

# The Netherlands solar titan

How many solar panels does the Netherlands have?

The Netherlands today has an average of two solar panels per inhabitant- and installed capacity of more than 1 kilowatt (KW) per person - making it Europe's per-capita solar powerhouse, according to industry association Solar Power Europe. How is the Netherlands making space for solar power?

What is solar energy used for in the Netherlands?

In addition to photovoltaics, solar energy is used extensively for heating water, with 669.313 m<sup>2</sup> installed by the end of 2020. Generating a total of 326 GWh heat energy in 2020. Nearly 80% of solar power installed in the Netherlands in 2017 was for small systems of less than 10 kW, a large part being rooftop Solar PV.

What is the largest solar installation in the Netherlands?

2019 The largest solar installation in the Netherlands, the 103 MWp array in Groningen, becomes operational.  
2020 The Netherlands passed the 10,000 MWp of installed PV capacity, becoming the 10th country to pass the 10 GW barrier.

Does the Netherlands have a solar farm?

Nearly 20 per cent of the low-lying country's surface is water, and solar power developers including GroenLeven have taken advantage by installing farms on man-made lakes. The company has installed more than 500,000 solar panels on Dutch waters, leaving the Netherlands behind only China globally in such siting, it noted.

How much solar power will the Netherlands have by 2035?

Market research firm GlobalData projects Dutch solar PV capacity could rise to 55,000 MW (55 GW) by 2035.

Longer-term projections from the Netherlands Organisation for Applied Scientific Research estimate national PV capacity could reach 180 GW by 2050.

Can the Netherlands be a leader in the European solar industry?

By taking concrete action now, the Netherlands can be at the forefront of the European solar industry, which will provide a crucial economic and strategic advantage on the long term. The province of Noord-Brabant is bringing back large-scale solar industry to the Netherlands. Goal: a 2 GW factory by 2027-2028 with new solar technologies.

Netherlands' climate minister has allocated EUR100 million in subsidies to the deployment of "time-shifting" battery storage with solar PV projects for next year, an acceleration of a larger EUR400 million-plus programme.

The sharp climb in solar generation resulted in solar power accounting for 17% of total electricity generated in the Netherlands in 2023, which was a record for the country and the highest solar share among large

economies across Europe.

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Nearly 80% of solar power installed in the Netherlands in 2017 was for small systems of less than 10 kW, a large part being rooftop Solar PV. Larger systems over 500 kW accounted for just 6.9% of the total. By the end of 2018 private residential rooftop systems had an installed capacity of 2,307 MW, businesses rooftop systems 1,662 MW whilst solar parks amounted to 444 MW.

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