

Why should solar PV be harmonised?

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<div class="df_qntext">How much CO₂ does a solar PV system emit?

The life cycle GHG emissions range from 98.3 to 149.3 g CO₂ eq /kWh with a mean value of 123.8 g CO₂ eq /kWh. The largest emissions contribution is due to the manufacturing of batteries, 54% of the total emissions. The solar PV system offers a mean energy payback time of 3.8 years (with a range of 3.3 to 4.2 years).

<div class="df_qntext">How does the lifetime of a solar PV system affect emissions?

As the lifetime of the solar PV modules increases, allowing the system to produce more electricity during the life cycle, the overall GHG emissions of the system are expected to decrease. The lifetime sensitivity can vary by up to 24.2 gCO₂ eq/kWh.

<div class="df_qntext">Why should solar PV be harmonised?

o Total life cycle GHG emissions from solar PV systems are similar to other renewables and nuclear energy, and much lower than coal. Harmonization increases the precision of life cycle GHG emission estimates for c-Si and TF PV, reducing variability in the interquartile range (75th minus 25th percentile value) by 65%.

<div class="df_qntext">What are the environmental impacts of solar PV?

Apart from GHG emissions and mitigation, the environmental impacts of the entire solar PV industry chain vary both spatially and temporally.

<div class="df_qntext">Do PV power plants emit a lot of GHGs?

Comparing life cycle stages and proportions of GHG emissions from each stage for PV and coal shows that, for coal-fired power plants, fuel combustion during operation emits the vast majority of GHGs. For PV power plants, the majority of GHG emissions are upstream of operation in materials and module manufacturing.

<div class="df_qntext">Can grid-connected utility-scale solar PV help decarbonize energy?

The system shows a net energy production with a net energy ratio up to 6.6. The life cycle GHG emissions range from 98.3 to 149.3 g CO₂ eq /kWh. Grid-connected utility-scale solar PV has emerged as a potential pathway to ensure deep decarbonization of electricity in regions with fossil fuel-dominated energy mixes.

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Analysts developed and applied a systematic approach to review LCA literature, identify primary sources of variability and, where possible, reduce variability in life cycle GHG emissions estimates through a ...

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