

In order to change values from one metric unit to another, it's important to understand the relationships between the prefixes used to show multiples and fractions of the base units of measurement. Since all the prefixes are powers of 10, you need only to move the decimal point to convert between metric units. The chart below can help you visualize these relationships.

| kilo- 1000 10^3 | hecto- 100 10^2 | deka- 10 10^1 | no prefix base 1 | deci- 0.1 10^{-1} | centi- 0.01 10^{-2} | milli- 0.001 10^{-3} |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| kilometer (km) 1,000 m | | | meter (m) | | centimeter (cm) | millimeter (mm) 0.001 m |
| kilogram (kg) 1,000 g | | | gram (g) | | | milligram (mg) 0.001 g |
| | | | liter (L) | | | milliliter (mL) 0.001 L |

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| a. $\underline{2347 \text{ mg}}$ | = $\underline{2.347 \text{ g}}$ | n. $\underline{85 \text{ cm}}$ | = $\underline{0.85 \text{ m}}$ |
| b. $\underline{34927 \text{ cm}}$ | = $\underline{0.34927 \text{ km}}$ | o. $\underline{0.2 \text{ cm}}$ | = $\underline{2 \text{ mm}}$ |
| c. $\underline{0.0005 \text{ kg}}$ | = $\underline{0.5 \text{ g}}$ | p. $\underline{8 \text{ mm}}$ | = $\underline{0.8 \text{ cm}}$ |
| d. $\underline{5682 \text{ mL}}$ | = $\underline{5.682 \text{ L}}$ | q. $\underline{7800562 \text{ mm}}$ | = $\underline{7.800562 \text{ km}}$ |
| e. $\underline{0.2 \text{ cm}}$ | = $\underline{2 \text{ mm}}$ | r. $\underline{0.0065 \text{ kg}}$ | = $\underline{6.5 \text{ g}}$ |
| f. $\underline{93 \text{ mm}}$ | = $\underline{9.3 \text{ cm}}$ | s. $\underline{1000 \text{ mL}}$ | = $\underline{1 \text{ L}}$ |
| g. $\underline{0.00004 \text{ kg}}$ | = $\underline{40 \text{ mg}}$ | t. $\underline{1000 \text{ cm}}$ | = $\underline{10 \text{ m}}$ |
| h. $\underline{0.09 \text{ L}}$ | = $\underline{90 \text{ mL}}$ | u. $\underline{400 \text{ mm}}$ | = $\underline{40 \text{ cm}}$ |
| i. $\underline{15,000 \text{ g}}$ | = $\underline{15 \text{ kg}}$ | v. $\underline{350 \text{ mL}}$ | = $\underline{0.35 \text{ L}}$ |
| j. $\underline{7643 \text{ m}}$ | = $\underline{7.643 \text{ km}}$ | w. $\underline{1800 \text{ mL}}$ | = $\underline{1.8 \text{ L}}$ |
| k. $\underline{500 \text{ mg}}$ | = $\underline{0.5 \text{ g}}$ | x. $\underline{6400 \text{ m}}$ | = $\underline{6.4 \text{ km}}$ |
| l. $\underline{300 \text{ g}}$ | = $\underline{0.3 \text{ kg}}$ | y. $\underline{520 \text{ cm}}$ | = $\underline{5.2 \text{ m}}$ |
| m. $\underline{0.6 \text{ m}}$ | = $\underline{60 \text{ cm}}$ | z. $\underline{0.75 \text{ m}}$ | = $\underline{75 \text{ cm}}$ |