



see also †solar panel

- 2. **countable** a piece of metal that forms part of the outer frame of a vehicle
- 3. **countable** a piece of cloth that forms part of a piece of clothing
  - The trousers have double thickness knee panels for extra protection.
- 4. **countable + singular or plural verb** a group of specialists who give their advice or opinion about sth; a group of people who discuss topics of interest on television or radio
  - an advisory panel
  - a panel of experts
  - We have two politicians on tonight's panel.
  - a panel discussion
- 5. (also '**jury panel**') **countable** (both especially NAmE) = †jury
- 6. **countable** a flat board in a vehicle or on a piece of machinery where the controls and instruments are fixed
  - an **instrument panel**
  - a **control/display panel**

Word Origin:

Middle English: from Old French, literally piece of cloth, based on Latin **pannus** '(piece of) cloth'. The early sense 'piece of parchment' was extended to mean 'list', which led to the sense 'advisory group'. Senses 1 to 3 come from the late Middle English sense 'distinct section of a surface'.

Thesaurus:

**panel** noun C+sing./pl. v.

- The designs will be judged by a panel of experts.

**committee** • • **board** • • **jury** • • **body** • • **council** • • **commission** • • **task force** •

a panel/committee/commission/task force on sth

a/an **advisory/consultative** panel/committee/board/body/council

**chair** a panel/committee/board/body/council/commission

**be on/serve on/sit on** a panel/committee/board/jury/body/council/commission

Example Bank:

- A rear body panel needed replacing after the accident.
- A red light flashed on the control panel.
- He joins our panel of journalists.
- He works as a panel beater in a local garage.
- Raphael will head a panel to discuss the topic.
- The central panel depicts St George.
- The comedian will chair a new TV panel game.
- The head of department serves on the advisory panel.
- The panel concluded that there was no scientific basis for the claim.
- The panel consists of ten attorneys.
- The panel ruled that the men must remain in prison.
- The panel voted unanimously for its approval
- The winners were chosen by a panel of judges.
- We asked a panel of experts to review the products.
- a distinguished panel of academics
- a panel of scientists drawn from universities
- an independent panel on takeovers and mergers
- A distinguished panel of speakers considered the role of global corporations.
- The decision of the judging panel is final.
- The designs will be judged by a panel of experts.
- The interview panel wants to find out as much as possible about each candidate's abilities.

**verb (-ll-, especially US -l-) usually passive ~ sth**

to cover or decorate a surface with flat strips of wood, glass, etc

- The walls were panelled in oak.

• a **glass-/wood-panelled** door

Verb forms:

verb forms	
present simple	
I / you / we / they	panel
	BrE / 'paɪnl/
	NAmE / 'paɪnl/
he / she / it	panels
	BrE / 'paɪnlz/
	NAmE / 'paɪnlz/
past simple, past participle	panelled (especially US) paneled
	BrE / 'paɪnlɪd/
	NAmE / 'paɪnlɪd/
-ing form	panelling (especially US) paneling
	BrE / 'paɪnlɪŋ/
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[Date: 1300-1400; Language: Old French; Origin: 'piece of cloth, piece', from Latin pannus; ⇨ ↑pane]

### 1. GROUP OF PEOPLE [also + plural verb *British English*]

a) a group of people with skills or ↑specialist knowledge who have been chosen to give advice or opinions on a particular subject

panel of

▪ A panel of experts has looked at the proposal.

on a panel

▪ There will be at least three senior doctors on the panel.

b) a group of well-known people who answer questions on a radio or television programme ⇨ **panellist**

on a panel

▪ We have two senior politicians on our panel tonight.

c) *American English* a group of people who are chosen to listen to a case in a court of law and to decide the result **SYN jury**:

The panel spent 14 hours going over the evidence.

### 2. PIECE OF SOMETHING

a) a flat piece of wood, glass etc with straight sides, which forms part of a door, wall, fence etc:

▪ a stained glass panel

▪ There were a few panels missing from the fence.

b) a piece of metal that forms part of the outer structure of a vehicle:

▪ One of the door panels was badly damaged and had to be replaced.

c) a piece of material that forms part of a piece of clothing:

▪ a skirt made in six panels

3. **instrument/control panel** a board in a car, plane, boat etc that has the controls on it

4. **PICTURE** a thin board with a picture painted on it

⇨ ↑solar panel

## panel

Freakuency Pack

12500 **1914**<sup>MCW</sup>

15000 **1539**<sup>COCA</sup>

RANGE: **2k** **PANEL** <sup>26477</sup>

panel <sup>18160</sup>

panelled <sup>24</sup>

panelling <sup>30</sup>

panels <sup>5766</sup>

paneling <sup>580</sup>

panelist <sup>1018</sup>

panelists <sup>899</sup>

panellist <sup>0</sup>

panellists <sup>0</sup>

COCA 500k Unlemmatized

8638 **2350**<sup>18132</sup> *nn1*

21 **160630**<sup>24</sup> *nnu*

4 **448174**<sup>4</sup> *np1*