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Does China Export solar equipment to Africa?

Rodger Bosch/Agence France-Presse -- Getty Images China's solar exports to Africa are surging. Over the course of the past year, Chinese companies shipped out solar equipment to a vast range of countries on the continent, according to an analysis of Chinese export data by Ember, an energy tracking group.

Are Chinese solar panels exported to different countries?

Jones tracks the value of Chinese solar panels exported to different countries using Chinese customs data. In the first five months of 2025, he found at least 22 African countries imported more solar panels than they did during the same period last year, with most of them doubling the amount.

How many solar panels did Africa Import in 2025?

Africa's solar panel imports set a new record in the 12 months to June 2025, reaching 15,032 MW-- a 60% increase on the 9,379 MW imported in the preceding 12 months. The last time imports surged was in 2023, when South Africa solar imports picked up as the power crisis hit its peak.

Could China's solar panels help meet Africa's energy needs?

From Algeria on the Mediterranean coast to landlocked Zambia in the south, countries across Africa have been importing significantly more solar panels from China this year than in the past, which analysts say could be the start of a massive effort to help meet the continent's power demands with renewable energy instead of fossil fuels.

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Africa imported over 15GW of panels from China in the 12 months to June 2025, a 60% increase over the imports recorded in the prior year.

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Imports from China may account for the bulk of solar sold in Africa, but the report also highlights growth in PV manufacturing capacity across the continent.

Instead, solar and battery systems from China are powering entire businesses, from automobile assembly plants to wineries, gold mines, and shopping malls in Africa's biggest ...

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