

Current supply and demand of solar panels





Overview

How has China shaped the global supply and demand of solar PV?

Government policies in China have shaped the global supply, demand and price of solar PV over the last decade. Chinese industrial policies focusing on solar PV as a strategic sector and on growing domestic demand have enabled economies of scale and supported continuous innovation throughout the supply chain.

Are solar panels causing supply-demand imbalances?

However, they have also led to supply-demand imbalances in the PV supply chain. Global capacity for manufacturing wafers and cells, which are key solar PV elements, and for assembling them into solar panels (also known as modules), exceeded demand by at least 100% at the end of 2021.

How will supply chain challenges affect solar development?

Manufacturing growth could be hampered by supply chain gaps and skills shortages and solar developers will continue to face long grid connection queues and permitting challenges, which could soften the demand for U.S. products, Quill Robinson, Senior Program Manager at the Centre for Strategic and International Studies, told Reuters Events.

How much investment will solar PV make by 2030?

New solar PV manufacturing facilities along the supply chain could attract USD 120 billion investment by 2030. Annual investment levels need to double throughout the supply chain. Critical sectors such as polysilicon, ingots and wafers would attract the majority of investment to support growing demand.

How has global solar PV manufacturing capacity changed over the last decade?

Global solar PV manufacturing capacity has increasingly moved from Europe, Japan and the United States to China over the last decade. China has invested



over USD 50 billion in new PV supply capacity – ten times more than Europe – and created more than 300 000 manufacturing jobs across the solar PV value chain since 2011.

How will trade affect the US solar industry?

The US solar industry faces a complex and evolving trade landscape that will significantly impact development over the next five years. The flurry of recent trade actions, both industry-specific and non-industry-specific, is reshaping the economics of solar projects and supply chains.



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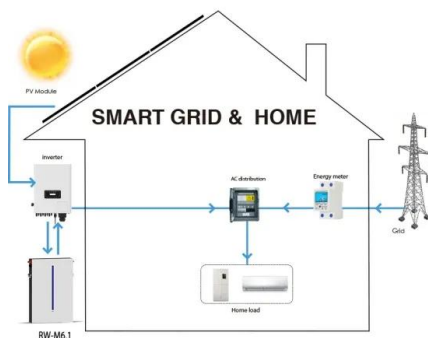
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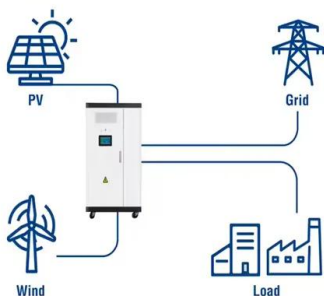
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