

See how much it will cost to install solar panels for your home

Based on your:

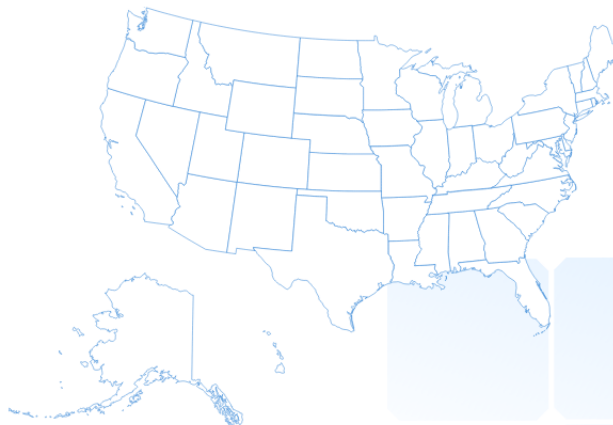
📍 Location

⚡ Electric use

🏠 Prices of the best rated solar companies near you

CALCULATE COST

🔒 No personal information required



43,000 Unbiased consumer reviews

SolarReviews has verified consumer reviews of almost every solar company nationally. We use both software and manual checks to ensure you only see reviews from real customers. Our checks weed out fake reviews written by the companies themselves, as well as false negative reviews written by their competitors.



Online cost and savings calculator

We have developed the most accurate online solar panel cost and savings calculator that shows consumers exactly how many solar panels they need, as well as average local prices for a system of that size, estimated savings, and their payback period.

Excellent



Expert ratings of solar installers

Consumer reviews alone don't reliably measure the quality of a company. Many installers offer incentives for positive reviews, drowning out negative reviews and inflating their review score. To counter this – and provide consumers a rigorous, data-based assessment – we have developed an expert rating score for solar installers based on several ranking factors.



Unfiltered reviews

We refuse to allow any solar company to pay us to hide bad reviews. These same companies often say other reviews websites have allowed them to do so, but we won't stand for these untrustworthy practices.



Expert ratings of manufacturers

When it comes to solar panel equipment, reviews are of limited value. Consumers leave reviews immediately after their solar system is installed, but the panels last for 25 years or more. To provide a more comprehensive view, we have designed an expert rating system for solar manufacturers based on select key criteria.



The best solar companies

SolarReviews is committed to ensuring that unscrupulous business operators don't give the solar industry a bad name. If you decide to seek quotes through our site, we will only connect you with pre-screened solar installers that we trust.

KNOW BEFORE YOU BUY

The best place to research & shop for solar panels for your home



Expert insights

Read honest, professional opinions, backed up by the latest industry data, from our in-house solar experts.



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Genuine reviews

See what verified customers say about each of your local solar companies before you make a purchase.

The best balance of privacy and price competition

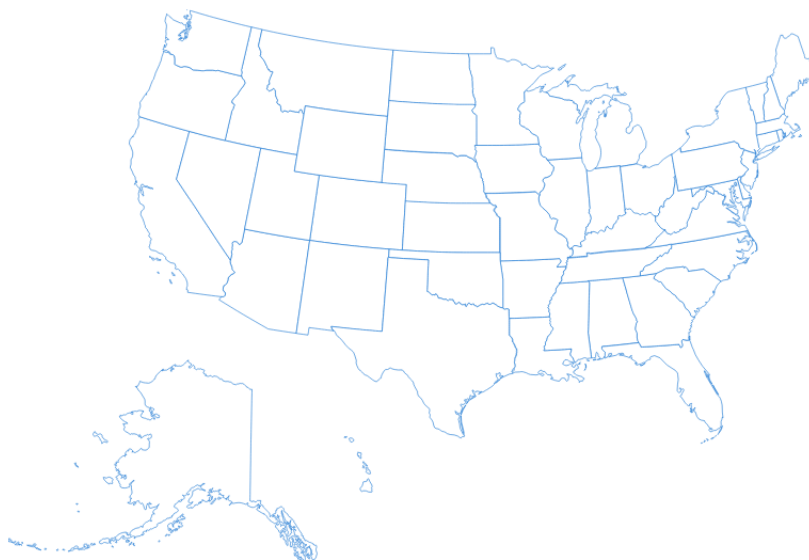
You do not need to provide any personal information to see an accurate solar panel cost and savings estimate on SolarReviews. After seeing the estimate, you can request bids from installers with the option to choose as few as one, or as many as four. No other solar marketplace gives you this choice.

[Show the best solar companies near me >](#)

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Find installers in your state

Go



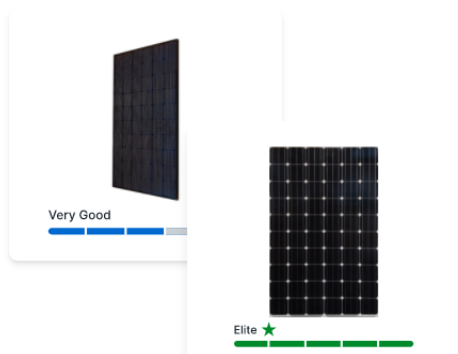
COMPARE SOLAR MANUFACTURERS

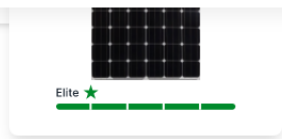
Expert rating scores for solar panel manufacturers

Our scoring methodology rates solar manufacturing companies on technical factors that are unlikely to be considered in customer reviews, offering consumers valuable insight into the actual quality of a solar brand.

