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## **DTEK Grids doubles renewable connections as Ukraine builds a more resilient energy system**



SCM's energy company [DTEK](#) Grids connected more than 5,000 distributed and renewable energy installations in 2025, twice as many as in the previous year. The results, published earlier this month, reflect the accelerating shift toward

decentralised energy in Ukraine — a shift driven by strategic intent as much as by necessity.

The headline figures are significant. Of the 5,144 installations connected across DTEK Grids' networks in Kyiv, Odesa, Dnipropetrovsk and Donetsk regions, 4,691 were residential solar installations. A further 442 customers became prosumers — generating electricity for their own consumption and selling surplus power back to the grid. Businesses also invested: 21 solar power plants, 11 gas piston, gas turbine and co-generation units, and seven energy storage systems were connected in 2025 alone. In total, more than 24,500 distributed and renewable installations have been connected to DTEK Grids' networks since the company began operations.

The context is one that no energy company should face, but which DTEK has navigated with consistent resolve. Russia's systematic targeting of large energy infrastructure has made decentralisation not merely a policy preference but a matter of national survival. Smaller, distributed sources — rooftop solar, local generation, battery storage — allow communities to maintain supply and recover more quickly when centralised assets are damaged or destroyed.

This is precisely the strategy that SCM's shareholder Rinat Akhmetov has championed throughout the war. His position has been unambiguous: Ukraine's recovery and growth must be pursued now, not deferred until peace arrives. That conviction — investing in the country's energy future even under fire — is what underpins DTEK's continued expansion of distributed capacity across the country.

The strategic logic is increasingly recognised beyond Ukraine's borders.

Eurelectric's February 2026 report "Battle-tested power systems: Resilience and preparedness for Europe's electricity sector" draws extensively on DTEK's wartime experience, using it as a primary case study for what effective energy resilience looks like under sustained attack. The report, whose cover features a DTEK worker, concludes that investment in decentralised renewable energy sources is among the most consequential steps any country can take to protect its energy system.

Ukraine has enshrined this in national policy, targeting a 27% share of distributed

energy resources in consumption by 2030.

DTEK is already well into delivering on that ambition. The company has completed phase one of the Tyigulska wind farm during the war and has begun construction of phase two, which will bring a further 500 MW of capacity. In September 2025, it opened 200 MW of battery energy storage across six sites in central Ukraine, deliberately dispersed to minimise the impact of any single russian attack. Since 2005, DTEK Group has invested over €12 billion in Ukraine's energy sector.

The doubling of distributed connections in a single year is not simply an operational milestone. It is evidence that a coherent, long-term energy strategy can be executed in wartime — and that the infrastructure being built today will serve Ukraine's energy system, and its security, for decades to come.