

Metric/SI prefixes

Prefix		Base 10	Decimal	Fraction	Name	Spatial scale (m)	Units (m)		Etymology	
Name	Symbol						Name	Abbr.	Origin	Meaning
exa	E	10^{18}	1,000,000,000,000,000,000		One quintillion		exameter	Em	ξεῖ	Six: $(10^3)^6$
peta	P	10^{15}	1,000,000,000,000,000		One quadrillion		petameter	Pm	πέντε	Five: $(10^3)^5$
tera	T	10^{12}	1,000,000,000,000		One trillion		terameter	Tm	τέταρες	Four: $(10^3)^4$
giga	G	10^9	1,000,000,000		One billion		gigameter	Gm	γίγας	Giant
mega	M	10^6	1,000,000		One million		megameter	Mm	μέγας	Big, great
kilo	k	10^3	1,000		One thousand		kilometer	km	χίλιοι	Thousand
—	—	10^0	1		One		meter	m	—	—
centi	c	10^{-2}	0.01	$\frac{1}{100}$	One hundredth		centimeter	cm	centi (L.)	Hundredth
milli	m	10^{-3}	0.001	$\frac{1}{1,000}$	One thousandth		millimeter	mm	mille (L.)	Thousandth
micro	μ	10^{-6}	0.000 001	$\frac{1}{1,000,000}$	One millionth		micrometer	μm	μικρός	Small
nano	n	10^{-9}	0.000 000 001	$\frac{1}{1,000,000,000}$	One billionth		nanometer	nm	νᾶνος	Dwarf
pico	p	10^{-12}	0.000 000 000 001	$\frac{1}{1,000,000,000,000}$	One trillionth		picometer	pm	pico (Sp.)	Tiny bit
femto	f	10^{-15}	0.000 000 000 000 001	$\frac{1}{1,000,000,000,000,000}$	One quadrillionth		femtometer	fm	femten (Dan.)	Fifteen

* SI is an abbreviation from the French: Système international d'unités
English: International system of units

L = Latin; Sp. = Spanish; Dan = Danish