Solar power has become a low-cost source of electricity generation in Illinois, providing new jobs, new businesses, and new economic development in the state. Locals benefit from powering the economy with solar energy.

88% Decrease in the cost of solar since 2009  
30th in the nation for installed solar

276 MW Installed solar capacity in IL  
$685.75M Total solar investment in IL

317 Illinois solar companies  
0.17% of IL powered by solar energy

5,917 Solar jobs in Illinois  
41,110 Homes powered by solar power

More and more utilities, corporations and the general public want electricity produced from clean, renewable energy, including solar. Some of the United States’ largest corporations have invested in projects in Illinois, including Target and IKEA.

Solar is a new cash crop for farmers. Solar power only takes up a small amount of land and provides a new source of income for landowners and rural communities.

Sources: Solar Energy Industry Association, State by State Map.  