

## Global PV Storage Insights

# Rooftop solar storage cost vs benefit calculation in New Zealand



## Overview

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Residential rooftop solar photovoltaic (PV) generation is now one of the most accessible and cost-effective options to increase energy supply from renewable resources. The use of the technology has evolved from its inception to the present day, alongside dramatic cost decreases and rapid uptake.

**Cost Efficiency with Larger Systems:** Larger systems offer better cost efficiency, with the price per kWh decreasing as system size increases.  
**Average Price For A Solar Power System:** The typical solar power system size from our dataset was a 7kW, the average cost for this system size was \$16,492.

Solar panels and installation typically costs between \$10,000-\$15,000 for an average household. You still need to draw power from the grid when it's not sunny. Make sure to check that your outlay pays for itself over time. Alternatively, you could consider a low or no-cost installation paired with.

Rooftop solar is a clean, low-cost energy source available to New Zealand homes. Rooftop solar is the cheapest source of energy a household can use, with zero emissions. Given the right circumstances, solar panels can pay themselves off in around 8 years, then deliver free energy for the next 20.\*.

The cost of a solar panel system largely depends on the size of the system and the type of roof it's installed on. Here's a snapshot of typical residential solar system sizes in New Zealand and their approximate pricing. Last updated: 28/04/2025. \*Please only use these prices on this page as a.

Following from previous GREEN Grid research into the uptake of solar PV in

New Zealand, this paper considers the economics of PV generation at a variety of scales: residential rooftop; commercial rooftop; and ground-mount utility. For each scale, discounted cash-flows were used to assess system. Is rooftop solar the cheapest form of energy in New Zealand?

Solar is the cheapest form of energy available to New Zealand households, and the cheapest energy the world has ever created. The day you start powering your home's energy needs from your rooftop solar is the day you will save money on your energy bills.

Should residential rooftop solar PV be priced at a sufficient scale?

While it has been shown that residential rooftop solar PV alone has similar returns to utility-scale solar, residential rooftop solar PV at a sufficient scale can access more benefits because it is distributed in distribution networks. To fully utilise such benefits, static time-of-use pricing may be sufficient initially.

How much does solar energy cost in New Zealand?

Costs also vary by region. Rooftop solar is the cheapest form of delivered energy available to New Zealand homes, at less than half of the average grid electricity costs. Households can enjoy cheap and clean energy, and use this to power their efficient electric appliances and cars.

Is solar PV a viable option for New Zealand households?

This is the first study in New Zealand to use detailed and high-quality data for both solar supply and residential demand. It shows solar PV is likely to be financially viable for a significant proportion of New Zealand households, particularly for those who consume a lot of energy.

Is rooftop solar a viable option for energy supply?

Disclaimer: All estimates of current electricity prices used by both AMCL and EECA are intended to be representative, and all future prices are intended to be explorative. Residential rooftop solar photovoltaic (PV) generation is now one of the most accessible and cost-effective options to increase energy supply from renewable resources.

What is residential rooftop solar PV?

Residential rooftop solar PV provides a means for consumers to lower their electricity costs, particularly if they choose to move more of their household

energy consumption to electricity. This is the first study in New Zealand to use detailed and high-quality data for both solar supply and residential demand.

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### Understanding the value of residential solar PV and storage ...

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### [Solar Rooftop Calculator](#)

The Recommended capacity for Rooftop Solar Plant as per your inputs is: Calculation is indicative in nature. Actual numbers may vary. Maximum capacity for availing subsidy is 10kW. Capacity ...



### Are Solar Panels Worth The Investment In New Zealand?

From using the solar calculator, the estimated annual solar generation can be found for any home in New Zealand. Using the example of a 5kW solar power system on a 20-degree, north-facing ...

### Commercial Solar for NZ Businesses: Costs, ROI, Suitability

Get a practical guide to commercial solar for NZ businesses - including how systems work, what

they cost, who they suit, and what to consider when planning your energy future.



### Rooftop Solar

Why Install Solar Panels? Generating own clean energy to save money on energy costs and living a more sustainable lifestyle. New Zealand has a high potential for solar energy, with some ...

### **Top Energy , Considering rooftop solar?**

In the winterless Far North, over 5% of electricity connections have rooftop solar, one of the highest uptakes in Aotearoa. Here are some things to consider before taking the ...



### **How much does a solar system cost in New Zealand**

In New Zealand, the price of a solar battery storage device varies from \$6,000 to \$20,000. A homeowner must consider both the price and storage capacity of a battery while determining their solar system's pricing. The ...



## Is it worth getting a solar power system?

It takes just five to eight years for a typical solar power system to pay for itself on a New Zealand home, experts say. But people who are high power users, or who work from home during the day could potentially benefit ...



