2.9. DENSITIES OF MISCELLANEOUS MATERIALS

Table 2-120 Approximate Specific Gravities and Densities of Miscellaneous Solids and Liquids*

Water at 4 °C and normal atmospheric pressure taken as unity. For more detailed data on any material, see the section dealing with the properties of that material.

Substance	Sp. gr.	Aver. density lb/ft³
Metals, Alloys, Ores		
Aluminum, cast-hammered	2.55–2.80	165
bronze	7.7	481
Brass, cast-rolled	8.4–8.7	534
Bronze, 7.9 to 14% Sn	7.4–8.9	509
phosphor	8.88	554
Copper, cast-rolled	8.8–8.95	556
ore, pyrites	4.1–4.3	262
German silver	8.58	536
Gold, cast-hammered	19.25–19.35	1205
coin (U.S.)	17.18–17.2	1073
Iridium	21.78–22.42	1383
Iron, gray cast	7.03–7.13	442
cast, pig	7.2	450
wrought	7.6–7.9	485
spiegeleisen	7.5	468
ferro-silicon	6.7–7.3	437
ore, hematite	5.2	325
ore, limonite	3.6–4.0	237
ore, magnetite	4.9–5.2	315
slag	2.5–3.0	172
Lead	11.34	710
ore, galena	7.3–7.6	465
Manganese	7.42	475
ore, pyrolusite	3.7–4.6	259
Mercury	13.6	849
Monel metal, rolled	8.97	555
Nickel	8.9	537
Platinum, cast-hammered	21.5	1330
Silver, cast-hammered	10.4–10.6	656
Steel, cold-drawn	7.83	489
machine	7.80	487
tool	7.70–7.73	481
Tin, cast-hammered	7.2–7.5	459
cassiterite	6.4–7.0	418
Tungsten	19.22	1200
Zinc, cast-rolled	6.9–7.2	440
blende	3.9–4.2	253
Various Solids		
Cereals, oats, bulk	0.51	26
barley, bulk	0.62	39
corn, rye, bulk	0.73	45
wheat, bulk	0.77	48
Cork	0.22–0.26	15
Cotton, flax, hemp	1.47–1.50	93
Fats	0.90–0.97	58
Flour, loose	0.40–0.50	28
pressed	0.70–0.80	47
Glass, common	2.40–2.80	162
plate or crown	2.45–2.72	161
crystal	2.90–3.00	184
dint	3.2–4.7	247
Hay and straw, bales	0.32	20
Leather	0.86–1.02	59
Paper	0.70–1.15	58
Potatoes, piled	0.67	44
Rubber, caoutchouc	0.92–0.96	59
goods	1.0–2.0	94
Salt, granulated, piled	0.77	48
Saltpeter	1.07	67
Starch	1.53	96
Sulfur	1.93–2.07	125
Wool	1.32	82

Substance	Sp. gr.	Aver. density lb/ft³
Timber, Air-dry		
Apple	0.66–0.74	44
Ash, black	0.55	34
white	0.64–0.71	42
Birch, sweet, yellow	0.71–0.72	44
Cedar, white, red	0.35	22
Cherry, wild red	0.43	27
Chestnut	0.48	30
Cypress	0.45–0.48	29
Elm, white	0.56	35
Fir, Douglas	0.48–0.55	32
balsam	0.40	25
Hemlock	0.45–0.50	29
Hickory	0.74–0.80	48
Locust	0.67–0.77	45
Mahogany	0.56–0.85	44
Maple, sugar	0.68	43
white	0.53	33
Oak, chestnut	0.74	46
live	0.87	54
red, black	0.64–0.71	42
white	0.77	48
Pine, Norway	0.55	34
Oregon	0.51	32
red	0.48	30
Southern	0.61–0.67	38–42
white	0.43	27
Poplar	0.43	27
Redwood, California	0.42	26
Spruce, white, red	0.45	28
Teak, African	0.99	62
Indian	0.66–0.88	48
Walnut, black	0.59	37
Willow	0.42–0.50	28
Various Liquids		
Alcohol, ethyl (100%)	0.789	49
methyl (100%)	0.796	50
Acid, muriatic, 40%	1.20	75
nitric, 91%	1.50	94
sulfuric, 87%	1.80	112
Chloroform	1.500	95
Ether	0.736	46
Lye, soda, 66%	1.70	106
Oils, vegetable	0.91–0.94	58
mineral, lubricants	0.88–0.94	57
Turpentine	0.861–0.867	54
Water, 4°C max. density	1.0	62.428
100°C	0.9584	59.830
ice	0.88–0.92	56
snow, fresh fallen	0.125	8
sea water	1.02–1.03	64
Ashlar Masonry		
Bluestone	2.3–2.6	153
Granite, syenite, gneiss	2.4–2.7	159
Limestone	2.1–2.8	153
Marble	2.4–2.8	162
Sandstone	2.0–2.6	143
Rubble Masonry		
Bluestone	2.2–2.5	147
Granite, syenite, gneiss	2.3–2.6	153
Limestone	2.0–2.7	147
Marble	2.3–2.7	156
Sandstone	1.9–2.5	137

