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Delivering more proactive patient care requires a clear understanding of biomarkers and optimal ranges. While conventional biomarker ranges are an effective tool in identifying and diagnosing disease – they fail to fully support providers looking to deliver more preventative, personalized care. Optimal biomarker ranges\* are narrower to focus on supporting metabolism, energy, and overall well-being.

By continuously monitoring biomarker trends over time, providers may better detect subtle shifts in metabolism, inflammation, and nutrient status before they lead to chronic conditions. This enables personalized interventions through lifestyle, diet, and supplementation to support long-term wellness.

Fullscript's interpretations tool enhances this process by delivering a clear visualization of biomarker trends, helping providers tailor protocols based on a patient's unique needs.

This guide, developed by the Fullscript Medical Advisory Team, utilizes medical research and advanced technology to refine optimal ranges through large datasets from trusted sources like ScienceDirect and PubMed. Please be aware that different healthcare providers have varying approaches to lab testing and interpretation; selection of specific tests, methodologies, and recommendations can differ based on training, experience, and needs of individual patients.

Whole person care is focused on helping patients more clearly understand and take control of their health – this data-driven approach can help provide targeted and evidence-based support for optimal well-being.

\*Optimal ranges are established by various experts based on their own experience and research, including Fullscript's Medical Advisory team; they are intended solely as informational reference content. Optimal ranges are not medical diagnoses or treatments, are not a substitute for a practitioner's professional judgment in specific individual situations, and are not meant to provide medical or professional advice. While content has been obtained from sources believed to be reliable, we cannot and do not guarantee the accuracy, validity, timeliness or completeness of the content.



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# Blood

## Basophils, CBC

Basophils are involved in allergic reactions and inflammatory responses. Abnormal levels can indicate various health conditions, including allergies, infections, and certain types of leukemia. Understanding their role can help in managing allergic conditions, chronic inflammatory diseases, and hematological disorders more effectively.

### Standard Range:

- Male/Female: 0-200 cells/uL

### Recommended Range:

- Male/Female Optimal: 0-100 cells/uL
- Male/Female Suboptimal High: 100-200 cells/uL
- Male/Female High: > 200 cells/uL

### Source(s):

<https://www.tuasaude.com/en/basophils/>

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/29247714/>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/d9403f26d00f9ceef9cab1ce60972acd46ea7b93>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/eadda7e3c87a98aa22704ee99eed6606d80e2bd4>

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## Basophils (%)

% basophils is a key measurement in a complete blood count (CBC) test, representing the percentage of neutrophils among total white blood cells in a blood sample. Basophils are involved in allergic reactions and inflammatory responses. Abnormal levels can indicate various health conditions, including allergies, infections, and certain types of leukemia. Understanding their role can help in managing allergic conditions, chronic inflammatory diseases, and hematological disorders more effectively.



### Standard Range:

- Low: > 0.5%
- High: <1.0%

### Recommended Range:

- Low: 0-0.5%
- High: <1.0%

### Source(s):

<https://ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK563148/>

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/10228396/>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/ddb8a7d5ad7986a650d8a3102414e222a37c686e>

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<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/9beaa944dd76d94920d844996fcb394a06019a50>

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## Eosinophils, CBC

The eosinophils blood test measures the number and percentage of eosinophils in the blood. Eosinophils are a type of white blood cell involved in the body's immune response, particularly in fighting parasitic infections, allergic reactions, and certain autoimmune conditions. They contain granules filled with enzymes and proteins that can be released to combat pathogens and modulate inflammation., CBC

### Standard Range:

- 15-500 cells/uL

### Recommended Range:

- Optimal: 0- 500 cells/uL
- High: > 500 cells/uL



### Source(s):

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC8641810/>  
<https://my.clevelandclinic.org/health/body/23402-eosinophils>  
<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC2526447/#:~:text=It%20was%20found%20th at%20as,and%20metabolic%20syndrome%20also%20increased.>  
<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/23526980/>  
<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/30208386/>  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/5ad7575634c4c8602fd182aaae649f5b13d421b6>  
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### Standard Range:

- Low: <1%
- High: >4%

### Recommended Range:

- Low: 0-1%
- High: >4%

### Source(s):

<https://www.mountsinai.org/health-library/tests/blood-differential-test#:~:text=Lymphocytes% 3A%2020%25%20to%2040%25.Basophils%3A%200.5%25%20to%201%25>  
<https://ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK563148/>  
<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/abs/10.1111/cea.12345>

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# Hematocrit, CBC

Hematocrit (HCT) is a key parameter in the complete blood count (CBC) test. It measures the proportion of red blood cells in the blood, providing insight into oxygen-carrying capacity and blood viscosity. Hematocrit is essential for diagnosing and monitoring conditions such as anemia, dehydration, polycythemia, and other hematological or cardiovascular disorders. It helps clinicians assess overall blood volume status and guides treatment strategies for various medical conditions affecting red blood cell production and turnover.

