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Solar power generation and energy storage in South America

Overview

Why is solar energy important in South America?

The sun resource is one of the more abundant sources of renewable energies that stands out in South America, especially in the Atacama Desert. In this context, South American countries concentrated solar power (CSP) facilities and achieving carbon neutrality for the year 2050. As a result, solar energy facilities in the region.

How many solar PV farms are there in South America?

Figure 14 shows the spatial distribution of the number of solar PV farms in operation in each of the South American region’s countries. Chile (335), Brazil (218), Argentina (39), and Colombia (30) stand out in first place. Chile has more solar PV farms than Brazil because this country has a greater number of small-scale solar PV farms.

How many solar power plants are there in South America?

As of 2023, there is only one tower concentrated solar power (CSP) facility in operation in the South American region, located in the Atacama Desert region in Chile, with a total installed capacity of 110 MW and a time of stored energy in the form of heat equivalent to 17.5 h.

Can large solar PV facilities be implemented in Latin America?

In that sense, it is possible to implement large solar PV facilities in the region. Figure 29 shows a mapping of the future installed capacity for each of the nations in the Latin American region. Figure 29. Mapping of future facilities considering installed capacity in Latin America.

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