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Are there any energy storage power stations in the UK



Overview

As of June 2023, there are 161 operational BESS sites in the UK of varying sizes with a combined electricity storage capacity of 2.6GWh (enough to power around 5 million homes for an hour). Is the UK a good market for battery energy storage?

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How much energy storage does the UK have in 2022?

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Is the UK the world's most active battery storage market?

By Scott Poulter - The UK is known to be one of the world's most active markets for battery energy storage. In 2022, the market saw a record 800 MWh of new storage capacity being added. This took the UK's operational energy storage capacity to 2.4 GW and 2.6 GWh, spread.

What are the UK's largest energy storage projects?

Bramley BESS (Hampshire): 100 MW / 331 MWh, currently the UK's largest energy storage project. Fidra Energy (Thorpe Marsh): A 1.4 GW / 3.1 GWh BESS being built on a former coal site. Copenhagen Infrastructure Partners (CIP): Two 500 MW / 3 GWh systems planned in Scotland.

How many battery storage projects are there?

The pipeline of battery storage projects has continued to grow steadily again, from 84.4GW in December 2023 to 95.5GW in May 2024. This edition of the

EnergyPulse report on Energy Storage shows there is 8.7GW of batteries in operation and under construction and more than 30GW projects have now been consented.

How much battery storage capacity is there in the UK?

Fig 1: There is over 440 GWh of battery storage capacity in the UK pipeline including 274 GWh (61%) at the pre-planning stage. Most of the projects are in the early stages: either announced by developers, included in the TEC register, or have screening/scoping applications submitted.

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