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Overview

When did Japan start funding lithium-ion batteries?

As an early technology leader, Japan began funding lithium-ion batteries, especially the development of solid-state batteries and certain types of alternative batteries. Total battery funding by NEDO between 2009–2022 (for Solid-EV and RISING 1, 2 and 3 projects) is estimated by ca. 58 billion yen.

Are lithium-ion batteries the future of energy storage?

While lithium-ion batteries have dominated the energy storage landscape, there is a growing interest in exploring alternative battery technologies that offer improved performance, safety, and sustainability .

Why should Japanese companies invest in lithium-ion batteries?

It aims to strengthen the domestic production base of liquid-electrolyte lithium batteries, increase production capacity, and secure the domestic and global market for lithium-ion batteries so that Japanese companies do not further lose the market competition before solid-state batteries are commercialised.

Why should Japan invest in storage batteries?

Energy Security: Storage batteries are key to stabilizing Japan's energy system. Given Japan's limited natural resources and dependence on imports, combined with its vulnerability to natural disasters, investing in reliable and sustainable energy solutions is critical.

What is Japan's storage battery industry strategy?

The "Storage Battery Industry Strategy" document from METI sets out three key targets: **Boost Domestic Manufacturing:** Japan aims to ramp up its domestic production of automotive storage batteries to 100 GWh by 2030, with a long-term goal of reaching 150 GWh annually. This move highlights the potential for foreign companies to invest in Japan.

Are batteries commercialised in Japan?

batteries are commercialised. Japan imports about 90% of its primary energy requirements and is vulnerable to energy supply disruptions overseas. In recent years, new energy security factors have been studied.

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