Solar Powering Your Community Addressing Soft Costs and Barriers





The SunShot Solar Outreach Partnership (SolarOPs) is a U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) program designed to increase the use and integration of solar energy in communities across the US.



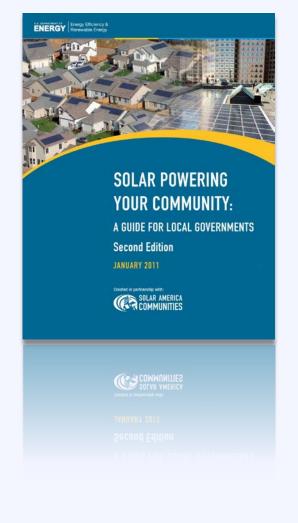
- Increase installed capacity of solar electricity in U.S. communities
- Streamline and standardize permitting and interconnection processes
- Improve planning and zoning codes/regulations for solar electric technologies
- Increase access to solar financing options



Resource Solar Powering Your Community Guide

A comprehensive resource to assist local governments and stakeholders in building local solar markets.

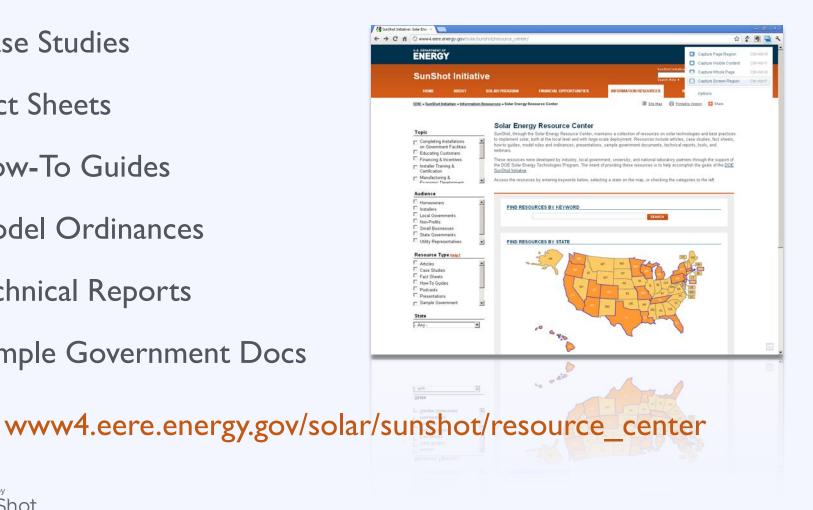
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Sunshot Resource Center Resource

- Case Studies
- Fact Sheets
- How-To Guides
- Model Ordinances
- Technical Reports
- Sample Government Docs





Technical Support

- Ask an Expert' Live Web Forums
- •'Ask an Expert' Web Portal
- Peer Exchange Facilitation
- In-Depth Consultations
- Customized Trainings



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Poll Who's in the room?



Poll What is your experience with solar?



Solar Technologies



Solar Photovoltaic (PV)



Solar Hot Water



Concentrated Solar Power



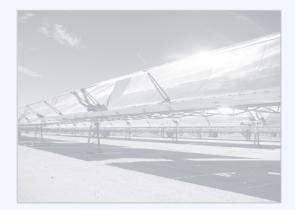
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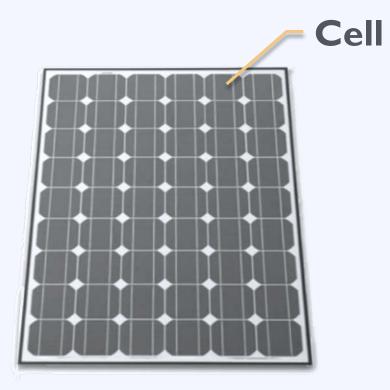


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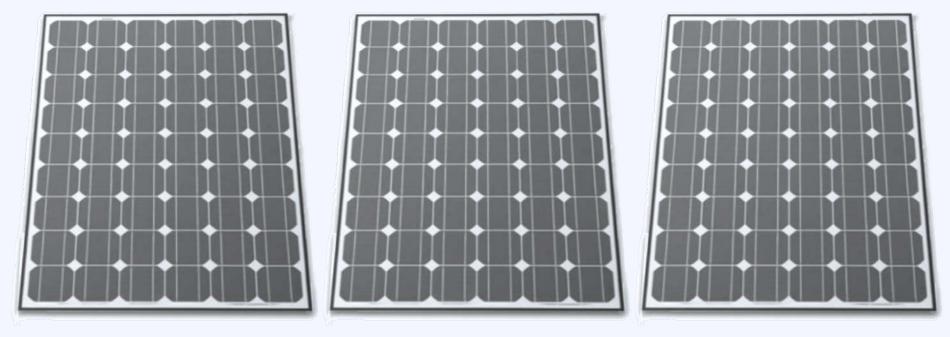
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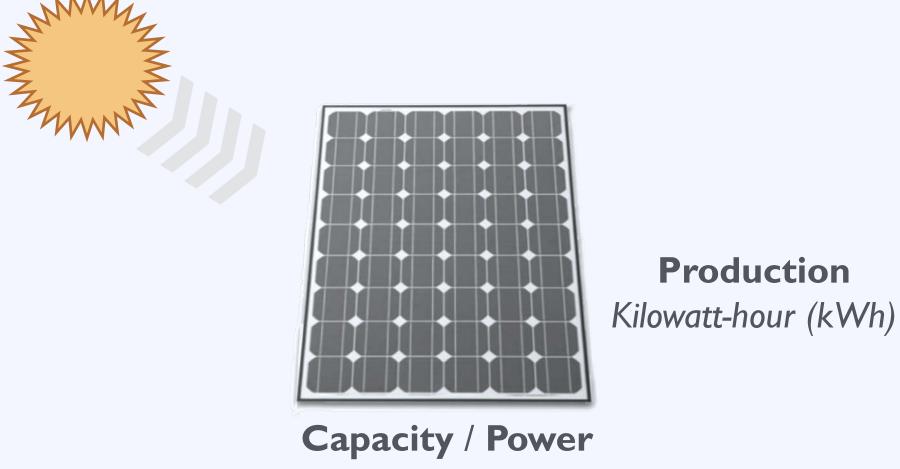
Panel / Module





Array





kilowatt (kW)







Workshop Goal Enable local governments to replicate

successful solar practices and expand local adoption of solar energy



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Explore benefits

and

Overcome barriers



Activity: Identifying Benefits

What is the greatest benefit solar can bring to your community? [Blue Card]

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Activity: Addressing Barriers

What is the greatest barrier to solar adoption in your community? [Green Card]

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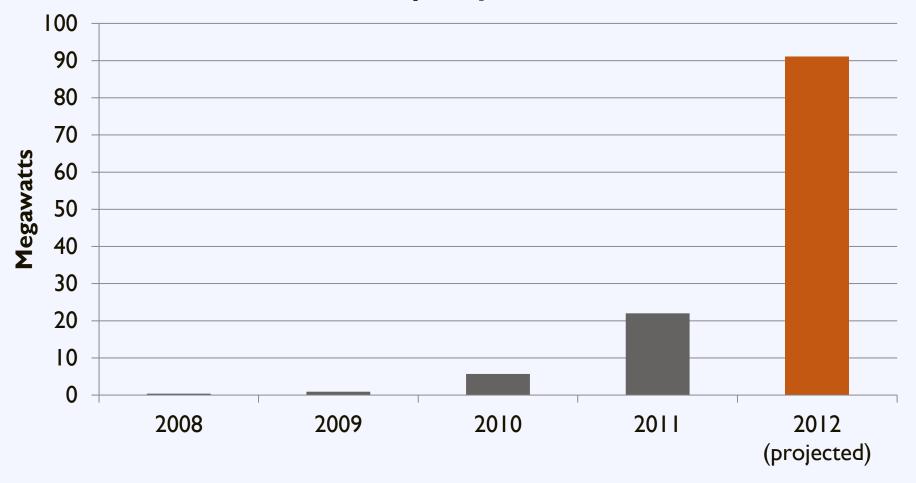
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Tennessee Solar PV Market

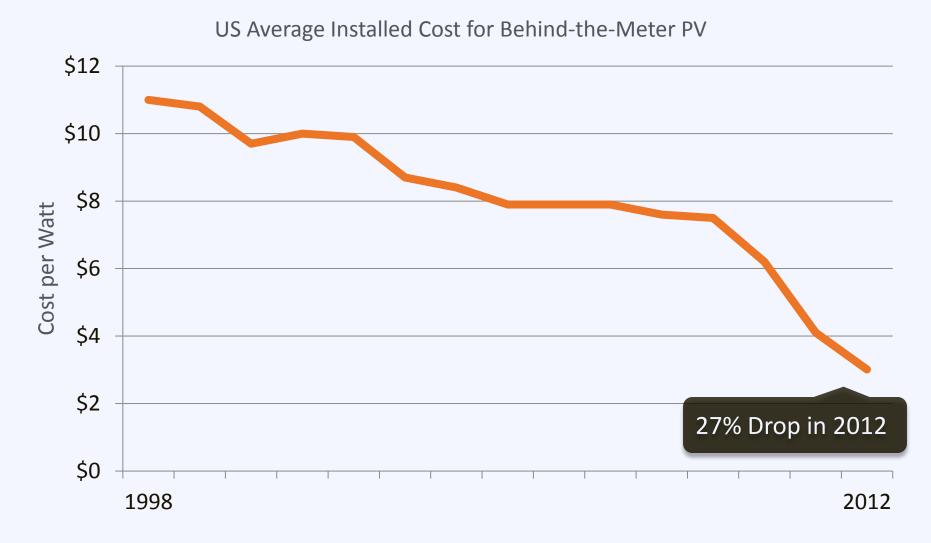
Installed Capacity of Solar PV



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Source: IREC, Photon Magazine

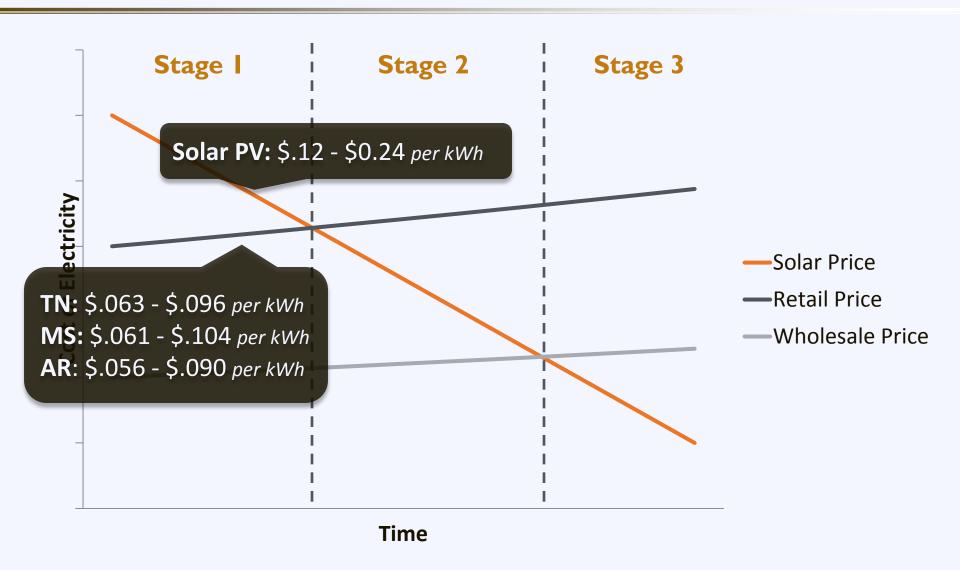
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Tracking the Sun V: The Installed Cost of Photovoltaics in the US from 1998-2011 (LBNL), SEIA/GTM Research. 2013. Solar Market Insight 2012 Year-in-Review.

