Solar as a Development Tool

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Minnesota Made Solar Value Chain

- > Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs)
- > Component OEMs
- > Component Suppliers
- > Wholesalers/Distributors
- > Sales/Installation/Maintenance/Service





OEMs – Solar PV and Thermal Original Equipment Manufacturers.

Solar PV

tenK – Silicon Energy

Solar thermal water heating

Solar Skies

Solar thermal space heating

RREAL – Energy Conservation Products - Heatwave





Other OEMs

- Backup Power Source in Slayton
 - Manufacturing battery storage devices
- Mouli Engineering in Eagan
 - Producing the Solar Pod





Component OEM's

The solar industry value chain extends far beyond OEM manufacturers.

- Glass
- Hardware
- Electrical components

- > Aluminum Frames
- Gaskets
- > Sealants





- > Atlas Manufacturing located in Minneapolis
 - Supplies enclosures for other solar OEMs.
- Crenlo a Rochester based company
 - Inverter housings out of sheet metal.
- American Polywater a Stillwater based company
 - Makes sealants and lubricants for the solar industry.





Minnesota Made Component Suppliers

- Fastenal out of Winona for nuts and bolts
- DigiKey in Thief River Falls for electrical components
- Control Concepts Inc. of Chanhassen
- Midwest Safety Solutions of Prior Lake





VALUE CHAIN

System Solution Design

- Design and develop solar solutions
- Customize solutions
- Configuration Standalone systems; grid connection etc.
- Feasibility reports
- Project implementation support

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Equipment Supply

- Source Equipments -Tie-ups with Manufacturers
- Secure supply of good quality and low cost modules
- Procure balance of system components battery, inverter, cables, electrical components from vendors

Distribution &

- System assembly and installation
- Adhere to standards & specifications
- Install and connect the system through meters and other equipments

Maintenance & Service

- Provide quick and high quality service at customer end
- Local infrastructure inplace to respond to breakdowns or any other problems

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- Cost competitiveness
- Product design
- Assure high reliability, efficiency and performance
- Good quality service

Competitive edge

Wholesalers/Distributors

- > Elk River Winlectric in Elk River
- Werner Electric in Cottage Grove
- Simpleray in Saint Paul





Sales/Installation/Maintenance/Service

- Installers
- > Electricians
- > Plumbers
- > Engineers
- > Finance

- > Roofers
- > Integrators
- > Sales
- Marketing
- Accountants





National Solar Jobs Census 2013

Baseline survey conducted by The Solar Foundation came out on February 11th.

thesolarfoundation.org





- > 864 solar workers
- > 73% employment growth over 2012
- Statewide job growth of 2% over same period
- Anticipation of additional 250 jobs in next 12 mos.
- > That's another 28% job growth in 2014
- 1 in 4 employers expecting to add jobs



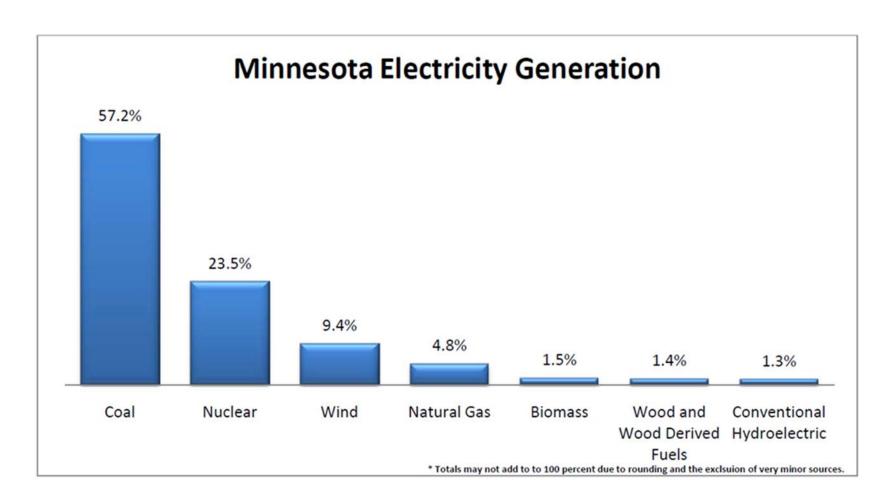


Interesting finding:

