



# Spain Solar Report

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Gain comprehensive insights into the statistics and metrics surrounding the solar production industry in Spain

## KEY POINTS

All figures have been converted into USD



## Yearly sunshine (sun hours per year)

Annual Sunshine Hours:

- Total annual sunshine hours: 2500 hours
- Average daily sunshine hours: 6.85 hours



**kWh per kWp installed**

kWh Production per kWp:

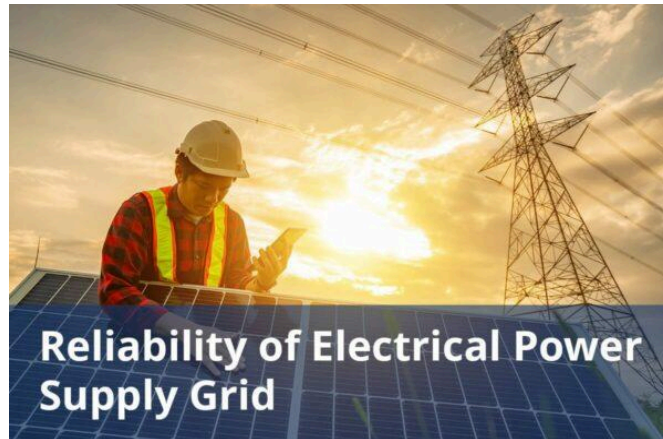
- Typical systems produce around 1200-1500 kWh per installed kWp per year
- This varies based on location, orientation, and shading



**Average cost per kWh from utility company**

Average Cost of Electricity:

- Residential electricity cost averages around \$0.130/kWh
- Commercial electricity cost averages around \$0.115/kWh



## Reliability of electrical power supply grid

System Reliability:

- Average system downtime: 1-2 days per year
- Normal operational lifespan of solar panels: 25-30 years



# DETAILED INFORMATION

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## Total solar panel production capacity (installed)

Total Solar Panels Installed:

- Total panels installed as of 2023: 2.2 million panels

- Total installed capacity: 14.5 GW

## **Total solar panel production capacity (projected)**

Projected Solar Panel Growth:

- Expected additional capacity by 2030: 20 GW
- Total projected installations: 4 million panels

## **Average costs of various electricity generation sources (coal, natural gas, solar, etc)**

Average Installation Costs:

- Average cost for residential installation: \$3.00/watt
- Average cost for commercial installation: \$2.50/watt

## **Percentages of various electricity generation sources (coal, natural gas, solar, etc)**

Electricity Generation from Solar:

- Percentage of total electricity from solar: 5%
- Target for 2030: 20%

## **Average daily availability of electricity from the national grid (measured in hours)**

Daily Availability of Solar:

- Average peak sunlight hours: 5-6 hours/day
- Dependable availability during summer months

## **Number of residential solar panel installations**

Number of Residential Solar Panels:

- Estimated number of residential systems: 1.5 million
- Average panels per system: 20 panels

## **Total number of solar farms (installed and projected)**

Total Number of Solar Farms:

- Total solar farms in operation: 150 farms
- Combined capacity of farms: 10 GW

## **Off-grid market demand for solar panels (current and projected)**

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- No data was found.

## **On-grid market demand for solar panels (current and projected)**

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- Mordor Intelligence estimates that Spain's solar energy market will expand from 34.49 gigawatts in 2024 to 72.32 gigawatts by 2029, exhibiting a compound annual growth rate of 15.96%.

## **Average monthly income of workers in solar industry (labor cost)**

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- Solar photovoltaic Engineer Salary: \$4669/month.
- Solar photovoltaic Installer Salary: \$3502/month.

## **Population of the country**

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- The current population of Spain is 47471576 as of Sunday, July 14, 2024.

## **Average overhead costs of solar panel production (with a brief breakdown)**

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- Rent for Factory: \$19.785/meter-square/month.
- Rent for Office Space: \$36.967/meter-square/month.
- Industrial Electricity Rates: \$0.144/kWh in December 2023
- Water Costs: \$1.00/m<sup>3</sup> for industrial use and \$2.14/m<sup>3</sup> for domestic use.

## **A summary of the energy infrastructure**

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- Total installed electricity generation capacity: 124.7 GW
- Total generation: 266.8 TWh
- Total demand: 244 TWh
- Per capita generation: 5677kWh
- Generation mix: Spain produces its electricity from various sources: natural gas (23.77%), wind power (23.44%), nuclear energy (21.06%), solar power (16.71%), hydroelectric power (7.42%), oil (3.98%), bioenergy (2.17%), and coal (1.45%).

## **Some of the government regulations surrounding solar panel production**

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- Certification for solar panels
- Like other European countries, Spain requires a CE “Conformité Européenne” seal for solar panels.
- Quality Standards & Testing
- The following IEC, International Electrotechnical Commission certificates are also required for solar panels in Spain:
  - IEC 61215: Evaluates electrical, mechanical, and weather-related tests.
  - IEC 61701: Measures salt corrosion resistance, crucial for coastal areas.
  - IEC 62716: Assesses ammonia corrosion resistance, important near livestock farms.
  - IEC 61730: Checks panel construction quality and safety.

## **Government initiatives in solar panel production (includes investments and subsidies)**

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- Approximately \$12.44 billion has been invested by different sources in solar energy development in Spain until 2020.
- The first initiative implemented in Spain was Royal Decree RD 661/2007, which in 2007 established a remuneration framework to promote the use of renewable energies, especially photovoltaics.

## **Notable solar projects in the country (installed and projected)**

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- Escatrón-Chiprana-Samper Solar Park

Location: Aragon region, towns of Escatrón, Chiprana, and Samper de Calanda

Capacity: 850 MW across 17 plants

- Núñez de Balboa Photovoltaic Plant

Location: Extremadura region

Capacity: 500 MW

- Mula Photovoltaic Power Plant

Location: Mula, Murcia

Capacity: 493.92 MW

- Talasol Plant

Location: Extremadura

Capacity: 300 MW

- Don Rodrigo

Location: Near Seville

Capacity: 175 MW

## **Some of the notable solar companies (plus brief details on what they do)**

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- Acciona: Acciona is a major player in the Spanish solar industry, with a significant focus on developing large-scale photovoltaic plants.

- Iberdrola: Iberdrola is a leading global energy company heavily invested in renewable energy, including solar power in Spain.

- The Red Electrica Group: The Red Electrica Group, is responsible for the transmission and operation of the electricity grid in Spain.
- Gransolar: The company is involved in numerous solar projects in Spain, contributing to the growth of the solar industry through its expertise and technology.



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