of the key technologies for overcoming the intermittency of solar energy and expanding its applications to power generation, district heating and cooling, and industrial heat supply.

Why is solar storage important?

Solar storage is important because it allows solar energy to contribute to the electricity supply even when the sun isn't shining. It also helps smooth out variations in solar energy flow on the grid, which are caused by changes in sunlight.

Should solar energy be combined with storage technologies?

Coupling solar energy and storage technologies is one such case. The reason is that solar energy is not always produced at the time energy is needed most. Peak power usage often occurs on summer afternoons and evenings, when solar energy generation is falling.



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### Solar Integration: Solar Energy and Storage Basics

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