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# Chile EK Energy Storage Flow Battery





#### **Overview**

ESS Inc, currently the only maker in the world of a commercially available flow battery using iron electrolytes, will deploy an energy storage system with more than six hours duration to a microgrid in Chile. How many energy storage projects are in Chile?

According to a December 2023 publication on the InvestChile website, the country had 23 approved energy storage projects with a total of 3,000 MW of capacity. Chile is exploring a variety of solutions to keep abreast of the changing energy demand landscape ranging from BESS to innovative projects using CO2.

Will Chile be able to develop energy storage projects in 2024?

In 2022, Chile passed an energy storage and electromobility bill, which made stand-alone storage projects profitable, but the market is still expecting new rules on capacity payment for storage projects, which are to be approved in 2024. Chile has also put in place an auction procedure to award public land for the development of BESS projects.

What is the largest battery-based energy storage system in Latin America?

In March 2024, BESS Coya, the largest battery-based energy storage system in Latin America, started operations. The facility is located in the Antofagasta region and has a storage capacity of 638 MWh, with 139 MW of installed capacity. The project utilizes lithium-ion batteries and stores the energy generated by the 180-MW Coya photovoltaic plant.

How can Chile keep up with the changing energy demand landscape?

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How much energy will Chile have by 2026?



According to estimates of the national electric system of Chile (SEN) cited by Americas Market Intelligence, the country will have 13.2 GWh/ 2 GW (6-8-hour duration) of operating energy storage by 2026. The northern regions of Antofagasta and Atacama account for nearly 5GW of the BESS pipeline.

How many GW of solar & wind are there in Chile?

Around 9 GW of solar and wind have been commissioned in the country between 2019 and 2023, an Enerdata report dated April 2024 shows. The share of renewables in Chile's power mix has been growing at a fast pace and reached 58% in 2023.



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