

# Fill Factor in solar PV panels

Fill Factor (FF) is essentially a measure of quality of the solar cell. It is the ratio of the actual maximum obtainable power to the product of the open circuit voltage and circuit current. This is a key parameter in evaluating performance. In 2009, typical commercial solar cells had a fill factor  $> 0.70$ . Grade B were usually between 0.4 to 0.7(28). Cells with a high fill factor have a low equivalent series resistance and a high equivalent shunt resistance, so less of the current produced by the cell is dissipated in internal losses.

<b>Panel</b>	<b>Imp</b>	<b>Vmp</b>	<b>Isc</b>	<b>Voc</b>	<b>FF</b>
Suntech STP 260-20	8.42	30.9	8.89	37.7	<b>0.776</b>
Suntech STP 265-20	8.56	31	9.02	37.8	<b>0.778</b>
Suntech STP 270-20	8.69	31.1	9.15	37.9	<b>0.779</b>
LG 260SIK-B3	8.34	31.2	8.88	38.2	<b>0.767</b>
LG 265SIK-B3	8.42	31.5	9.03	38.4	<b>0.764</b>
LG270SIK-B3	8.52	31.7	9.12	38.6	<b>0.767</b>
Qcell Pro G3-260	8.53	30.78	9.09	38.18	<b>0.756</b>
Qcell Pro GS-265	8.69	30.79	9.28	38.52	<b>0.748</b>
Trina TSM 260	8.5	30.6	9	38.2	<b>0.756</b>
Trina TSM 265	8.61	30.8	9.1	38.3	<b>0.761</b>
Trina TSM 270	8.73	30.9	9.18	38.4	<b>0.765</b>
Opal Solar OSR260P	8.5	30.6	9.04	37.8	<b>0.761</b>
Opal Solar OSR265P	8.58	30.9	9.12	38	<b>0.765</b>
Opal Solar OSR 270P	8.66	31.2	9.2	38	<b>0.772</b>