

# Chemistry Conversion Factors and Constants

## METRIC CONVERSION FACTORS

Prefix	Abbreviation	Conversion Factor		For Example...	For Example...
Mega-	M	1000000	$10^6$	1 Megabyte = $1 \times 10^6$ bytes	1 byte = $10^{-6}$ Megabytes
kilo-	k	1000	$10^3$	1 kilometer = 1000 meters	1 meter = 0.001 kilometers
deci-	d	0.1	$10^{-1}$	1 deciliter = 0.1 liters	1 liter = 10 deciliters
centi-	c	0.01	$10^{-2}$	1 centimeter = 0.01 meters	1 meter = 100 centimeters
milli-	m	0.001	$10^{-3}$	1 milliliter = 0.001 liters	1 liter = 1000 milliliters
micro-	$\mu$	0.000001	$10^{-6}$	1 microgram = $10^{-6}$ grams	1 gram = $10^6$ micrograms
nano	n	0.000000001	$10^{-9}$	1 nanometer = $10^{-9}$ meters	1 meter = $10^9$ nanometers
pico	p	0.000000000001	$10^{-12}$	1 picometer = $10^{-9}$ meters	1 meter = $10^{12}$ picometers

## OTHER CONVERSION FACTORS AND CONSTANTS

<b>Weight/Mass</b> 16 ounces = 1 pound 1 kilogram = 2.2 pounds 454 grams = 1 pound 1 ton = 2000 pounds	<b>Volume</b> 1 liter = 1.0567 quarts 1 mL = 1 cm <sup>3</sup> 1 gallon = 3.78 liters 1 gallon = 4 quarts = 128 fluid ounces 1 quart = 2 pints = 32 fluid ounces 1 pint = 2 cups = 16 fluid ounces	<b>Length/Distance</b> 1 inch = 2.54 centimeters 1 mile = 5280 feet = 1.609 kilometers 1 yard = 3 feet = 36 inches = 0.9144 meters 1 meter = 39.37 inches = 3.281 feet = 1.094 yards 1 kilometer = 1094 yards = 0.6215 miles
<b>Density of Water:</b> 1.00 g/mL		<b>Energy:</b> 1 cal = 4.184 J
<b>Time</b> 1 year = 365 days = 12 months = 52 weeks 1 day = 24 hours 1 hour = 60 minutes 1 minute = 60 seconds		<b>Temperature</b> ${}^\circ\text{C} = \frac{5}{9}({}^\circ\text{F} - 32)$ and ${}^\circ\text{F} = \left({}^\circ\text{C} \cdot \frac{9}{5}\right) + 32$ Kelvins = ${}^\circ\text{C} + 273.15$
<b>Pressure Units:</b> 1 atm = 760 mmHg = 101.325 kPa = 101325 Pa = 1.01325 bar = 14.7 psi = 29.92 inches Hg		
<b>Useful Constants:</b> Avogadro's Number ( $N_A$ ) = $6.02 \times 10^{23}$ items / mole Ideal Gas Constant ( $R$ ) = $0.0821 \frac{\text{L} \cdot \text{atm}}{\text{mol} \cdot \text{K}}$		Speed of Light ( $c$ ) = $3.00 \times 10^8$ m/s Planck's Constant ( $h$ ) = $6.63 \times 10^{-34}$ J • s