



# Rural photovoltaic solar panel installation wages

How much does a solar panel installer make?

While Salary.com is seeing that Solar Panel Installer salary in the US can go up to \$80,998 or down to \$46,533, but most earn between \$52,521 and \$70,561. Salary.com shows the average base salary (core compensation), as well as the average total cash compensation for the job of Solar Panel Installer in the United States. What should I Pay ?

How much does a solar technician make?

While Salary.com is seeing that Solar Technician salary in the US can go up to \$111,330 or down to \$76,015, but most earn between \$83,969 and \$102,455. Salary.com shows the average base salary (core compensation), as well as the average total cash compensation for the job of Solar Technician in the United States. What should I Pay ?

How much does solar installation labor cost?

According to the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) cost benchmarks, installation labor costs represent a small percentage of total solar project costs, ranging from 7-11% in the residential market, depending on location.

Do residential solar projects cost more in Nevada?

In Nevada, residential solar project costs are actually lower than in neighboring Arizona, despite wages being 29% higher. This indicates that higher residential wages do not necessarily lead to higher project costs. Prevailing wage would likely have the greatest impact on total costs in the residential sector.

Does prevailing wage increase solar labor rates?

Prevailing wage in solar increases labor rates by 5-109% (when accounting for total compensation packages including healthcare, pension, and worker training contributions, and with a standard ratio of one apprentice to five journey-level workers). Our review of non-prevailing wage and prevailing wage in solar in Illinois indicated this.

What is the average yearly wage for solar workers?

In Denver, CO, for instance, laborers earn \$14-17/hour, carpenters earn \$18-21/hour, operating engineers earn \$19-21/hour, ironworkers earn \$31/hour, and electricians earn \$37/hour. The average solar wage is lower when solar work is distributed across various trades.

Like all professions, solar installer's salary depends largely on experience: Entry-level solar installers make \$16.89 per hour or \$35,131 per year. Early-career solar installers make \$18.82 per hour or \$39,145 per year. Mid-career solar ...

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