

Standard dimensions and height of electrical distribution boxes



Article Overview

Electrical distribution boxes typically range from small single-gang boxes around 2" × 3" × 3.5" to larger wall-mounted enclosures up to 800 × 600 × 300 mm, with depth varying to accommodate wiring needs.

Residential and Small-Scale Boxes

- Single-gang boxes: Approximately 2" wide × 3" tall × 3.5" deep, commonly used for a single switch or outlet, with internal volume around 18 cubic inches for safe wiring capacity .
- Two-gang boxes: Width increases to about 4", height around 4", depth similar to single-gang boxes, suitable for two devices side by side .
- Three- and four-gang boxes: Widths of 6" and 8" respectively, maintaining standard height (~4") and variable depth to meet NEC fill requirements .
- Junction boxes: Often square or rectangular, typically 4" × 4" with depths from 1.5" to 3.5", used for splicing multiple wires or supporting light fixtures .

Commercial and Industrial Enclosures

- Wall-mounted enclosures: Common sizes range from 200 × 200 × 120 mm up to 800 × 600 × 300 mm, with intermediate depths available to accommodate internal components, cable entry, and heat dissipation .
- Freestanding cabinets: Heights from 1600–2200 mm, widths 600–1800 mm, and depths 300–600 mm, designed for larger control panels, PLCs, or bus bar systems

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Distribution boards (generally only one in residential premises) usually include the meter (s) and in some cases

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