

# Energy storage building

What is thermal energy storage?

Thermal energy storage (TES) is a critical enabler for the large-scale deployment of renewable energy and transition to a decarbonized building stock and energy system by 2050.

What are the benefits of thermal energy storage?

Advances in thermal energy storage would lead to increased energy savings, higher performing and more affordable heat pumps, flexibility for shedding and shifting building loads, and improved thermal comfort of occupants.

Is thermal energy storage a building decarbonization resource?

NREL is significantly advancing the viability of thermal energy storage (TES) as a building decarbonization resource for a highly renewable energy future. Through industry partnerships, NREL researchers address technical barriers to deployment and widespread adoption of TES in buildings.

What is thermal energy storage R&D?

BTO's Thermal Energy Storage R&D programs develop cost-effective technologies to support both energy efficiency and demand flexibility.

How many MWh can a thermal energy storage system store?

The baseline system is designed for economical storage of up to a staggering 26,000 MWh of thermal energy. With modular design, storage capacity can be scaled up or down with relative ease.

What is inter-office energy storage?

The project is a collaboration between the Department of Energy's Vehicle Technologies Office, Building Technologies Office, and Solar Energy Technologies Office to provide foundational science for cost-effective design and operation of hybrid thermal and electrochemical energy storage systems.

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