

Density Worksheet

Physical Science

$D = m/V$

Densities of Common Substances @ 20°C			
Substance	Density (g/cm ³)	Substance	Density (g/cm ³)
Oxygen	0.00133	Aluminum	2.70
Hydrogen	0.000084	Iron	7.87
Ethanol	0.785	Copper	8.96
Benzene	0.880	Silver	10.5
Water	1.000	Lead	11.34
Magnesium	1.74	Mercury	13.6
Salt (sodium chloride)	2.16	Gold	19.32

- The ratio of an object's mass to its volume is called the *density* of the object.
- A kilogram of lead occupies a much smaller volume than a kilogram of water, because lead has a much higher *density*.
- For the masses and volumes indicated, calculate the **density** in grams per cubic centimeters.

a. mass = 453 g; volume = 225 cm³ → $\rho = \frac{m}{V} = \frac{453 \text{ g}}{225 \text{ cm}^3} = \boxed{2.01 \text{ g/cm}^3}$

b. mass = 5.0 g; volume = 10.0 cm³ → $\rho = \frac{5.0 \text{ g}}{10.0 \text{ cm}^3} = \boxed{0.50 \text{ g/cm}^3}$

c. mass = 26.1 g; volume = 2.0 mL → $\rho = \frac{26.1 \text{ g}}{2.0 \text{ mL}} = \boxed{13 \text{ g/mL}}$

4. If 89.2 mL of a liquid has a mass of 75.2 g, calculate the liquid's density

$$\frac{75.2 \text{ g}}{89.2 \text{ mL}} = \boxed{0.843 \text{ g/mL}}$$

5. A cube of metal weighs 1450 g and displaces 542 mL of water when immersed. Calculate the density of the metal.

$$\frac{1450 \text{ g}}{542 \text{ mL}} = \boxed{2.68 \text{ g/mL}}$$

6. Calculate the volume of 50.0 g of each of the following substances:

$$\rho = \frac{m}{V}$$

a. sodium chloride $\rho = 2.16 \text{ g/cm}^3$ $V = \frac{50.0 \text{ g}}{2.16 \text{ g/cm}^3}$

$$V = \frac{m}{\rho}$$

b. mercury $\rho = 13.6 \text{ g/cm}^3$

$$V = \frac{50.0 \text{ g}}{13.6 \text{ g/cm}^3}$$

$$= 23.1 \text{ cm}^3$$

c. benzene $\rho = 0.880 \text{ g/cm}^3$

$$V = \frac{50.0 \text{ g}}{0.880 \text{ g/cm}^3}$$

$$= 3.68 \text{ cm}^3$$

d. silver $\rho = 10.5 \text{ g/cm}^3$

$$V = \frac{50.0 \text{ g}}{10.5 \text{ g/cm}^3}$$

$$= 4.76 \text{ cm}^3$$

7. Calculate the mass of 50.0 cm³ of each of the following substances.

a. gold $m = \rho V = (19.32 \text{ g/cm}^3)(50.0 \text{ cm}^3) = 966 \text{ g}$

b. iron $m = \rho V = (7.87 \text{ g/cm}^3)(50.0 \text{ cm}^3) = 394 \text{ g}$

c. lead $m = \rho V = (11.34 \text{ g/cm}^3)(50.0 \text{ cm}^3) = 567 \text{ g}$

d. aluminum $m = \rho V = (2.70 \text{ g/cm}^3)(50.0 \text{ cm}^3) = 135 \text{ g}$

8. A cubic block of one of the substances listed on the chart has a side length of 5.0 cm and a mass of 224 grams. Which material is it?

$$V = L \times W \times H = 5.0 \times 5.0 \times 5.0 = 125 \text{ or } 130 \text{ cm}^3 \text{ (two sig figs)}$$

$$\rho = \frac{m}{V} = \frac{224 \text{ g}}{130 \text{ cm}^3} = 1.72 \text{ g/cm}^3 \text{ (very close to Magnesium)}$$

9. Archimedes was commissioned to determine if the crown given to the king was pure gold or not. If the crown had a mass of 882 grams and displaced 50.0 mL of water, was the crown pure gold? Show the calculation.

$$\rho = \frac{m}{V} = \frac{882 \text{ g}}{50.0 \text{ mL}} = 17.6 \text{ g/mL} \text{ No, not dense enough!}$$

