



Photovoltaic panel import tariffs

What are solar panel import tariffs?

Solar panel import tariffs are primarily intended to support the development of a new U.S.-based solar module manufacturing supply chain, which is financially backed by the Inflation Reduction Act. This act introduces a series of tax credits designed to bolster domestic manufacturers. For solar modules, the credits are as follows:

Will USTR impose tariffs on imported solar cells & modules?

On January 23, 2018, USTR announced that the President had approved recommendations to provide relief to U.S. manufacturers and impose safeguard tariffs on imported solar cells and modules, based on the investigations, findings, and recommendations of the independent, bipartisan U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC).

Why are US solar tariffs affecting global solar prices?

The U.S. tariff decisions follow a surge in Chinese exports which have driven down global solar prices and raised fears over the future of U.S. and European solar manufacturers. Global panel prices fell almost 50% last year, according to the International Energy Agency (IEA).

Did Obama impose tariffs on Chinese solar panels?

Recent US presidential administrations from both parties have levied tariffs on imported solar panels. In 2012, the Obama administration imposed tariffs on Chinese solar manufacturers under anti-dumping and countervailing duty (AD/CVD) laws.

Why are tariffs affecting crystalline silicon PV modules?

The tariffs are considered a major factor in the more than tripling of crystalline silicon module assembly capacity in the U.S. between 2018 and 2020, and also in the recent scale-up of cadmium telluride module manufacturing by First Solar. That U.S. company benefited from the increased market price of competing crystalline silicon PV modules.

Did Trump impose a 'safeguard' tariff on bifacial solar panels?

President Trump imposed these "safeguard" tariffs in 2018, although a subsequent exemption of bifacial solar panels (increasingly used in utility-scale solar) and increase in the quota that can be imported duty-free has diminished its effects.

Customs duty on solar panels. Payment of customs duties is one of the importer's many obligations. Customs codes and tariff rates can be found in the tariff systems - TARIC (Integrated Tariff of the European Communities) in case of ...

These four countries accounted for more than 75 percent of total US solar panel imports last year. The AD/CVD are just one of many categories of tariffs or import restrictions applied to Chinese solar equipment.

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All other exporters face provisional levies of 286.1%. A month ago, the Canadian International Trade Tribunal ruled out that the imports of Chinese modules and laminates in Canada have ...

India imposed the 40% solar panel import tax in April 2022 and a 25% tax on solar cells to discourage Chinese imports, in line with Prime Minister Narendra Modi's plan to become more self-reliant ...

The Office of the President has turned its focus to solar panels, announcing the removal of the bifacial solar panel Section 301 tariff exclusion and addressing issues of stockpiling during trade ...

Clean Energy Associates released a summary of the seven solar module trade policies and solar panel import tariffs currently in place, including AD/CVD rulings, Section 201/302, and the...

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