



Tariffs on photovoltaic solar panels

How are tariffs affecting the solar industry?

In April 2025, the U.S. administration implemented a series of tariffs affecting a broad range of imported goods, including critical components for solar energy systems. These tariffs, varying between 10% and 50% depending on the country of origin, have introduced new challenges for the solar industry, impacting both manufacturers and consumers.

Do solar panels have a tariff?

In 2014, tariffs were expanded to solar panels assembled using Chinese or Taiwanese cells regardless of country of origin (U.S. ITA 2014, 2015). In 2018, a 30% tariff was imposed on all major solar product exporters to the U.S. (U.S. President 2018; U.S. Trade Representative 2019). This tariff declined 5% each year to reach 15% by 2021.

How much does a tariff on a photovoltaic system cost?

When a \$1 tariff is imposed on manufacturers, the final prices of installed photovoltaic (PV) systems increase by \$1.35 (Houde & Wang 2022). Similarly, analysis of the 2018 U.S. tariff on washing machines indicates the cost of tariffs is passed to consumers at a rate above 100% (Flaaten et al. 2020).

Is the solar industry insulated from tariffs?

Although the cost to install solar in the United States is higher than elsewhere in the developed world, the industry continues to grow in the U.S. The good news is that there has been significant investment in solar manufacturing in the U.S., so the industry is somewhat insulated from the impact of tariffs.

What are the 'reciprocal day' tariffs affecting solar panels?

Updated April 29, 2025: In addition to the "Reciprocal Day" tariffs (see updates below), the solar industry learned the final determination on rates for the anti-dumping, countervailing duty (AD/CVD) case affecting crystalline silicon cells and solar panel imports from Cambodia, Malaysia, Vietnam and Thailand in late April.

Will US tariffs affect solar panels imported from Southeast Asia?

The USA Leaders 23 April 2025 Washington, DC - In a sweeping move that's sending ripples through global energy markets, the United States has announced significant tariffs on solar panels imported from Southeast Asia.

Tariffs protect domestic manufacturing jobs but reduce overall employment in the industry. Tariffs have had a net negative impact on the U.S. solar industry and environment by ...

U.S. trade officials finalized steep tariff levels on most solar cells from Southeast Asia, a key step toward wrapping up a year-old trade case in ...



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In his announcement, the President included an exemption for bifacial solar panels. This decision comes after the ITC recommended in November 2021 to extend the safeguard tariffs for an ...

The Solar Energy Industries Association estimates that 62,000 U.S. jobs, \$19 billion in private investment, and 10.5 GW of solar deployment was ...

U.S. trade officials announced on Friday a new round of tariffs on solar panel imports from four Southeast Asian nations after American ...

In 2024, Biden raised tariffs on photovoltaic cells from 25% to 50%, and imposed anti-dumping laws meant to stop U.S. companies from importing underpriced solar ...

Updated April 9, 2025: Today, the President announced a 90-day change in the reciprocal tariffs, moving all countries except China to a 10% universal tariff rate. China, in turn, was increased ...

On Monday, the U.S. Department of Commerce slapped high tariffs on solar panels and their related products coming from four Southeast Asian countries, Malaysia, Vietnam, Thailand, ...

The U.S. solar PV and storage sectors are entering a phase of major policy and market realignment. The One Big Beautiful Bill (OB BB), together with proposed tariffs on ...

In April 2025, the U.S. administration implemented a series of tariffs affecting a broad range of imported goods, including critical components ...

The U.S. announced tariffs on Malaysia, Cambodia, Vietnam, and Thailand on Monday, capping a yearlong trade probe initiated by the Biden ...

According to the White House, the tariffs will go into effect today, March 4, because the countries did not "adequately address" cartel activity. A few major U.S. solar suppliers will ...

In this article, we'll break down what the 2025 solar tariffs are, why they were introduced, and how they impact your solar projects -- whether you're planning a residential ...

Section 301 tariffs are 50% for polysilicon, wafers, and solar cells for products imported from China. The U.S. solar module market saw a 4% ...

The Biden administration has announced it is raising tariffs on solar wafers, polysilicon and some tungsten products from China to protect U.S. clean energy businesses.

U.S. trade officials this week may impose new tariffs on solar panels from four Southeast Asian nations that American manufacturers have ...

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