## Standard Range:

- Male: >18 Years: 38.5-50.0%
- Female: >18 Years: 35.0-45.0%

## Recommended Range:

- Male:
  - Low: 0-38.3%
  - Optimal: 38.3-48.6%
  - High: > 48.6%
- Female
  - Low: < 36.0%
  - Optimal: 36-48%
  - High: > 48%

## Source(s):

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/22802225/>

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK259/>

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC3619954/>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/7251c741e5f8b60c9c819b67ddfc1acce91a46d>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/1206a14f74cec58e54c94b97ee175d973857dfbb>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/5fee77310544d7fd6c04381854cc6844121c2a47>



# Hemoglobin, CBC

Hemoglobin is crucial for transporting oxygen from the lungs to the rest of the body and returning carbon dioxide from the tissues back to the lungs. Its levels are essential for diagnosing and managing conditions like anemia, polycythemia, and hemoglobinopathies, which have significant health implications and vital for overall health and detecting underlying medical conditions. Accurate hemoglobin levels help guide treatment decisions and monitor the effectiveness of therapeutic interventions.

## Standard Range:

- Adult females (AFAB): 11.7 - 15.5 g/dL
- Adult males (AMAB): 13.2 - 17.1 g/dL

## Recommended Range:

- Male:
  - Low: 0- 13.8 g/dL
  - Optimal: 14-15 g/dL
  - Suboptimal high: 15-17.1 g/dL
  - High: > 17.1 g/dL
- Female:
  - Low: 0- 12.0 g/dL
  - Optimal: 12.0-15.1 g/dL
  - High: > 15.1 g/dL

## Source(s):

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC6483202/>

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/29378732/>

<https://testdirectory.questdiagnostics.com/test/test-detail/510/hemoglobin?cc=MASTER#>

[https://testdirectory.questdiagnostics.com/test/test-guides/TS\\_Anemia\\_Cascading\\_Reflex/anemia-diagnostic-cascading-reflex](https://testdirectory.questdiagnostics.com/test/test-guides/TS_Anemia_Cascading_Reflex/anemia-diagnostic-cascading-reflex)

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<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/c0faf77dd7243735a34a77e85a8fb9a6a92f0f88>



# Lymphocytes, CBC

The lymphocytes blood test measures the number and percentage of lymphocytes in the blood. Lymphocytes are a type of white blood cell that plays a crucial role in the immune system, helping the body fight infections and other diseases. There are three main types of lymphocytes: B cells, T cells, and natural killer (NK) cells., CBC

## Standard Range:

- 850-3900 cells/uL

## Recommended Range:

- Low: 0-1000 cells/uL
- Optimal: 1000-4800 cells/uL
- High: > 4800 cells/uL

## Source(s):

<https://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/health/lymphopenia/diagnosis>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/1d8d931facf9b8694fa1668c92c4e8c613700f87>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/ef6347599dd4d5dd7ad5094e2ea3a3911c2cbfc9>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/1d8d931facf9b8694fa1668c92c4e8c613700f87>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/40fe30f9d105a67c084d4bc4ff2f96e21682db70>

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## Standard Range:

- Low: <20%
- High: >40%



### Recommended Range:

- Low: 0-20%
- High: >40%

### Source(s):

<https://www.mountsinai.org/health-library/tests/blood-differential-test#:~:text=Lymphocytes%3A%2020%25%20to%2040%25,Basophils%3A%200.5%25%20to%201%25>  
<https://ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK563148/>

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## Mean Corpuscular Hemoglobin (MCH) Platelet Count, CBC

Mean Corpuscular Hemoglobin (MCH) measures the average amount of hemoglobin within a single red blood cell, providing key insights into the oxygen-carrying capacity of blood. It is crucial for diagnosing and managing various types of anemia, guiding treatment plans, monitoring chronic conditions, assessing nutritional status, and serving as an early indicator of other hematologic disorders or potential health issues. Platelet Count, CBC

