

Standard Names for Different Sizes of Numbers

Name	<u>Short scale</u>	<u>Long scale</u>	Authorities							
(U.S. (continent and al moder n older Britis h))			AHD4 ^[1]	COD ^[2]	OED2 ^[3]	OEDnew	RHD2 ^[4]	SOED3	W3 ^[5]	UM ^[6]
<u>Million</u>	10^6	10^6	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
<u>Milliard</u>		10^9	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
<u>Billion</u>	10^9	10^{12}	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Trillion	10^{12}	10^{18}	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Quadrillion	10^{15}	10^{24}	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Quintillion	10^{18}	10^{30}	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Sextillion	10^{21}	10^{36}	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Septillion	10^{24}	10^{42}	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Octillion	10^{27}	10^{48}	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Nonillion	10^{30}	10^{54}	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Decillion	10^{33}	10^{60}	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Undecillion	10^{36}	10^{66}	✓				✓		✓	✓
Duodecillion	10^{39}	10^{72}	✓				✓		✓	✓
Tredecillion	10^{42}	10^{78}	✓				✓		✓	✓
Quattuordecilli on	10^{45}	10^{84}	✓				✓		✓	✓
Quindecillion (Quinquaginta decillion)	10^{48}	10^{90}	✓				✓		✓	✓
Sexdecillion (Sedecillion)	10^{51}	10^{96}	✓				✓		✓	✓
Septendecillion	10^{54}	10^{102}	✓				✓		✓	✓
Octodecillion	10^{57}	10^{108}	✓				✓		✓	✓
Novemdecillion (Novendecilli on)	10^{60}	10^{114}	✓				✓		✓	✓
Vigintillion	10^{63}	10^{120}	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
<u>Centillion</u>	10^{303}	10^{600}	✓		✓	✓	✓			✓

Name	Value	Authorities								
		AHD4	COD	OED2	OEDnew	RHD2	SOED3	W3	UM	
Googol	10^{100}	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Googolplex	10^{Googol}	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	

Apart from *million*, the words in this list ending with *-illion* are all derived by adding prefixes (*bi-*, *tri-*, etc., derived from Latin) to the stem *-illion*.^[9] *Centillion*^[10] appears to be the highest name ending in *-illion* that is included in these dictionaries. *Trigintillion*, often cited as a word in discussions of names of large numbers, is not included in any of them, nor are any of the names that can easily be created by extending the naming pattern (*unvigintillion*, *duovigintillion*, *duoquinquagintillion*, etc.).

All of the dictionaries included *googol* and *googolplex*, generally crediting it to the Kasner and Newman book and to Kasner's nephew. None include any higher names in the googol family (googolduplex, etc.). The *Oxford English Dictionary* comments that *googol* and *googolplex* are "not in formal mathematical use".

For additional details, see [billion](#) and [long and short scales](#).

Base

Base	Value	U.S. and modern British (short scale)	Traditional British (long scale)	Traditional European (Peletier) (long scale)	SI Symb	SI Prefi
1	10^6	Million	Million	Million	M	mega
2	10^9	Billion	Thousand million	Milliard	G	giga
3	10^{12}	Trillion	Billion	Billion	T	tera
4	10^{15}	Quadrillion	Thousand billion	Billiard	P	peta
5	10^{18}	Quintillion	Trillion	Trillion	E	exa
6	10^{21}	Sextillion	Thousand trillion	Trilliard	Z	zetta
7	10^{24}	Septillion	Quadrillion	Quadrillion	Y	yotta
8	10^{27}	Octillion	Thousand quadrillion	Quadrilliard		
9	10^{30}	Nonillion	Quintillion	Quintillion		
10	10^{33}	Decillion	Thousand quintillion	Quintilliard		
11	10^{36}	Undecillion	Sextillion	Sextillion		
12	10^{39}	Duodecillion	Thousand sextillion	Sextilliard		

