

Export demand for high-efficiency photovoltaic modules

Does China still dominate the global solar PV module market?

China continues its dominance of the global solar PV module market. Declining costs of PV module production have made solar installations more affordable globally. Source: [abriendomundo/Shutterstock.com](https://www.abriendomundo.com).

How has China shaped the global supply and demand of solar PV?

Government policies in China have shaped the global supply, demand and price of solar PV over the last decade. Chinese industrial policies focusing on solar PV as a strategic sector and on growing domestic demand have enabled economies of scale and supported continuous innovation throughout the supply chain.

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.

What factors determine the global PV module market's growth?

GlobalData highlights that economic growth, rising electricity demand, social development and the energy transition are among the contributing factors that determine the global PV module market's growth in the coming years.

Why is the supply chain of PV solar panels at risk?

Supply chain of PV solar panels is at risk due to trade barriers and shortage of raw material. China controls the supply of materials, manufacturing, installations, and recycling capacity. Recycling high-value materials from end-of-life PV panels is not a practical solution.

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.

This shift in global trade dynamics, along with the rising demand for solar panels worldwide, has provided India with new avenues to expand its solar exports. However, China's dominance in ...

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