### Standard Range:

- 27 and 33 picograms (pg)

### Recommended Range:

- Low: 0- 27 pg/cell
- Optimal: 27.0-31.0 pg/cell
- Suboptimal high: 31.0-33.0 pg/cell
- High: > 33.0 pg/cell

### Source(s):

[https://www.liebertpub.com/doi/10.1089/10906570050114786?url\\_ver=Z39.88-2003&rfr\\_id=ori%3Arid%3Acrossref.org&rfr\\_dat=cr\\_pub++0pubmed](https://www.liebertpub.com/doi/10.1089/10906570050114786?url_ver=Z39.88-2003&rfr_id=ori%3Arid%3Acrossref.org&rfr_dat=cr_pub++0pubmed)  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/3386a47d7a181dca3802809eff5387f5067f4f13>

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# Mean Corpuscular Hemoglobin Concentration (MCHC), CBC

Understanding MCHC is essential for diagnosing and managing various medical conditions, particularly those related to anemia and other blood disorders. It aids in the accurate diagnosis of anemia types, monitoring treatment effectiveness, differentiating blood disorders, and assessing overall health indicators such as nutritional status and bone marrow function., CBC

## Standard Range:

- 32 - 36 g/dL

## Recommended Range:

- Low: 0- 32 g/dL
- Optimal: 32-36 g/dL
- High: > 36 g/dL

## Source(s):

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK260/#:~:text=The%20normal%20values%20for%20MCH.blood%20cell%20count%20as%20follows>

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/10149417/>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/488614d1ef3431ed7ad149580a272d61ece51cd1>

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# Mean Corpuscular Volume (MCV), CBC

Mean Corpuscular Volume (MCV) is a key parameter in the complete blood count (CBC) test. Since it measures the average size of red blood cells, it's useful in diagnosing and differentiating types of anemia. It helps clinicians identify whether anemia is microcytic, normocytic, or macrocytic, guiding further diagnostic and treatment strategies for conditions such as iron deficiency anemia, vitamin B12 deficiency, and bone marrow disorders and other hematological and metabolic conditions. (MCV), CBC



### Standard Range:

- 80.0 - 100.0 fL

### Recommended Range:

- Low: 0- 80.0 fL
- Optimal: 80.0-95.0 fL
- Suboptimal high: 95-100 fL
- High: > 100 fL

### Source(s):

<https://academic.oup.com/ajcp/article-abstract/55/4/438/1764378?redirectedFrom=fulltext&login=false>

[https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/Mean-Corpuscular-Volume-\(MCV\)-Maner-Moosavi/1b44cc0e4f610fece83a60d323f9f4bd750eb94b](https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/Mean-Corpuscular-Volume-(MCV)-Maner-Moosavi/1b44cc0e4f610fece83a60d323f9f4bd750eb94b)

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/3386a47d7a181dca3802809eff5387f5067f4f13>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/82926ceb812f1113191bb5b392a24f829129989b>

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## Mean Platelet Volume (MPV), CBC (includes Differential and Platelets)

Mean Platelet Volume (MPV) is crucial for diagnosing and managing various health conditions related to platelet function and hematologic health. It reflects platelet size and is an indicator of platelet production, helping to assess conditions like thrombocytopenia, thrombocytosis, and bone marrow disorders. Additionally, MPV can indicate the presence of inflammation, cardiovascular risk, or platelet activation, providing insight into the body's clotting and inflammatory status. It is monitored in chronic diseases to assess platelet function, guide treatment, and evaluate the risk of thrombotic or bleeding disorders.

### Standard Range:

- 7.5 - 11.5 femtoliters (fL)



### Recommended Range:

- Low: 0- 7.0 fL
- Suboptimal low: 7.0 - 7.5 fL
- Optimal: 7.5 - 9.0 fL
- Suboptimal high: 9.0-11.5 fL
- High: > 11.5 fL

### Source(s):

<https://testdirectory.questdiagnostics.com/test/test-detail/6399/cbc-includes-differential-and-platelets?q=cbc&cc=MASTER>

<https://my.clevelandclinic.org/health/diagnostics/23572-mpv-blood-test>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/7cb40416f1acef7083b3ee25b9786affda465fd7>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/d19203a7a2defe23c48786d078241db45f356510>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/3415d171f219535f17b35d13fa3a0a2d52e4c87b>

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## Metamyelocytes

The Metamyelocytes blood test measures the presence and percentage of metamyelocytes in the blood. Metamyelocytes are immature white blood cells that develop in the bone marrow and typically do not appear in the bloodstream under normal conditions. Their presence may indicate bone marrow stress, infection, inflammation, or hematologic disorders.

