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New U.S. Electric Generating Capacity Expected to Reach a Record High in 2026.

U.S. power plant developers and operators plan to add 86 gigawatts (GW) of new utility-scale electric generating capacity to the U.S. power grid in 2026 in the Energy Information Administration's latest Preliminary Monthly Electric Generator Inventory report, a record if realized.

Solar power makes up 51% of the planned 2026 capacity additions, followed by battery storage at 28% and wind at 14%.

In 2025, 53 GW of new capacity was added to the grid, the largest capacity installation in a single year since 2002.

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