



Which solar thermal power generation has the highest cost



Overview

Here is a breakdown of the cost of renewable energy according to our research, ranked by least to most expensive: Compare these costs to ultra-supercritical coal, which costs \$72. 78 per megawatt-hour, more than double the cost of solar energy. On average the levelized cost of electricity from utility scale solar power and onshore wind power is less than from coal and gas-fired power stations, : TS-25 but this varies greatly by location. : 6-65 Levelized cost of energy (LCOE) is a measure of the average net present cost of. To reflect this difference, we report a weighted average cost for both wind and solar PV, based on the regional cost factors assumed for these technologies in AEO2023 and the actual regional distribution of the builds that occurred in 2021 (Table 1). Table 2 shows a full listing of the overnight. Numbers calculated by financial advisory Lazard as of June 2025 estimate price ranges for the generation of one MWh of energy by different sources.



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Types of Energy Ranked by Cost Per Megawatt Hour

Compare these costs to ultra-supercritical coal, which costs \$72.78 per megawatt-hour, more than double the cost of solar energy. And ultra-supercritical coal is a ...

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