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Steel (type)

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This article is about the in-game type. For the TCG type, see Metal (TCG). For the mountain in Pokémon Mystery Dungeon: Red Rescue Team and Blue Rescue Team, see Mt. Steel.

The **Steel type** (Japanese: はがねタイプ *Steel type*) is one of the eighteen types. Notable Trainers who specialize in Steel-type Pokémon are Jasmine of Olivine City, Steven Stone, Champion of Hoenn, Byron of Canalave City, Wikstrom of the Kalos Elite Four, and Molavne of the Alola Elite Four USUM. Prior to changes in Generation IV, all damaging Steel-type moves were physical, but they may now also be special depending on the attack.

The Steel type was introduced in Generation II, along with the Dark type.

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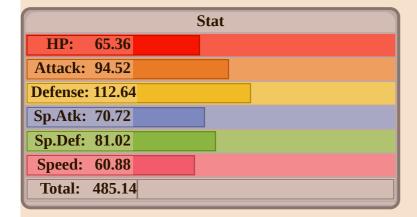
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Statistical averages

Overall



Fully evolved



Battle properties



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Generations II to V

Steel-type Pokémon are immune to damage from the sandstorm weather condition.

In Generation II, Steel-type Pokémon cannot be poisoned by Poison-type moves. Starting in Generation III, Steel-type Pokémon cannot be poisoned.



Generation VI onwards

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Characteristics

Defense

In Generation II, the Steel type was created to balance out the previously overpowered Normal and Psychic types, as both types are resisted by Steel. Although the number of Steel's resistances decreased from 11 to 10 in Generation VI, Steel remains the most resistant type. Steel types also cannot be poisoned (except by Twineedle in Generation II or if poisoned by a Pokémon with Corrosion) or damaged by a sandstorm.

Pure Steel-type Pokémon have the second-greatest amount of resistances of all type combinations. Electric/Steel is the most resistant dual type, having 11 resistances plus an immunity to Poison.

Steel-type Pokémon, on average, have the highest physical Defense among all Pokémon and among fully evolved Pokémon.

Offense

While some Pokémon resist Steel-type attacks, many of these Pokémon are weak to Ground, so combinations of Steel and Ground attacks tend to work well.

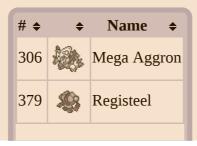
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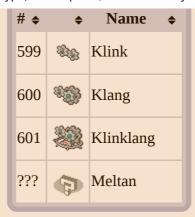
In Contests, Steel-type moves are typically Cool moves.

Pokémon

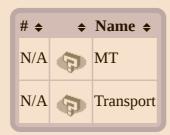
As of Generation VII, there are 53 Steel-type Pokémon or 6.6% of all Pokémon (counting those that are Steel-type in at least one of their forms, including Alola Forms), making it the 6th rarest type.

Pure Steel-type Pokémon



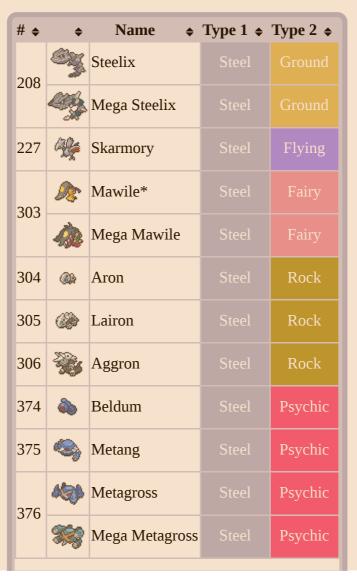


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Half Steel-type Pokémon

Primary Steel-type Pokémon





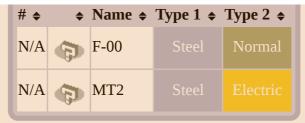
Secondary Steel-type Pokémon

# \$	\$	Name \$	Type 1 \$	Type 2 \$
027	%	Sandshrew Alola Form		Steel
028		Sandslash Alola Form		Steel
050	å	Diglett Alola Form	Ground	Steel
051		Dugtrio Alola Form	Ground	Steel
081	C	Magnemite*		Steel
082	*	Magneton*		Steel
205	©	Forretress	Bug	Steel
212		Scizor	Bug	Steel
212		Mega Scizor	Bug	Steel
395		Empoleon	Water	Steel