SolarReviews Expert Rating Score: Elite ★

Rating breakdown





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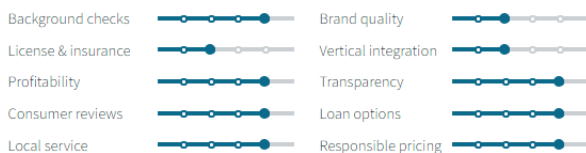
TRUSTED QUALITY

Expert rating scores for solar panel installers

We have developed an installer rating system that offers insight beyond what's available in other public sources of information. Consumers can use our scores to choose the right solar installer for their exact needs.

SolarReviews Expert Rating Score: Excellent

Rating breakdown



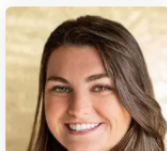
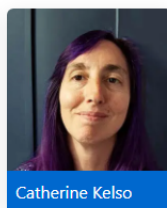
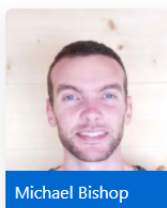
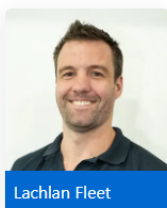
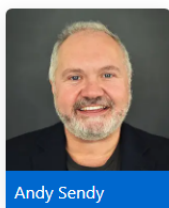
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Increased price competition, the best companies, no commission

Find companies that have:

- ✓ Been in business 5+ years
- ✓ Verified license and insurance
- ✓ Excellent review scores
- ✓ An office near you

SolarReviews partners with around 800 solar companies, most of which are local and family-owned. We do not earn commission on sales, although we do receive a small referral fee if you request a quote from any of our partner installers.

Solar companies know that they have to be competitive when bidding on referrals from SolarReviews. This price competition and our rigorous process to select solar companies to partner with makes SolarReviews the best place to shop for solar panels.

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Solar Panel Cost and Savings Calculator

Updated: January 5, 2022

Using only your zip code and utility company, our solar calculator will provide you with an accurate solar savings analysis.

Enter your home details

Zip code

Monthly Bill

\$200



Roof Direction

Electric Utility

Desired electric offset

100%



Roof Pitch

(Enter your zipcode to continue)

CALCULATE

System and Savings Details

Number of solar panels needed



Recommended system size



Payback period



25 year net savings

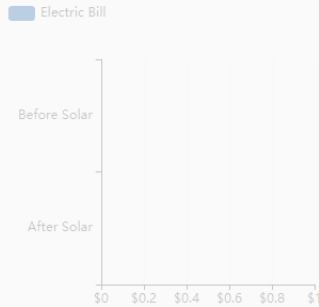


Savings from incentives



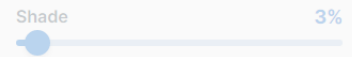
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Monthly Electric Bill Comparison



Assumptions

Production



To update roof pitch or direction, reset the calculator here.

Savings

Cost

Financing

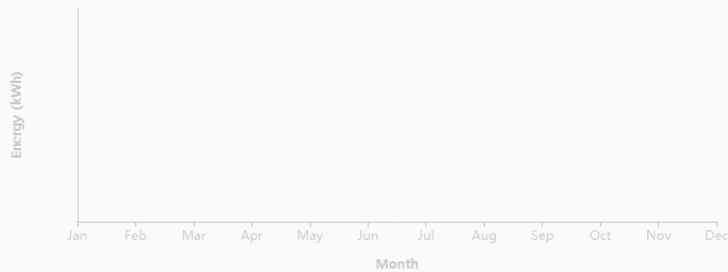
Solar Generation and Usage

Your current Annual Electric Use

Energy Production from Solar System

Annual Summer Weekday Winter Weekday

Electric Usage Solar Production



Battery Backup Details

Calculate how much you can save with solar panels

Average 25 year solar savings: **\$52,454**

Average solar panel cost: **\$15,808 - \$19,320***

Average year 1 electric bill savings: **\$2,098**

Estimate solar panel cost and savings based on your location, roof and power use.

*Solar panel savings by location, solar panel manufacturer, system size and the amount of electricity your home uses. Cost shown after ITC tax credit.

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Your utility company and solar panels

Updated: October 22, 2020

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Cost & savings calculator

Are solar panels worth it as a customer of your utility?

One of the big issues we try and bring to light here at SolarReviews is just how attractive the investment return can be from installing solar panels on your home. With the 26% tax credit still available until the end of 2020, and around 30 states having net metering programs in place that pay you either full retail rates, or close to it, for excess solar power that you export to the grid, the opportunity exists to make a tidy profit whilst also helping fight climate change.

Calculating solar savings can be difficult because savings depend on many factors including your location (different locations get different amounts of sun), the suitability of your roof for solar panels, local rebates and incentives, how and when you use electricity in your house, the structure of the utility electric rate plan you are on (tiered or time of use), the amount charged per kilowatt hour (kwh) by your utility and the amount your utility pays for excess solar power exported to the grid

This why we here at SolarReviews have created utility specific solar calculators for use by customers of each of the major electric utilities in America. These solar panels savings calculators take into account all the factors above to produce an online savings estimate and to provide a comfortable way to seek further information from some of the leading solar companies servicing your area if you want to investigate these savings further. Select your utility below to get started.

Solar panel cost calculator

START

Cost & savings calculator

GET STARTED

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It may be that solar isn't the only way you can reduce your electric utility bill. It may be possible to make savings by:

- Swapping to a rate plan that is cheaper for your usage; and/or
- Implementing energy efficiency measures

However, installing solar will usually be the single most effective thing you can do to reduce your electric bill and the option that can achieve the greatest savings.

How much can you save with your utility?



If you can't find your utility in the list above check back regularly as we continue adding to this list.

Solar panel savings as a customer of your utility for your specific home

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