

# What is the reference price of photovoltaic modules

## What is PV system cost model (pvscm)?

The total cost over the service life of the system is amortized to give a levelized cost per year. In the PV System Cost Model (PVSCM), the owner's overnight capital expense (cash cost) for an installed PV system is divided into eight categories, which are the same for the utility-scale, commercial, and residential PV market segments:

#### How does Seto calculate PV system cost?

Unlike most PV cost studies that report values solely in dollars per watt,SETO's PV system cost benchmark reports values using intrinsic units for each component. For example,the cost of a mounting structure is given in dollars per square meter of modules supported by that structure.

## What is NREL's PV cost benchmarking work?

NREL 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. NREL's PV cost benchmarking work uses a bottom-up approach.

## Where did photovoltaic cost data come from?

Photovoltaic cost data between 1975 and 2003 has been taken from Nemet (2009), between 2004 and 2009 from Farmer &Lafond (2016), and since 2010 from IRENA. Prices from Nemet (2009) and Farmer &Lafond (2016) have been converted to 2024 US\$using the US GDP deflator, to account for the effects of inflation.

#### How efficient is a residential PV system in 2024?

The representative residential PV system (RPV) for 2024 has a rating of 8 kW dc (the sum of the system's module ratings). Each module has an area (with frame) of 1.9 m 2 and a rated power of 400 watts, corresponding to an efficiency of 21.1%.

#### How much power does a monofacial solar module produce?

Each module has an area (with frame) of 1.9 m 2 and a rated power of 400 watts, corresponding to an efficiency of 21.1%. The monofacial modules were assembled in the United States in a plant producing 1.5 GW dc per year, using n-type crystalline silicon solar cells produced in Southeast Asia.

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