

# **Price of a 10kW photovoltaic container for use in African mines**





## Overview

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How much does solar PV cost in Africa?

On-grid commissioned and planned utility-scale solar PV projects between 2014 and 2018 in Africa range from around USD 1.2 to USD 4.9/W (USD 1 200 to 4 900/kW). Although Africa is currently home to a very small set of utility-scale solar PV projects, costs have been declining over time.

How much solar PV will Africa have by 2030?

IRENA estimates that with the right enabling policies, Africa could be home to more than 70 gigawatts of solar PV capacity by 2030. The report discusses challenges in policy making and proposes a co-ordinated effort to collect data on the installed costs of solar PV in Africa, across all market segments.

How much does a solar PV mini-grid cost in Africa?

Stand-alone solar PV mini-grids or solar PV-hybrid mini-grids have installed costs in Africa ranging from USD 1.9 to USD 5.9/W for systems greater than 200 kW. Solar PV mini-grids that came online in 2012 or earlier have higher costs.

What data did Irena collect for solar PV costs in Africa?

The report presents the data that IRENA was able to collect for solar PV costs in Africa. The data for utility-scale projects from the IRENA Renewable Cost Database<sup>9</sup> were the starting point for the creation of a wider dataset that encompasses the SHS and mini-grid market segments as well.



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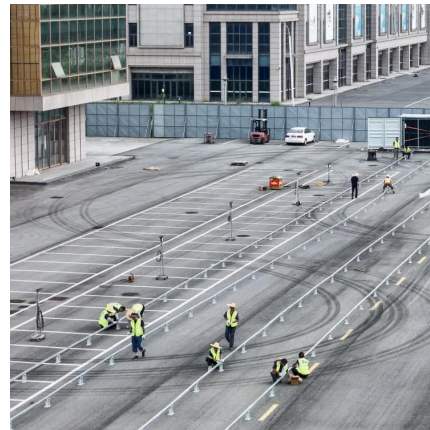


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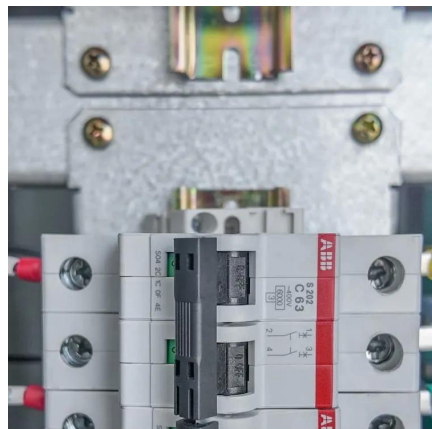
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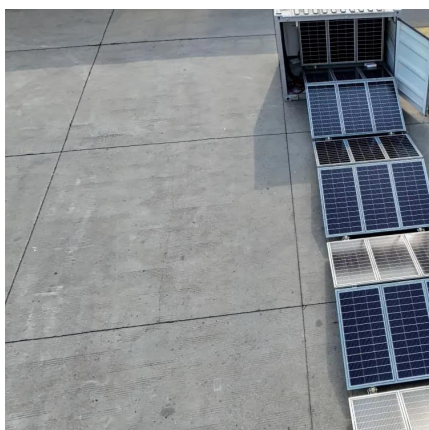
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