

# Integers

Integers are whole numbers with no <sup>분수</sup>fractional component, such as 42 and -23. Integers are either <sup>부</sup>signed (positive, zero, or negative) or unsigned (positive or zero).

Swift provides signed and unsigned integers in 8, 16, 32, and 64 bit forms. These integers follow a naming convention similar to C in that an 8-bit unsigned integer is of type UInt8, and a 32-bit signed integer is of type Int32. Like all types in Swift, these integer types have <sup>대문자</sup>capitalized names.

## Integer Bounds

You can access the minimum and maximum values of each integer type with its min and max properties:

```
1 let minValue = UInt8.min // minValue is equal to 0, and is of type UInt8
2 let maxValue = UInt8.max // maxValue is equal to 255, and is of type UInt8
```

The values of these properties are of the appropriate-sized number type (such as UInt8 in the example above) and can therefore be used in expressions <sup>나란히</sup>alongside other values of the same type.

# Int

In most cases, you don't need to pick a specific size of integer to use in your code. Swift provides an additional integer type, `Int`, which has the same size as the current platform's native word size:

- On a 32-bit platform, `Int` is the same size as `Int32`.
- On a 64-bit platform, `Int` is the same size as `Int64`.

Unless you need to work with a specific size of integer, always use `Int` for integer values in your code. This aids code consistency and interoperability. Even on 32-bit platforms, `Int` can store any value between  $-2,147,483,648$  and  $2,147,483,647$ , and is large enough for many integer ranges.

# UInt

Swift also provides an unsigned integer type, `UInt`, which has the same size as the current platform's native word size:

- On a 32-bit platform, `UInt` is the same size as `UInt32`.
- On a 64-bit platform, `UInt` is the same size as `UInt64`.

## NOTE

Use `UInt` only when you specifically need an unsigned integer type with the same size as the platform's native word size. If this isn't the case, `Int` is preferred, even when the values to be stored are known to be nonnegative. A consistent use of `Int` for integer values aids code interoperability, avoids the need to convert between different number types, and matches integer type inference, as described in [Type Safety and Type Inference](#).