

What is the future of energy storage?

Storage enables electricity systems to remain in balance despite variations in wind and solar availability, allowing for cost-effective deep decarbonization while maintaining reliability. The Future of Energy Storage report is an essential analysis of this key component in decarbonizing our energy infrastructure and combating climate change.

Why is energy storage important?

Energy storage is a potential substitute for, or complement to, almost every aspect of a power system, including generation, transmission, and demand flexibility. Storage should be co-optimized with clean generation, transmission systems, and strategies to reward consumers for making their electricity use more flexible.

Can energy be stored as heat?

Most of us are familiar with electrochemical energy storage in batteries. Energy can also be stored behind hydroelectric dams (mechanical storage) or as chemicals such as ethanol or hydrogen. But it can also be stored as heat. Gabe Murtaugh, director of markets and technology at the Long Duration Energy Storage Council, said the concept is simple:

What is thermal energy storage?

Thermal energy storage is used particularly in buildings and industrial processes. It involves storing excess energy - typically surplus energy from renewable sources, or waste heat - to be used later for heating, cooling or power generation. Liquids - such as water - or solid material - such as sand or rocks - can store thermal energy.

Why do we need a co-optimized energy storage system?

The need to co-optimize storage with other elements of the electricity system, coupled with uncertain climate change impacts on demand and supply, necessitate advances in analytical tools to reliably and efficiently plan, operate, and regulate power systems of the future.

Why is heat storage important?

Heat storage also lets buildings and manufacturers buy power only when it's cheapest. The Energy Innovation report found thermal batteries could make industrial heating costs using electricity competitive with natural gas, while displacing 75 per cent of fossil fuels burned for heat by U.S. industry. What on Earth?

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