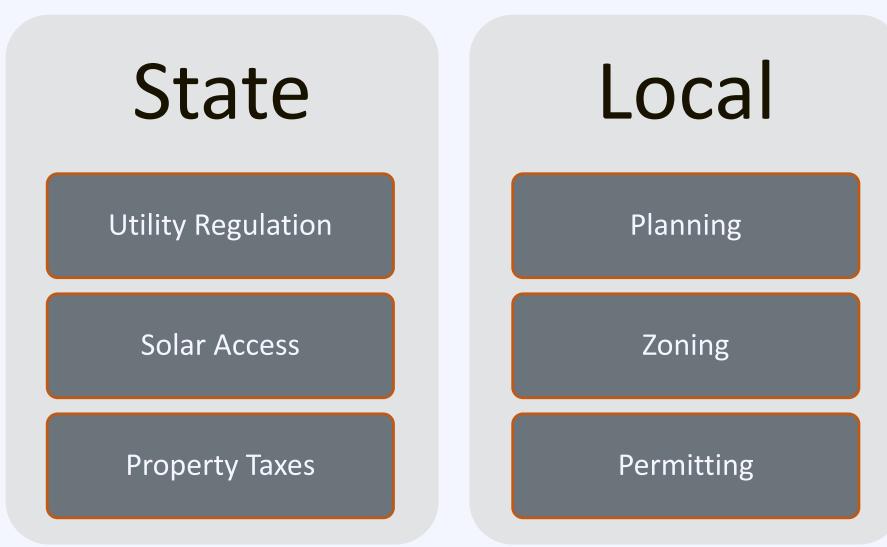
Solar Market: Stages





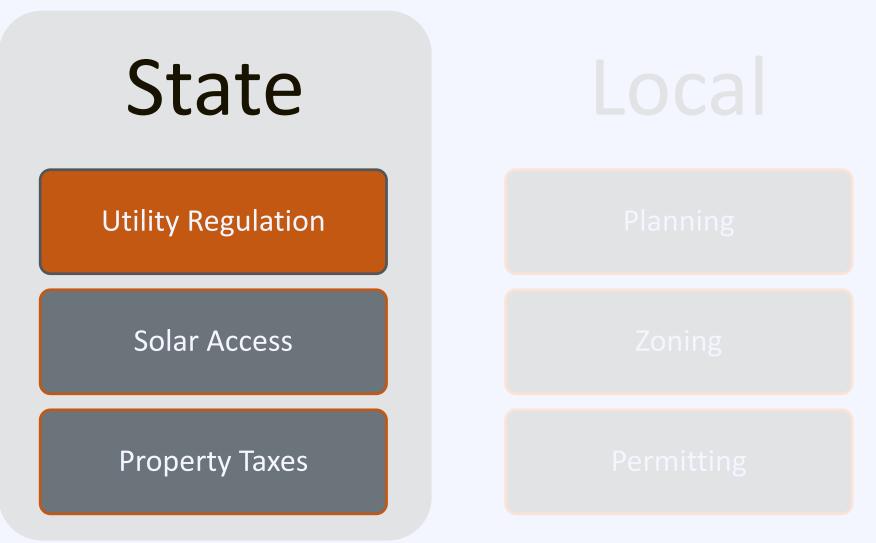
Source: Solar Electric Power Association

Who Regulates What?





Who Regulates What?

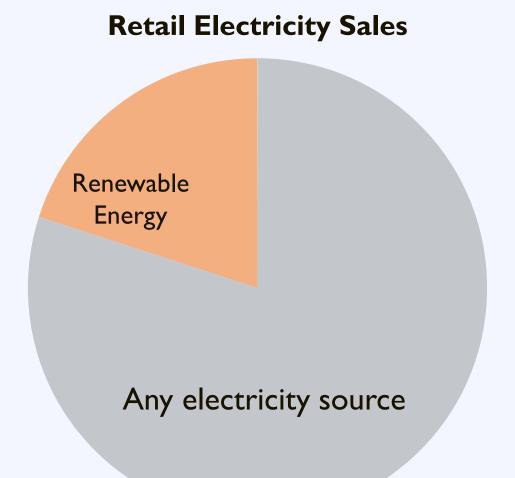




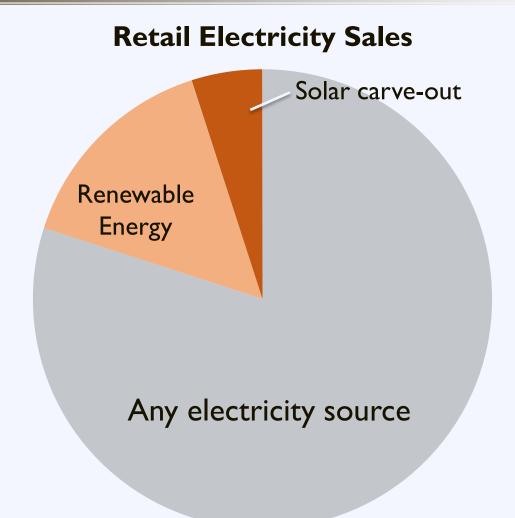
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- Renewable Energy Credits
- Net Metering
- Interconnection Standards

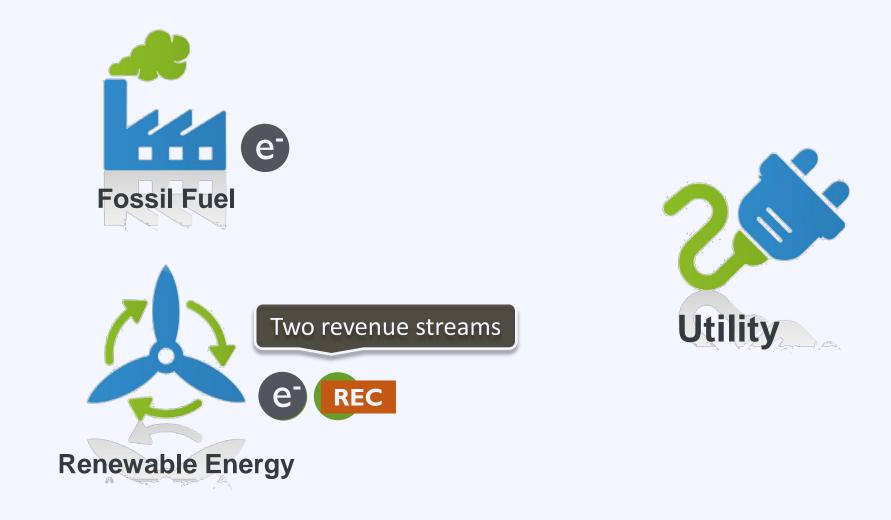






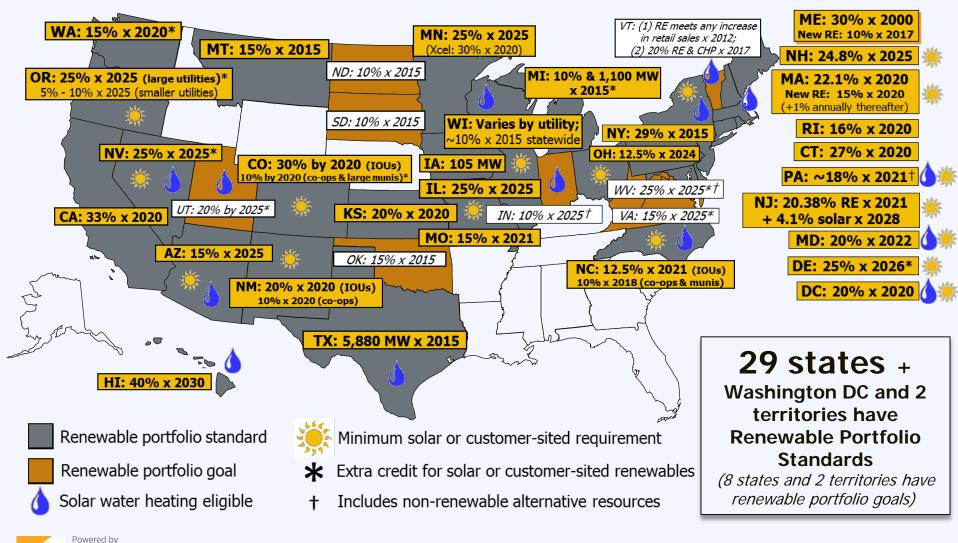








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Net metering allows customers to export power to the grid during times of excess generation, and receive credits that can be applied to later electricity usage



Net Metering: Overview

Morning







Net Metering: Overview





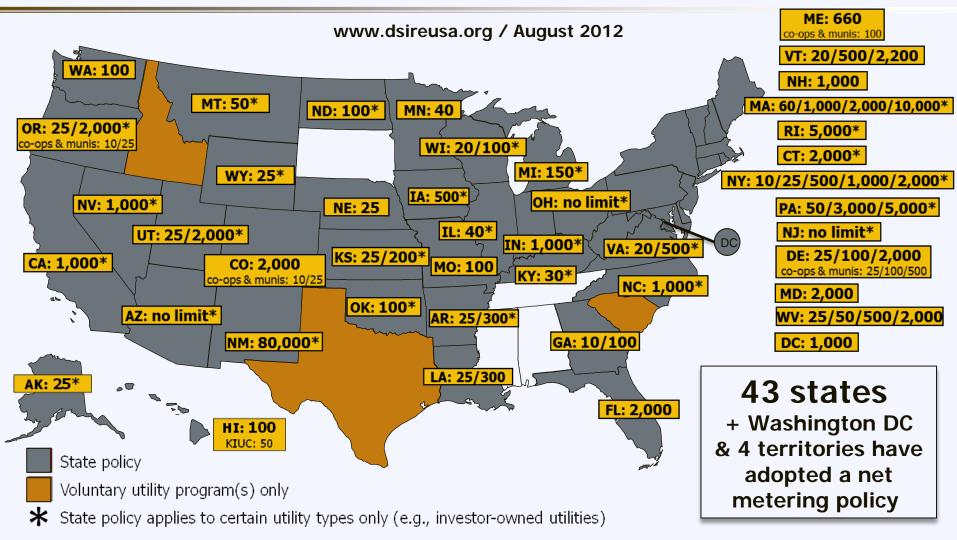
Net Metering: Overview



Solar covers 100% of the customer's load, even at night!



Net Metering: State Policies



Note: Numbers indicate individual system capacity limit in kilowatts. Some limits vary by customer type, technology and/or application. Other limits might also apply. This map generally does not address statutory changes until administrative rules have been adopted to implement such changes.



Net Metering: Market Share

More than 93% of distributed PV Installations are net-metered



Source: IREC (http://www.irecusa.org/wp-content/uploads/IRECSolarMarketTrends-2012-web.pdf)

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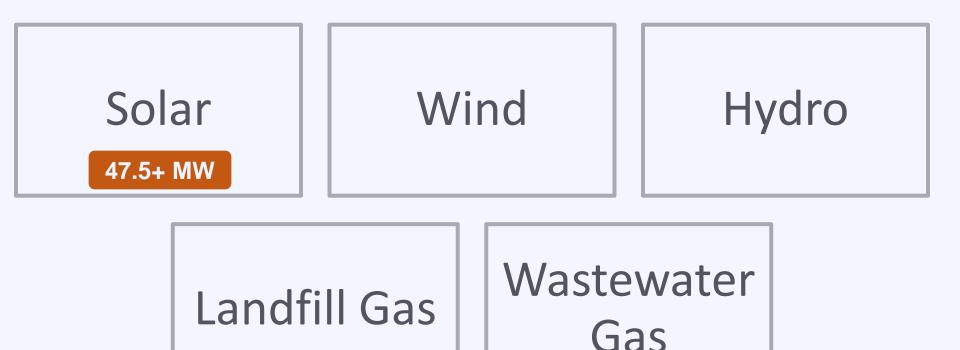
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As a federal entity, TVA is not regulated by the state



TVA: Renewable Energy Goals

I,500 to 2,500 MW by 2020





TVA: Renewable Energy Programs

500W – 50 kW Green Power Providers

50 kW – 20 MW Standard Offer Program







Compliance requirements:

Load requirement for 10 kW+ System

Cannot Exceed 100% of the customer's projected annual usage (kWh)