13	10^{42}	Tredecillion	Septillion	Septillion
14	10^{45}	Quattuordecillion	Thousand septillion	Septilliard
15	10^{48}	Quindecillion	Octillion	Octillion
16	10^{51}	Sexdecillion	Thousand octillion	Octilliard
17	10^{54}	Septendecillion	Nonillion	Nonillion
18	10^{57}	Octodecillion	Thousand nonillion	Nonilliard
19	10^{60}	Novemdecillion	Decillion	Decillion
20	10^{63}	Vigintillion	Thousand decillion	Decilliard
21	10^{66}	Unvigintillion	Undecillion	Undecillion
22	10^{69}	Duovigintillion	Thousand undecillion	Undecilliard
23	10^{72}	Tresvigintillion	Duodecillion	Duodecillion
24	10^{75}	Quattuorvigintillion	Thousand duodecillion	Duodecilliard
25	10^{78}	Quinquavigintillion	Tredecillion	Tredecillion
26	10^{81}	Sesvigintillion	Thousand tredecillion	Tredecilliard
27	10^{84}	Septemvigintillion	Quattuordecillion	Quattuordecillion
28	10^{87}	Octovigintillion	Thousand quattuordecillion	Quattuordecilliard
29	10^{90}	Novemvigintillion	Quindecillion	Quindecillion
30	10^{93}	Trigintillion	Thousand quindecillion	Quindecilliard
31	10^{96}	Untrigintillion	Sexdecillion	Sexdecillion
32	10^{99}	Duotrigintillion	Thousand sexdecillion	Sexdecilliard
33	10^{102}	Trestrigintillion	Septendecillion	Septendecillion
34	10^{105}	Quattuortrigintillion	Thousand septendecillion	Septendecilliard
35	10^{108}	Quinquatrigintillion	Octodecillion	Octodecillion
36	10^{111}	Sestrigintillion	Thousand octodecillion	Octodecilliard
37	10^{114}	Septentrigintillion	Novemdecillion	Novemdecillion
38	10^{117}	Octotrigintillion	Thousand novemdecillion	Novemdecilliard
39	10^{120}	Novemtrigintillion	Vigintillion	Vigintillion
40	10^{123}	Quadragintillion	Thousand vigintillion	Vigintilliard
50	10^{153}	Quinquagintillion	Thousand quinquavigintillion	Quinquavigintilliard
60	10^{183}	Sexagintillion	Thousand trigintillion	Trigintilliard
70	10^{213}	Septuagintillion	Thousand quinquatrigintillion	Quinquatrigintilliard
80	10^{243}	Octogintillion	Thousand	Quadragintilliard

		quadragintillion	
90	10^{273}	Nonagintillion	Thousand quinquaquadragintillion
100	10^{303}	Centillion	Quinquaquadragintilliard Thousand quinquagintillion
101	10^{306}	Uncentillion	Quinquagintilliard Unquinquagintillion
102	10^{309}	Duocentillion	Unquinquagintillion Thousand unquinquagintillion
103	10^{312}	Trescentillion	Unquinquagintilliard Duoquinquagintillion
110	10^{333}	Decicentillion	Duoquinquagintillion Thousand quinquaquinquagintillion d
111	10^{336}	Undecicentillion	Quinquaquinquagintilliar Sexaquinquagintillion
120	10^{363}	Viginticentillion	Sexaquinquagintillion Thousand sexagintillion
121	10^{366}	Unviginticentillion	Sexagintilliard Unsexagintillion
130	10^{393}	Trigintacentillion	Unsexagintillion Thousand quinquasexagintillion
140	10^{423}	Quadragintacentill ion	Quinquasexagintilliard Thousand septuagintillion
150	10^{453}	Quinquagintacentil lion	Septuagintilliard Thousand quinquaseptuagintillion
160	10^{483}	Sexagintacentillio n	Quinquaseptuagintilliard Thousand octogintillion
170	10^{513}	Septuagintacentilli on	Octogintilliard Thousand quinquaoctogintillion
180	10^{543}	Octogintacentillio n	Quinquaoctogintilliard Thousand nonagintillion
190	10^{573}	Nonagintacentillio n	Nonagintilliard Thousand quinquanonagintillion
200	10^{603}	Ducentillion	Quinuanonagintilliard Thousand centillion
300	10^{903}	Trecentillion	Centilliard Thousand quinquagintacentillion
400	10^{120}	Quadringtonillion	Quinquagintacentilliard Thousand ducentillion
500	10^{150}	Quingentillion	Ducentilliard Thousand quinquagintaducentillion
600	10^{180}	Sescentillion	Quinquagintaducentilliard Thousand trecentillion
700	10^{210}	Septingentillion	Trecentilliard Thousand quinquagintatrecentillion d
800	10^{240}	Octingentillion	Quinquagintatrecentilliar Thousand quadringentillion
			Quadringentilliard