Substance	Sp. gr.	Aver. density lb/ft³
Dry Rubble Masonry		
Granite, syenite, gneiss	1.9–2.3	130
Limestone, marble	1.9–2.1	125
Sandstone, bluestone	1.8–1.9	110
Brick Masonry		
Hard brick	1.8–2.3	128
Medium brick	1.6–2.0	112
Soft brick	1.4–1.9	103
Sand-lime brick	1.4–2.2	112
Concrete Masonry		
Cement, stone, sand	2.2–2.4	144
slag, etc.	1.9–2.3	130
cinder, etc.	1.5–1.7	100
Various Building Materials		
Ashes, cinders	0.64–0.72	40–45
Cement, Portland, loose	1.5	94
Lime, gypsum, loose	0.85–1.00	53–64
Mortar, lime, set	1.4–1.9	103
Portland cement	2.08–2.25	94–135
Portland cement	3.1–3.2	196
Slags, bank slag	1.1–1.2	67–72
bank screenings	1.5–1.9	98–117
machine slag	1.5	96
slag sand	0.8–0.9	49–55
Earth, etc., Excavated		
Clay, dry	1.0	63
damp plastic	1.76	110
and gravel, dry	1.6	100
Earth, dry, loose	1.2	76
dry, packed	1.5	95
moist, loose	1.3	78
moist, packed	1.6	96
mud, flowing	1.7	108
mud, packed	1.8	115
Riprap, limestone	1.3–1.4	80–85
Riprap, sandstone	1.4	90
Riprap, shale	1.7	105
Sand, gravel, dry, loose	1.4–1.7	90–105
gravel, dry, packed	1.6–1.9	100–120
gravel, wet	1.89–2.16	126
Excavations in Water		
Clay	1.28	80
River mud	1.44	90
Sand or gravel	0.96	60
and clay	1.00	65
Soil	1.12	70
Stone riprap	1.00	65
Minerals		
Asbestos	2.1–2.8	153
Barytes	4.50	281
Basalt	2.7–3.2	184
Bauxite	2.55	159
Bluestone	2.5–2.6	159
Borax	1.7–1.8	109
Chalk	1.8–2.8	143
Clay, marl	1.8–2.6	137
Dolomite	2.9	181
Feldspar, orthoclase	2.5–2.7	162
Gneiss	2.7–2.9	175
Granite	2.6–2.7	165
Greenstone, trap	2.8–3.2	187
Gypsum, alabaster	2.3–2.8	159
Hornblende	3.0	187
Limestone	2.1–2.86	155
Marble	2.6–2.86	170
Magnesite	3.0	187
Phosphate rock, apatite	3.2	200
Porphyry	2.6–2.9	172

*From *Marks' Standard Handbook for Mechanical Engineers*, 10th ed., McGraw-Hill, 1996.

