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Are battery energy storage systems a viable alternative for Chilean power producers?

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How much does a battery cost in Chile?

In fact, batteries charged at nearly \$0/MWh during the day in the sunny, northern desert regions of Chile, sell energy at night for over \$100/MWh. Although projects such as Engie's BESS Coya are already enjoying these large spreads, this capacity payment will partially de-risk Chile's dependence on volatile, but still profitable, merchant revenues.

How long does a battery last in Chile?

Moreover, the lack of an ancillary services market in Chile discourages shorter duration batteries (1-2 hours) as seen in the US and Europe. The general industry consensus is to maximize the availability of the battery and focus on 2-3 revenue streams instead of 4 to 5 (e.g., energy arbitrage, capacity payment, and frequency reserve).

How many Bess projects are there in Chile?

This momentum is reflected in the data: AMI estimates that there is a 7.7 GW pipeline of BESS projects in Chile, far and away the most advanced front of the meter (FTM) storage market in Latin America. Only 505 MW of BESS projects are currently operational in the entire region.

Chile is now on track to become the second-largest battery market in the Americas, following the United States. As of this year, the Latin American nation has switched on 12 storage projects,...

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largest in Chile, the utility said on Wednesday.

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Global players are also expanding their footprint in Chile, with Engie's 337MW wind farm with 291.2MW of BESS, EDF Renewables' 416MW wind, 198MW solar and a battery storage system, Stakraft's 671MW solar plant with BESS being some notable examples. Standalone battery storage projects are also gaining traction.

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It will be paired with the 88MW Capricornio solar PV plant in the Antofagasta region in the north, which sits within the Atacama desert region, often called the "sunniest place on earth". Engie said the BESS will provide security and flexibility to the National Electricity System (SEN) of Chile once online in the first half of 2025.

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