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Adding energy storage to a new or existing utility scale PV installation allows operators to make solar energy generation a dispatchable, revenue-generating asset. With a well-designed storage system in place, solar energy can be fed into the grid when its value is highest, and the battery system is recharged with excess output when the PV inverter hits its peak rating.

You can rely on Dynapower as your trusted advisor for building out the optimal battery storage solution for your renewable energy project. Our AC coupled storage systems are ideal for adding storage to new or existing PV plants to enable the capture, storage, and load management of PV energy as well as enabling dynamic grid support.

Our DC coupled power system offers heightened efficiency, reduced cost of installation, and increased harvesting of PV generation. Adding energy storage through a DC-to-DC converter allows for the capture of clipped energy that exceeds the PV inverter ratings as well as energy generated in the morning and evening, when voltage on the array is below the PV inverter's "wake-up" threshold.

DC-Coupling leads to higher round trip efficiencies and lower cost of integration with existing PV arrays. Learn how to maximize production and profits for utility-scale installations with DC-Coupled energy storage.

A new report from the US Department of Energy's (DoE) Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory shows a major expansion of solar-plus-storage facilities in the US power plant market.

Within the United States, data from the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory's energy market and policy team (EMP) indicates that there are currently 469 hybrid power plants in operation in the United States.

About 61% of hybrid plants, or 288 facilities, are solar-plus-storage projects. These plants represent the majority of energy storage capacity, with 7.8 GW and 24.2 GWh of energy deployed nationwide. In 2023, 66 of the 80 new hybrid projects were PV-plus-storage systems.

The [Hybrid Power Plants: Status of Operating and Proposed Plants 2024 Edition](#); draws on data from the US DoE's Energy Information Administration (EIA), as well as annual reports on the nation's interconnection queues.

The expansion of solar-plus-storage facilities gained momentum in 2020, initially driven by smaller projects in Massachusetts. This trend has been amplified by California, Texas and Florida, where the introduction of larger-scale facilities has significantly boosted overall capacity. Notably, Massachusetts hosts 89 of the nation's 288 solar-plus-storage facilities, each with less than 7 MW of capacity. These installations are encouraged by the state's SMART program, which promotes energy storage with advantageous DC to AC



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ratios and battery integration.

California follows as the state with the second-highest number of solar-plus-storage facilities, totaling 72. Unlike Massachusetts, nearly half of these West Coast facilities exceed 100 MW of solar capacity. Arizona and California are leading in the number of new solar-plus-storage hybrid plants, with 15 and 16 new facilities coming online, respectively.

The usage of plants is evolving, both overall and sometimes individually. There has been a national shift from primarily using energy storage for frequency regulation to increasingly using it for arbitrage, accompanied by growing curtailment of solar facilities. This is particularly significant in solar power plants where storage helps capture energy that might otherwise be curtailed and stabilizes the generation profile of the solar facilities.

In California, the utility-scale solar market has effectively transformed into a solar-plus-storage market, with almost all new projects featuring hybrid systems. The residential PV sector is also catching up, with a 60% storage attachment rate.

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