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cross-section



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noun

plural **cross sections**

1 : a view or drawing that shows what the inside of something looks like after a cut has been made across it

[count]

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[noncount]

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2 [count] : a small group that includes examples of the different types of people or things in a larger group

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— **cross-sectional** /'krɑ:s'sɛkʃənəl/  *adjective*

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