

# Data types in Java

In Java, data types are used to specify the type of data that a variable can store.

**Here are some common data types in Java:**

## Primitive Data Types:

These are basic data types that represent single values. Java has eight primitive data types:

- **byte:** 8-bit signed integer. Example: `byte age = 25;`
- **short:** 16-bit signed integer. Example: `short temperature = -10;`
- **int:** 32-bit signed integer. Example: `int count = 1000;`
- **long:** 64-bit signed integer. Example: `long distance = 150000L;`
- **float:** 32-bit floating-point. Example: `float price = 19.99f;`
- **double:** 64-bit floating-point. Example: `double pi = 3.14159;`
- **char:** 16-bit Unicode character. Example: `char grade = 'A';`
- **boolean:** 1-bit/8-bit Represents true or false values. Example: `boolean isJavaFun = true;`

## Non-Primitive Data Types:

These are more complex data types and are also known as **reference** types because they refer to objects. Common non-primitive data types include:

- **String:** Represents a sequence of characters. Example: `String name = "John";`
- **Arrays:** Collections of elements of the same data type. Example: `int[] numbers = {1, 2, 3, 4, 5};`
- **Classes:** User-defined types that represent objects. Example: `Person person = new Person();`

DATA TYPES	SIZE	DEFAULT	EXPLANATION
boolean	1 bit	false	Stores true or false values
byte	1 byte/ 8bits	0	Stores whole numbers from -128 to 127
short	2 bytes/ 16bits	0	Stores whole numbers from -32,768 to 32,767
int	4 bytes/ 32bits	0	Stores whole numbers from -2,147,483,648 to 2,147,483,647
long	8 bytes/ 64bits	0L	Stores whole numbers from -9,223,372,036,854,775,808 to 9,223,372,036,854,775,807
float	4 bytes/ 32bits	0.0f	Stores fractional numbers. Sufficient for storing 6 to 7 decimal digits
double	8 bytes/ 64bits	0.0d	Stores fractional numbers. Sufficient for storing 15 decimal digits
char	2 bytes/ 16bits	'\u0000'	Stores a single character/letter or ASCII values