



# How much does a large-scale pv distribution cost in the middle east





## Overview

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The average 'economic cost' for electricity lies in the range of 36-41 cents/kWh, according to our analysis of Abu Dhabi Department of Energy's price control (RC-2) final determinations [6] and TAQA's 2023 financial statements [7]. The NA region is expected to reach 40 GW solar capacity in 2024 and 18 GW by 2030. Saudi Arabia, Türkiye, Egypt, the UAE, Oman, and Morocco are leading the growth, and these countries are paving the way, the Middle East is embarking on. NLR analyzes the total costs associated with installing photovoltaic (PV) systems for residential rooftop, commercial rooftop, and utility-scale ground-mount systems. This work has grown to include cost models for solar-plus-storage systems. NLR's PV cost benchmarking work uses a bottom-up approach. The middle east, comprising of 12 countries, currently invests only 20 cents into clean energy for every dollar invested in fossil fuels [1]. Under the Announced Pledges scenario (APS), the International Energy Agency (IEA) estimates that in comparison to 2024 levels, the investments in clean energy will increase significantly. Solar PV deployment in the region spans utility-scale, commercial & industrial (C&I), and residential segments, enabling grid-connected and off-grid applications across diverse end users. Saudi Arabia solar PV market held the largest share of 38.74% of the Middle East market in 2024. Each year, the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Solar Energy Technologies Office (SETO) and its national laboratory partners analyze cost data for U.S. solar photovoltaic (PV) systems to develop cost benchmarks.



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With abundant sunlight, enormous land, and a sparse population, Middle Eastern countries began developing solar energy, with Turkey, Saudi Arabia, and the UAE being the major ...



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KSA is expected to outperform all other countries in the Middle East region for installed solar PV capacity at an anticipated CAGR of 63.4%. Note: The anticipated growth will have a strong ...



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Past studies of U.S. and global utility-scale solar economics have delivered an uncertain verdict on whether large projects achieve lower per-watt costs than mid-sized projects, leading to a ...



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Distribution is another concern. Conventionally speaking, centralised power plants don't allow several small-scale producers (think residential rooftop solar panels and community solar projects) to link ...



## Solar Photovoltaic System Cost Benchmarks

Market analysts routinely monitor and report the average cost of PV systems and components, but more detail is needed to understand the impact of recent and future technology developments on cost.



## [Solar PPAs viable in Saudi Arabia at prices above \\$26.10/MWh - pv](#)

Saudi scientists have determined the current price threshold for power purchase agreements (PPA) that could make large-scale PV and wind power projects viable in Saudi Arabia.



## [Solar Installed System Cost Analysis .](#)



## [Solar Market Research](#)

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