

# **Energy storage equipment import costs**





## Overview

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Will tariffs on imports affect solar energy development?

Tariffs on imports will increase the cost of US solar PV and energy storage technologies and slow the rate of project development, according to analysis from research firm Wood Mackenzie.

Will US tariffs affect energy storage?

There have also been indications that the US administration may consider other tariff proposals impacting energy storage, such as a 10–20% universal tariff, tariffs of up to 60% across the board on Chinese-origin goods, and tariffs of 25% on Mexican and Canadian origin goods.

How does tariff risk affect a battery energy storage system (BESS) project?

Mitigating tariff risk in battery energy storage system (BESS) projects is crucial for ensuring project financial viability, as tariff changes can significantly affect cost structures and overall project economics.

What are energy storage technologies?

Informing the viable application of electricity storage technologies, including batteries and pumped hydro storage, with the latest data and analysis on costs and performance. Energy storage technologies, store energy either as electricity or heat/cold, so it can be used at a later time.

Are battery electricity storage systems a good investment?

This study shows that battery electricity storage systems offer enormous deployment and cost-reduction potential. By 2030, total installed costs could fall between 50% and 60% (and battery cell costs by even more), driven by optimisation of manufacturing facilities, combined with better combinations and reduced use of materials.

Which international trade issues will remain a concern for energy storage



projects?

Two major areas of international trade that will remain causes of concern for energy storage projects are the application of tariffs and supply chain integrity.



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## **III. Requirements for Limited**

Energy storage export and import can provide beneficial services to the end-use customer as well as the electric grid. These capabilities can, for example, balance power flows within system ...

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