

# Energy solar system cost

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## Overview

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How much does a home solar system cost?

According to studies by the U.S. Department of Energy, the all-in cost of a home solar panel system is between \$2.74 to \$3.30 per watt. <sup>1,2,12</sup> This figure includes the solar panels, the installation, and other expenses. Using these numbers, an average-sized 8-kilowatt residential solar system would cost between \$21,900 – \$26,400.

How much do solar panels cost?

The price of solar panels changes depending on where you live, but the average for installation is just under \$29,000 or \$2.75 per watt. On the high end, we talked to a solar customer in Hawaii who spent \$100,000 going solar. Dion in Nevada said their 10-kW system cost about \$20,000, which is about the national average price for a 7-kW system.

How much does it cost to install and manage solar panels?

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Are solar installations cheap?

Solar installations aren't cheap, but the actual equipment is a relatively small part of the total cost. It's only 35% of your total installation cost, according to the US Department of Energy. Soft costs, also known as the hidden costs of installing solar, are nonhardware costs, and they make up 65% of your total solar costs, according to the DOE.

How much does a solar system cost per watt?

As of publishing, the average cost per watt is \$2.84. Most solar companies set the price according to the solar system's wattage. A solar installation's “cost per watt” is a little like the “price per square foot” when you buy a house. It



helps compare the value of solar energy systems in different sizes.

How much does it cost to clean solar panels?

Solar panels require very little upkeep. If you're able to clean the solar panels yourself, the only maintenance cost will be the water used to hose them down. If you hire a professional to clean your solar panels, it will cost around \$100 to \$350, on average.



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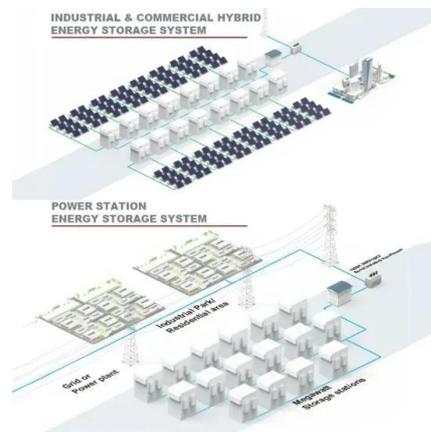


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Solar panels cost by system size Solar panels cost \$3.00 to \$4.50 per watt installed on average, with homeowners spending about \$3.75 per watt before factoring in available solar incentives. A 6- to 10-kW solar panel ...



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The Bottom Line While solar panels demand a substantial initial investment, they offer both financial and environmental advantages in the long run. Various factors, including the type of panels, climate conditions, and ...



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