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What are base year costs for utility-scale battery energy storage systems?

Base year costs for utility-scale battery energy storage systems (BESSs) are based on a bottom-up cost model using the data and methodology for utility-scale BESS in (Ramasamy et al., 2023). The bottom-up BESS model accounts for major components, including the LIB pack, the inverter, and the balance of system (BOS) needed for the installation.

How much does a battery cost in Israel?

Israel's storage tender sets prices between \$0.0056 and \$0.0085 per kW, with kWh figures therefore at \$49.41 to \$74.20 per kWh. From ESS News Israel has awarded contracts for 1.5 GW of high-voltage battery storage capacity across three regions, marking a significant milestone in the country's energy transition.

What does IEA's energy auction mean for Israel?

The auction, managed by the Israeli Electricity Authority (IEA), will facilitate the deployment of large-scale energy storage systems designed to integrate more renewable energy into the grid. With total investments estimated at ILS 3 billion (~\$840 million), the projects are expected to commence operations in 2027.

How much does a MWh system cost?

MWh (Megawatt-hour) is a measure of energy capacity (how long the system can continue delivering that power output). For example, a 1 MW / 4 MWh BESS has four hours of storage capacity. So, while the system might be \$200,000 per MW, the effective cost can be \$800,000 per MWh if it has four hours duration.

Why are battery system costs expressed in \$/kWh?

By expressing battery system costs in \$/kWh, we are deviating from other power generation technologies such as combustion turbines or solar photovoltaic plants where capital costs are usually expressed as \$/kW. We use the units of \$/kWh because that is the most common way that battery system costs have been expressed in published material to date.

How much does a Bess battery cost?

Factoring in these costs from the beginning ensures there are no unexpected expenses when the battery reaches the end of its useful life. To better understand BESS costs, it's useful to look at the cost per kilowatt-hour (kWh) stored. As of recent data, the average cost of a BESS is approximately \$400-\$600 per kWh. Here's a simple breakdown:

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