

Photovoltaic panels are blocked by glass



Overview

A solar system with a broken glass panel often continues to work. However, even though broken solar panels may still generate electricity, their efficiency is significantly compromised. Damaged solar panel glass can lead to reduced sunlight absorption. Scientists and researchers at NREL, including Timothy Silverman and Elizabeth Palmiotti, are investigating early failure in dual-glass PV modules. In a feature article for PV Tech. We have seen cases of the glass in solar panels (photovoltaic [PV] modules) breaking differently, and more often, than it did 5 years ago. Glass breakage is a growing concern for the solar power plant operators. With the trend towards double glass sided modules as seen in Bifacials, or TOPCon with double glass sided. Yes, the sixth annual PV Module Index Report from RETC had some troubling findings, headlined by reports that spontaneous module glass breakage in fielded projects is increasing.

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