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.

- **90%** Decrease in the cost of solar since 2009
- **26th** in the nation for installed solar
- **374 MW** Installed solar capacity in IL
- **$887.68M** Total solar investment in IL

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.

- **301** Illinois solar companies
- **0.27%** of IL powered by solar energy
- **5,917** Solar jobs in Illinois
- **54,608** Homes powered by solar power

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.