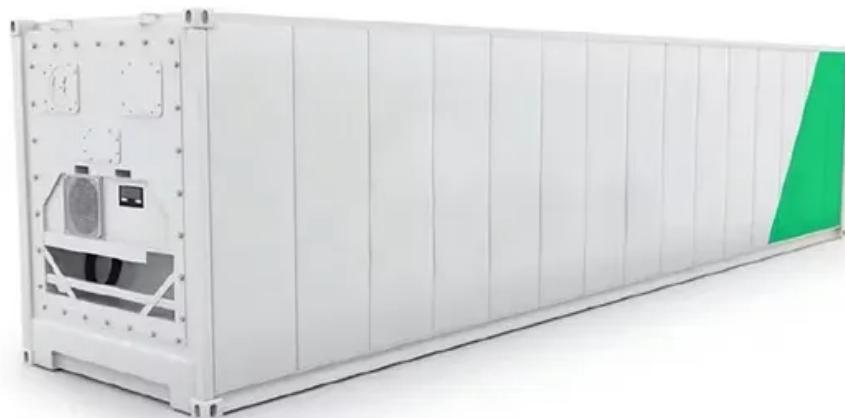


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Overview

How much energy does a 5G base station use?

The energy consumption of a 5G base station is 4.3 kWh — four times that of a 4G base station (1.1 kWh)¹. This increase in energy consumption leads to notable carbon emissions, which contradicts global sustainable development goals.

Will MIMO increase the energy consumption of 5G base stations?

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Does 5G use more energy than 4G?

Carriers have been looking at energy efficiency for a few years now, but 5G will bring this to top of mind because it's going to use more energy than 4G. Telcos spend on average 5% to 6% of their operating expenses, excluding depreciation and amortization, on energy costs, according to MTN Consulting.

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As a result, no direct savings are expected to be found in transmission when comparing 4G and 5G base stations that are deployed in similar places (on rooftops and masts) and using typical cellular frequencies between 1 and 5 gigahertz.

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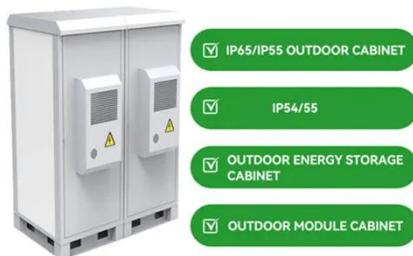
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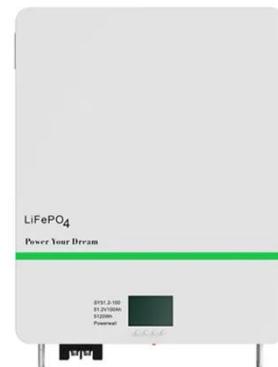
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