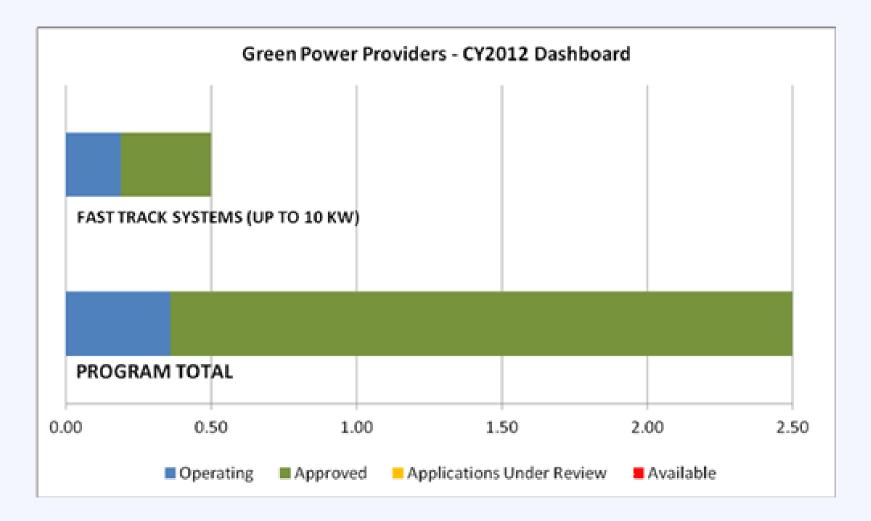
Projected System Production (kWh) = Capacity (kW) \times 15% \times 8,760 hours



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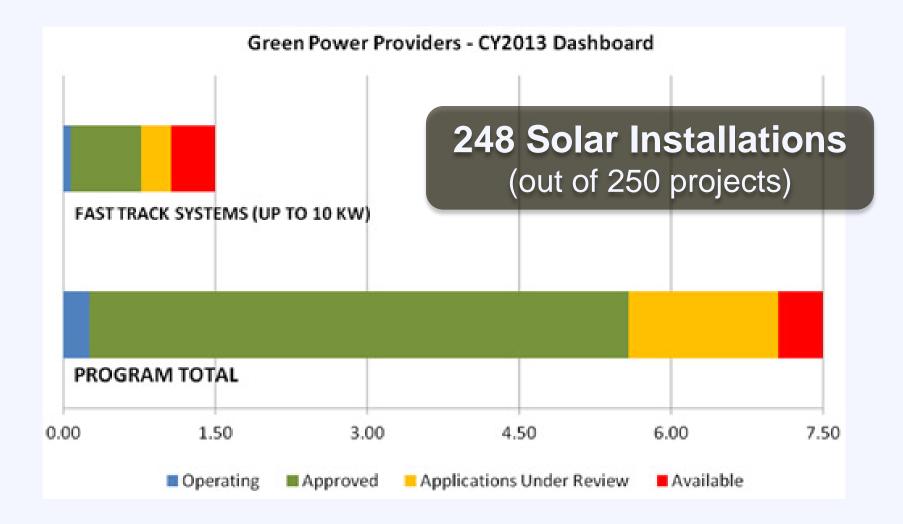
- Load requirement for 10 kW+ System
- Must be online within 180 days of agreement
- Dual meters
- External disconnect switch
- Grid-tied
- Validated under interconnection agreement







Source:





Source: http://www.tva.com/news/releases/aprjun13/2013_renewable.html





Standard Offer Contract

- Time of Use Pricing
- \$0.029/kWh to \$0.082/kWh
- Average: \$0.037/kWh
- 5% increase per year
- Can be changed up to 1% per year
- 100 MW Capacity for 2013

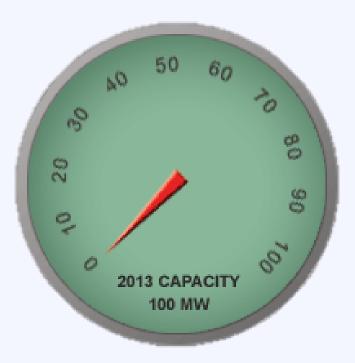
Month	Time of Day	Base Price (Cents per kWh)
July & August	Mon-Fri 12 PM – 8PM	8.286
	Mon – Fri 6 am – 12 pm and 8 pm – 12 am, Sat & Sun 6 am – 12 am	4.571
	Everyday 12 am – 6 am	3.071
June & September	Mon – Fri 12 pm – 8 pm	4.759
	Mon – Fri 6 am – 12 pm and 8 pm – 12 am; Sat & Sun 6 am – 12 am	3.528
	Everyday 12 am – 6 am	2.964
January & February	Mon – Fri 6 am – 10 pm	4.086
	Mon – Fri 10 pm – 12 am; Sat & Sun 6 am – 12 am	3.398
	Everyday 12 am – 6 am	3.115
December & March	Mon – Fri 6 am – 10 pm	3.632
	Mon – Fri 10 pm – 12 am; Sat & Sun 6 am – 12 am	3.391
	Everyday 12 am – 6 am	3.115
April, May, October, & November	Mon – Fri 6 am – 10 pm	3.520
	Mon – Fri 10 pm – 12 am; Sat & Sun 6 am – 12 am	3.151
	Everyday 12 am – 6 am	2.985

Power Producer is Responsible For:

- Interconnection
- Performance assurance
- Application costs
- Meter equipment costs
- Environmental review











Source: http://www.tva.com/news/keytopics/renewable_energy.htm

TVA: Solar Solutions Initiative Pilot

An extra incentive for Solar projects between 50 kW and I MW capacity



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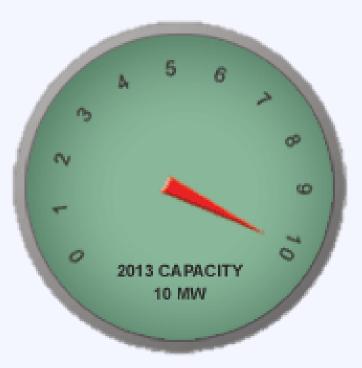


Requirements and Limitations

- Solar PV project 50 kW 1 MW
- No developer can apply for more than 2 MW
- No more than one project per site/property
- Installer must be NABCEP certified
- Installer must be located in TVA territory



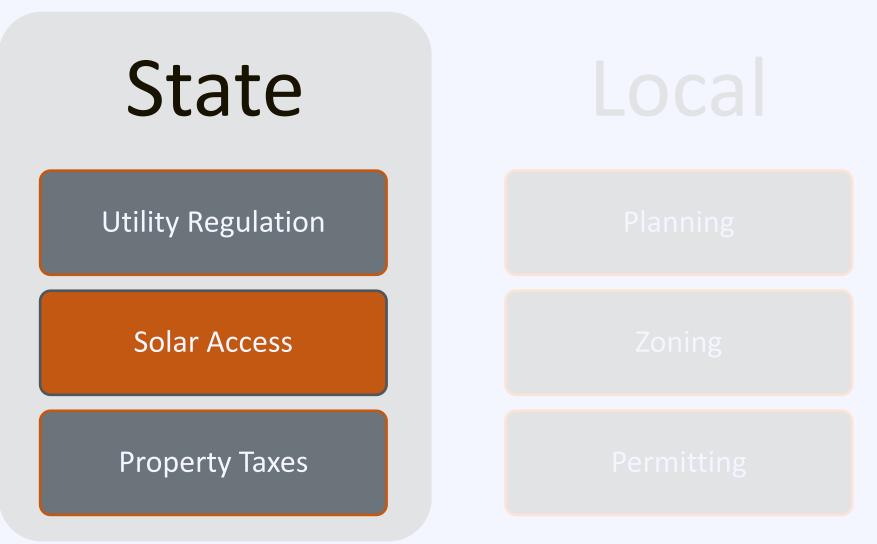
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No plans to extend program



Who Regulates What?





Solar Access

Solar Access Laws:

- I. Increase the likelihood that properties will receive sunlight
- 2. Protect the rights of property owners to install solar
- 3. Reduce the risk that systems will be shaded after installation



Fontainebleau V. Eden Roc (1959)

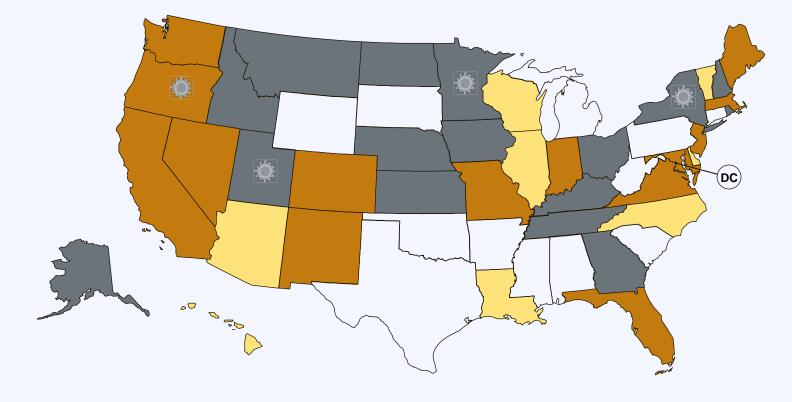


A landowner does not have any legal right to the free flow of light and air across the adjoining land of his neighbor



Source: Google Earth

Solar Access





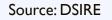


Solar Easements and Solar Rights Provisions









Solar Easements: Tennessee

Tenn. Code § 66-9-201 (1979)

Solar easements may be established to allow the owner of a sole energy system to negotiate for assurance of continued access to sunlight.



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"Encouragement and protection of solar energy systems is a valid objective which counties and municipalities may consider in promulgating zoning regulations."

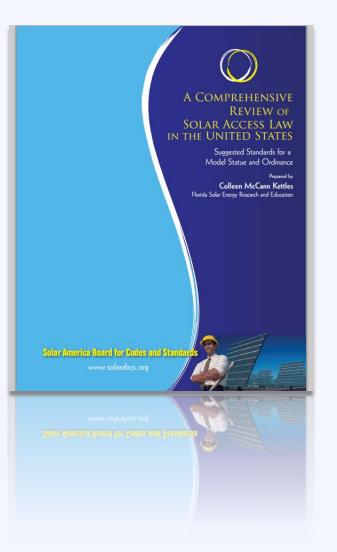


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Resource Solar ABCs

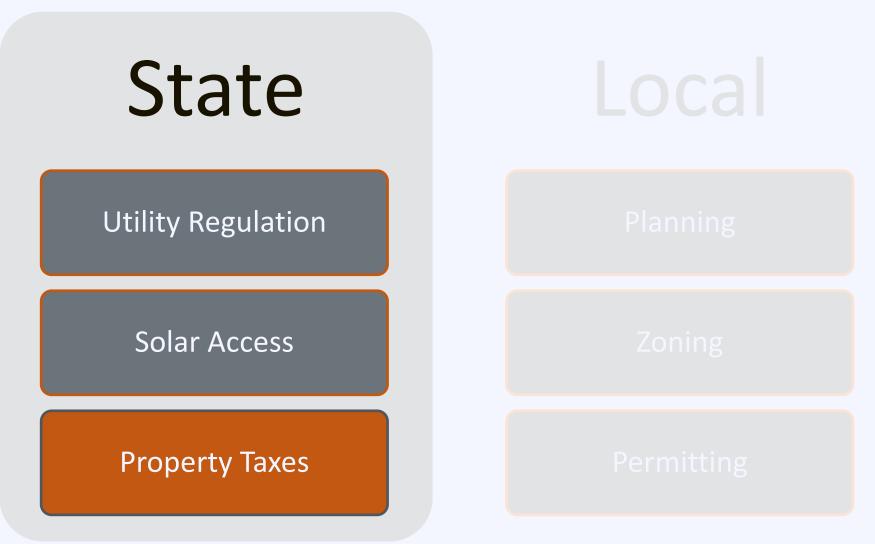
A comprehensive review of solar access law in the US – Suggested standards for a model ordinance

www.solarabcs.org





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Property Tax Law

Nov 12: Attorney General ruled that this treatment violates Tennessee constitution

Tenn. Code § 67-5-604:

Limits the assessed value of a "pollution control facility" to the salvage value (0.5% of the acquisition value of the facility)



Property Tax Law

Proposed Legislation:

Limits the initial assessed value of green energy production facilities to 33.3% of total installed costs.

