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How can a solar power system save you money?

Use solar power to save you money and reduce your carbon footprint. The most common on-site renewable energy systems are solar-powered. Solar setups convert light energy from the sun into electrical current. They can be installed in sun-facing areas such as rooftops, external walls or parking lots.

#### Do solar panels work everywhere?

Solar panels work everywherein the United States, but some areas have more sunny, clear days than others, which means more energy production. Other factors to consider are the elevation of the land (the flatter, the better) and proximity to transmission lines and the point of electricity consumption (the closer, the better).

#### What is the difference between residential solar and utility solar?

While residential solar is most commonly found on rooftops, utility-scale and other large-scale solar projects have much more flexibility for siting. As the United States works toward decarbonizing the electricity system by 2035, solar capacity will need to reach one terawatt (TW), which will require more diversity of siting configurations.

#### How many TW of solar photovoltaic potential are there?

There is approximately 115 TWof solar photovoltaic potential in the U.S., which includes 1 TW on buildings, 27 TW on agricultural land, 2 TW on brownfields, and 2 TW for floating solar. The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Solar Energy Technologies Office (SETO) conducts research to reduce the cost and impact of siting solar.

#### Do you need a solar energy retrofit?

Once you've done an energy audit and implemented strategies to increase your business's efficiency, you will have a clearer sense of what size of solar energy system you need. By taking on retrofit projects, you can increase the energy efficiency of your building and help fight climate change.

#### Can You graze animals under solar panels?

One commercial solar-crop site operates in Colorado; other sites are being planned in Massachusetts and California. Grazing of some types of animals, such as sheep, rabbits, and even cattle, under solar panels is also possible. Members of the American Solar Grazing Association



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