

STATE SOLAR *spotlight*

Rhode Island

Ranks
31st

for total installed solar capacity

Total solar installed (MW)

1,111.40

320.80 MW in 2023

Growth projection over the next 5 years (MW)

902.02

Ranks 42nd



Solar jobs in the state¹

1,396

Ranked 35th in 2023



Enough solar installed to power

205,916
homes

Percentage of state's electricity from solar²

12.61%



30

solar companies are currently operating in Rhode Island



11 manufacturers



11 installers/developers



8 other companies

Value of the state solar market

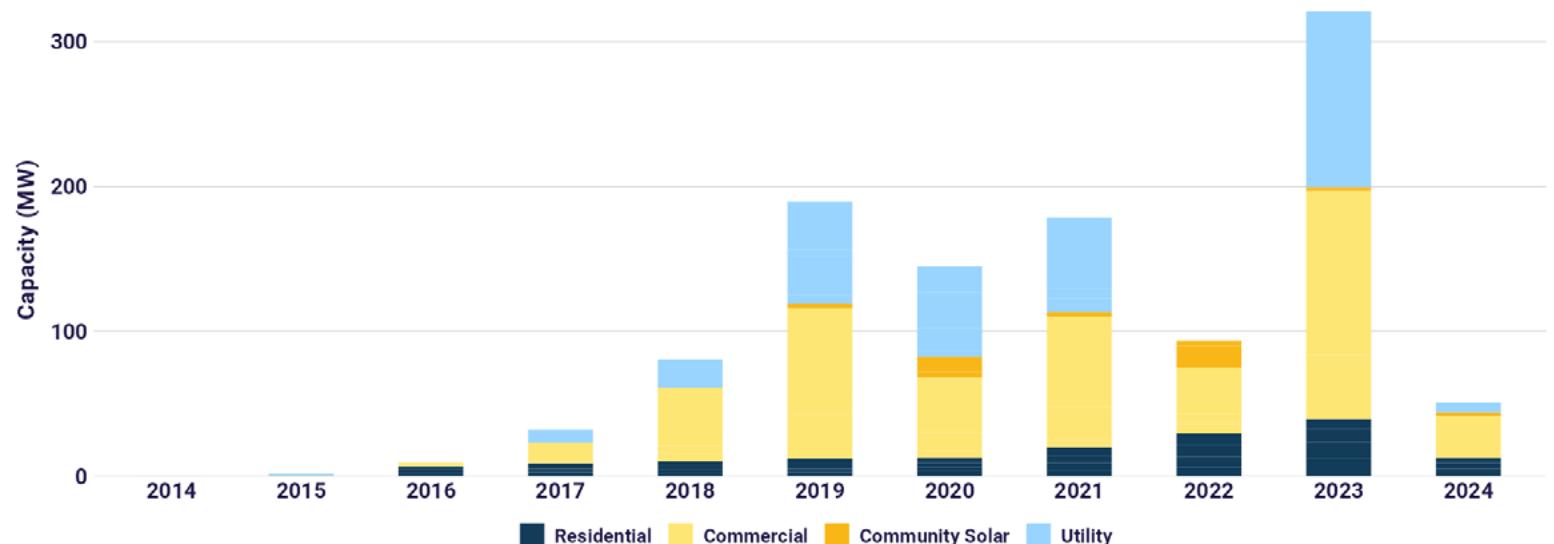
\$1.8 billion

\$531 million invested in 2023

Price decline over the last ten years

37%

Rhode Island Annual Solar Installations



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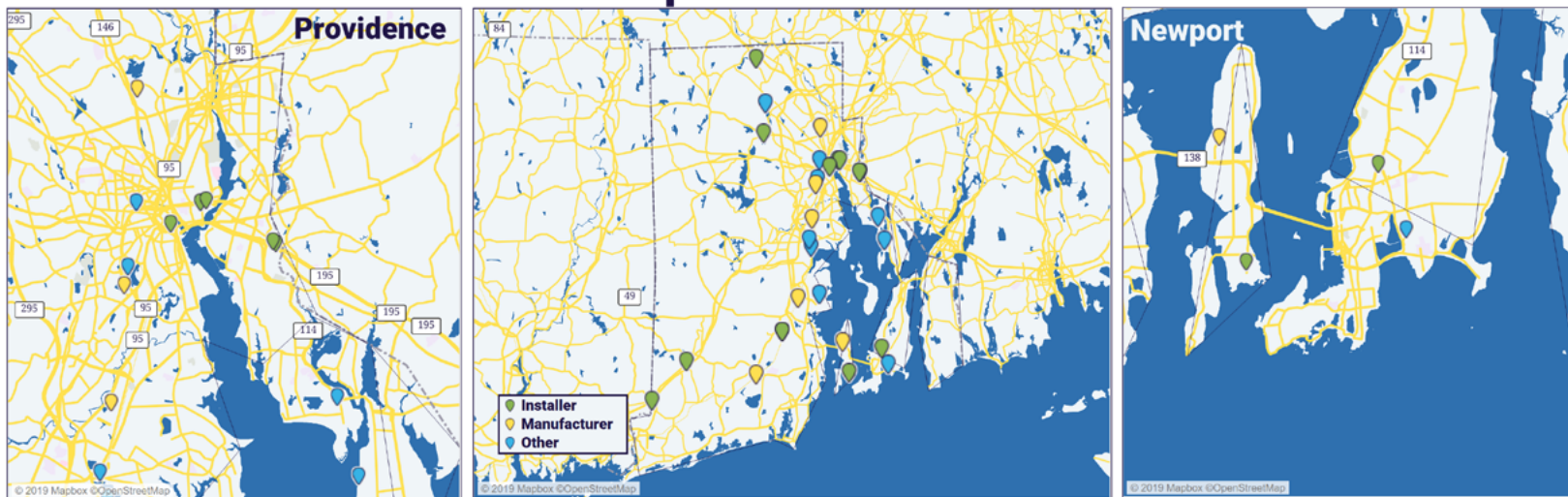
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More information about solar energy Rhode Island

- University Solar in West Greenwich was developed by AES and came online in 2019. This 28.4 MW project produces enough electricity to power 5552 homes.
- Walmart, Target and Amazon have all gone solar in Rhode Island. Target's 500 kW project in Smithfield is one of the largest corporate solar projects in the state.
- At 21.3 MW, Gold Meadow Farms in Cranston is among the largest solar installations in Rhode Island. Completed by Southern Sky Renewable Energy in 2019, this solar project has enough electric capacity to power more than 4164 homes.

Solar Companies in Rhode Island



References

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²Energy Information Administration, Electric Power Monthly: <https://www.eia.gov/electricity/monthly/#generation>

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