

CONVERSIONS BETWEEN U.S. CUSTOMARY UNITS AND SI UNITS

U.S. Customary unit		Times conversion factor		Equals SI unit	
		Accurate	Practical		
Acceleration (linear)					
foot per second squared	ft/s ²	0.3048*	0.305	meter per second squared	m/s ²
inch per second squared	in./s ²	0.0254*	0.0254	meter per second squared	m/s ²
Area					
square foot	ft ²	0.09290304*	0.0929	square meter	m ²
square inch	in. ²	645.16*	645	square millimeter	mm ²
Density (mass)					
slug per cubic foot	slug/ft ³	515.379	515	kilogram per cubic meter	kg/m ³
Density (weight)					
pound per cubic foot	lb/ft ³	157.087	157	newton per cubic meter	N/m ³
pound per cubic inch	lb/in. ³	271.447	271	kilonewton per cubic meter	kN/m ³
Energy; work					
foot-pound	ft-lb	1.35582	1.36	joule (N·m)	J
inch-pound	in.-lb	0.112985	0.113	joule	J
kilowatt-hour	kWh	3.6*	3.6	megajoule	MJ
British thermal unit	Btu	1055.06	1055	joule	J
Force					
pound	lb	4.44822	4.45	newton (kg·m/s ²)	N
kip (1000 pounds)	k	4.44822	4.45	kilonewton	kN
Force per unit length					
pound per foot	lb/ft	14.5939	14.6	newton per meter	N/m
pound per inch	lb/in.	175.127	175	newton per meter	N/m
kip per foot	k/ft	14.5939	14.6	kilonewton per meter	kN/m
kip per inch	k/in.	175.127	175	kilonewton per meter	kN/m
Length					
foot	ft	0.3048*	0.305	meter	m
inch	in.	25.4*	25.4	millimeter	mm
mile	mi	1.609344*	1.61	kilometer	km
Mass					
slug	lb-s ² /ft	14.5939	14.6	kilogram	kg
Moment of a force; torque					
pound-foot	lb-ft	1.35582	1.36	newton meter	N·m
pound-inch	lb-in.	0.112985	0.113	newton meter	N·m
kip-foot	k-ft	1.35582	1.36	kilonewton meter	kN·m
kip-inch	k-in.	0.112985	0.113	kilonewton meter	kN·m

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Moment of inertia (area)					
inch to fourth power	in. ⁴	416,231	416,000	millimeter to fourth power	mm ⁴
inch to fourth power	in. ⁴	0.416231×10^{-6}	0.416×10^{-6}	meter to fourth power	m ⁴
Moment of inertia (mass)					
slug foot squared	slug-ft ²	1.35582	1.36	kilogram meter squared	kg·m ²
Power					
foot-pound per second	ft-lb/s	1.35582	1.36	watt (J/s or N·m/s)	W
foot-pound per minute	ft-lb/min	0.0225970	0.0226	watt	W
horsepower (550 ft-lb/s)	hp	745.701	746	watt	W
Pressure; stress					
pound per square foot	psf	47.8803	47.9	pascal (N/m ²)	Pa
pound per square inch	psi	6894.76	6890	pascal	Pa
kip per square foot	ksf	47.8803	47.9	kilopascal	kPa
kip per square inch	ksi	6.89476	6.89	megapascal	MPa
Section modulus					
inch to third power	in. ³	16,387.1	16,400	millimeter to third power	mm ³
inch to third power	in. ³	16.3871×10^{-6}	16.4×10^{-6}	meter to third power	m ³
Velocity (linear)					
foot per second	ft/s	0.3048*	0.305	meter per second	m/s
inch per second	in./s	0.0254*	0.0254	meter per second	m/s
mile per hour	mph	0.44704*	0.447	meter per second	m/s
mile per hour	mph	1.609344*	1.61	kilometer per hour	km/h
Volume					
cubic foot	ft ³	0.0283168	0.0283	cubic meter	m ³
cubic inch	in. ³	16.3871×10^{-6}	16.4×10^{-6}	cubic meter	m ³
cubic inch	in. ³	16.3871	16.4	cubic centimeter (cc)	cm ³
gallon (231 in. ³)	gal.	3.78541	3.79	liter	L
gallon (231 in. ³)	gal.	0.00378541	0.00379	cubic meter	m ³

*An asterisk denotes an *exact* conversion factor

Note: To convert from SI units to USCS units, *divide* by the conversion factor

Temperature Conversion Formulas

$$T(^{\circ}\text{C}) = \frac{5}{9}[T(^{\circ}\text{F}) - 32] = T(\text{K}) - 273.15$$

$$T(\text{K}) = \frac{5}{9}[T(^{\circ}\text{F}) - 32] + 273.15 = T(^{\circ}\text{C}) + 273.15$$

$$T(^{\circ}\text{F}) = \frac{9}{5}T(^{\circ}\text{C}) + 32 = \frac{9}{5}T(\text{K}) - 459.67$$