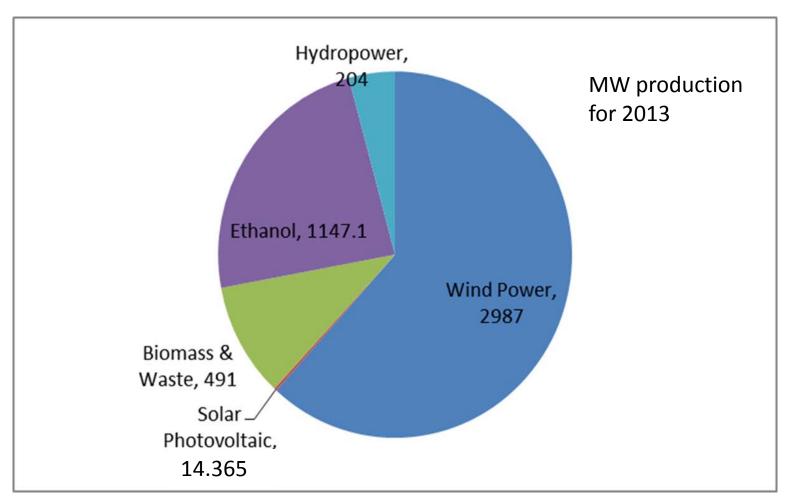
- Minnesota firms are more likely to be engaged in both solar and non-solar activities.
- Only 20.5% earning all of their revenue from solar goods or services.
- Compared to 44% nationally.







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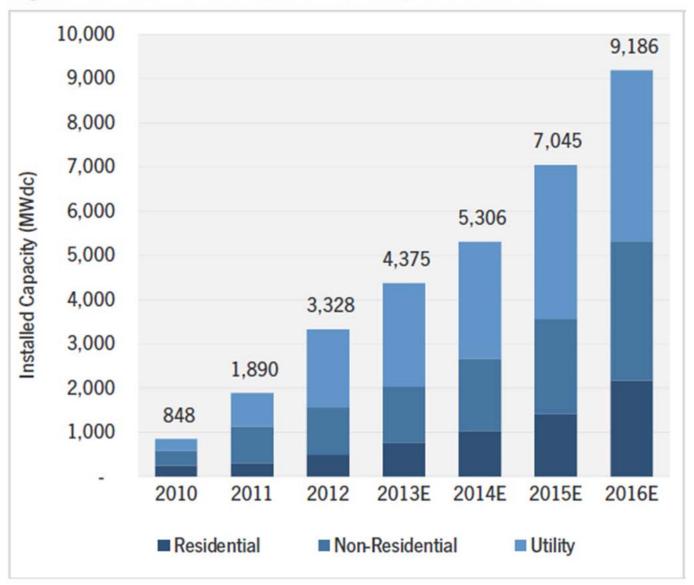
Solar Energy Standard

- > 1.5% solar by 2020
- Applies to Public Utilities (IOUs)
- Approx. 400 MW by 2020 (estimate)
- > 10% carve out for smaller solar (< 20 kW)
- ➤ Goal of 10% solar by 2030





Figure 2.8 U.S. PV Installation Forecast, 2010-2016E



Complete forecast through 2017 by state and market segment available in Full Report