# \$	\$	Name \$	Type 1 \$	Type 2 \$
410	9 3	Shieldon	Rock	Steel
411		Bastiodon	Rock	Steel
413	*	Wormadam Trash Cloak	Bug	Steel
448	*	Lucario	Fighting	Steel
440	*	Mega Lucario	Fighting	Steel
462	***	Magnezone		Steel
476		Probopass	Rock	Steel
485	il and the second	Heatran	Fire	Steel
530		Excadrill	Ground	Steel
589	2	Escavalier	Bug	Steel
597		Ferroseed	Grass	Steel
598	est,	Ferrothorn	Grass	Steel
624	*	Pawniard	Dark	Steel
625	1	Bisharp	Dark	Steel
632	***	Durant	Bug	Steel
649	*	Genesect	Bug	Steel
777	ď	Togedemaru		Steel
791		Solgaleo	Psychic	Steel
798	*	Kartana	Grass	Steel
800		Dusk Mane Necrozma	Psychic	Steel
805	1	Stakataka	Rock	Steel

Pokéstar Studios opponents

\$ Name \$ Type 1 \$ Type 2 \$



Moves

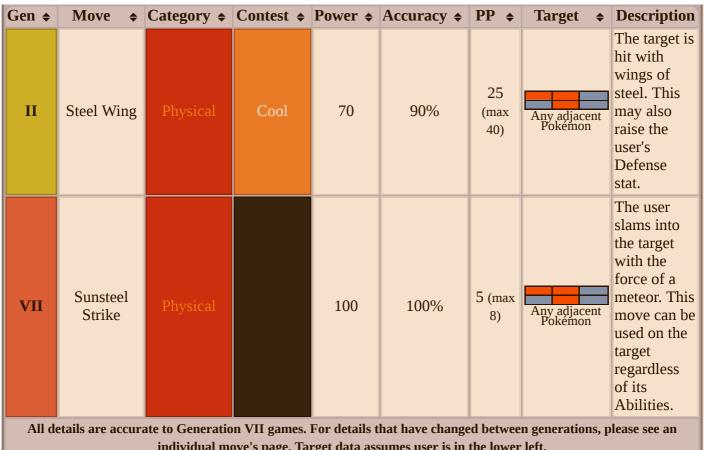
Gen \$	Move \$	Category \$	Contest \$	Power \$	Accuracy \$	PP \$	Target \$	Description
VII	Anchor Shot	Physical		80	100%	20 (max 32)	Any adjacent Pokémon	The user entangles the target with its anchor chain while attacking. The target becomes unable to flee.
V	Autotomize	Status	Beautiful	_	—%	15 (max 24)	Self	The user sheds part of its body to make itself lighter and sharply raise its Speed stat.
IV	Bullet Punch	Physical	Tough	40	100%	30 (max 48)	Any adjacent Pokémon	The user strikes the target with tough punches as fast as bullets. This move always goes first.
VII	Corkscrew Crash	Physical		_	—%	1 (max 1)	Any adjacent Pokemon	The user spins very fast and rams into the target with the full force of its Z-Power. The power varies, depending on the original move.
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VII	Corkscrew Crash	Special		_	—%	1 (max 1)	Any adjacent Pokemon	The user spins very fast and rams into the target with the full force of its Z-Power. The power varies, depending on the original move.
Ш	Doom Desire	Special	Beautiful	140	100%	5 (max 8)	Any adjacent Pokémon	Two turns after this move is used, a concentrated bundle of light blasts the target.
IV	Flash Cannon	Special	Beautiful	80	100%	10 (max 16)	Any adjacent Pokemon	The user gathers all its light energy and releases it all at once. This may also lower the target's Sp. Def stat.
V	Gear Grind	Physical	Clever	50	85%	15 (max 24)	Any adjacent Pokémon	The user attacks by throwing steel gears at its target twice.
VII	Gear Up	Status		_	—%	20 (max 32)	All allies	The user engages its gears to raise the Attack and Sp. Atk stats of ally Pokémon with the Plus or Minus Ability.

