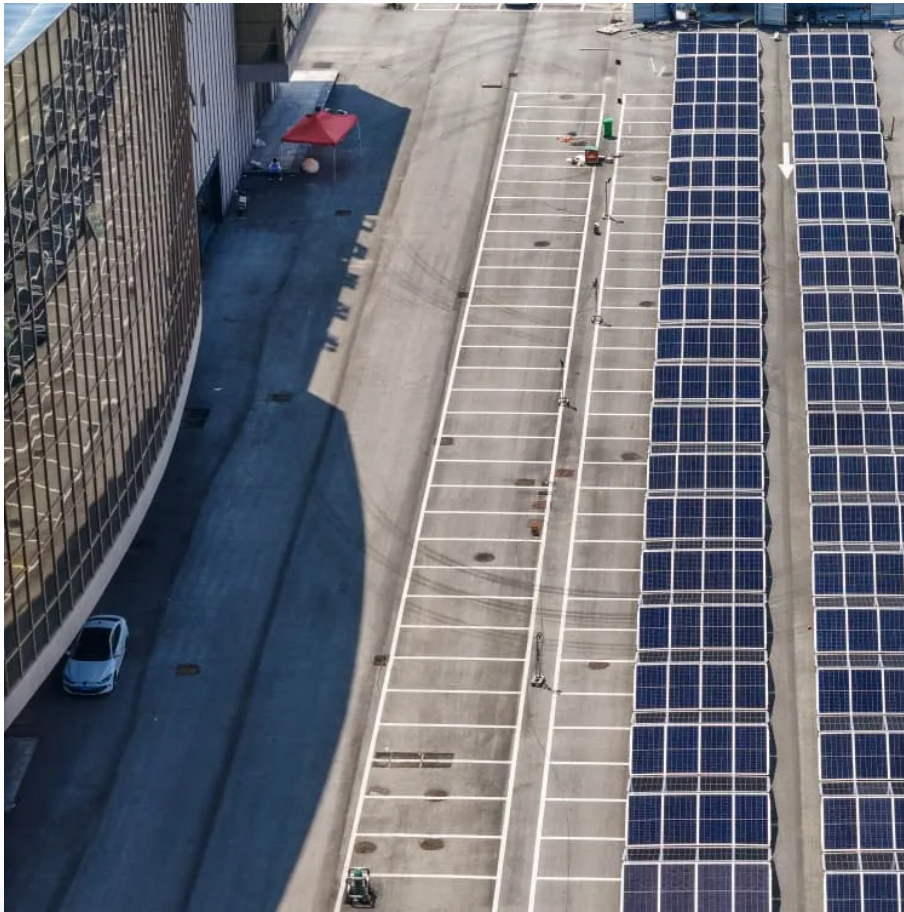


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Overview

Does Germany need energy storage systems?

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How many GW does Germany need for battery storage?

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How do storage systems work in Germany?

Most storage systems in Germany are currently used together with residential PV plants to increase self-consumption and reduce costs. Inexpensive storage systems can be built using Second-Life-Batteries (Bundesnetzagentur für Elektrizität, Gas, Telekommunikation, Post und Eisenbahnen, 2020).

How big is Germany's large-scale electricity storage?

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Do battery storage systems need a permit in Germany?

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