



Gold karat chart

What the stamp means, and how much gold is in it

KARAT	STAMPS	GOLD	PURE GOLD IN 10 G
 24K	999 · 9999	99.9%	9.99 g
 22K	916 · 917	91.6%	9.16 g
 21K	875	87.5%	8.75 g
 18K	750	75%	7.50 g
 16K	667 · 666	66.7%	6.67 g
 14K	585 · 583	58.5%	5.85 g
 12K	500	50%	5.00 g
 10K	417 · 416	41.7%	4.17 g
 9K	375 · 9CT	37.5%	3.75 g

Karat is parts of 24. The number stamp is the gold per thousand: 585 is 58.5%. A P after the karat (14KP) means plumb: solid gold, at least the karat stamped.

NOT SOLID GOLD

GF · 1/20 12K GF	Gold filled: a karat gold layer, 1/20 of the weight, over base metal
RGP	Rolled gold plate: a thinner layer than gold filled
GP · GEP	Gold plated or electroplated: a thin coat
HGE	Heavy gold electroplate: a thicker coat, still plated
Vermeil	Gold over sterling silver: price as .925 silver

PLATINUM AND PALLADIUM

PT950 · PLAT	Platinum, 95%
PT900 · 900 PLAT	Platinum, 90% (IRIDPLAT: 90% platinum, 10% iridium)
PT850 · 850 PLAT	Platinum, 85%
PT999	Fine platinum, 99.9%
PD950	Palladium, 95%
PD500	Palladium, 50%

SILVER

925 · STERLING	Sterling silver, 92.5%
900 · COIN	Coin silver, 90%
800	80% silver (European silverware)
950	95% silver (fine jewelry, Mexico). A 950 with PT or PD is platinum or palladium.
999 · FINE	Fine silver, 99.9%

WEIGHTS

1 troy ounce	31.1035 g · 20 dwt
1 pennyweight (dwt)	1.5552 g
1 gram	0.6430 dwt
Gold value	gold price ÷ 31.1035 × purity × grams