April 13: Amended to 12.5%



Property Tax Law

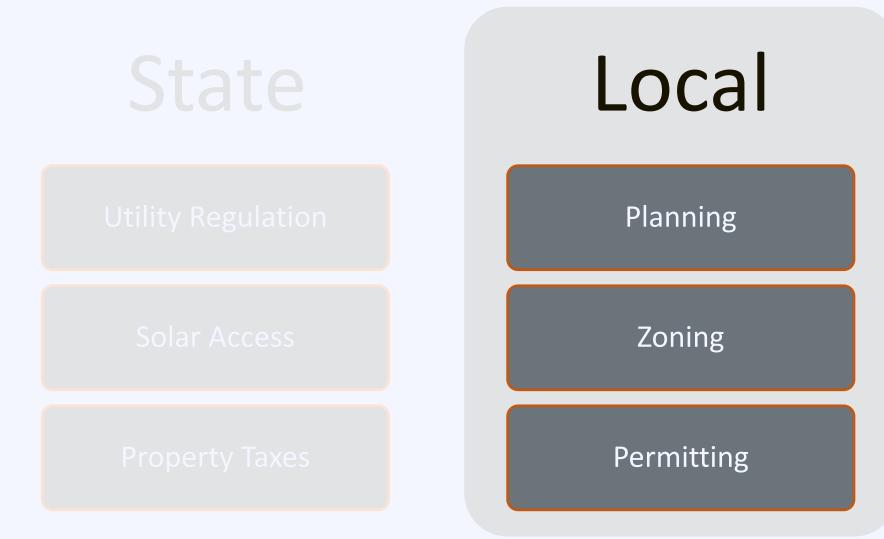
Appraised Value x Assessment Ratio x Local Tax Rate



Residential: 25% Commercial: 30 – 40% Utility: 55%



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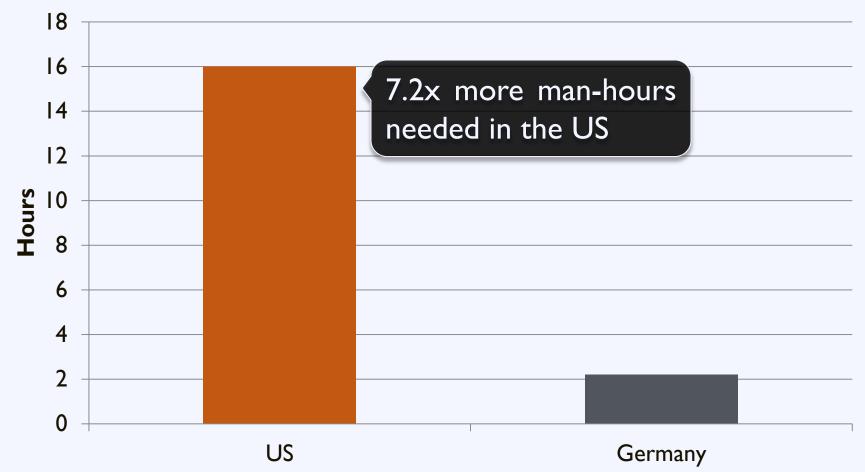




Photon Magazine

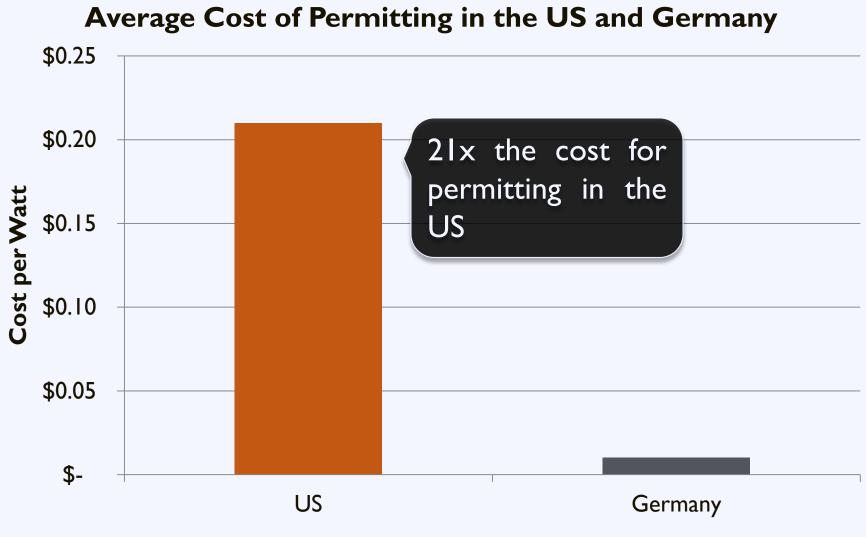
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Permitting Costs





Source: NREL, LBNL

Germany's Success

Consistency and Transparency

through

Standardized Processes



Permitting

Remove barriers by:

- Make qualified solar projects a by-right accessory use
- Modify regulations to clarify what types of solar projects are allowed where
- Define and protect solar access
- Streamline the permitting process



Zoning Code: Solar Framework

Section	Topics to Address	
Definitions	Define technologies	
Applicability	Primary vs. accessory	
Dimensional Standards	HeightSize	SetbacksLot coverage
Design Standards	SignageDisconnect	ScreeningFencing



Zoning Code: Accessory Use

- **Typical Requirements:**
- Size limit: onsite load
- Height limit: 4-6' above roof
- Setbacks: NFPA Guidelines
- Max Array Size: 150' x 150'
- Markings: NFPA Guidelines





Zoning Code: Principal Use

- **Typical Requirements:**
- Height not to exceed zoning
- Setbacks: 25'
- Fence or barrier: 8' height
- Vegetation screen if visible from adjacent property



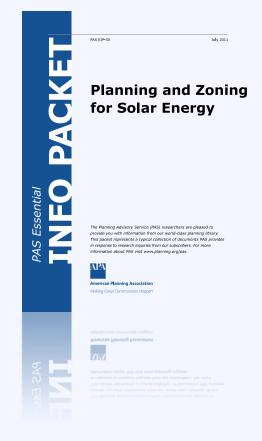


Zoning Code: Large Scale Solar

Resource Planning and Zoning for Solar Energy

This Essential Info Packet provides a number of articles and guidebooks to help planners plan for solar in their communities.

planning.org/research/solar





The Permitting Process: Challenges

18,000+ local jurisdictions

with unique permitting requirements



Source: http://www.nrel.gov/docs/fy12osti/54689.pdf

The Permitting Process: Challenges

Local permitting processes add on average



to the installation cost of residential PV



Source: SunRun

The Permitting Process: Challenges





Source: Forbes

Expedited Permitting

Solar Permitting Best Practices:

 \checkmark Fair flat fees

✓ Electronic or over-the-counter issuance

Standardized permit requirements

 \checkmark Electronic materials



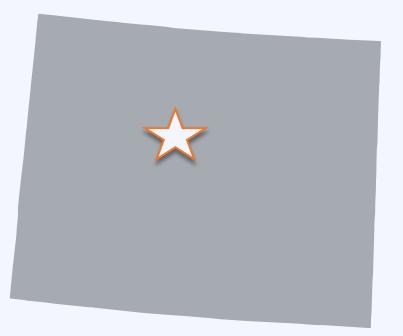
Source:Vote Solar

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Solar Permitting Best Practices:

- \checkmark Training for permitting staff in solar
- \checkmark Removal of excessive reviews
- \checkmark Reduction of inspection appointment windows
- ✓ Utilization of standard certifications



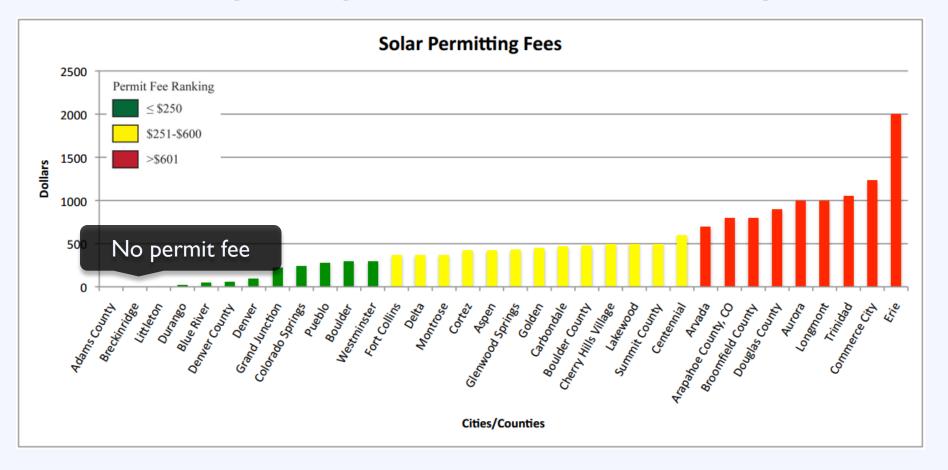


Breckenridge, Colorado Population: 4,540



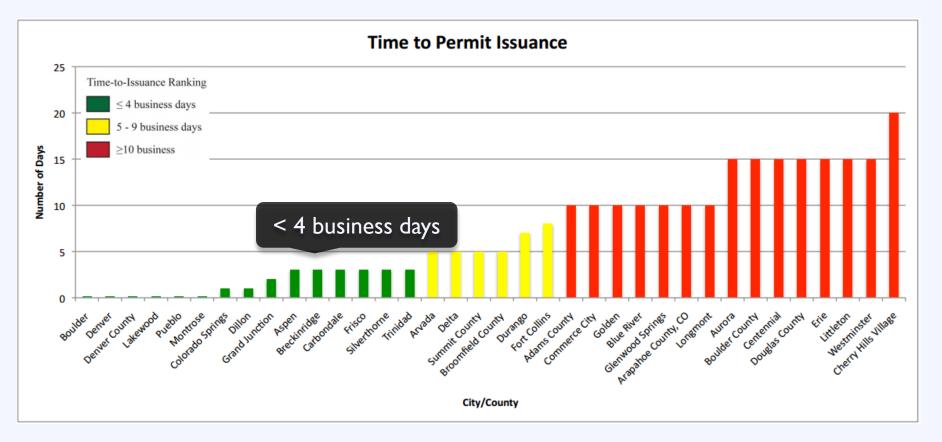
Source:Wikipedia

Breckenridge charges no fees to file for a solar permit



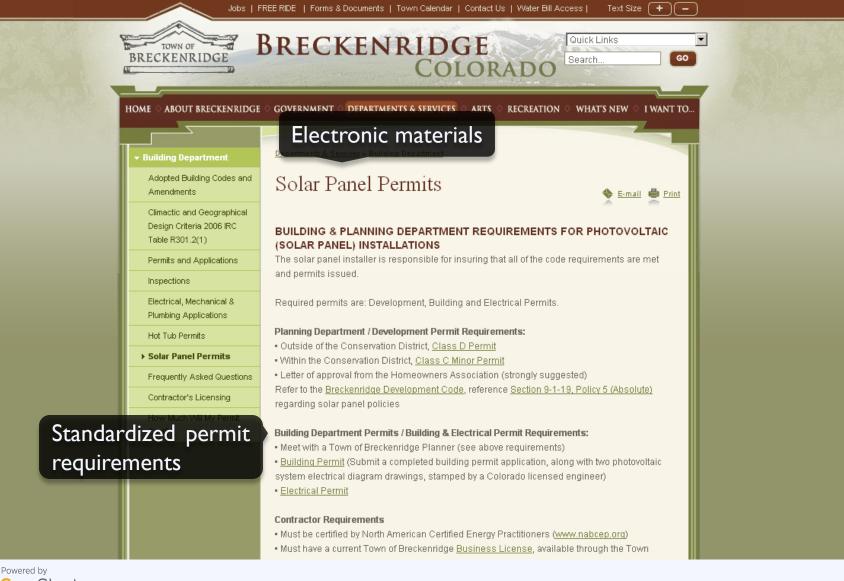


Breckenridge offers a short turn around time for solar permits





Source: Vote Solar (http://votesolar.org/wp-content/uploads/2011/03/COPermitReport.pdf)





Source: Breckenridge, CO (http://www.townofbreckenridge.com/index.aspx?page=694)

Expedited Permitting

Resource Solar ABCs

Expedited Permitting:

- Simplifies requirements for PV applications
- Facilitates efficient review of content
- Minimize need for detailed studies and unnecessary delays

Solar Ameri	ca Board for Codes and Standards	
	Collaborate + Contribute + Transform	
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ABOUT US CODES & ST	TANDARDS CURRENT ISSUES	
STM International	Codes & Standards	
	The Solar America Board for Codes and Standards (Solar ABCs) collaborates and	
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EEE	provide access for stakeholders to participate with members of standards making bodies through working groups and research activities to set national priorities on	
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EMI	codes and standards.	
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	transformation by:	
	Creating a forum that fosters generating consensus best practices' materials.	
	Disseminating such materials to utilities, state and other regulating agencies.	
	Answening code-related questions (technical or statutory in nature).	
	 Providing feedback on important related issues to DOE and government agencie 	
	March 1997 March 1997 And 1997	
	Learn more about solar codes and standards development:	
	The below organizations all publish codes and standards for PV products and each organization has its own process to develop and publish standards.	
	ASTM	
	 IAPMO_Standards 	
	International Code Council	
	 International Electrotechnical Commission 	
	• IEEE	
	National Fire Protection Association	
	• <u>SEMI</u>	
	Underwriters Laboratories	
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	 International Code Council 	



