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How big is China's ground-mounted solar power station?

The tool shows China ground mounted solar facilities occupied a surface of 2,467.7 km² at the end of December 2020. Scientists led by the China Agricultural University have created a national-scale map and dataset of ground-mounted PV power stations in China.

Does China have a solar power plant?

China's newly installed photovoltaic capacity has ranked first in the world in recent years. Timely and accurate monitoring of the spatiotemporal distribution characteristics of solar power plants is essential to optimize China's renewable energy power distribution and achieve carbon reduction targets.

Does China need a comprehensive map of PV power plants?

With the world's highest cumulative and fastest built PV capacity, China needs to assess the environmental and social impacts of these established PV power plants. However, a comprehensive map regarding the PV power plants' locations and extent remains scarce on the country scale.

How many PV power stations are there in China?

"According to our dataset, China has a total of 2,467.7 km² ground-mounted PV power stations in 2020. The top three largest provinces refer to Xinjiang, Inner Mongolia, and Qinghai, whose PV area ratios are 14.92%, 12.49%, and 11.26%, respectively, with a total of nearly 40% of all the PV power stations in China," the academics explained.

How many ground-mounted PV power stations are there in China?

According to our dataset, China has a total of 2467.7 km² ground-mounted PV power stations in 2020. The top three largest provinces refer to Xinjiang, Inner Mongolia and Qinghai, whose PV area ratio are 14.92%, 12.49% and 11.26%, respectively, with a total of nearly 40% of all the PV power stations of China.

Where are PV power plants located in China?

Eventually, we established a map of PV power plants in China by 2020, covering a total area of 2917 km². We found that most PV power plants were situated on cropland, followed by barren land and grassland, based on the derived national PV map. In addition, the installation of PV power plants has generally decreased the vegetation cover.

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