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# Ireland Sodium Energy Storage Power Station



## Overview

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Image: ESB. ESB Networks has announced that Ireland's electricity grid now has 1GW of energy storage available from different energy storage assets. This figure includes 731.5MW of battery energy storage system (BESS) projects and 292MW from Turlough Hill pumped storage power station - which is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year.

What will ESB's new battery plant do for Ireland?

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Are battery energy storage systems a 'great achievement' in Ireland?

ESB Networks described the project as a "great achievement for battery storage" in Ireland. Battery energy storage systems, often referred to as Bess, are regarded as a vital part of the Ireland's fledgling renewable energy sector and demand for them has never been higher.

Which battery energy storage systems are available in Ireland?

The Kylemore Battery Energy Storage System in Dublin went into operation in 2023 and has the capability of providing 30MW of fast-acting storage. The South Wall Battery Energy Storage System went live in 2023 and has the capability of providing 30MW of fast-acting energy storage.

How many GW of electricity does Ireland have?

ESB Networks also recently announced that Ireland's electricity grid now has 1

gigawatt (GW), or 1,000 MW, of electricity storage connected to Ireland's network. This figure includes 731.5MW of battery energy storage system projects and 292MW from Turlough Hill pumped storage power station.

How many MW of battery storage capacity are there in Ireland?

We currently have more than 300MWs of battery storage capacity in operation in Ireland, making it one of the largest battery portfolios in Europe. We plan to develop a pipeline of large scale battery projects, as well as additional renewable enabling technologies.

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