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Resource Interstate Renewable Energy Council

Outlines emerging approaches to efficient rooftop solar permitting

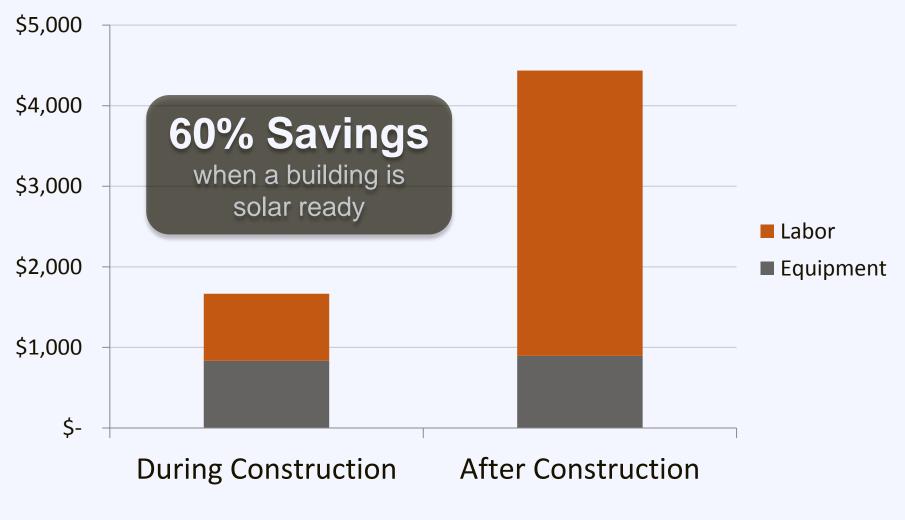
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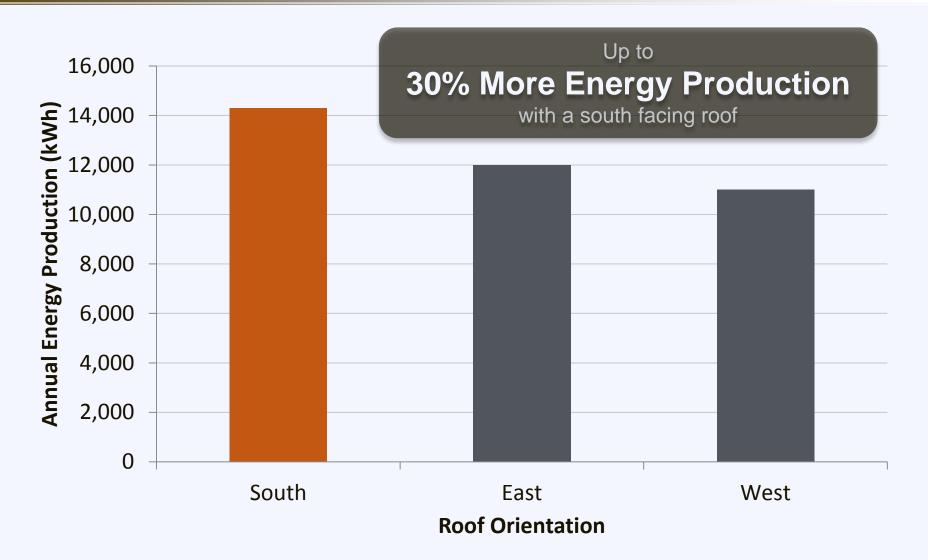
Creating solar-ready guidelines and promoting energy efficiency at the outset can help make future solar installations easier and more cost effective.







Source: Solar Ready: An Overview of Implementation Practices [Draft]. NREL, Feb. 18, 2011.





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Require builders to:

- ✓ Minimize rooftop equipment
- \checkmark Plan for structure orientation to avoid shading
- \checkmark Install a roof that will support the load of a solar array
- ✓ Record roof specifications on drawings
- \checkmark Plan for wiring and inverter placement



Solar Readiness: Case Study



Oro Valley, Arizona Population: 40, 195



Source:Wikipedia

Solar Readiness: Case Study

Oro Valley Requirements:

- Installation of conduit or sleeve for wiring
- A space near the service equipment to mount additional PV equipment
- Installation of a circuit breaker that can be back-fed from a PV system



Source: http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/files/dsd/PV_Prep.pdf

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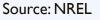
Creating a solar ready guide for buildings:

- Legislation
- Certification programs
- Stakeholder Education

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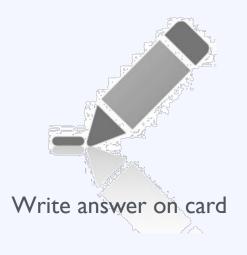
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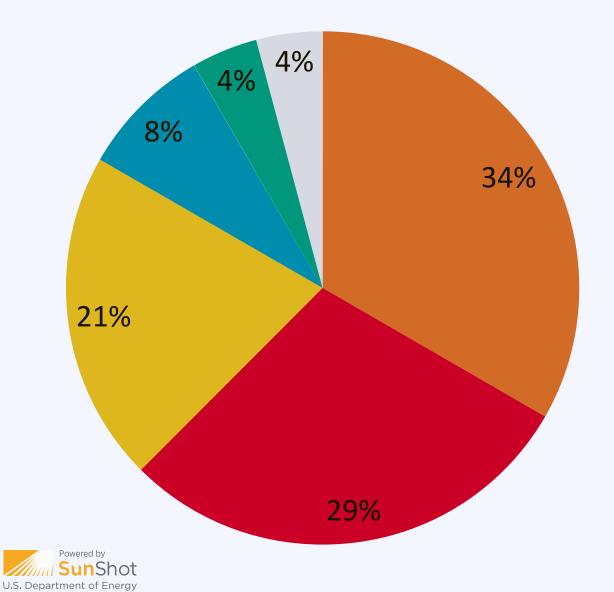








Benefits



- Energy independence
- Environmental
- Lower cost
- Economic development
- Job creation
- Sustainability

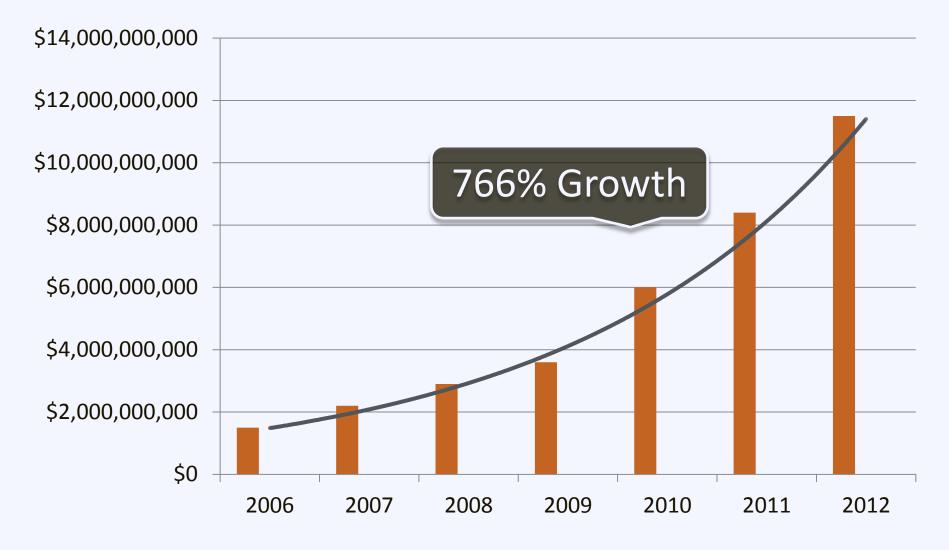
Benefits of Solar Energy

- Local economy growth
- Local jobs
- Energy independence
- Stabilizes price volatility
- Valuable to utilities
- Smart investment





Benefit: Economic Growth

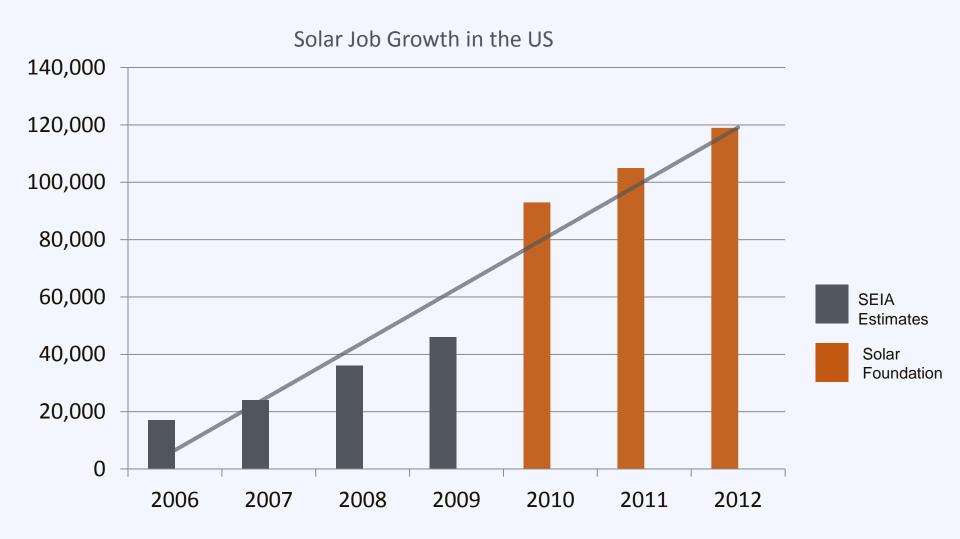




Source: SEIA/GTM Research – 2009/2010/2011/2012 Year in Review Report

http://www.seia.org/research-resources/us-solar-market-insight

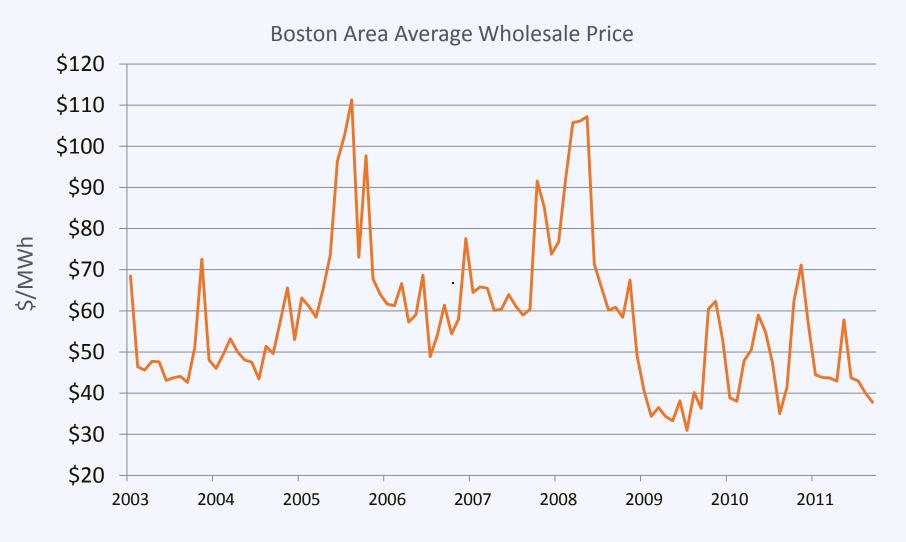
Benefit: Job Growth





Source: SEIA Estimates (2006-2009), The Solar Foundation's National Solar Jobs Census 2010 (2010), The Solar Foundation's National Solar Jobs Census 2012 (2011-2012).

