## DATA CENTERS IN 2025: 5 KEY TRENDS SHAPING THE INDUSTRY

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Data centers in 2025 are set to undergo rapid growth, as well as fundamental changes.

As the data center industry faces unprecedented demands and challenges, innovation isn't just a goal—it's a necessity. Leaders in the space must rethink how they operate, embracing bold ideas to drive sustainability, efficiency, and reliability. At EnerSys, staying ahead means questioning assumptions and adopting fresh perspectives.

Here's my view on the five trends shaping data centers in 2025 and how we're helping our partners prepare for what's next.

### RETHINKING SUSTAINABILITY GOALS AS A GROWTH OPPORTUNITY

Data Center sustainability has evolved from a regulatory requirement to a business imperative. But it's more than that—it's a driver of growth and innovation. Operators that treat sustainability as an opportunity rather than a compliance checkbox will unlock significant competitive advantages.

This isn't just about meeting targets—it's about reimagining what's possible.

Advanced energy storage systems, like those from EnerSys, enable operators to cut energy consumption and cooling requirements while aligning with environmental goals. Moreover, energy storage systems can increasingly support the grid through peak-shaving and exporting stored energy during times of peak demand.

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FURTHER READING: THE ROLE OF DATA CENTERS IN MAINTAINING GRID STABILITY



## INTEGRATING RENEWABLE ENERGY WITHOUT COMPROMISE

The world is transitioning to renewables to minimize its reliance on fossil fuels, and data centers must do the same. Yet, the variability of solar and wind power poses challenges to uptime and reliability.

The solution lies in robust energy storage systems that ensure seamless renewable integration. Some data centers may look to store clean energy generated onsite, such as through a rooftop solar array. However, data centers will continue investigating the potential of the storage of clean energy generated from nearby offsite renewable infrastructure, such as hydroelectric, solar, and wind farms.

At EnerSys, we're helping data centers prove that sustainability and reliability coexist—turning renewable energy into a strength, not a limitation.

FURTHER READING: <u>HOW-DATA-CENTERS-AND-THE-ENERGY-SECTOR-CAN-SATE-AIS-</u> <u>HUNGER-FOR-POWER</u>



#### EMBRACING SCALABLE SOLUTIONS FOR RAPID GROWTH

The rise of Al, IoT, and edge computing is driving significant growth in data demand. Static, traditional infrastructure can't keep up with this pace. Scalable, modular energy storage systems are a game-changer, allowing data centers to expand capacity quickly and efficiently. EnerSys offers solutions that align with each operator's unique growth trajectory, ensuring their infrastructure is always ready for what's next.

The future of data centers lies in innovation and courage—the courage to challenge conventional approaches, adopt newer technologies, and embrace sustainability.

## PRIORITIZING RELIABILITY AS A STRATEGIC ASSET

What happens if a data centre goes down? Downtime isn't just a technical failure—it's a risk to reputation and revenue. Reliability has become a key differentiator in the data center space. Advanced energy storage systems ensure uninterrupted operations, even during power fluctuations or outages. EnerSys partners with data centers to deliver reliable, high-performance solutions that safeguard operations and build trust with end-users.



### FOCUSING ON LONG-TERM VALUE, NOT JUST UPFRONT COSTS

Short-term savings often come at the expense of long-term success. Astute operators are shifting their focus to total cost of ownership (TCO), prioritizing solutions that offer extended lifespans, minimal maintenance, and high recyclability. Advanced Thin Plate Pure Lead (TPPL) batteries from EnerSys are designed with this in mind, providing exceptional longevity and sustainability benefits that deliver greater value over time.

FURTHER READING: MAXIMIZING-BATTERY-CIRCULARITY

### A BOLD FUTURE FOR DATA CENTERS IN 2025 AND BEYOND

The future of data centers lies in innovation and courage—the courage to challenge conventional approaches, adopt newer technologies, and embrace sustainability as a catalyst for growth. EnerSys supports our customer partners in this journey, equipping them with the energy storage solutions they need to thrive in an ever-evolving industry.



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