

Comparative Understanding of Different Energy Storage Devices

<u>Energy storage systems</u>	<u>Gravimetric energy density</u> <u>Wh/Kg</u>	<u>Volumetric energy density</u> <u>Wh/Kg</u>	<u>Gravimetric power density</u> <u>W/Kg</u>	<u>Relative cost</u> <u>/Kwh(storage)</u>
<u>Petrol</u>	2500	1670	500	0.02
<u>Ni-hi battery</u>	80-150	152-215	200	2
<u>Pb-acid battery</u>	33-70	60-115	100-200	1
<u>Fly wheel</u>	56.5	-----	278	-----
<u>Steel spring</u>	0.020	-----	-----	-----
<u>Compressed air</u>	57-77	84	500	2-4

Notes:

- Gravimetric energy density (Wh/kg)→amount of energy that can be stored in a given volume/mass.
- Gravimetric power density (W/kg)→rate at which power is released.
- Flywheel is potentially unreliable because of their high rotation rates.