

Title: News on photovoltaic panel theft

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Are solar panels stolen?

By way of example, in August, solar panels worth approximately  $\text{R}10\,500$  were stolen from an energy farm in Northamptonshire. Solar panel theft is not limited to large scale and commercial solar farms either - homes in remote areas are also vulnerable, with thieves reportedly swiping panels from people's roofs. Why?

Is solar theft a problem in the UK?

Rural theft has long been an issue in the UK. It is a sinister practice, with repercussions that are as much emotional, as they are commercial. After all, for a small farm, solar panels are a huge investment. Not only that, but if solar theft is not brought under control, it will delay the country from reaching its net zero goals.

Is there a rise in solar theft in 2021 & 2022?

Cable theft Taylor, presenting at a Solar Crime Open Day event organized by site security company DeterTech and London-based asset manager Schroders, reported a 48% rise in cabling and solar panel theft from solar sites between 2021 and 2022.

Are criminals looking at solar panels?

And alongside machinery, recent figures from the UK police suggest criminals have set their sights on another lucrative opportunity - solar panels. Solar is currently only a small part of the UK's energy mix, but its share is growing, with estimates from Solar Energy UK suggesting the total solar capacity stands at 15 GW.

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