## [Solar Calculator , My Solar Quotes](#)

The solar calculator will give you estimates on:  
How much solar power can be generated on your roof  
How much money can be saved  
Time taken to payback the initial cost of a solar power ...

## Rooftop solar -- benefits and tips for your home , Gen ...

Discover the benefits of powering your home with rooftop solar panels. Learn more about the costs, lifespan, maintenance and installation considerations.



## A guide to residential energy storage and rooftop solar: State ...

Federal and state decarbonization goals have led to numerous financial incentives and policies designed to increase access and adoption of renewable energy ...

## Commercial-scale solar in New

It is assumed that the business can outlay the capital cost on the solar system size given, and that the business has sufficient roof or ground area and structural weight bearing capacity for the ...

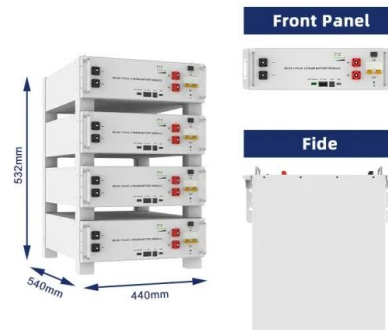


## Mysolarquotes charts costs of solar and batteries in New ...

Rewiring Aotearoa's research has shown that rooftop solar is the cheapest delivered electricity available to New Zealand households, and a new in-depth study by the Energy Efficiency and ...

## Solar Installed System Cost Analysis , Solar Market ...

Solar Installed System Cost Analysis NREL analyzes the total costs associated with installing photovoltaic (PV) systems for residential rooftop, commercial rooftop, and utility-scale ground-mount systems. This work has ...



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After surveying almost 100 New Zealanders about their solar and battery installs, Mysolarquotes recently released 'The Hidden Costs of Solar and Battery Systems in New Zealand: 2024 ...

## Understanding the value of residential solar in NZ , EECA

This research analyses how variabilities such as solar resource, electricity costs and storage options impact the value of solar for New Zealand households.



## New Zealand: Please put your rooftops to work

New Zealand has similar solar potential to the state of Victoria, which is at around 30% solar adoption, and has more than Germany, where rooftop solar grew by around 30% year on year (not including the over 500,000 ...



## Solar could improve NZ's energy market

New Zealand's huge hydro storage advantage means photovoltaics, particularly rooftop systems, can unlock real benefits for customers. This could mean shifting the ...

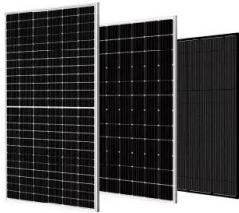


## [Solar Rooftop Calculator](#)

Assessing Rooftop Potential: The amount of available rooftop space directly determines how much solar power you can generate. The calculator factors this in, helping you see if your roof can support a solar array capable of ...

## SOLAR PV IN NEW ZEALAND

We carried out this research because rooftop solar PV electricity is different than electricity from other sources. Solar energy is converted into electricity by an inverter - there is no turbine ...



### **Home Solar Panel Cost in New Zealand , Price My Solar**

Owning your own solar power energy system that includes battery storage. Do you know, how much does Solar Panel Cost? Check details today!

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### **Assess the value of solar for you , Gen Less**

Use this calculator to work out the estimated financial return of installing solar panels on your house in New Zealand. Find out if solar is right for you.

## Cost-benefit analysis of distributed energy resources in New ...

Executive summary Distributed energy resources (DER) refer to any resource that provides or manages energy that is distributed. Technically, it includes the utilisation of demand response, ...

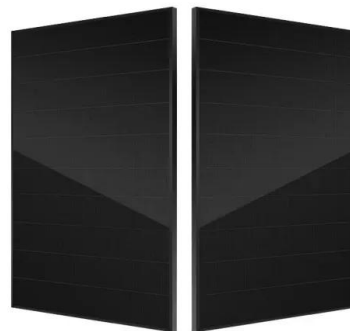


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## The New Zealand energy crisis: an opportunity for ...

PV Tech Premium speaks with Sarah Gillies of the Electricity Authority about the opportunities for solar PV and energy storage in New Zealand



## Government moves to boost household solar power

Watts said New Zealand's residential uptake of rooftop solar was lower than many other countries'. He said changing that would mean people could save money on power bills and contribute more to a secure electricity ...

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## The Ultimate Guide to Solar in NZ: Everything You ...

Are you considering making the switch to solar energy in New Zealand? If so, you've come to the right place. In this comprehensive guide, we will walk you through everything you need to know about solar panels in NZ. From the ...

## Solar Panel & Systems Cost

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