

## European Solar and Energy Storage Solutions

# Solar power generation introduction in English



## Overview

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Solar power, also known as solar electricity, is the conversion of energy from sunlight into electricity, either directly using photovoltaics (PV) or indirectly using concentrated solar power. Photovoltaics use the photovoltaic effect to convert light into an electric current. Concentrated solar power systems use lenses or mirrors and systems to focus a large area of sunlight to a hot spot, often.

Solar energy is a form of renewable energy that is harnessed using a range of technologies such as photovoltaics, solar thermal, and solar wind. It is an essential source of energy, and its technologies are broadly characterized as either passive or active solar depending on how they capture and distribute solar radiation.

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Solar energy is the radiation from the Sun capable of producing heat, causing chemical reactions, or generating electricity.

Solar power plants use one of two technologies: Photovoltaic (PV) systems use solar panels, either on rooftops or in ground-mounted solar farms, converting sunlight directly into electric power. Concentrated solar power (CSP) systems use mirrors or lenses to concentrate sunlight to extreme heat to make steam, which is converted into electricity by a turbine.

**Key takeaways** Solar energy is energy from the sun that we capture with various technologies, including solar panels. There are two main types of solar energy: photovoltaic (solar panels) and thermal. The “photovoltaic effect” is the mechanism by which solar panels harness the sun’s energy to generate electricity.

Solar energy is a form of renewable energy, in which sunlight is turned into electricity, heat, or other forms of energy we can use. How is solar energy generated?

Solar energy - Electricity Generation: Solar radiation may be converted directly into solar power (electricity) by solar cells, or photovoltaic cells. In

such cells, a small electric voltage is generated when light strikes the junction between a metal and a semiconductor (such as silicon) or the junction between two different semiconductors.

How is solar energy converted to electricity?

Energy from sunlight or other renewable energy is converted to potential energy for storage in devices such as electric batteries or higher-elevation water reservoirs. The stored potential energy is later converted to electricity that is added to the power grid, even when the original energy source is not available.

Can solar radiation be converted into electrical energy?

Solar radiation can be converted either into thermal energy (heat) or into electrical energy, though the former is easier to accomplish. Solar energy has long been used directly as a source of thermal energy.

What is solar power & how does it work?

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What is solar power?

The Editors of Encyclopaedia Britannica This article was most recently revised and updated by Melissa Petruzzello. Solar power is a form of energy conversion in which sunlight is used to generate electricity.

What is solar energy used for?

This energy can be used to generate electricity or be stored in batteries or thermal storage. Below, you can find resources and information on the basics of solar radiation, photovoltaic and concentrating solar-thermal power technologies, electrical grid systems integration, and the non-hardware aspects (soft costs) of solar energy.

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### Solar energy

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