Gen \$	Move \$	Category \$	Contest \$	Power \$	Accuracy \$	PP \$	Target \$	Description
IV	Gyro Ball	Physical	Cool	Varies	100%	5 (max 8)	Any adjacent Pokemon	The user tackles the target with a high-speed spin. The slower the user compared to the target, the greater the move's power.
V	Heavy Slam	Physical	Tough	Varies	100%	10 (max 16)	Any adjacent Pokemon	The user slams into the target with its heavy body. The more the user outweighs the target, the greater the move's power.
III	Iron Defense	Status	Tough	_	—%	15 (max 24)	Self	The user hardens its body's surface like iron, sharply raising its Defense stat.
IV	Iron Head	Physical	Tough	80	100%	15 (max 24)	Any adjacent Pokemon	The user slams the target with its steel-hard head. This may also make the target flinch.
II	Iron Tail	Physical	Cool	100	75%	15 (max 24)	Any adjacent Pokémon	The target is slammed with a steel-hard tail. This may also lower the target's Defense stat.

Gen \$	Move \$				Accuracy \$		Target \$	Description
VI	King's Shield	Status	Cool	_	—%	10 (max 16)	Self	The user takes a defensive stance while it protects itself from damage. It also harshly lowers the Attack stat of any attacker who makes direct contact.
IV	Magnet Bomb	Physical	Cool	60	— %	20 (max 32)	Any adjacent Pokémon	The user launches steel bombs that stick to the target. This attack never misses.
IV	Metal Burst	Physical	Cool	Varies	100%	10 (max 16)	Self	The user retaliates with much greater force against the opponent that last inflicted damage on it.
II	Metal Claw	Physical	Cool	50	95%	35 (max 56)	Any adjacent Pokémon	The target is raked with steel claws. This may also raise the user's Attack stat.
Ш	Metal Sound	Status	Clever	_	85%	40 (max 64)	Any adjacent Pokémon	A horrible sound like scraping metal harshly lowers the target's Sp. Def stat.

Gen ♦					Accuracy \$		Target \$	Description
III	Meteor Mash	Physical	Cool	90	90%	10 (max 16)	Any adjacent Pokemon	The target is hit with a hard punch fired like a meteor. This may also raise the user's Attack stat.
IV	Mirror Shot	Special	Beautiful	65	85%	10 (max 16)	Any adjacent Pokémon	The user lets loose a flash of energy at the target from its polished body. This may also lower the target's accuracy.
VII	Searing Sunraze Smash	Physical		200	%	1 (max 1)	Any adjacent Pokemon	After obtaining Z-Power, the user, Solgaleo, attacks the target with full force. This move can ignore the effect of the target's Ability.
V	Shift Gear	Status	Clever	_	—%	10 (max 16)	Self	The user rotates its gears, raising its Attack stat and sharply raising its Speed stat.
VII	Smart Strike	Physical		70	—%	10 (max 16)	Any adjacent Pokémon	The user stabs the target with a sharp horn. This attack never misses.



individual move's page. Target data assumes user is in the lower left.

Abilities

Interacting with the Steel type

A Pokémon with Color Change, Protean, Imposter, RKS System, or Multitype will become a Steel-type Pokémon if (respectively) it is hit with a Steel-type move, uses a Steel-type move, is sent out against a Steeltype opponent, is holding a Steel Memory, or is holding an Iron Plate or Steelium Z.

Steel-type Pokémon are also immune to becoming poisoned from the Abilities Poison Point, Poison Touch, Synchronize, or Effect Spore.

