

Europe stockpiles photovoltaic panels

Is Europe stockpiling the same amount of solar panels?

Europe is stockpiling the same amount of solar panels as it has deployed, a new report has found. According to Rystad Energy's Freedom from Fossil Fuels report, 40 gigawatts (GW) of solar panels are stored in warehouses across the European Union, equivalent to what was installed across the 27-country bloc in 2022.

Are European warehouses struggling to contain Chinese solar panels?

European warehouses are now struggling to contain the growing stockpile of Chinese-manufactured solar PV (photovoltaic) panels, with approximately 40 gigawatts-direct current (GWdc) of capacity, equivalent to the entire continent's installations in 2022.

How many unsold solar panels will be in EU warehouses in 2023?

Germany-based market research company EUPD Research forecasts that roughly 65 GW of unsold solar panels will be sitting in EU warehouses at the end of 2023. The company provided their estimates to pv magazine in an attempt to quantify the hotly debated projected EU solar module stockpile.

Is there a surplus of unsold solar modules in Europe?

Europe imported approximately 78 GW of solar modules in the first eight months of 2023 which is more than the anticipated installations for the entire year, leading to concerns about a surplus of unsold solar modules in European warehouses.

Is Europe hoarding solar panels?

To be fair, the bloc responded pretty quickly by sourcing gas from other countries and stockpiling it for a rainy day. And, it turns out, Europe was also hoarding mountains of another commodity: solar panels. Some EUR7bn worth of solar panels -- or 40 gigawatts direct current (GWdc) of capacity -- are currently gathering dust in European warehouses.

Should Europe buy solar panels?

Currently, it seems Europe is opting for the latter. "Although efforts are underway to build a reliable solar supply chain in Europe, the need for panels now means leaders cannot wait until 2025 or later to buy European," said Bakke.

Rystad Energy analysts recently expressed apprehension about a substantial surplus of unsold solar modules stockpiled in European warehouses. Rystad noted that in the first eight months of 2023...

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gathering dust in European warehouses. That's enough to power 20 million homes a year ...

Stockpiles of solar panels in the EU and US mean supply will continue to outstrip demand for the next few years. Insights; ... Solar panel prices dip due to oversupply. Keep a sunny disposition - get your panels while prices ...

European spending on solar power components had increased from EUR6bn in 2016 to more than EUR25bn last year, leading to a glut of Chinese solar panels that were now sitting in European warehouses ...

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Europe's solar panel market is projected to soar from US\$35.2 billion in 2023 to US\$62.8 billion by 2031, driven by a strong CAGR of 7.5% ... It says European warehouses were overflowing ...

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The Europe solar PV market size crossed USD 37.27 billion in 2023 and is estimated to expand at 7.1% CAGR between 2024 and 2032, driven by growing focus on green energy and net zero ...

Europe is awash with solar panels as a perfect storm of rising imports and lower installation rates causes equipment to pile up in warehouses and prices to decline. The region has as much as 45 GW of panels stocked in ...

