

Photovoltaics Defined

photovoltaics (PV)	<p>The transformation of solar (light) energy into electricity (a useable form of power).</p> <p>The word breaks down into “photo,” meaning light, and “voltaic,” meaning electricity.</p>
photovoltaic cell (solar cell)	<p>A device that converts the energy of light directly into electricity.</p>
solar energy	<p>Energy that comes from the sun in the form of radiant light and heat.</p>
solar panel	<p>A panel consisting of many individual solar cells that work together to produce electricity.</p>