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$$8. F_g = 315 \text{ N}$$

$$F_B \text{ in water} = 315 - 265 = 50 \text{ N}$$

$$F_B \text{ in oil} = 315 - 269 = 46 \text{ N}$$

$$a. \frac{\rho_o}{\rho_f} = \frac{F_g}{F_B} \quad (\rho_f \text{ and } F_B \text{ for water})$$

$$\frac{\rho_o}{1.00 \times 10^3} = \frac{315}{50}$$

$$50 \rho_o = 3.15 \times 10^5$$

$$\rho_o = 6300 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

$$b. \frac{\rho_o}{\rho_f} = \frac{F_g}{F_B} \quad (\rho_f \text{ and } F_B \text{ for oil})$$

$$\frac{6300}{\rho_f} = \frac{315}{46}$$

$$315 \rho_f = 290,000$$

$$\rho_f = 920 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

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$$9. F_g = 300.0 \text{ N}$$

$$F_B = 300.0 - 200.0 = 100.0 \text{ N}$$

$$\frac{\rho_o}{\rho_f} = \frac{F_g}{F_B}$$

$$\frac{\rho_o}{0.70 \times 10^3} = \frac{300.0}{100.0}$$

$$100.0 \rho_o = 210000$$

$$\rho_o = 2100 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

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2. For air mattress to float

$$F_g = F_B$$

$$m_o g = m_f g$$

$$m_o = \rho_f V_f$$

$$m_o = (1.00 \times 10^3) (2.00 \times 0.500 \times 0.100)$$

$$m_o = 100 \text{ kg} \quad 100 - 2.8 = 97.2 \text{ kg}$$

↑ mass of mattress

Density Worksheet

In order to receive full credit, you must show ALL work and circle your final answer.

1. 100 grams of a liquid completely fill a 200 mL bottle. What is the density of the liquid?

$$\rho = \frac{m}{V} = \frac{100 \text{ g}}{200 \text{ mL}} = \boxed{0.5 \text{ g/mL}}$$

2. A solution has a density of 1.50 g/mL. How many grams are needed to obtain 10.0 mL of solution?

$$\rho = \frac{m}{V} \quad 1.50 = \frac{m}{10.0}$$

$$\boxed{m = 15.0 \text{ g}}$$

3. If a block of copper measures 2.00 cm x 4.00 cm x 5.00 cm and weighs 356 grams, what is its density?

$$V = 2.00 \times 4.00 \times 5.00 = 40.00 \text{ cm}^3$$

$$\rho = \frac{m}{V} = \frac{356 \text{ g}}{40 \text{ cm}^3} = \boxed{8.90 \text{ g/cm}^3}$$

4. The density of mercury is 13.6 g/mL.

- a. what is the mass of 8.20 mL of mercury?

$$m = \rho V = \frac{13.6 \text{ g}}{\text{mL}} \times \frac{8.20 \text{ mL}}{1} = \boxed{112 \text{ g}}$$

- b. what volume would 120 grams of mercury occupy?

$$\rho = \frac{m}{V} \quad 13.6 = \frac{120}{V} \quad 13.6V = 120$$

$$\boxed{V = 8.8 \text{ mL}}$$

5. A piece of silver has a mass of 2800 grams and occupies a volume of 266 cm³. What is the density of silver?

$$\rho = \frac{m}{V} = \frac{2800 \text{ g}}{266 \text{ cm}^3} = \boxed{11 \text{ g/cm}^3}$$

6. A bottle has a capacity of 1.2 liters. If the density of ether is 0.74 g/mL, what mass of ether can the bottle hold?

$$\frac{1.2 \text{ L}}{1} \times \frac{1000 \text{ mL}}{1 \text{ L}} = 1200 \text{ mL} \quad m = \rho V$$
$$= (0.74)(1200) = \boxed{890 \text{ g}}$$

7. A student pipets 5.00 mL of ethanol into a flask weighing 15.25 grams. She finds that the mass of the flask plus ethanol = 19.17 grams. Calculate the density of ethyl alcohol.

$$19.17 - 15.25 = 3.92 \text{ grams (mass of ethyl alcohol)}$$

$$\rho = \frac{m}{V} = \frac{3.92 \text{ g}}{5.00 \text{ mL}} = \boxed{0.784 \text{ g/mL}}$$

8. Peanut oil has a density of 0.92 g/mL. If a recipe calls for $\frac{1}{4}$ cup of peanut oil, what mass of peanut oil is required? (Hint: 1 cup = 237 mL).

$$V = \frac{0.25 \text{ cup}}{1} \times \frac{237 \text{ mL}}{1 \text{ cup}} = 59.3 \text{ mL} \quad m = \rho V = (0.92)(59.3)$$
$$= \boxed{55 \text{ g}}$$

9. A chemist needs 2.00 g of a liquid compound, which has a density of 0.718 g/mL. If the compound costs \$5.67 per mL, how much will a 2.0 gram sample cost?

$$\rho = \frac{m}{V} \quad 0.718 = \frac{2.00}{V} \quad V = 2.79 \text{ mL}$$
$$0.718V = 2.00 \quad \frac{\$5.67}{\text{mL}} \times \frac{2.79 \text{ mL}}{1} = \boxed{\$15.82}$$

10. Suppose you find a chunk of what appears to be gold in the sand at the beach. Devise a simple experiment to determine whether or not you've struck it rich. Please list all lab equipment required and list the **specific** steps you would take.

1. Find the ~~rough~~ mass in g on the balance.

2. Submerge the sample in a beaker of water and see how much the water level rises. This will give the volume of the sample.

3. Divide mass by volume; compare to density of gold (19 g/cm^3)