900	$\frac{10^{270}}{3}$	Nongentillion	Thousand quinquagintaquadringent illion	Quinquagintaquadringenti lliard
1000	$\frac{10^{300}}{3}$	Millinillion	Thousand quingentillion	Quingentilliard

Value	U.S. and modern British (short scale)	Traditional British (long scale)	Traditional European (Peletier) (long scale)
10^{100}	Googol (Ten duotrigintillion)	Googol (Ten thousand sexdecillion)	Googol (Ten sexdecilliard)
$10^{10^{100}}$	Googolplex	Googolplex	Googolplex

[edit] Proposals for new naming system

See also: [-yllion](#)

In 2001, Russ Rowlett, Director of the Center for Mathematics and Science Education at the [University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill](#) proposed that, to avoid confusion, the [Latin](#)-based short scale and long scale systems should be replaced by an unambiguous [Greek](#)-based system for naming large numbers that would be based on powers of one thousand.^{[\[15\]](#)}

Value	Name	Value	Name	Value	Name
10^3	Thousand	10^{33}	Hendekillion	10^{63}	Icosihenillion
10^6	Million	10^{36}	Dodekillion	10^{66}	Icosidillion
10^9	Gillion	10^{39}	Trisdekillion	10^{69}	Icositrillion
10^{12}	Tetriskillion	10^{42}	Tetradekillion	10^{72}	Icositetrillion
10^{15}	Pentisskillion	10^{45}	Pentadekillion	10^{75}	Icosipentillion
10^{18}	Hexisskillion	10^{48}	Hexadekillion	10^{78}	Icosihexillion
10^{21}	Heptisskillion	10^{51}	Heptadekillion	10^{81}	Icosiheptillion
10^{24}	Oktisskillion	10^{54}	Oktadekillion	10^{84}	Icosioktillion
10^{27}	Ennisskillion	10^{57}	Enneadekillion	10^{87}	Icosiennillion
10^{30}	Dekisskillion	10^{60}	Icosillion	10^{90}	Triacontillion

tenths	0.9
hundredths	0.09
thousandths	0.009
ten thousandths	0.0009
hundred thousandths	0.00009

millionths	0.000009
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Place Value Chart

0.000000001	one billionth
0.000000001	one hundred-millionth
0.00000001	one ten-millionth
0.0000001	one millionth
0.000001	one hundred-thousandth
0.00001	one ten-thousandth
0.0001	one thousandth
0.01	one hundredth (1 in the hundredths place)
0.1	one tenth (1 in the tenths place)
1	one (1 in the ones or units place)
10	ten (1 in the tens place)
100	one hundred (1 in the hundreds place)
1,000	one thousand (1 in the thousands place)
10,000	ten thousand
100,000	one hundred thousand
1,000,000	one million
10,000,000	ten million
100,000,000	one hundred million
1,000,000,000	one billion
10,000,000,000	ten billion
100,000,000,000	one hundred billion
1,000,000,000,000	one trillion...