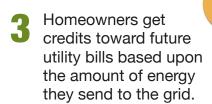
NET METERING IN WYOMING

Net metering is a policy that allows **owners of small, on-site renewable energy systems** (homes, schools, and businesses) to **get credit** for the **extra power they supply** to the electricity grid. Netmetered customers still pay monthly electric bills, including a monthly hook-up fee.

HOW IT WORKS





On a sunny day rooftop solar panels generate electricity for homeowners to lower their energy costs.



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If more energy is produced than the home needs the extra electricity is sent to the grid so it can be used by neighbors.

WHY IT MATTERS



Wyoming ranks **43rd** in the country for solar jobs per capita, yet has the **eighth** best solar resource. Wyoming could do far more to grow jobs in this industry.



Rooftop solar energy reduces harmful air pollutants and emissions.



According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, rooftop solar is one of the **fastest growing career fields** in the country.



Net-metered systems in Wyoming are capped at a capacity of 25KW — about the capacity needed to serve a small Main Street business.



Studies have shown that rooftop solar can help others on the grid by producing energy when demand is high and lowering transmission and generation costs.



Net-metered systems are designed to serve individual homeowners. They are not large-scale utility projects.



There are currently 12 small businesses in Wyoming that provide rooftop solar installations, supporting approximately 150 local jobs.



Rooftop solar is unique because it uses an existing structure's footprint instead of disturbing Wyoming's open spaces and important wildlife habitat.



Rooftop solar businesses have room to grow in Wyoming. Currently, only about 4 in 1,000 homeowners in Wyoming have rooftop solar.