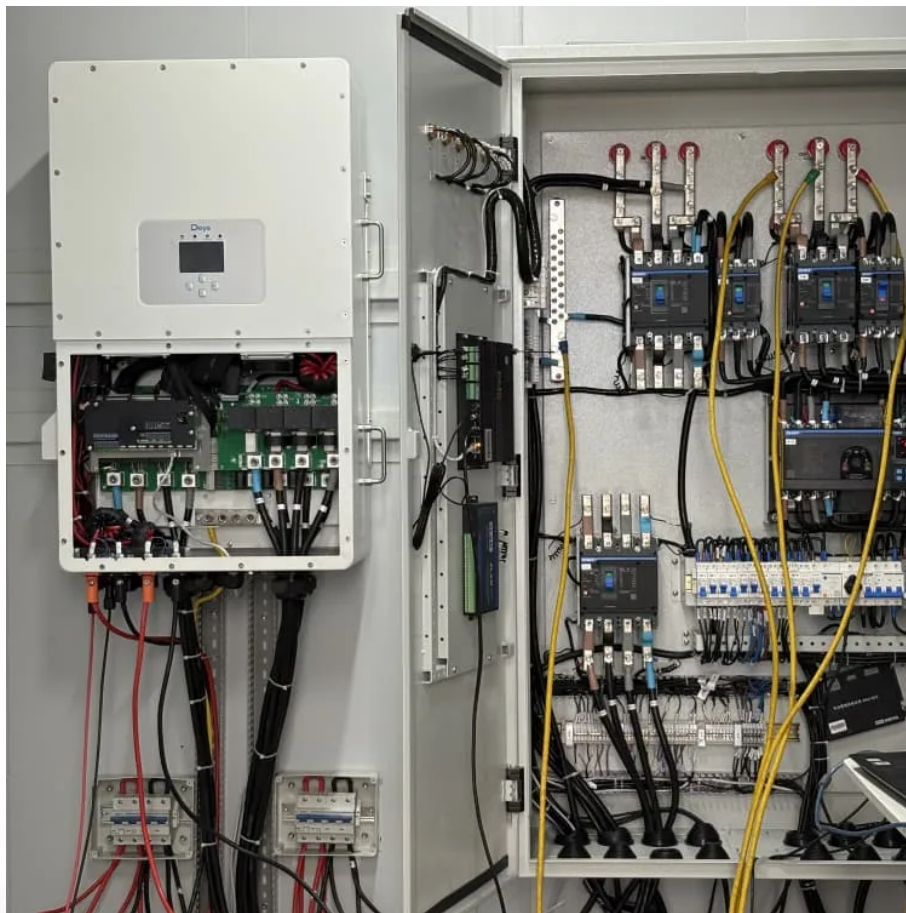


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## Overview

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How is energy stored?

**Mechanical Energy Storage:** Energy is stored through mechanical means, such as compressing air or using flywheels. Compressed Air Energy Storage (CAES) and flywheels are examples of this technology. **Hydrogen Storage:** Surplus electricity is used to produce hydrogen through electrolysis.

How to choose a storage method for a grid electricity system?

All storage technologies can reinforce the quality, stability and reliability of the grid electricity systems. However, the proper storage method should be selected based on several parameters, such as the capital and operational cost, the power density, the energy density, the lifetime and cycle life and the efficiency.

Why is energy storage important?

It helps manage hourly and seasonal variations in supply, ensuring system stability and resilience as clean energy use rises. At its core, energy storage encompasses a diverse set of technologies designed to absorb electricity during periods of excess generation and discharge it when demand exceeds supply.

How can energy storage reduce electricity consumption?

Reducing end-user demand and demand charges —Commercial and industrial electricity consumers can deploy on-site energy storage to reduce their electricity demand and associated demand charges, which are generally based on their highest observed levels of electricity consumption during peak demand periods.

What is the power capacity of a battery energy storage system?

As of the end of 2022, the total nameplate power capacity of operational utility-scale battery energy storage systems (BESSs) in the United States was 8,842 MW and the total energy capacity was 11,105 MWh. Most of the BESS power capacity that was operational in 2022 was installed after 2014, and about 4,807 MW was installed in 2022 alone.

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