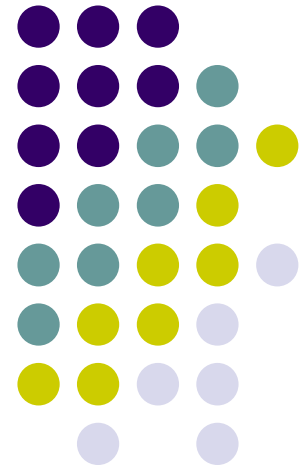


# Scottsdale Solar Energy Trends

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# Solar Permits - 2021

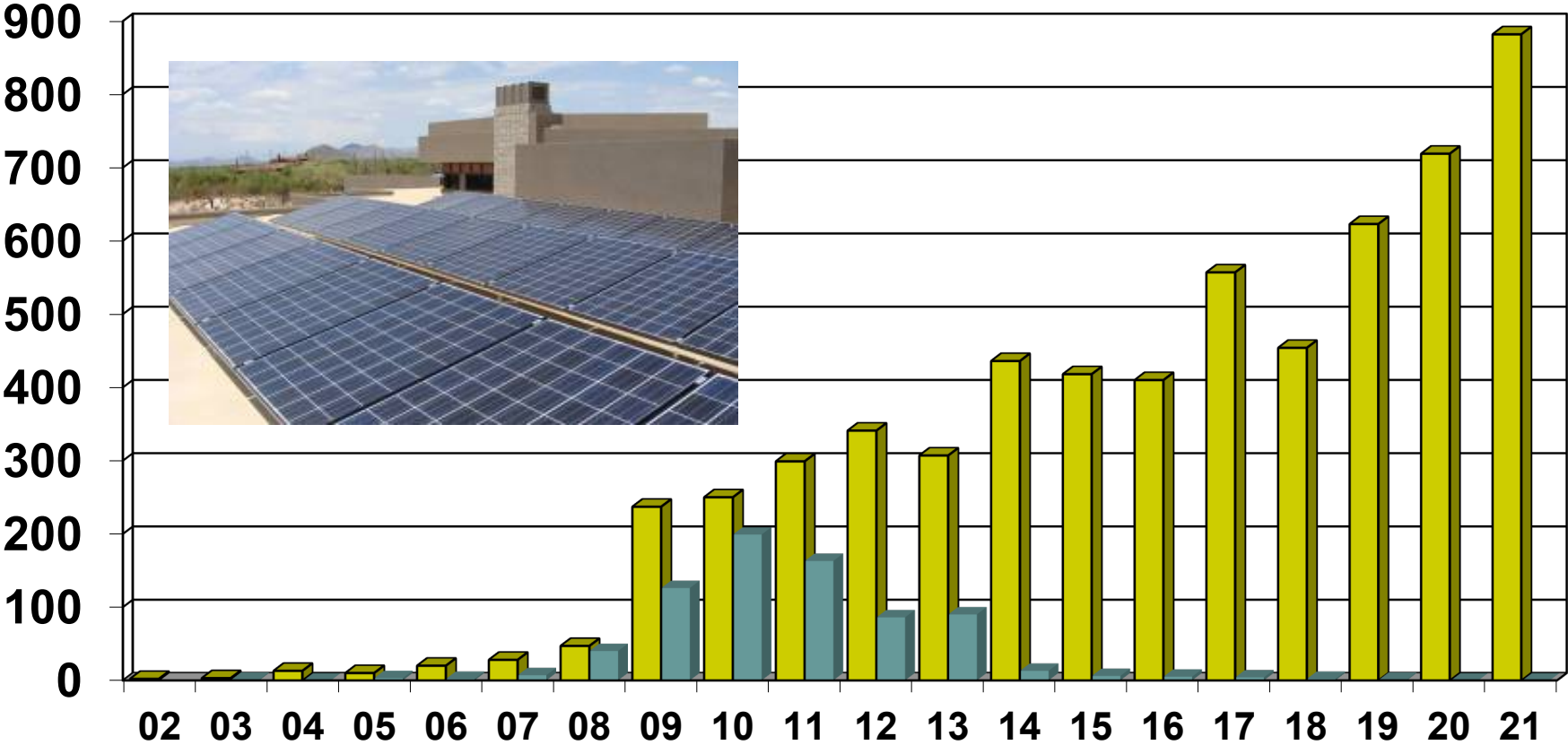
<b>2021 Quarter</b>	<b>Solar Electric PV Permits</b>	<b>Solar Hot Water Permits</b>	<b>Total Permits</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	173	0	173
<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	215	0	215
<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	285	0	285
<b>4<sup>th</sup></b>	209	0	209
<b>Total</b>	<b>882</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>882</b>

