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# China-Europe Energy Storage Outdoor Battery



## Overview

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Which countries have the most battery storage in Europe in 2024?

In 2024, Europe's top three battery storage markets – Germany, Italy, UK – solidified their dominance, with Austria and Sweden closing the 'top 5' ranking (see Fig. 2). 2024 marked the first year when reaching the GWh scale of annual installations was required to access the top 5.

Why should the EU invest in batteries?

It contributes to the EU's circular economy and zero pollution ambitions and strengthens our strategic autonomy on batteries. Beyond batteries and pumped storage hydropower, the EU ranks second, after the U.S., in the number of companies developing novel energy storage technologies and leads in liquid air energy storage.

How much battery storage capacity does the EU have?

Narrowing the scope to the European Union (EU), 18.5 GWh of BESS were installed across the bloc in 2024, equivalent to 85% of existing installations on the continent. As consequence, EU total operating battery storage capacity reached 49.1 GWh at the end of 2024.

What is the European energy storage inventory?

The Commission's European Energy Storage Inventory can help address this gap within Europe. Launched in March 2025, it is the first European-level tool of its kind, providing a real-time dashboard of energy storage levels in Europe, offering energy storage data across a full range of technologies.

How much of Europe's batteries have been deployed in a year?

That means that one-third of Europe's total installed batteries have been deployed in a single year. Yet, this growth curve has notably flattened compared to the 84-145% growth rates of the preceding three years. This market development was unsurprising.

Are batteries the future of energy storage?

That's where energy storage solutions, such as batteries, have a vital role to play. Technological developments and market uptake have already had a positive impact on the storage sector: the costs of battery storage are down by 93% since 2010, according to the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA).

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