

# What crime is committed if solar inverter is stolen

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Most striking in our data are the vast amounts of cable being stolen and the high likelihood of impacted sites being targeted again once the stolen cable is replaced. Such ambition

Unfortunately, what should be a virtuous initiative is giving rise to a new crime wave, with police data showing a staggering 48% rise in solar panel and cabling theft from 2021 to 2022.

As the global shift toward renewable energy gains momentum, a troubling trend is emerging alongside it: the rise in solar panel theft. While once a rather niche concern, solar crime is

Solar power equipment theft refers to the unlawful removal of solar panels, inverters, batteries, and other associated components from residential or commercial properties. This

On Friday 2nd of August, 7 inverters were stolen from a solar farm in the Kelsheim district near the A93 motorway. Unknown perpetrators cut open the wire mesh fence and gained

Indeed, he confirms that most solar project theft is committed by organised crime groups, notably in the UK and the Netherlands where DeterTech has experience working with clients.

o protect solar panel systems and deter criminal activity. Like other valuable assets, solar panels must be protected from theft and vandalism as much as possible. One effective way to do this is by installing

However, this growth has also exposed a vulnerability ? the risk of solar panel theft and vandalism. Thieves are drawn to the valuable components within solar panels, particularly the

In comments to Solar Power Portal, DeterTech intelligence analyst, Richard Crisp, said that string

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cable theft is the most common at solar sites. ?Thieves will systematically pull out all

When the UK police visited an address in Staffordshire they suspected of harboring solar panels stolen from a Worcestershire site in 2019, they not only recovered 13 modules but also

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