



# Why are solar batteries so expensive

How much does a solar battery cost?

A fully-installed 13.5 kWh solar battery costs \$13,500 on average, after claiming the 30% tax credit. This price can vary from project to project as there are many factors that influence battery storage costs. Update: The homeowner-claimed tax credit for home battery storage is only available until the end of 2025.

What factors affect the price of a solar battery?

The biggest factor that impacts the price of a solar battery is its capacity- the total amount of energy that it can store. For instance, there are 5 kWh batteries used mostly for improving the economics of solar, and there are 40 kWh battery systems that can back up your entire home during a power outage.

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There are a handful of factors that influence the price of solar batteries, but perhaps the greatest reason they are expensive is simply because residential-scale batteries are a newer technology, and new technologies tend to be expensive at first before rapidly falling in price as the market matures.

Is solar battery storage worth the cost in 2025?

Whether solar battery storage is worth the cost in 2025 is totally up to you and your energy goals. If you experience frequent or long-lasting power outages, then having battery storage for backup power can be a game-changer in keeping you safe, productive, and comfortable (not to mention keeping your food from spoiling!).

Are solar batteries worth it?

Solar batteries typically cost \$10,877 after the federal tax credit--which expires for batteries installed after December 31, 2025--for the 13.5 kilowatt-hours (kWh) of storage a typical home needs to keep essential devices running during outages (also the size of a Tesla Powerwall 3). Whether they're worth it depends entirely on your situation.

Are solar battery installations cost-effective?

There are many financial solar incentives and rebates available to make solar battery installations more cost-effective. Most importantly, home solar and standalone energy storage systems at least 3 kWh in capacity may qualify buyers for a federal income tax credit (ITC) worth 30% of total project costs.



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