

## **SolarInnovate Energy Solutions**

# How much does it cost to connect 1 watt of solar energy to the grid





#### **Overview**

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How much does solar interconnection cost?

The cost of interconnection will vary by utility company, location, and system size; for residential solar panel systems, the cost of interconnection typically ranges from no cost to a couple hundred dollars.

How much do solar panels cost?

The price of solar panels changes depending on where you live, but the average for installation is just under \$29,000 or \$2.75 per watt. On the high end, we talked to a solar customer in Hawaii who spent \$100,000 going solar. Dion in Nevada said their 10-kW system cost about \$20,000, which is about the national average price for a 7-kW system.

How much does a 5000 watt solar system cost?

A fully installed solar system typically costs \$3 to \$5 per watt before factoring in incentives like the 30% tax credit. Using this measurement, 5,000 Watt solar system (5 kW) would have a gross cost between \$15,00 and \$25,000. The price per watt for larger and relatively straightforward projects are often within the \$3-\$4 range.

How much does solar installation cost?

Installation labor accounts for around 5.5% of the total cost of a residential solar project, according to a report from the National Renewable Energy



Laboratory. That amounts to \$1,375 for a \$25,000 solar project.

How much does a solar system save on energy costs?

On average, homeowners with a complete solar system save \$41,000 to \$62,000 on total avoided energy costs over 25 years. It all depends on what your local utility charges for electricity, according to Robert Flores, a solar expert at The University of California, Irvine's Clean Energy Institute.



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