



# Lithium batteries for US power generation and energy storage systems





## Overview

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This report builds on the National Renewable Energy Laboratory's Storage Futures Study, a research project from 2020 to 2022 that explored the role and impact of energy storage in the evolution and operation of the U. S. power grid. Batteries are one of the most common forms of electrical energy storage. The first battery, Volta's cell, was developed in 1800. Utility-scale battery energy storage systems have been growing quickly as a source of electric power capacity in the United States in recent years. According to data in our July 2024 report, due to increases in demand for electric vehicles (EVs), renewable energies, and a wide range of consumer goods, the demand for energy storage batteries has increased considerably from 2000 through 2024.



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### U.S. battery capacity increased 66% in 2024

Generators added 10.4 GW of new battery storage capacity in 2024, the second-largest generating capacity addition after solar. Even though battery storage capacity is growing fast, in 2024 ...

### National Blueprint for Lithium Batteries 2021-2030

This document outlines a U.S. lithium-based battery blueprint, developed by the Federal Consortium for Advanced Batteries (FCAB), to guide investments in the domestic lithium-battery manufacturing ...



### Utility-Scale Battery Storage in the U.S.: Market Outlook, Drivers, and

As the U.S. accelerates its transition toward a cleaner, more resilient energy grid, utility-scale battery energy storage systems (BESS) are emerging as a critical enabler of this transformation.

### Next-generation batteries and U.S. energy storage: A ...

In conclusion, the study underscores the transformative potential of advanced battery technologies in achieving a sustainable energy future, suggesting future research directions in material development, ...



### [Batteries are a fast-growing secondary electricity source for the grid](#)

Most U.S. utility-scale battery energy storage systems use lithium-ion batteries. Our data collection defines small-scale batteries as having less than 1 MW of power capacity. Small-scale ...



### [Advanced Lithium-Ion Energy Storage Battery Manufacturing in ...](#)

Due to increases in demand for electric vehicles (EVs), renewable energies, and a wide range of consumer goods, the demand for energy storage batteries has increased considerably from ...



### **U.S. Grid Energy Storage Factsheet**

The U.S. has 431 operational battery energy storage projects, 8 using lead-acid, lithium-ion, nickel-based, sodium-based, and flow batteries. 10 These projects totaled 27 GW of rated power in 2024, 8 ...

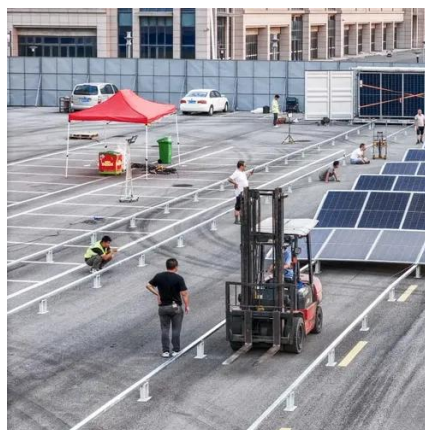


### [How Lithium-Ion Batteries Are Saving The](#)



## Grid: 'Vital To

Batteries are stabilizing transmission grids, serving as backup energy storage systems and cushioning the enormous power demands of AI data centers, helping the world shift towards



## Moving Beyond 4-Hour Li-Ion Batteries: Challenges and

Of the new storage capacity, more than 90% has a duration of 4 hours or less, and in the last few years, Li-ion batteries have provided about 99% of new capacity.

## Advancing energy storage: The future trajectory of lithium-ion battery

The application of lithium-ion batteries in grid energy storage represents a transformative approach to addressing the challenges of integrating renewable energy sources into the power grid.





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