

CES 2022 in Review: A look at the biggest stories from the show

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EVs, innovations come out strong at CES 2022: CES, which usually hosts over 182,000 attendees and 2,200 exhibitors, saw a slew of high-profile companies deciding against having booths or hosting keynote events in light of a surge in COVID-19 cases. But those who did show, showed up big.

Electric vehicles: EV and AV news dominated CES 2022, revealing how the next generation of cars, SUVs, and motorcycles are spearheading innovation in various areas.

- **GM** unveiled the first edition of its **Chevy Silverado EV**, which starts at \$40,000. Preorders of the vehicle sold out in 12 minutes and are expected to ship in the fall of 2023.
- **BMW** clad its **iX Flow SUV** concept vehicle (pictured below) with e-ink panels that can change color from white to various shades of gray and patterns.
- **Sony** surprised everyone with its plans to enter the EV space. Its **Vision-S 02** prototype has remote control, AV, and entertainment features built in.
- **Damon Motors** showed off its 170 mph **HyperFighter Colossus street motorcycle**, which is an EV road bike available for \$40,000.
- **John Deere** revealed its **Deere 8R** fully autonomous tractor that enables farmers to set it and forget it while they work on other jobs.



Personal computing: PCs of all sizes and shapes were revealed at CES 2022, reflecting some of the more exciting announcements likely to come to market in the next few months.

- **ASUS** showed off its strange **ZenBook 17 Fold OLED** foldable tablet, which can convert into a 12.5-inch laptop when combined with a keyboard accessory.

- **Razer** [showcased](#) **Project Sofia**, an audacious modular PC workstation with a 65-inch OLED screen that can take an assortment of panels including touchscreens, audio mixers, gaming controllers, and haptics.
- **Lenovo** [demoed](#) its **ThinkBook Plus Gen 3**, which integrates an 8-inch secondary screen into its trackpad—kind of like having a tablet embedded in your laptop.
- **Panasonic** subsidiary **Shiftall**, [announced](#) a lightweight consumer MeganeX VR headset with 5K 2,560x2,560 per-eye resolution and 120Hz refresh rates.

Smart home: New technologies and gadgets of all sizes and shapes lined the show halls and gave visitors a preview of the best tech that's coming to smart homes.

- **Sengled** [shared](#) its **Smart Health Monitoring Light Bulbs**, which can detect when a person has fallen as well as monitor vital signs such as heart rate and breathing.
- **Samsung** [unveiled](#) the **Samsung Gaming Hub**, allowing users to stream games on their smart TVs—no gaming console necessary.
- **Powerfoyle** and **Mayht** teamed up to [create](#) Bluetooth speakers that recharge using any light source—no charging cables needed.
- **Kohler** [announced](#) a **PerfectFill** smart bath controller and a ceiling-mounted faucet. The bath controller fills the tub to the height and temperature the user selects via voice.
- **GAF Energy** [combined](#) solar panels and roofing shingles to create the **Timberline Solar Energy Shingle**. It mimics the look of asphalt shingles, down to installation with nails, and eliminates the need for solar panels bolted onto existing roofs.

No shows: Despite surging interest in all things AR/VR and metaverse related, there was a dearth of announcements pertaining to the future of the internet, possibly because proponents like **Meta** and **Nvidia** pulled out of the show at the last minute.

Also notably missing were smartwatch and wearable announcements, indicating that interest in this segment has cooled.