





1.2.5 Adapter and Converter Facts

Connector adapters and converters are used to convert a particular connector type into one that can be used by a computer or component. Adapters are typically used with displays to convert a display connector into one the display device can use.

The following table describes the most commonly used adapters and converters.

Adapter	Description
 HDMI to DVI	Used to connect an HDMI cable to a DVI port.
 VGA to DVI	Used to connect a VGA cable to a DVI port.
 VGA to HDMI	Used to connect a VGA cable to an HDMI port.
 Ethernet to USB	Used to connect an RJ45 connector to a USB port.

The way an adapter or converter looks depends entirely on the manufacturer. Because of this, it is important to make sure that the adapter has not only the correct connection type, but also the correct connection end (e.g., a DVI [female] to an HDMI [male]).