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Figure 1 shows the dramatic increase in annual solar capacity additions since 2014. SEIA reports that as of June 2024, 200 gigawatts (GW) of solar energy have been installed across the U.S., generating enough power for 36 million homes. In addition, solar’s share of new grid capacity has grown.

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