Engineering Reference

Conversion Chart for American Wire Gauge to Metric System

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				Approximate Wire Diameter							Approx Wire Dia
AWG Size	Metric mm²	Circ. Mils	Equivalent Circ. Mils	in.	mm		AWG Size				
-	0.5	-	937	0.032	0.81		1/0	1/0 -	1/0 - 106 mcm*	1/0 - 106 mcm* -	1/0 - 106 mcm* - 0.373
20	-	1020	-	0.036	0.91		2/0	2/0 -	2/0 - 133 mcm*	2/0 - 133 mcm* -	2/0 - 133 mcm* - 0.419
-	0.75	-	1480	0.039	0.99		-	- 70	- 70 -	- 70 - 138.1 mcm	- 70 - 138.1 mcm 0.430
18	-	1620	-	0.046	1.16		3/0	3/0 -	3/0 - 168 mcm*	3/0 - 168 mcm* -	3/0 - 168 mcm* - 0.471
-	1	-	1974	0.051	1.30		-	- 95	- 95 -	- 95 - 187.5 mcm	- 95 - 187.5 mcm 0.504
16	-	2580	-	0.051	1.29		4/0	4/0 -	4/0 - 212 mcm*	4/0 - 212 mcm* -	4/0 - 212 mcm* - 0.528
-	1.5	=	2960	0.063	1.60		=	- 120	- 120 -	- 120 - 237.8 mcm	- 120 - 237.8 mcm 0.567
14	-	4110	-	0.073	1.84		-		250 mcm	250 mcm -	250 mcm - 0.575
-	2.5	-	4934	0.081	2.06		-	- 150	- 150 300 mcm	- 150 300 mcm -	- 150 300 mcm - 0.630
12	-	6530	=	0.092	2.32		=		350 mcm	350 mcm -	350 mcm - 0.681
-	4	-	7894	0.102	2.59		-	- 185	- 185 -	- 185 - 365.1 mcm	- 185 - 365.1 mcm 0.700
10	-	10380	-	0.116	2.93		-		400 mcm	400 mcm -	400 mcm - 0.728
-	6	=	11840	0.126	3.21		-	- 240	- 240 -	- 240 - 473.6 mcm	- 240 - 473.6 mcm 0.801
3	-	16510	-	0.146	3.70		-		500 mcm	500 mcm -	500 mcm - 0.814
	10	-	19740	0.162	4.12		-	- 300	- 300 -	- 300 - 592.1 mcm	- 300 - 592.1 mcm 0.891
5	-	26240	-	0.184	4.66		-		600 mcm	600 mcm -	600 mcm - 0.893
-	16	-	31580	0.204	5.18		-		700 mcm	700 mcm -	700 mcm - 0.964
4	-	41740	-	0.232	5.88		-		750 mcm	750 mcm -	750 mcm - 0.999
-	25	-	49340	0.260	6.60		-	- 400	- 400 -	- 400 - 789.4 mcm	- 400 - 789.4 mcm 1.026
2	-	66360	-	0.292	7.42		-		800 mcm	800 mcm -	800 mcm - 1.032
-	35	-	69070	0.305	7.75		-	- 500	- 500 -	- 500 - 986.8 mcm	- 500 - 986.8 mcm 1.152
L	-	83690	-	0.332	9.43		-		1000 mcm	1000 mcm -	1000 mcm - 1.153
-	50	-	98680	0.365	9.27		-	- 625	- 625 -	- 625 - 1233.7 mcm	- 625 - 1233.7 mcm 1.287

^{*} Rounded for simplicity

NOTE: The above wire diameters and circular mils are based on an average of the most commonly available wires. The wire manufacturer's specification should be referenced for information specific to the wire being used.

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