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Overview

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A Brief History of Solar Panels

University of Delaware is credited with creating one of the first solar buildings, "Solar One," in 1973. The construction ran on a combination of solar thermal

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However, solar cells as we know them today are made with



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Timeline of solar cells

Overview 1960-1979 1800s 1900-1929 1930-1959 1980-1999 2000-2019 2020s

- o 1960 - Hoffman Electronics creates a 14% efficient solar cell.
- o 1961 - "Solar Energy in the Developing World" conference is held by the United Nations.
- o 1962 - The Telstar communications satellite is powered by solar cells.

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