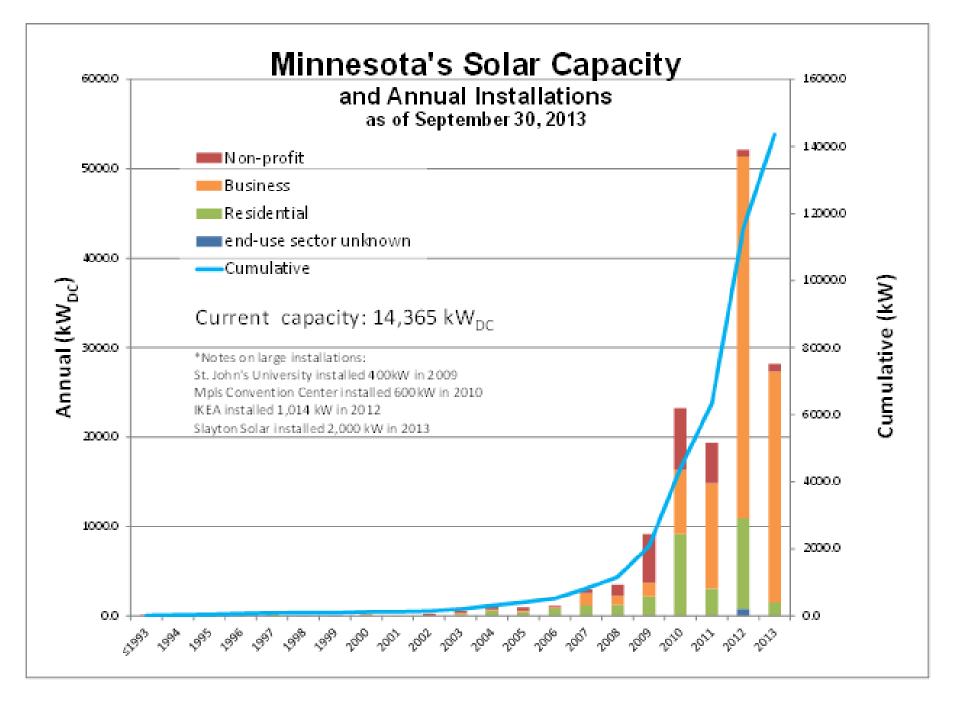


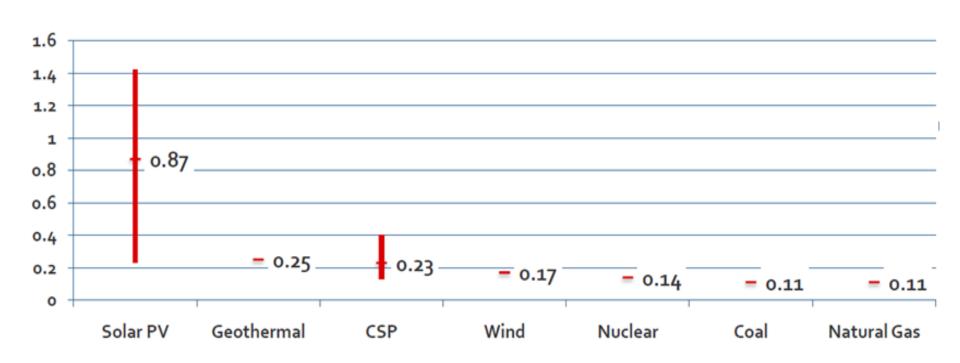
Figure 2.6 U.S. PV Installations By Market Segment, 2010-2012



The Solar Foundation's National Job Census 2013

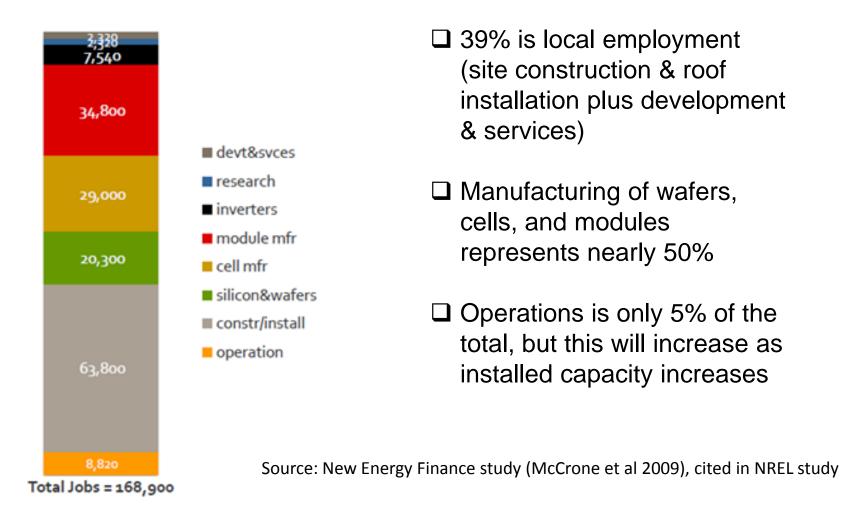
Jobs per MW: Solar PV is Universally Recognized as Creating More Jobs Per Unit of Energy Produced Than Any Other Energy Source.

Average Direct Job/Years Per GWh



Most of Global PV Employment is in Construction/Installation & Module Manufacturing.

Global PV and Direct & Indirect Employment



- Robust value chain
- > The industry is growing rapidly
- > Room for expansion and development





Questions and Feedback

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