

What is the future of energy storage?

Storage enables electricity systems to remain in balance despite variations in wind and solar availability, allowing for cost-effective deep decarbonization while maintaining reliability. The Future of Energy Storage report is an essential analysis of this key component in decarbonizing our energy infrastructure and combating climate change.

How did energy storage grow in 2022 & 2023?

The US utility-scale storage sector saw tremendous growth over 2022 and 2023. The volume of energy storage installations in the United States in 2022 totaled 11,976 megawatt hours (MWh)--a figure surpassed in the first three quarters of 2023 when installations hit 13,518 MWh by cumulative volume.

How many electrochemical storage stations are there in 2022?

In 2022, 194 electrochemical storage stations were put into operation, with a total stored energy of 7.9 GWh. These accounted for 60.2% of the total energy stored by stations in operation, a year-on-year increase of 176% (Figure 4).

How many states have energy storage policies?

Around 15 states have adopted some form of energy storage policy, including procurement targets, regulatory adaptation, demonstration programs, financial incentives, and/or consumer protections. Several states have also required that utility resource plans include energy storage.

What is the implementation plan for the development of new energy storage?

In January 2022, the National Development and Reform Commission and the National Energy Administration jointly issued the Implementation Plan for the Development of New Energy Storage during the 14th Five-Year Plan Period, emphasizing the fundamental role of new energy storage technologies in a new power system.

Will the energy storage industry thrive in the next stage?

The energy storage industry is going through a critical period of transition from the early commercial stage to development on a large scale. Whether it can thrive in the next stage depends on its economics.

Significant developments that will propel further action on renewable energy resources and energy storage include the 2021 Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, and a number of state-level policies to provide incentives for the use of energy storage.

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