Benefit: Stabilize Energy Prices





Benefits: Valuable to Utilities

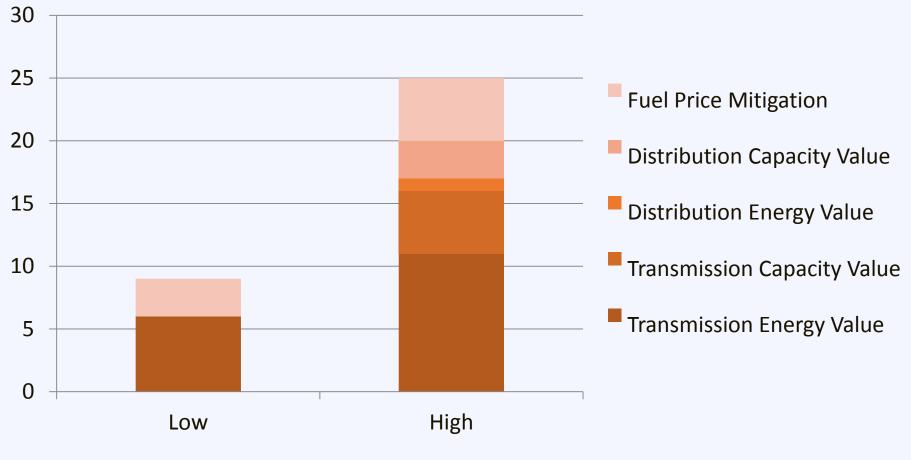
- Avoided Energy Purchases
- Avoided T&D Line Losses
- Avoided Capacity Purchases
- Avoided T&D Investments
- Fossil Fuel Price Impacts
- Backup Power





Benefits: Valuable to Utilities

Value to the utility is **10 to 25 cents** beyond the value of the electricity





Source: http://www.asrc.cestm.albany.edu/perez/2011/solval.pdf

Benefit: Smart Investment for Homes

From NREL:

Solar homes sold

20% faster

and for

17% more

than the equivalent non-solar homes in surveyed California subdivisions



Source: http://www.nrel.gov/docs/fy07osti/38304-01.pdf

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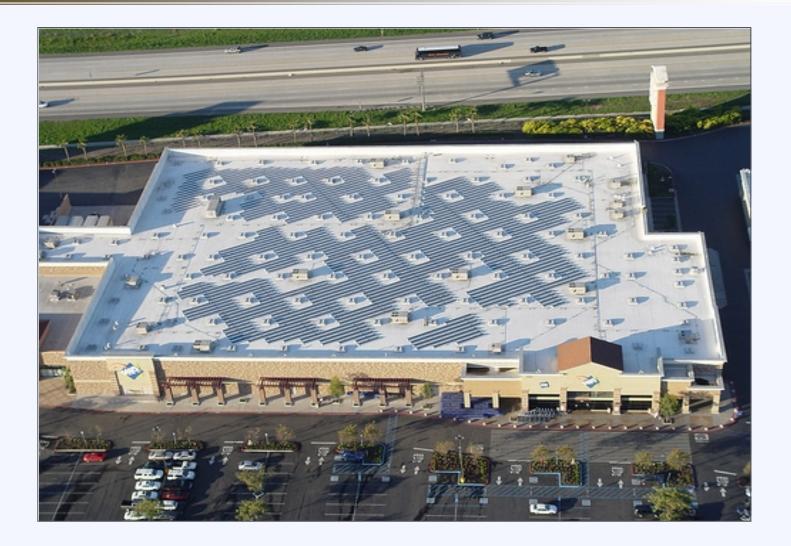
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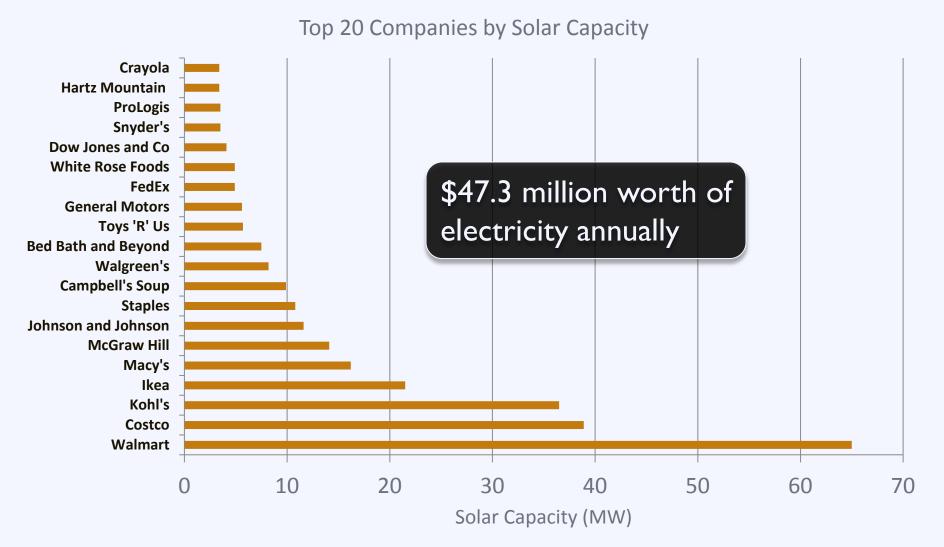
Source: Tracking the Sun IV, SunRun

Benefit: Smart Investment for Business





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Source: Solar Energy Industries Association

Benefit: Smart Investment for Government





Activity: Addressing Barriers

What is the greatest barrier to solar adoption in your community? [Green Card]

Right Now

During Session

After Break

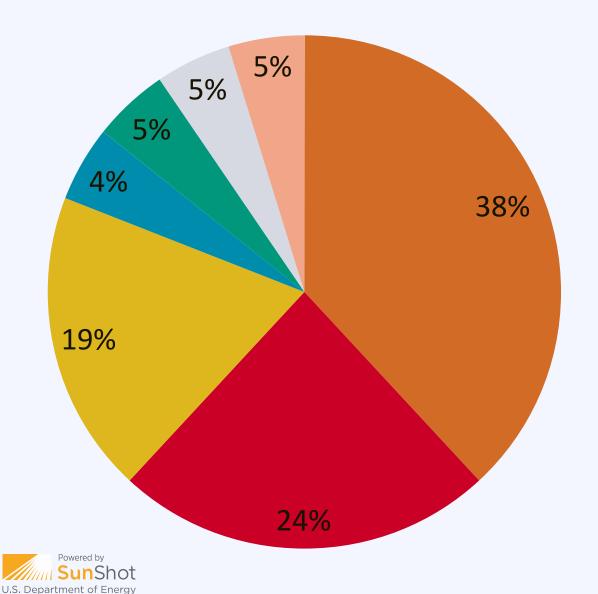








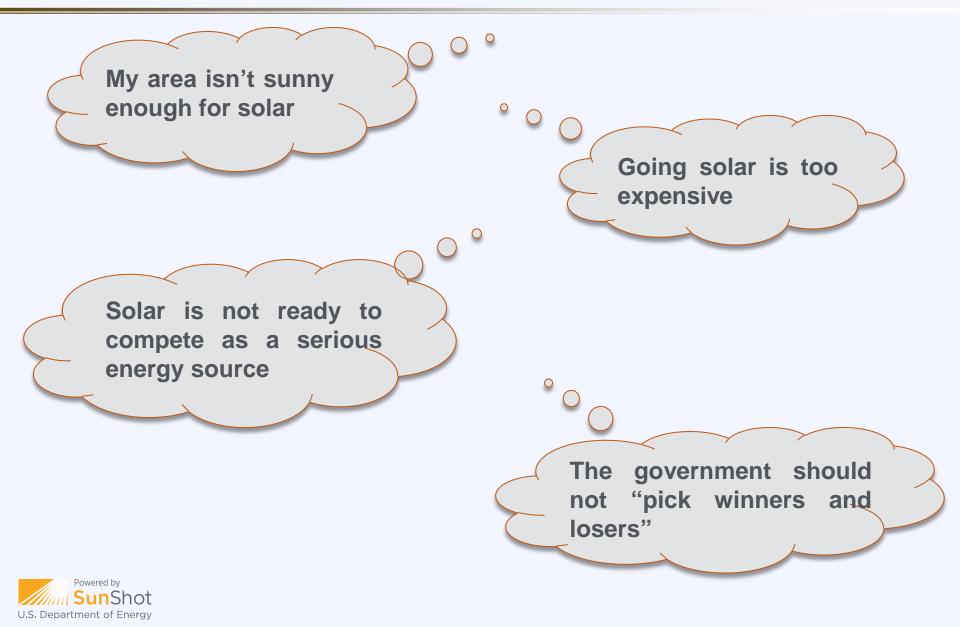
Barriers



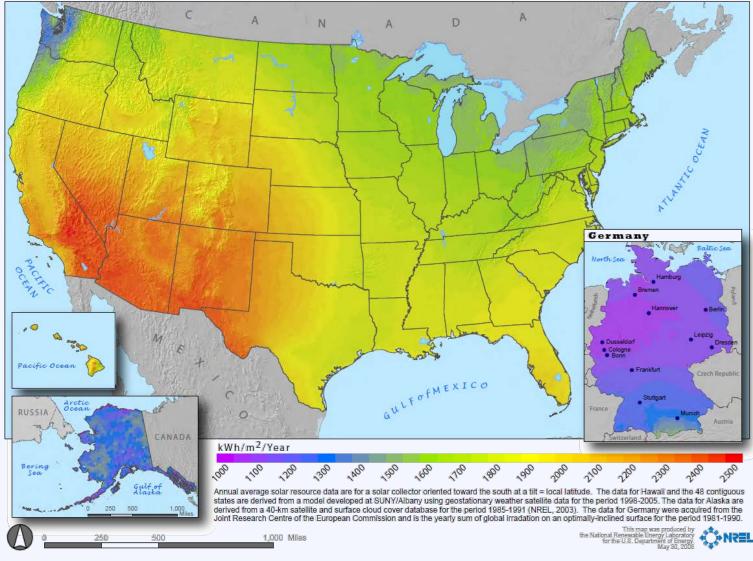
Initial cost

- Knowledge
- Lack/Instability of incentives
- Long payback period
- Open space requirement
- Interconnection
- Public opinion

Some things you may hear...



Fact: Solar works across the US

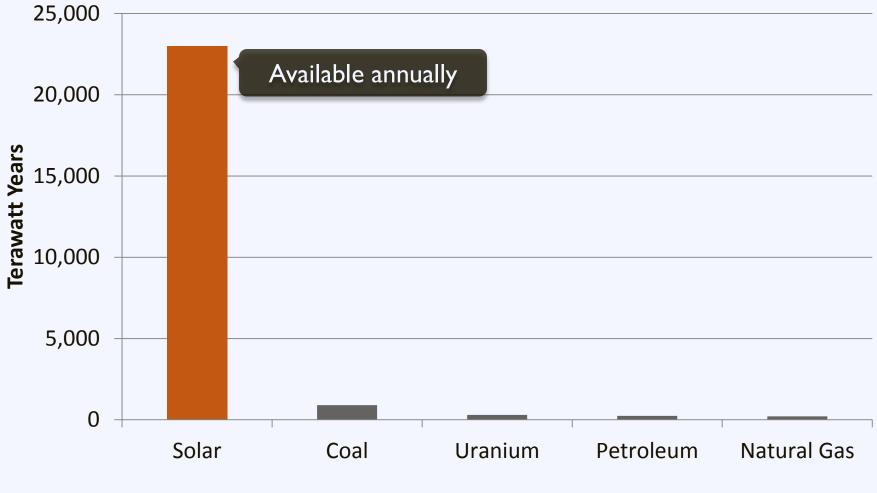




Source: National Renewable Energy Laboratory

Fact: Solar is a ubiquitous resource

Resource Availability





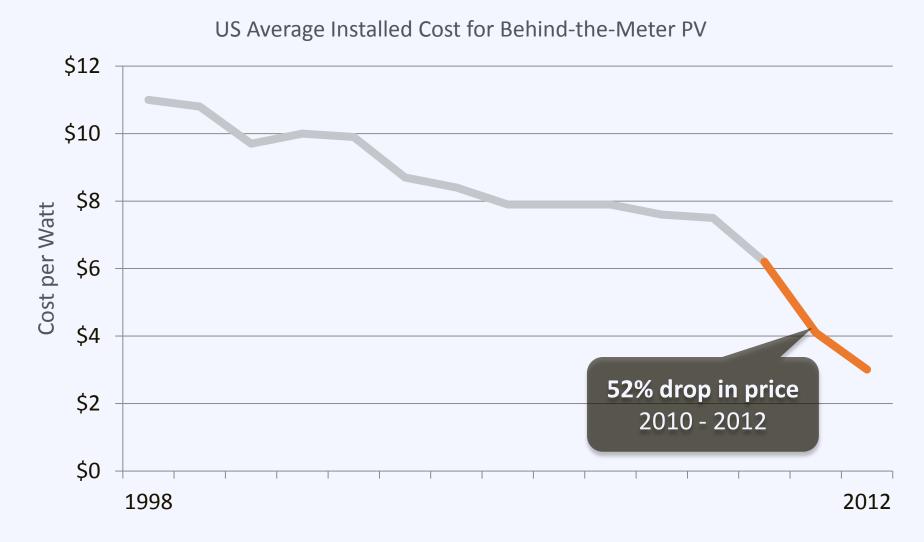
Source: Perez & Perez. 2009. A fundamental look at energy reserves for the planet.