Gen	Ability	Description				
VII	Corrosion	Allows Poison-type and Steel-type Pokémon to be poisoned.				
III	Magnet Pull	Prevents Steel-type Pokémon from escaping.				
V	Sand Force	Strengthens Rock, Ground, and Steel moves to 1.3× their power during a sandstorm.				
VII	Steelworker	Strengthens Steel moves to 1.5× their power.				
All det	All details are accurate to Generation VII games. For details that have changed between generations, please see an individual Ability's page.					

Exclusive Abilities

Only Steel-type Pokémon can have these Abilities. This does not include signature Abilities.

Gen	Ability	Description

Gen	Ability	Description				
V	Heavy Metal	Doubles the Pokémon's weight.				
V	Iron Barbs	Inflicts damage to the attacker on contact.				
V	Light Metal	Halves the Pokémon's weight.				
All de	All details are accurate to Generation VII games. For details that have changed					
	between generations, please see an individual Ability's page.					

Items

	Name	Description					
(2)	Adamant Orb	A brightly gleaming orb to be held by Dialga. It boosts the power of Dragon- and Steel-type moves when it is held.					
©	Babiri Berry	If held by a Pokémon, this Berry will lessen the damage taken from one supereffective Steel-type attack.					
	Iron Plate	An item to be held by a Pokémon. It's a stone tablet that boosts the power of Steel-type moves.					
8	Metal Coat	An item to be held by a Pokémon. It's a special metallic film that can boost the power of Steel-type moves.					
P	Steel Gem	A gem with an ordinary essence. When held, it strengthens the power of a Steel-type move one time.					
9	Steel Memory	A memory disc that contains Steel-type data. It changes the type of the holder if held by a certain species of Pokémon.					
	Steelium Z	It converts Z-Power into crystals that upgrade Steel-type moves to Steel-type Z-Moves.					
A	All details are accurate to Generation VII games. For details that have changed between generations, please see an individual item's page.						

In the TCG

Main article: Metal (TCG)

Introduced in the Neo Genesis set, Metal-type Pokémon in the TCG are generally weak to Fire and Fighting with resistances to Grass and Psychic. Metal-type Pokémon can be strong against Water and Fairy, whilst some Water and Lightning Pokémon can resist this type.

Trivia

- Generation V introduced the most Steel-type Pokémon of any generation, with 12, and Generation VI introduced the fewest Steel-type Pokémon since the type was created, with four.
- Generation IV introduced the most Steel-type moves of any generation, with seven, and Generation VI introduced the fewest Steel-type moves since the type was created, with one.
- In Generation II, the Steel type saw one type change in a Pokémon family (Magnemite and Magneton), but no change in moves. The opposite is true for the Dark type, which saw one type change in a move (Bite), but no change in a Pokémon.
- Prior to Generation VI, Steel was the only type that had a non-neutral type match-up with all of the seventeen existing types, considering both the offense and defense of both types. In Generation VI, it was changed so that Steel no longer resisted Dark- or Ghost-type moves.
- Each of the three starter types have a different effectiveness when attacking a pure Steel-type Pokémon (Grass does ½ damage, Water does 1 damage, and Fire does 2 damage).
- More Pokémon gain the Steel type upon evolving than any other type, with a total of 9.

In other languages

Lang	guage	Title		
Japanes	e	はがね (鋼) Hagane		
Chinese	Cantonese	鋼 Gong		
Cilliese	Mandarin	鋼/钢 Gāng		
Czech		Ocelový		
Danish		Stål		
Dutch		Staal		
+ Finnish		Teräs		
French		Acier		
German	1	Stahl		
Greek		Μετάλλου Metallou		
THebrew	,	פלדה Plada		
Hungar	ian	Acél		
- Indones	ian	Baja Besi		
■ Italian		Acciaio		
: Korean		강철 Gangcheol		
	gian	Stål		
Malays	ian	Besi		
Polish		Stalowy		
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Romani	an	Oțel		
Russian		Сталь Stal'		
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Thai		โลหะ Loha		
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