STATE SOLAR spotlight

Minnesota

Ranks
16th
for total installed solar capacity

Total solar installed (MW)

2,811.45

240.15 MW in 2023

Growth projection over the next 5 years (MW)

1 2,515.37

Ranks 26th



Solar jobs in the state1

4,643

Ranked 17th in 2023



395,812

homes

Percentage of state's electricity from solar²

4.12%



179

solar companies are currently operating in Minnesota



35 manufacturers



64 installers/developers



80 other companies

Value of the state solar market

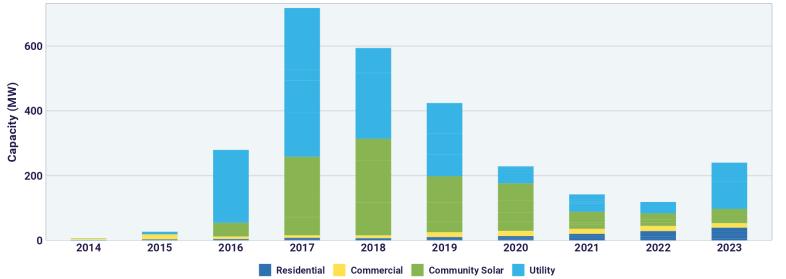
\$3.9 billion

\$378 million invested in 2023

Price decline over the last ten years

43%

Minnesota Annual Solar Installations



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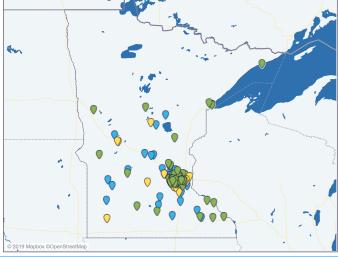
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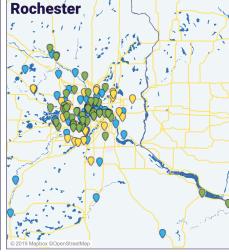
More information about solar energy in Minnesota

- North Star Solar Project in was developed by D.E. Shaw Renewables Investments and came online in 2016. This 138 MW project produces enough electricity to power 19329 homes.
- Walmart, Target, and Home Depot have all gone solar in Minnesota. Home Depot's 3 MW project in Webster is one of the largest corporate projects in the state.
- At 93.4 MW, Marshall Solar Energy Project in Marshall is among the largest solar installations in Minnesota. Completed by NextEra in 2017, this solar project has enough electric capacity to power more than 13082 homes.

Solar Companies in Minnesota







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