US Average Installed Cost for Behind-the-Meter PV





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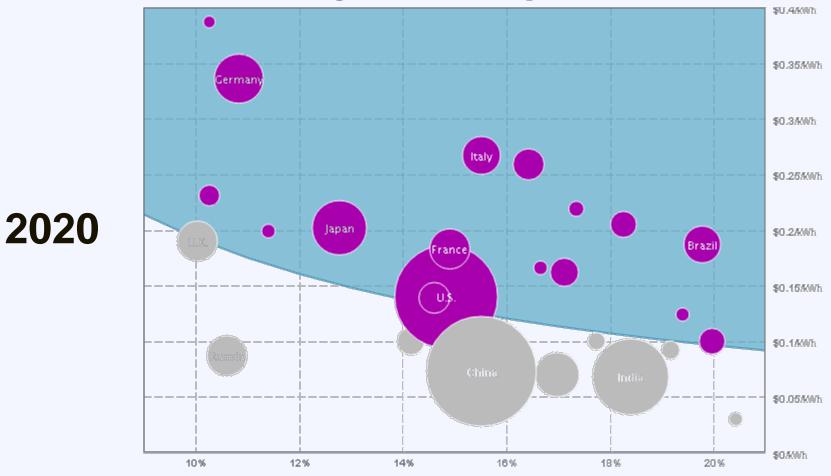


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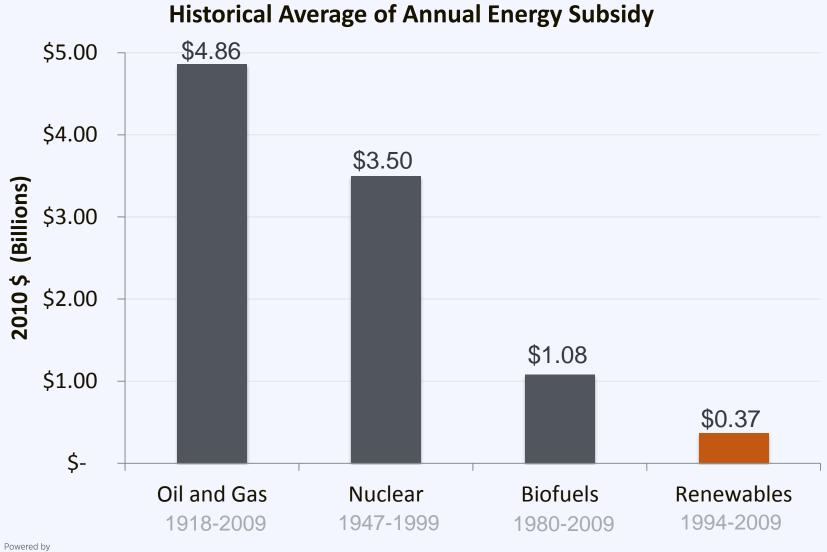
Source: Bloomberg



Golden Goal Countries Meeting Golden Goal Countries Missing Golden Goal



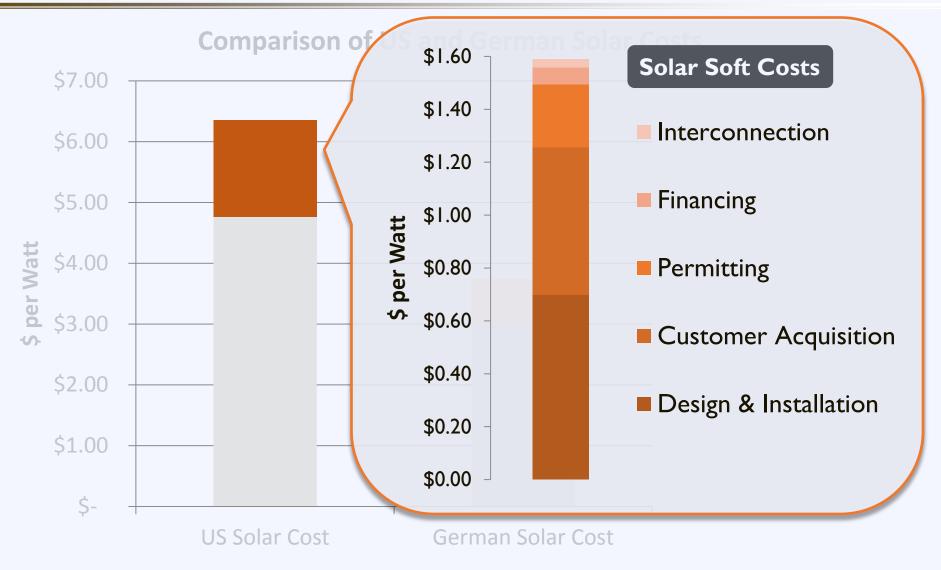
Fact: All energy is subsidized



U.S. Department of Energy

Sources: DBL Investors

Barriers Still Exist





Source: NREL (http://ases.conference-services.net/resources/252/2859/pdf/SOLAR2012_0599_full%20paper.pdf) (http://www.nrel.gov/docs/fy12osti/53347.pdf) (http://www.nrel.gov/docs/fy12osti/54689.pdf)





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Break



The Solar Equation

- Cost Benefit
- Installed Cost
 Avoided Energy Cost
- Maintenance
 Excess Generation
- Direct Incentive
 Performance Incentive



The Solar Equation

- Cost
- Installed Cost

Benefit

+ Avoided Energy Cost

+ Maintenance

+ Excess Generation

Direct Incentive

+ Performance Incentive



Incentives

Federal	Investment Tax Credit	Accelerated Depreciation
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Investment Tax Credit

Type: Tax Credit

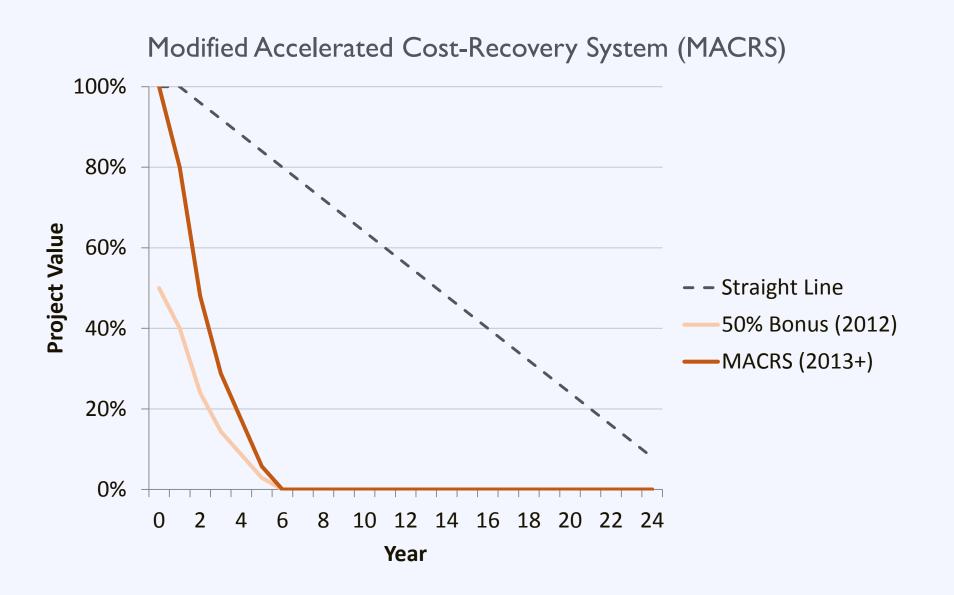
Eligibility: For-Profit Organization

Value: 30% of the installation cost

Availability: Through 2016



Accelerated Depreciation



Incentives





Sales Tax Incentive

Type: Tax Credit or Refund

Eligibility: For-Profit Organization

Value: 100% of the sales tax

Prerequisite: Certified green energy facility



Clean TN Energy Grant

A federal court settlement regarding compliance the Clean Air Act resulted in a \$26.4 million fund for environmental mitigation projects



Clean TN Energy Grant

Grant Details

Started in 2012



- Funds paid over 5 years
- Public and private entities
- Includes projects in:
 - Renewable energy
 - Energy efficiency
 - Air quality improvement



Source: www.pathwaylending.org

Solar Financing Options









Solar Financing Options

Direct Ownership

Third Party Ownership



Direct Ownership





Direct Ownership: Debt

Pathway Lending Fund:

\$50 million fund



- I0 year loan
- 5% interest
- Partners:TVA, Pinnacle
 Bank, State of Tennessee



Direct Ownership

Pros

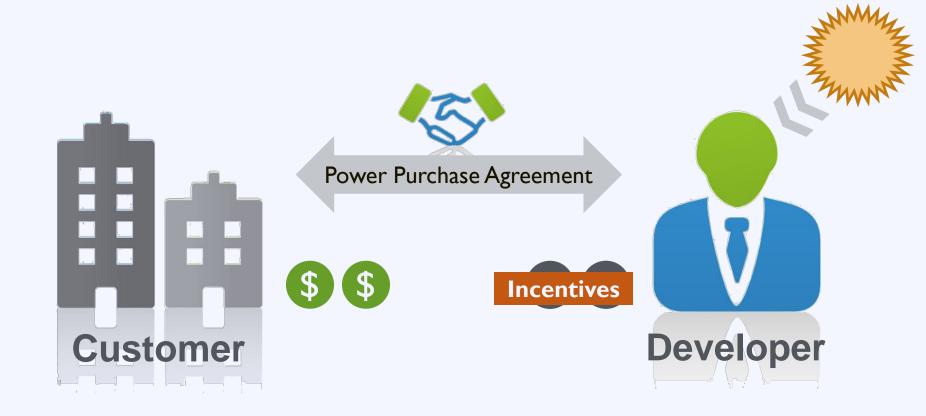
- Low cost electricity
- REC revenue
- Full ownership

Cons

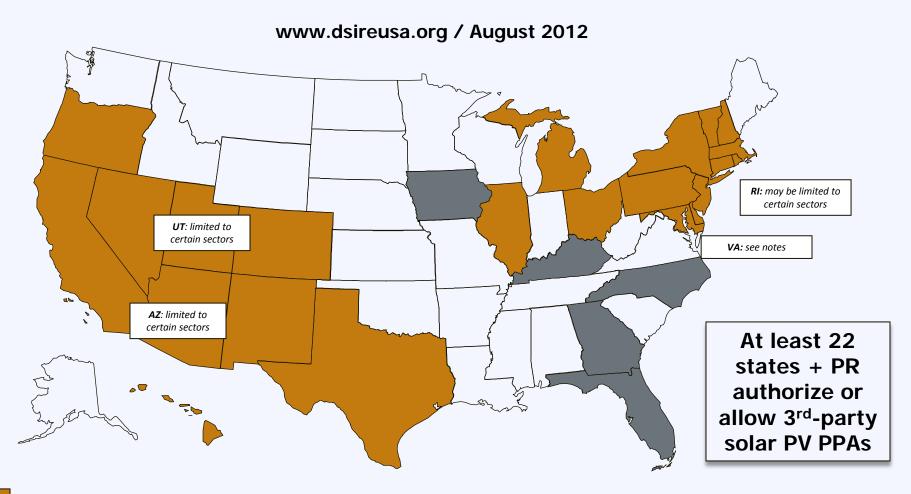
- Large upfront cost
- Long term management
- Can't take tax benefits
- Development risk
- Performance risk



Third Party Ownership: PPA



Third Party Ownership: PPA



Authorized by state or otherwise currently in use, at least in certain jurisdictions within in the state Apparently disallowed by state or otherwise restricted by legal barriers

Status unclear or unknown

Note: This map is intended to serve as an unofficial guide; it does not constitute legal advice. Seek qualified legal expertise before making binding financial decisions related to a 3rd-party PPA. See following slides for additional important information and authority references.