Metamyelocytes are part of the granulocytic lineage, maturing into neutrophils that play a critical role in immune defense. Monitoring metamyelocyte levels helps assess bone marrow activity, detect underlying infections or disorders, and guide further diagnostic evaluation in hematologic and inflammatory conditions.

### Standard Range:

- Optimal: 0%
- High: > 0%

### Recommended Range:

- Male:
- Optimal: 0%
- High: > 0%



- Female:
- Optimal: 0-1%
- High: > 1%

#### Source(s):

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/354c0afcbeeff763a9ec74d28ce8183bb56383e3>  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/c72ab07abd453ba2e4311d95d5a9138a26d0cf08>  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/An-Investigation-into-the-Development-and-Fate-of-Wickramasinghe-Bush/dee01b827989ad419ddfb9aadb60a005d04406a>  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/253c6df4e0f5ecd0e256dda540895d360072a1e2>  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/Cerebral-fat-embolism-syndrome-mimicking-thrombotic-Kammeyer-Devnani/253c6df4e0f5ecd0e256dda540895d360072a1e2>

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## Absolute Metamyelocytes

The Absolute Metamyelocytes blood test measures the total number of metamyelocytes in the bloodstream, providing insight into bone marrow activity and immune response.

Metamyelocytes are immature white blood cells that typically reside in the bone marrow and are rarely found in circulation under normal conditions. Their presence in the blood may indicate bone marrow stress, infection, inflammation, or hematologic disorders. Monitoring absolute metamyelocyte levels helps assess immune system activation, detect underlying conditions affecting blood cell production, and guide further diagnostic evaluation in hematologic and inflammatory diseases.

#### Standard Range:

- Optimal: 0 cells/uL
- High: > 0 cells/uL

#### Recommended Range:

- Male:
  - Optimal: 0 cells/uL
  - High: > 0 cells/uL
- Female:
  - Optimal: 0 cells/uL
  - High: > 0 cells/uL



### Source(s):

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/354c0afcbbeff763a9ec74d28ce8183bb56383e3>  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/c72ab07abd453ba2e4311d95d5a9138a26d0cf08>  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/An-Investigation-into-the-Development-and-Fate-of-Wickramasinghe-Bush/dee01b827989ad419ddfdb9aadb60a005d04406a>  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/253c6df4e0f5ecd0e256dda540895d360072a1e2>  
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## Monocytes, CBC

The monocytes blood test measures the number and percentage of monocytes in the blood. Monocytes are a type of white blood cell that plays a critical role in the body's immune system, particularly in fighting infections, removing dead or damaged tissues, and regulating the immune response. Monocytes are produced in the bone marrow and then circulate in the bloodstream before moving into tissues, where they differentiate into macrophages and dendritic cells., CBC

### Standard Range:

- 200-950 cells/uL

### Recommended Range:

- Low: 0- 200 cells/uL
- Optimal: 200-800 cells/uL
- High: > 800 cells/uL

### Source(s):

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC2526447/#:~:text=It%20was%20found%20that%20as.and%20metabolic%20syndrome%20also%20increased.>  
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## Standard Range:

- Low: >2%
- High: <8%

## Recommended Range:

- Low: 0-2%
- High: <8%

Source(s):

<https://ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK563148/>

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/10228396/>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/c6bddcb85a8e645892665837cef7d1895590b6fd>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/Histology%2C-White-Blood-Cell-Toney-Butler/1284c1378220a97ed1d86255f72c2c0b4f30ad38>

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# Absolute Myelocytes

The Absolute Myelocytes blood test measures the total number of myelocytes in the bloodstream, providing important information about bone marrow function and blood cell production. Myelocytes are immature white blood cells that are typically found in the bone marrow and mature into granulocytes (like neutrophils) as they develop. Their presence in the blood can indicate bone marrow stress, infection, or certain hematologic conditions. Monitoring absolute myelocyte levels helps assess bone marrow health, detect underlying infections or inflammatory conditions, and guide further diagnostic evaluation in disorders affecting white blood cell production.



