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Overview

How many energy storage projects are there in Europe?

There are 147 energy storage projects under construction in Europe, with a total capacity of 14 GW, according to the European Energy Storage Inventory, launched by the European Commission. The European Energy Storage Inventory comprises operational, under construction, permitted, and announced energy storage projects across Europe.

How does energy storage work in the EU?

The main energy storage method in the EU is by far 'pumped storage hydropower', which works by pumping water into reservoirs when there is an electricity surplus in the grid - for example on a sunny or windy day - and releasing it when more energy is needed.

What percentage of Europe's energy storage capacity is pumped hydro?

However, despite an exponential growth in Europe's battery energy storage capacity, which reached 36 gigawatt-hours in 2023, pumped hydro still accounted for 90 percent of the electricity storage capacity in the European Union that year.

What is the European energy storage inventory?

In March 2025, the Commission launched the European Energy Storage Inventory, a real-time dashboard that displays energy storage levels across different European countries. It is the first European-level tool of its kind and offers energy storage data across a full range of technologies.

Which country has the largest hydro storage capacity in Europe?

Because of water resources availability and tailored energy policies, Germany, Italy, and Spain accounted for the largest pumped hydro storage capacity in the region, ranging between over nine gigawatts in Germany and 5.6 gigawatts in Spain in 2023. Discover all statistics and data on Energy storage

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What is the European Commission doing about energy storage?

In 2020, the European Commission published a study on energy storage, which summarized some previous studies and reports, explored current and potential energy storage markets in Europe, and set out policy and regulatory recommendations for energy storage.

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