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Overview

In 2025, the major contributors to solar energy production are projected to include 2341 GW from utility-scale solar projects, 3631 GW from distributed generation, and around 94544 GWh from solar thermal energy systems.Why was the solar power industry a record-breaking year in 2023?

The solar power industry had a record-breaking year in 2023. A total of 447 gigawatts (GW) of new solar capacity was installed globally, a devastating 87% increase from the previous year. This unprecedented surge was driven by several key factors including its manufacturing industry production capacity and the ongoing global energy crisis.

Will the global solar PV market grow in 2025?

Despite these headwinds, the global solar PV market is still expected to grow by 10% in 2025, reaching 655 GW under the Medium Scenario (see Fig. 4). This would mark a continuation of the deceleration trend following the extraordinary 85% growth in 2023 and the more moderate 33% in 2024.

How can the solar PV industry support growing demand?

Annual investment levels need to double throughout the supply chain. Critical sectors such as polysilicon, ingots and wafers would attract the majority of investment to support growing demand. The solar PV industry could create 1 300 manufacturing jobs for each gigawatt of production capacity.

How has global solar PV manufacturing capacity changed over the last decade?

Global solar PV manufacturing capacity has increasingly moved from Europe, Japan and the United States to China over the last decade. China has invested over USD 50 billion in new PV supply capacity – ten times more than Europe – and created more than 300 000 manufacturing jobs across the solar PV value chain since 2011.

How many jobs will the solar PV industry create?

The solar PV industry could create 1 300 manufacturing jobs for each gigawatt of production capacity. The solar PV sector has the potential to double its number of direct manufacturing jobs to 1 million by 2030. The most job-intensive segments along the PV supply chain are module and cell manufacturing.

Why is solar power growing so fast?

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