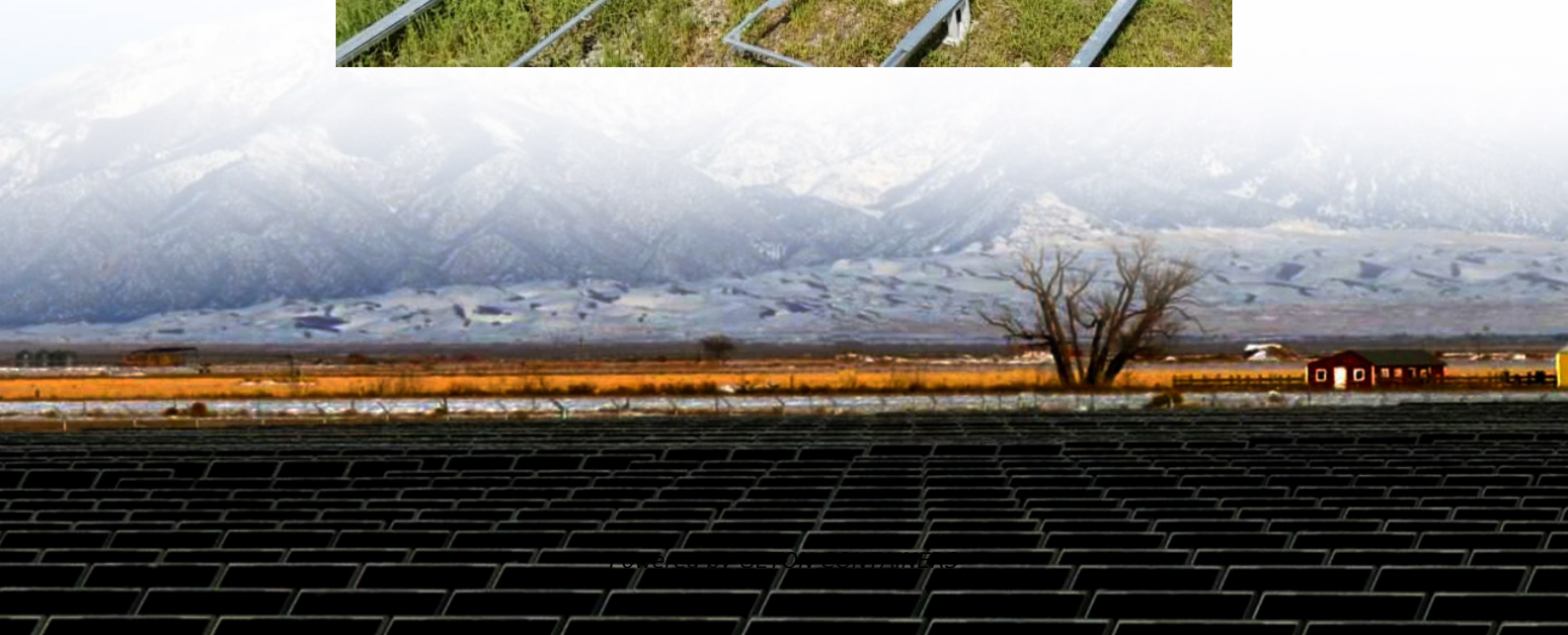


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## Overview

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Why do solar modules cost so much?

However, as the primary cost component of photovoltaic modules, the price of solar cells plays a decisive role in module pricing. Due to the oversupply of polysilicon in earlier periods, prices have been under sustained pressure since 2023, even falling below cost levels in the first half of 2024.

What factors affect the cost of photovoltaic modules?

1. Cost Factors Driving Price Fluctuations The cost of photovoltaic modules is primarily composed of solar cells, glass, encapsulation film, and labor expenses.

How much do solar panels cost?

Global solar panel pricing varies wildly. Manufacturing locations dramatically affect final costs. China produces the world's cheapest solar panels at \$0.13-\$0.18/watt. Vietnam and Malaysia follow at \$0.18-\$0.22/watt. US/EU panels cost \$0.30-\$0.50/watt. Key Insight: Cheapest doesn't mean lowest quality.

How are photovoltaic module price adjustments affecting industry players?

The current round of photovoltaic module price adjustments has imposed significant operational pressure on industry players. Leading companies, with their high R&D costs, are at a disadvantage in the price competition. Meanwhile, small and medium-sized enterprises find it challenging to endure prolonged price wars.



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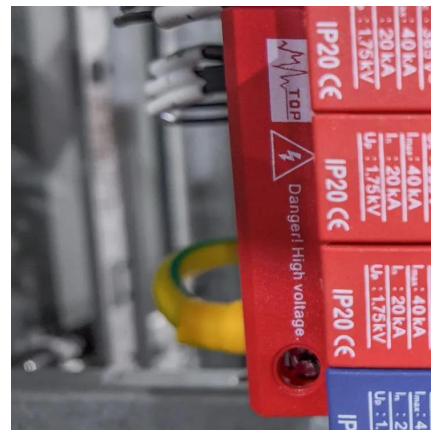
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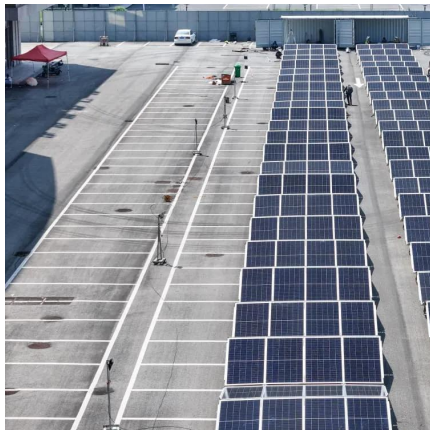
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