### Standard Range:

- Optimal: 0 cells/uL
- High: > 0 cells/uL

### Recommended Range:

- Optimal: 0 cells/uL
- High: > 0 cells/uL

### Source(s):

<https://academic.oup.com/jleukbio/article/108/5/1665/6884423?login=false>  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/Cerebral-fat-embolism-syndrome-mimicking-thrombotic-Kammeyer-Devnani/253c6df4e0f5ecd0e256dda540895d360072a1e2>

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## Neutrophils, CBC

Monocytes, measured as part of a complete blood count (CBC), are crucial for diagnosing and managing various health conditions related to immune function and inflammation. They play a key role in the body's defense by responding to infections, clearing dead or damaged tissues, and regulating immune responses. Elevated or decreased monocyte levels can indicate conditions such as infections, chronic inflammatory diseases, autoimmune disorders, or hematologic conditions.

### Standard Range:

- 1500-7800 cells/uL

### Recommended Range:

- Low: 0- 1500 cells/uL
- Optimal: 1500-8000 cells/uL
- High: > 8000 cells/uL



### Source(s):

<https://requestatest.com/includes/uploads/tests/CBC.pdf>

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/23526980/>

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<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/58cb7f204fd129c0f2ebda02c94d9e2683582b12>

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## Neutrophils (%)

% neutrophils is a key measurement in a complete blood count (CBC) test, representing the percentage of neutrophils among total white blood cells in a blood sample. Neutrophils are crucial for the immune system as they are the first line of defense against infections. They play a significant role in engulfing and destroying pathogens, forming NETs to trap and kill pathogens, regulating inflammation, and interacting with other immune cells. Their function and efficiency can greatly influence the outcome of various diseases, including bacterial infections, inflammatory conditions, and cancer.

### Standard Range:

- Low: >40%
- High: <60%

### Recommended Range:

- Low: 0-40%
- High: >60%

### Source(s):

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/Does-the-band-cell-survive-the-21st-century-Meer-Gelder/0de09f2531e0b9e017b0e4bc7f1f96b02bf1ce61>

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/16183235/>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/bd78ccbf28cf532ef88e5cd7d067fe25ece6a656>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/c3e62dac16b96f1b89587e78baa8f2cc966f9120>

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# Band Neutrophils

The Band Neutrophils blood test measures the number of banded neutrophils in the bloodstream. Band neutrophils are immature white blood cells that are part of the neutrophil lineage. They are typically produced in the bone marrow and released into the blood when the body is under stress, such as during infection or inflammation. An increased number of band neutrophils, known as a "left shift," can indicate an ongoing infection, inflammatory response, or bone marrow activation. Monitoring band neutrophil levels helps assess the body's immune response and guide diagnosis and treatment in various acute conditions.

## Standard Range:

- 0% to 3%

## Recommended Range:

- Optimal: 0-3%
- Suboptimal high: 3-10%
- High: >10%

## Source(s):

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/pdfdirect/10.1111/ijlh.12372>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/Bandemia-as-an-Early-Predictive-Marker-of-A-Cohort-Harada-Harada/280ea5276cde3a37bb6b95fbf91562978874dcf3>

<https://imagebank.hematology.org/image/60396/band-neutrophil#:~:text=Band%20neutrophils%20are%20slightly%20less%20mature%20than,neutrophils%20can%20be%20seen%20in%20infectious%20and>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/Review-of-A-Large-Clinical-Series%3A-Is-the-Band-in-Cavallazzi-Bennin/d7afa591418b71d66595c307f16fe257c214eec1>

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# Platelets, CBC

The platelets blood test measures the number of platelets in the blood as part of a complete blood count (CBC). Platelets are small cell fragments that play a critical role in blood clotting, wound healing, and maintaining vascular integrity. They are produced in the bone marrow and circulate in the bloodstream, where they help prevent excessive bleeding and contribute to immune responses. Abnormal platelet counts can indicate conditions such as thrombocytopenia, thrombocytosis, clotting disorders, or bone marrow diseases. Platelet levels are monitored to assess bleeding risk, clotting function, and overall hematologic health.