Third Party Ownership

In the top 5 solar markets

60-90%

of new installations use third party ownership



Source: NREL (http://www.nrel.gov/docs/fy12osti/54689.pdf

Third Party Ownership: PPA

Pros

- No upfront cost
- No O&M costs
- Low risk
- Predictable payments
- Tax benefits

Cons

- Not supported in all states
- Don't keep RECs



Third Party Ownership: Lease



Third Party Ownership: Lease

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- Predictable payments
- Keep incentives

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Can't take tax benefits



Solar Financing Options







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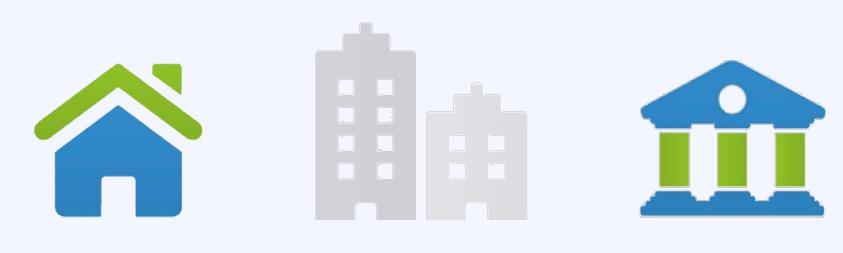
Direct Ownership

Third Party Lease

Direct Ownership



Options for Solar Programs



Solarize

QECB's







Solarize Group Purchasing

solarize portland





Solarize: Advantages

Barriers Solutions

High upfront cost 🛛 → Group purchase

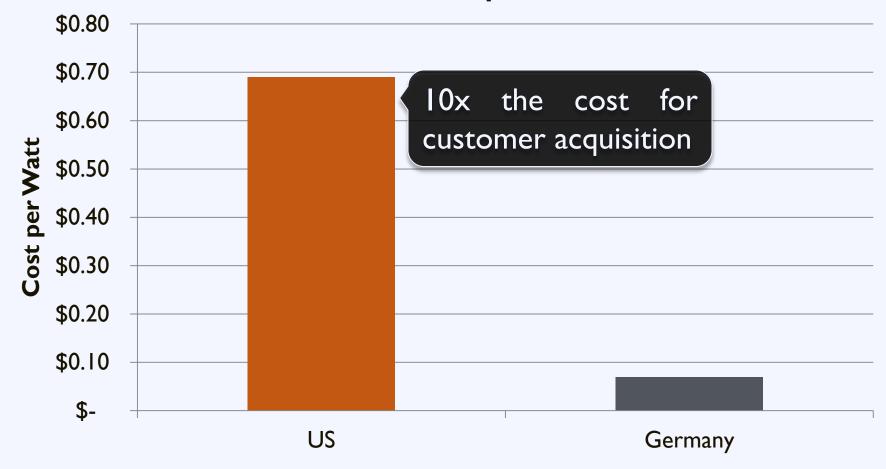
Complexity — Community outreach

Customer inertia 💛 Limited-time offer



Solarize: Advantages

Customer Acquisition





Source: NREL, LBNL

Solarize: Advantages

Benefits to Local Government:

Low upfront cost: \$5,000 - \$10,000 + Labor

Quick turn-around: 9 Months

Long-term impact: Sustainable ecosystem



Solarize: Process







Harvard, Massachusetts Population: 6,520



Source:Wikipedia

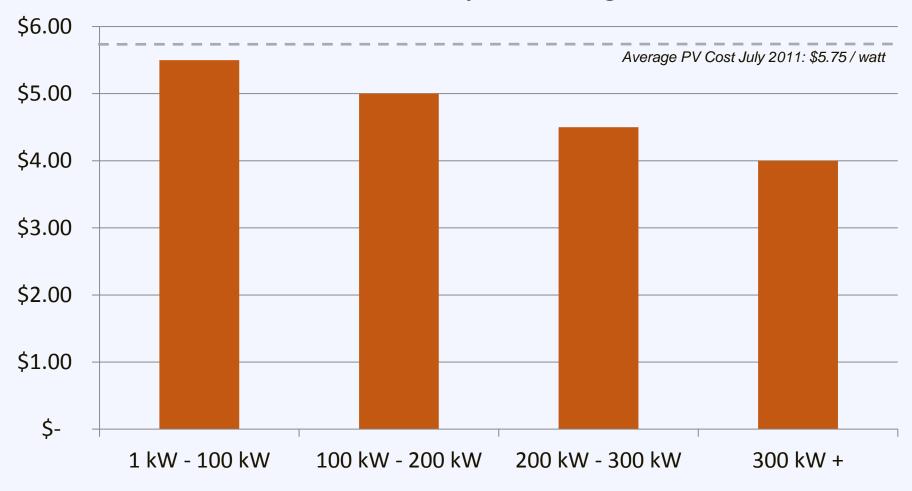
Solarize: Case Study





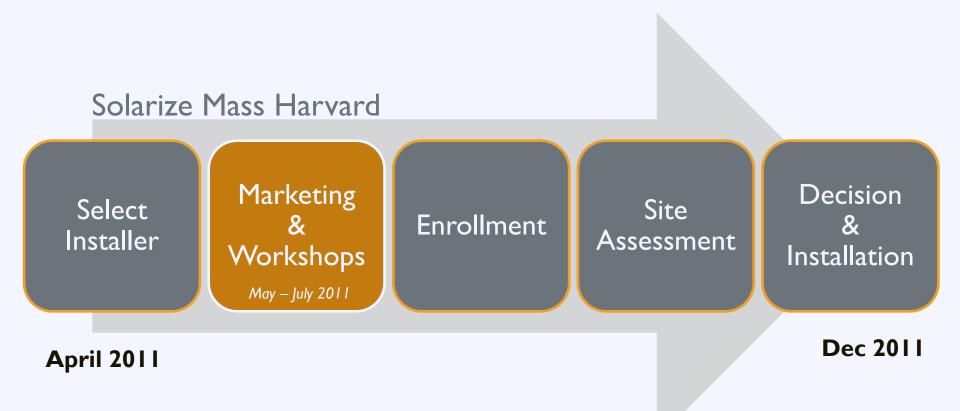
Group Purchasing

Harvard Mass Group Purchasing Tiers





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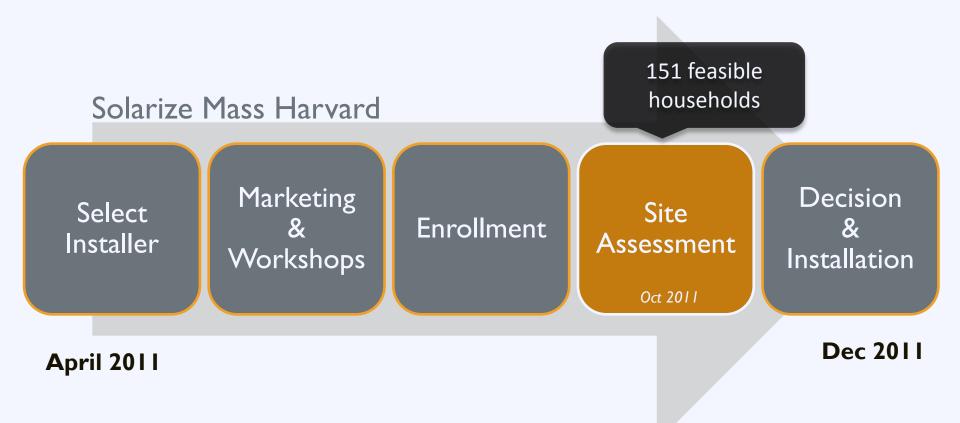
Marketing Strategy:

- Electronic survey of 1,100 households
- Email newsletters and direct mailings
- Float in July 4 parade
- Articles and advertisements in local newspaper
- Facebook page and online discussion board



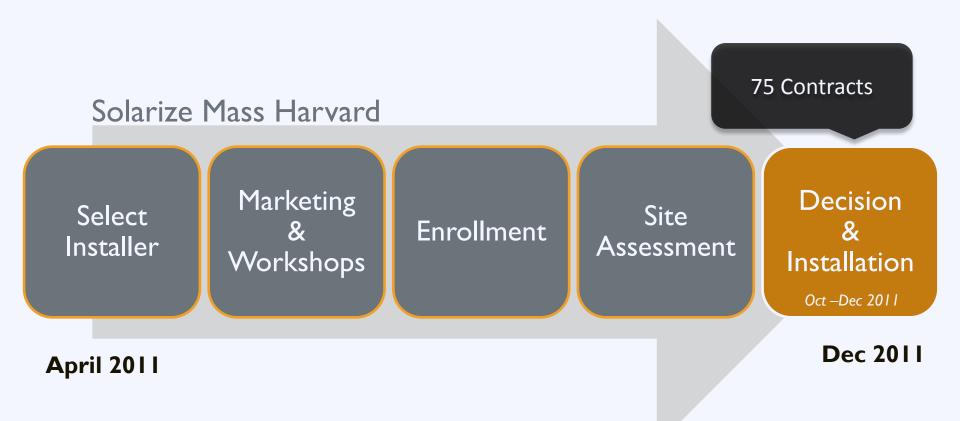








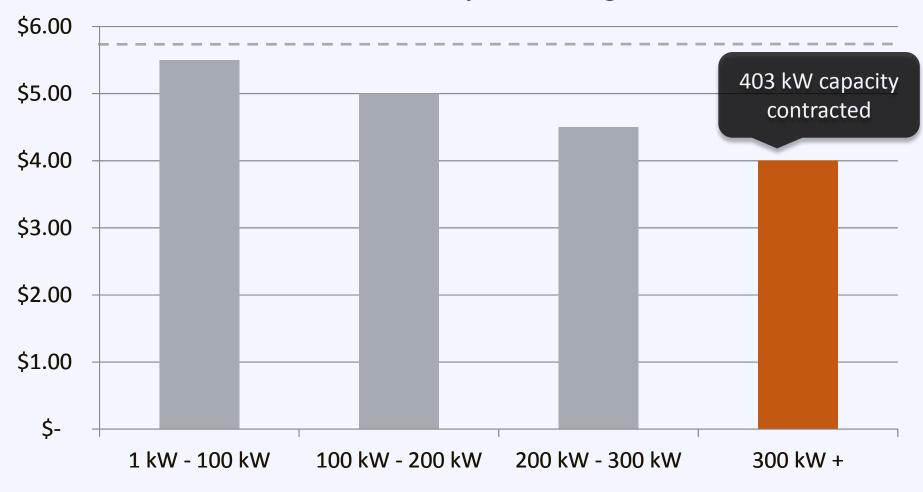
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Solarize: Case Study

75 new installations totaling 403 kW

30% reduction in installation costs

575% increase in residential installations



Solarize: Lasting Impact





Source: NREL

Solarize: Resources

Resource The Solarize Guidebook

A roadmap for project planners and solar advocates who want to create their own successful Solarize campaigns.

www.nrel.gov





Qualified Energy Conservation Bond







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FOUNDATION

715 KW DC 2982 Sharp 240W panels Production: 1.2 million kWh annually





CLARKE PRACE



- Generation Partners/Green Power Providers projects:
 - Completed: 52 totaling 3,206 kW
 - Approved & Underway: 9 totaling 96 kW
 - Cancelled: 13 totaling 1,806 kW
- Renewable Standard Offer projects:
 - Completed: 2 totaling 207 kW
 - Underway: I totaling 200 kW
- www.mlgw.com/greenpower













Lighthouse

SHARP® Large

Large Commercial







Sharp

How Can Solar Energy Supply Your Needs ?



Small Commercial





PathWay Lighting



Emergency / Portable **SHARP Manufacturing Company of America** 901.795.6510

Residential







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Activity: Next Steps

What do you pledge to do when you leave today's workshop? [Orange Card]



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Appendix



Interconnection

5,000+ utilities

with unique interconnection procedures



Source: NREL (http://www.nrel.gov/docs/fy12osti/54689.pdf

Interconnection: Background

- **2000:** NREL finds that interconnection is a significant barrier to customer sited DG
- **2005:** Congress requires state regulator authorities to consider an interconnection standard (IEEE 1547)
- 2012: 43 States & DC have adopted interconnection standards
 - CA Rule 21 MADRI Procedures
 - FERC SGIP IREC Procedures



Interconnection Standards

- I. Use standard forms and agreements
- 2. Implement expedited process
- Implement simplified procedure for small solar arrays

