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So far, we have conducted calculations to evaluate the solar photovoltaic (PV) potential in 108 locations across Portugal. This analysis provides insights into each city/location's potential for harnessing solar energy through PV installations.

Seasonal solar PV output for Latitude: 38.731, Longitude: -9.1373 (Lisbon, Portugal), based on our analysis of 8760 hourly intervals of solar and meteorological data (one whole year) retrieved for that set of coordinates/location from NASA POWER (The Prediction of Worldwide Energy Resources) API:

To maximize your solar PV system's energy output in Lisbon, Portugal (Lat/Long 38.731, -9.1373) throughout the year, you should tilt your panels at an angle of 33°; South for fixed panel installations.

As the Earth revolves around the Sun each year, the maximum angle of elevation of the Sun varies by +/- 23.45 degrees from its equinox elevation angle for a particular latitude. Finding the exact optimal angle to maximise solar PV production throughout the year can be challenging, but with careful consideration of historical solar energy and meteorological data for a certain location, it can be done precisely.

We use our own calculation, which incorporates NASA solar and meteorological data for the exact Lat/Long coordinates, to determine the ideal tilt angle of a solar panel that will yield maximum annual solar output. We calculate the optimal angle for each day of the year, taking into account its contribution to the yearly total PV potential at that specific location.

If you can adjust the tilt angle of your solar PV panels, please refer to the seasonal tilt angles below for optimal solar energy production in Lisbon, Portugal. As mentioned earlier, for fixed-panel solar PV installations, it is optimal to maintain a 33°; South tilt angle throughout the year.

Our recommendations take into account more than just latitude and Earth's position in its elliptical orbit around the Sun. We also incorporate historical solar and meteorological data from NASA's Prediction of Worldwide Energy Resources (POWER) API to assign a weight to each ideal angle for each day based on its historical contribution to overall solar PV potential during a specific season.

This approach allows us to provide much more accurate recommendations than relying solely on latitude, as it considers unique weather conditions in different locations sharing the same latitude worldwide.

The topography of Lisbon, Portugal is characterized by low hills and coastal plains. The area around Lisbon is generally flat with some rolling hills to the east and south. The nearby areas most suitable for large-scale solar PV would be the flat coastal plains and rolling hills as they can provide a good amount of sunlight throughout the day. These areas are also relatively close to existing infrastructure which makes them ideal for installation



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Portugal ranks 32nd in the world for cumulative solar PV capacity, with 1,801 total MW"s of solar PV installed. This means that 3.40% of Portugal"s total energy as a country comes from solar PV (that"s 23rd in the world). Each year Portugal is generating 174 Watts from solar PV per capita (Portugal ranks 29th in the world for solar PV Watts generated per capita). [source]

Yes, there are several incentives for businesses wanting to install solar energy in Portugal. The Portuguese government offers a range of financial incentives and tax breaks for businesses that invest in renewable energy sources such as solar power. These include grants, loans, and tax credits. Additionally, the government has set up a feed-in tariff system which guarantees a fixed price for electricity generated from renewable sources such as solar power. This helps to make investing in solar energy more attractive to businesses.

Do you have more up to date information than this on incentives towards solar PV projects in Portugal? Please reach out to us and help us keep this information current. Thanks!

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