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Substance	Sp. gr.	Aver. density lb/ft³	Substance	Sp. gr.	Aver. density lb/ft³	Substance	Sp. gr.	Aver. density lb/ft³
Minerals (*Cont.*)			Bituminous Substances			Bituminous Substances (*Cont.*)		
Pumice, natural	0.37–0.90	40	Asphaltum	1.1–1.5	81	Petroleum	0.87	54
Quartz, flint	2.5–2.8	165	Coal, anthracite	1.4–1.8	97	refined (kerosene)	0.78–0.82	50
Sandstone	2.0–2.6	143	bituminous	1.2–1.5	84	benzine	0.73–0.75	46
Serpentine	2.7–2.8	171	lignite	1.1–1.4	78	gasoline	0.70–0.75	45
Shale, slate	2.6–2.9	172	peat, turf, dry	0.65–0.85	47	Pitch	1.07–1.15	69
						Tar, bituminous	1.20	75
Soapstone, talc	2.6–2.8	169	charcoal, pine	0.28–0.44	23			
Syenite	2.6–2.7	165	charcoal, oak	0.47–0.57	33	Coal and Coke, Piled		
			coke	1.0–1.4	75	Coal, anthracite	0.75–0.93	47–58
Stone, Quarried, Piled			Graphite	1.64–2.7	135	bituminous, lignite	0.64–0.87	40–54
Basalt, granite, gneiss	1.5	96	Paraffin	0.87–0.91	56	peat, turf	0.32–0.42	20–26
Greenstone, hornblende	1.7	107				charcoal	0.16–0.23	10–14
Limestone, marble, quartz	1.5	95				coke	0.37–0.51	23–32
Sandstone	1.3	82						
Shale	1.5	92						

NOTE: To convert pounds per cubic foot to kilograms per cubic meter, multiply by 16.02. °F = 9⁄5 °C + 32.

Table 2-121 Density (kg/m3) of Selected Elements as a Function of Temperature

Temperature, K*	Element symbol												
	Al	Be†	Cr	Cu	Au	Ir	Fe	Pb	Mo	Ni	Pt	Ag	Zn†
50	2736	3650	7160	9019	19,490	22,600	7910	11,570	10,260	8960	21,570	10,620	7280
100	2732	3640	7155	9009	19,460	22,580	7900	11,520	10,260	8950	21,550	10,600	7260
150	2726	3630	7150	8992	19,420	22,560	7890	11,470	10,250	8940	21,530	10,575	7230
200	2719	3620	7145	8973	19,380	22,540	7880	11,430	10,250	8930	21,500	10,550	7200
250	2710	3610	7140	8951	19,340	22,520	7870	11,380	10,250	8910	21,470	10,520	7170
300	2701	3600	7135	8930	19,300	22,500	7860	11,330	10,240	8900	21,450	10,490	7135
400	2681	3580	7120	8885	19,210	22,450	7830	11,230	10,220	8860	21,380	10,430	7070
500	2661	3555	7110	8837	19,130	22,410	7800	11,130	10,210	8820	21,330	10,360	7000
600	2639	3530	7080	8787	19,040	22,360	7760	11,010	10,190	8780	21,270	10,300	6935
800	2591		7040	8686	18,860	22,250	7690	10,430	10,160	8690	21,140	10,160	6430
1000	2365	——	7000	8568	18,660	22,140	7650	10,190	10,120	8610	21,010	10,010	6260
1200	2305		6945	8458	18,440	22,030	7620	9,940	10,080	8510	20,870	9,850	
1400	2255		6890	7920	17,230	21,920	7520		10,040	8410	20,720	9,170	
1600			6760	7750	16,950	21,790	7420		10,000	8320	20,570	8,980	
1800			6700	7600		21,660	7320		9,950	7690	20,400		
2000				7460		21,510	7030		9,900	7450	20,220		

NOTE: Above the horizontal line the condensed phase is solid; below the line, it is liquid.

*°R = 9/5 K.

†Polycrystalline form tabulated. Similar tables for an additional 45 elements appear in the *Handbook of Heat Transfer,* 2d ed., McGraw-Hill, New York, 1984.