

What are energy storage technologies?

Informing the viable application of electricity storage technologies, including batteries and pumped hydro storage, with the latest data and analysis on costs and performance. Energy storage technologies store energy either as electricity or heat/cold, so it can be used at a later time.

Are battery electricity storage systems a good investment?

This study shows that battery electricity storage systems offer enormous deployment and cost-reduction potential. By 2030, total installed costs could fall between 50% and 60% (and battery cell costs by even more), driven by optimisation of manufacturing facilities, combined with better combinations and reduced use of materials.

Will additional storage technologies be added?

Additional storage technologies will be added as representative cost and performance metrics are verified. The interactive figure below presents results on the total installed ESS cost ranges by technology, year, power capacity (MW), and duration (hr).

What is the electricity storage cost-of-service tool?

IRENA has developed a spreadsheet-based "Electricity Storage Cost-of-Service Tool" available for download. It is a simple tool that allows a quick analysis of the approximate annual cost of electricity storage service for different technologies in different applications.

Are there other energy storage technologies besides LIBs?

There are a variety of other commercial and emerging energy storage technologies; as costs are characterized to the same degree as LIBs, they will be added to future editions of the ATB.

How much does energy storage cost?

Assuming $N = 365$ charging/discharging events, a 10-year useful life of the energy storage component, a 5% cost of capital, a 5% round-trip efficiency loss, and a battery storage capacity degradation rate of 1% annually, the corresponding levelized cost figures are $LCOEC = \$0.067$ per kWh and $LCOPC = \$0.206$ per kW for 2019.



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