



Thousands of acres of farmland covered with photovoltaic panels



Overview

Read the new report to learn: How many acres of U. farmland were covered by solar panels at the end of 2024. solar development has occurred on farmland. A new report by Agricultural Economic Insights (AEI. ag Co-Founder. By 2040, urbanization through high-density and low-density residential growth is projected to consume 18. While land leases generally offer protection for landowners so that farms can be reclaimed from the solar. Agrivoltaics are the co-location of ground-mounted rows of solar photovoltaic panels to produce electricity together with raising certain types of crops or livestock or providing pollinator habitat. Across the country, solar farms have experienced rapid growth, supported by advancements in technology, cost reductions, and policy initiatives such as state-level renewable portfolio standards and tax credits. As shown in Map 1, roughly 18% of ground-mounted PV facilities in the U.



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