## Standard Range:

- 140-400 thousand/uL

## Recommended Range:

- Low: 0- 150 thousand/uL
- Optimal: 150-450 thousand/uL
- High: > 450 thousand/uL

## Source(s):

<https://redcliffelabs.com/myhealth/lab-test/blood-test/platelet-count-low-vs-normal-vs-high-range-in-human/>

<https://www.oneblood.org/blog/what-is-a-normal-platelet-count.html>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/2fa125cc3de7e6b2cf60826d8854dc376c65f22e>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/ea21bfa9abdd8ecbcc8ab3749bd496285bb4e044>

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## RBC (Blood)

An RBC (Red Blood Cell) count test measures the number of red blood cells in a blood sample, which is essential for diagnosing and monitoring conditions such as anemia, dehydration, and bone marrow disorders. It provides critical information about the body's ability to carry oxygen and can help identify underlying health issues like nutritional deficiencies, chronic illnesses, and hematologic diseases. Accurate RBC counts guide treatment decisions and help monitor the effectiveness of therapies.

### Standard Range:

- Low: 3.77 million cells/ $\mu$ L
- High: 5.28 million cells/ $\mu$ L

### Recommended Range:

- Male:
  - Low: 0-4.7 million cells/ $\mu$ L
  - Optimal: 4.7-6.1 million cells/ $\mu$ L
  - High: > 6.1 million cells/ $\mu$ L
- Female:
  - Low: 0-4.2 million cells/ $\mu$ L
  - Optimal: 4.2-5.4 million cells/ $\mu$ L
  - High: > 5.4 million cells/ $\mu$ L

### Source(s):

<https://www.mountsinai.org/health-library/tests/rbc-count#:~:text=Normal%20Results,to%205.4%20million%20cells/mcL>  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/ef6347599dd4d5dd7ad5094e2ea3a3911c2cbfc9>  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/40fe30f9d105a67c084d4bc4ff2f96e21682db70>  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/ef6347599dd4d5dd7ad5094e2ea3a3911c2cbfc9>  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/40fe30f9d105a67c084d4bc4ff2f96e21682db70>

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# Red Blood Cells, CBC

Red blood cells (RBCs) are specialized cells in the blood that transport oxygen from the lungs to tissues and organs while carrying carbon dioxide back to the lungs for removal. They contain hemoglobin, a protein that binds oxygen, enabling efficient oxygen delivery throughout the body. RBCs play a vital role in maintaining energy levels, supporting organ function, and sustaining overall health. Proper RBC production and function are essential for preventing conditions such as anemia, which can lead to fatigue, weakness, and impaired oxygen transport.

## Standard Range:

- Adult females: 3.80 - 5.10 cells/ $\mu$ L
- Adult males (AMAB): 4.20 - 5.80 cells/ $\mu$ L

## Recommended Range:

- Male:
  - Low: 0-4.20 cells/ $\mu$ L
  - Optimal: 4.20-5.80 cells/ $\mu$ L
  - High: > 5.80 cells/ $\mu$ L
- Female:
  - Low: < 3.8 cells/ $\mu$ L
  - Optimal: 3.80-5.10 cells/ $\mu$ L
  - High: > 5.10 cells/ $\mu$ L

## Source(s):

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC7686855/>

(RBCs normal ranges for males were 4.7 to 6.1 million cells per microliter (cells/mcL) and for females 4.2 to 5.4 million cells/mcL)

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC6306047/>

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK260/>

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/30285066/>

<https://snucm.elsevierpure.com/en/publications/the-low-number-of-red-blood-cells-is-an-important-risk-factor-for>

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC11101252/>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/ef6347599dd4d5dd7ad5094e2ea3a3911c2cbfc9>



# Red Cell Distribution Width (RDW), CBC (includes Differential and Platelets)

RDW is crucial for diagnosing different types of anemia, monitoring chronic diseases, assessing inflammation and infection, predicting outcomes in critical care, identifying nutritional deficiencies, and evaluating bone marrow function. It provides valuable insights that can lead to more accurate diagnoses and better management of various health conditions, ultimately improving patient care and outcomes., CBC (includes Differential and Platelets)

## Standard Range:

- Normal RDW range: 11.5% to 14.5%

## Recommended Range:

- Low: < 11.5%
- Optimal: 11.5-13%
- Suboptimal high: 13-14.5%
- High: > 14.5%

## Source(s):

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/30212481/>

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/19880817/>

<https://pmc.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/articles/PMC5606102/>

<https://bmresnotes.biomedcentral.com/articles/10.1186/s13104-020-05125-y>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/0b7cb683b5b554b181fca091ff076c9cbc996302>

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## WBC (Blood)

A White Blood Cell (WBC) test measures the number of white blood cells in the blood, which is crucial for diagnosing and monitoring various conditions such as infections, inflammation, immune system disorders, and blood cancers. Abnormal WBC counts can indicate the presence of these conditions, helping guide further diagnostic testing and treatment decisions.

