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Overview

On average, Canada has a solar potential of about 1,152 kWh/kWp/year, for every kilowatt of solar panels installed. This web mapping application gives estimates of photovoltaic potential (in kWh/kWp) and of the mean daily global insolation (in MJ/m² and in kWh/m²) for any location in Canada on a 60 arc seconds ~2 km grid. The photovoltaic (PV) potential represents the expected lifetime average electricity. Photovoltaic (PV) cells are increasingly used as standalone units, mostly as off-grid distributed electricity generation to power remote homes, telecommunications equipment, oil and pipeline monitoring stations and navigational devices. 33 GWac by the end of 2023, marking a 23% increase over the previous year. It's a useful way to. The Planning and Decision Guide for Solar PV Systems ("GUIDE") is intended for use by solar PV consultants / installation contractors, together with their home builder and home owner clients, to assist them in integrating solar PV technologies into residential applications. Click on any location for more detailed information.

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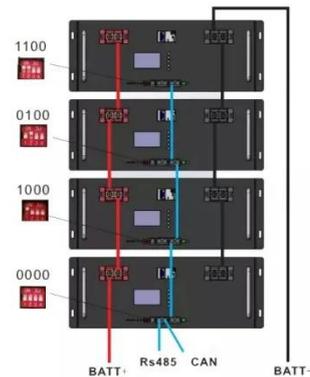


By the Numbers

Canada's total wind, solar and storage installed capacity grew 46% in the past 5 years (2019-2024), including nearly 5 GW of new wind, 2 GW of new utility-scale solar, 600 MW of new on-site solar, ...

Solar PV potential in Canada by location

Explore the solar photovoltaic (PV) potential across 553 locations in Canada, from Yellowknife to Kingsville. We have utilized empirical solar and meteorological data obtained from NASA's POWER ...



Photovoltaic potential and solar resource maps of Canada

Photovoltaic (PV) electricity generation potential for grid-connected photovoltaic systems without batteries was estimated from the insolation models for each grid cell using a performance ratio of 0.75.

NRCan's Photovoltaic Ready Guidelines

The energy production of the PV array installed on this example PV-Ready home would be sufficient to cover approximately 36 to 68% of the total household annual energy usage, depending on the ...



Solar Power In Canada: A Closer Look At The Statistics

Solar-generated energy has grown fast in Canada over the past 30 years. Older technology once made it difficult to generate enough power in northern climates, but advances in efficiency and design now ...

Solar Energy in Canada: PV Potential Rankings (Updated 2026)

Find out where your province and city are ranked in terms of solar energy potential. With charts and maps you will easily be able to make comparisons across Canada.



PLANNING & DECISION GUIDE FOR SOLAR PV SYSTEMS



Most Canadian grid-connected solar PV systems are designed with the modest goal of reducing grid electricity use to some extent. Some projects have the more ambitious goal of achieving Net-Zero ...

Solar power in Canada

Recent research has shown that installing solar panels on just 1% of Canada's agricultural land could generate between a quarter and over a third of the country's total electricity needs.



National Survey Report of PV Power Applications in Canada 2023

This report underscores Canada's strong momentum toward achieving its renewable energy and decarbonisation targets. Canada reached a cumulative installed PV capacity of 5.33 GWac by the ...

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Agrivoltaics is gaining attention in Canada as a promising way to combine

solar energy production with agriculture. This method allows solar panels to be installed on farmland without stopping crop growth or livestock grazing. It offers a solution to land use conflicts by making dual use of the same space. Recent research has shown that installing solar panels on just 1% of Canada's agricultural land could generate between a quarter and over a third of the country's total electricity needs. Provinces like Albe...



Seasonal solar performance. What to expect from your panels

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