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Overview

What is the European energy storage inventory?

In March 2025, the Commission launched the European Energy Storage Inventory, a real-time dashboard that displays energy storage levels across different European countries. It is the first European-level tool of its kind and offers energy storage data across a full range of technologies.

Why is energy storage important in the EU?

It can also facilitate the electrification of different economic sectors, notably buildings and transport. The main energy storage method in the EU is by far 'pumped hydro' storage, but battery storage projects are rising. A variety of new technologies to store energy are also rapidly developing and becoming increasingly market-competitive.

Which energy storage technology is the most popular in Europe?

Pumped hydro is the most widely used technology for energy storage in Europe and worldwide, but batteries and hydrogen have come into the spotlight over the last decade as a recent trend in the energy storage market.

Which country has the largest hydro storage capacity in Europe?

Because of water resources availability and tailored energy policies, Germany, Italy, and Spain accounted for the largest pumped hydro storage capacity in the region, ranging between over nine gigawatts in Germany and 5.6 gigawatts in Spain in 2023. Discover all statistics and data on Energy storage in Europe now on [statista.com](https://www.statista.com)!.

What percentage of Europe's energy storage capacity is pumped hydro?

However, despite an exponential growth in Europe's battery energy storage capacity, which reached 36 gigawatt-hours in 2023, pumped hydro still accounted for 90 percent of the electricity storage capacity in the European Union that year.

Which country is promoting the development of residential energy storage?

In terms of residential energy storage, the Polish government has launched Moj PRD 5.0 subsidy program to encourage the development of residential energy storage. Sweden's installed battery storage capacity is expected to grow from 503 MW in 2023 to 3.8 GW in 2030, with high revenue levels in the ancillary services market driving the market growth.

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