Source: Scottsdale CDS permit records

# Solar installations 2002 to 2021



**6,804** solar PV and hot water installations (**8.2%** of 83,222 owner-occupied homes).



Source: Scottsdale CDS permit records and US Census 2019 housing estimates

# Solar Permits 2002 to 2021

## Solar Electric (PV)

6,056 solar PV permits issued

Year	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
No. of Permits	2	3	13	10	20	28	47	237	250	299	341	307	436	418	410	557	454	623	719	882

## Solar Hot Water

748 solar hot water permits issued

Year	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
No. of Permits	-	1	0	3	2	7	40	126	199	163	86	90	13	6	5	4	2	1	0	0

Note: Many early solar permits (2002 – 2008) were designated as minimum electrical, plumbing or water heater permits.

Source: Scottsdale CDS permit records

# On-Site Energy Generation and Environmental Impact Reduction of Solar Electric (PV) Systems

Estimated energy savings and equivalent greenhouse gas reduction resulting from installed roof top solar PV systems in **2021**.

Green Home Energy Measures	Annual Energy Savings and Pollution Reduction	
	Per Home	Total Savings for <b>882</b> solar PV roof tops in 2021
<b>Average PV system size</b>	<b>10 kW</b>	<b>8.82 MW</b>
<b>Average Annual On-Site Energy Generation<sup>1</sup></b>	16,427 Kilowatt hours (kWh)	14,488,614 Kilowatt hours (kWh)
<b>Average Annual Energy Value<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>\$1,784</b>	<b>\$1,573,488</b>
<b>Equivalent Annual Greenhouse Gas Reduction<sup>2</sup></b>	12.8 tons of carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ) avoided	11,290 tons of carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ) avoided
<b>Equivalent Passenger Vehicles removed from Street<sup>2</sup></b>	2.5 cars	2,205 cars
<b>Equivalent miles driven by an average passenger vehicle<sup>2</sup></b>	29,257 miles	25,804,674 miles

Sources: <sup>1</sup>[pwwatts.nrel.gov](http://pwwatts.nrel.gov); <sup>2</sup>[epa.gov/energy/greenhouse-gas-equivalencies-calculator](http://epa.gov/energy/greenhouse-gas-equivalencies-calculator)

# On-Site Energy Generation and Environmental Impact Reduction of Solar Electric (PV) Systems

Estimated energy savings and equivalent greenhouse gas reduction resulting from installed roof top solar PV systems from **2002 to 2021**.

Green Home Energy Measures	Annual Energy Savings and Pollution Reduction	
	Per Home	Total Savings for <b><u>6,056</u></b> solar PV roof tops
<b>Average PV system size</b>	<b>10 kW</b>	<b>60.56 MW</b>
<b>Average Annual On-Site Energy Generation<sup>1</sup></b>	16,427 Kilowatt hours (kWh)	69,197,076 Kilowatt hours (kWh)
<b>Average Annual Energy Value<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>\$1,784</b>	<b>\$10,803,904</b>
<b>Equivalent Annual Greenhouse Gas Reduction<sup>2</sup></b>	12.8 tons of carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ) avoided	77,517 tons of carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ) avoided
<b>Equivalent Passenger Vehicles removed from Street<sup>2</sup></b>	2.5 cars	15,140 cars
<b>Equivalent miles driven by an average passenger vehicle<sup>2</sup></b>	29,257 miles	177,180,392 miles

Sources: <sup>1</sup>[pwwatts.nrel.gov](http://pwwatts.nrel.gov); <sup>2</sup>[epa.gov/energy/greenhouse-gas-equivalencies-calculator](http://epa.gov/energy/greenhouse-gas-equivalencies-calculator)