

2021 Long Term Forecast of Solar PV

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New Sources of Data for Behind-the Meter Solar PV Systems

• NYISO has integrated four different sources of BTM solar data

- New York Sun inventory
- NY DPS Standard Interconnection Request (SIR) inventory
- NYISO interval data for a sample of 9,400 BTM solar inverters
- California Energy Commission data on solar panels and inverters
- BTM Solar is being segmented into four size categories to better represent growth of larger sized systems
- Data and analysis occurs at county level and size category. This permits consistent aggregations from county to Zone, Subzone and Transmission District



2020 Solar PV Capacity – MW-DC Segmented by System Size



Total Capacity: 2,445 MW-DC

Half of all current installed capacity is in systems that are 250 kW and larger.

> System sizes are 0 to 20 kW 21 to 50 kW 51 to 250 kW 250 kW & Above



Evolving Trends in Capacity Growth



Evidence from both completed and pipeline projects in the NY-Sun database indicates a lower rate of growth in all system sizes less than 250 kW.

Completion dates of pipeline projects are estimated based upon average time of project completion by size.





Future growth is expected to follow the current pipeline path, with only small growth in systems less than 250 kW, which are primarily residential roof-top systems.

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Expected capacity as of December 2023

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Pipeline Capacity for Sites Less Than 250 kW in Size

Total Capacity: 177 MW-DC Through 2023

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Installed capacity of 6,000 MW-DC is reached by 2027, at a pace somewhat faster than last year's forecast due to larger system sizes being installed. Slightly lower ultimate capacity is projected long term due to decreased growth in smaller sized systems.

Annual energy is lower, due to a revised estimate of capacity factors using NYISO's sample of inverter output.

The hour of the NYCA system coincident peak will change in future years. The impact of solar PV decreases as the hour of the peak gets later in the day.

A significant amount of grid-connected solar systems are currently in the NYISO interconnection queue. What is now proved was once only imagined.77

- William Blake

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