

Title: History and timeline for battery

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Batteries provided the main source of electricity before the development of electric generators and electrical grids around the end of the 19th century. Successive improvements in battery technology facilitated major electrical advances, from early scientific studies to the rise of telegraphs and telephones, eventually leading to portable computers, mobile phones, electric cars, and many other electrical devices.

The Italian physicist Alessandro Volta is generally credited with having developed the first operable battery. Following up on the earlier work of his compatriot Luigi Galvani, Volta performed a ...

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First Rechargeable Battery - Gaston Planté; invents the lead-acid battery. This is the first rechargeable battery, up until now all of the cells have been primary cells.
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