### Standard Range:

- 3400 – 10800 cells/ $\mu$ L

### Recommended Range:

- Low: 0- 4500 cells/ $\mu$ L
- Optimal: 4500-11000 cells/ $\mu$ L
- High: >11000 cells/ $\mu$ L

### Source(s):

<https://www.mountsinai.org/health-library/tests/wbc-count#:~:text=The%20normal%20number%20of%20WBCs,or%20may%20test%20different%20specimens.>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/ef6347599dd4d5dd7ad5094e2ea3a3911c2cbfc9>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/30b3d7fc33b3d4fe7a77ad7b13fa41885d064bf4>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/Association-between-White-Blood-Cell-Counts-within-Hong-Noh/4e186e6a9184f52a41f2f332c463689d21d4c09c>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/ef6347599dd4d5dd7ad5094e2ea3a3911c2cbfc9>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/30b3d7fc33b3d4fe7a77ad7b13fa41885d064bf4>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/Association-between-White-Blood-Cell-Counts-within-Hong-Noh/4e186e6a9184f52a41f2f332c463689d21d4c09c>

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# White Blood Cells, CBC

White blood cells (WBCs) are a vital component of the immune system that help defend the body against infections, foreign invaders, and abnormal cells. They play a crucial role in immune response, inflammation regulation, and tissue repair. WBCs are produced in the bone marrow and circulate throughout the bloodstream and lymphatic system, targeting harmful pathogens and supporting overall immunity. Maintaining a balanced WBC count is essential for protecting against infections, autoimmune disorders, and other health conditions.

## Standard Range:

- 3.8-10.8 thousand/ $\mu$ L

## Recommended Range:

- Low: 0-3.8 thousand/ $\mu$ L
- Optimal: 3.8-10.0 thousand/ $\mu$ L
- High: > 10.0 thousand/ $\mu$ L

## Source(s):

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/36941499/>

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/32157617/>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/ef6347599dd4d5dd7ad5094e2ea3a3911c2cbfc9>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/5c4e660c5169322c443fc182f4f7bd1558168e97>

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# Cardiovascular

## Apolipoprotein B

Apolipoprotein B (ApoB) is a critical biomarker for cardiovascular health. It is a strong predictor of cardiovascular disease (CVD), aids in clinical decision-making for therapeutic interventions, and informs public health strategies to reduce the burden of CVD. ApoB levels reflect the number of atherogenic lipoprotein particles, making it a more accurate marker for assessing cardiovascular risk compared to LDL cholesterol levels.

### Standard Range:

- Optimal: <90 mg/dL
- Moderate: 90-119 mg/dL
- High:  $\geq 120$  mg/dL

### Recommended Range:

- Optimal: 0- 90 mg/dL
- Suboptimal high: 90-119 mg/dL
- High:  $\geq 120$  mg/dL

### Source(s):

[https://www.aafp.org/pubs/afp/issues/2003/0315/p1386.html#:~:text=A%20target%20value%20of%20apo%20B%20of.mg%20per%20dL%20\(0.8%20g%20per%20L\).](https://www.aafp.org/pubs/afp/issues/2003/0315/p1386.html#:~:text=A%20target%20value%20of%20apo%20B%20of.mg%20per%20dL%20(0.8%20g%20per%20L).)

<https://my.clevelandclinic.org/health/diagnostics/24992-apolipoprotein-b-test>

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/19168552/>

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/29917037/> <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK570370/>

[https://www.mayoclinicproceedings.org/article/S0025-6196\(11\)60330-3/fulltext](https://www.mayoclinicproceedings.org/article/S0025-6196(11)60330-3/fulltext)

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/5501fd105a2a5b91a1aeb6756af65563e8bc9e1f>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/0b4602237302f85d7621c8be63b38fc5551e6396>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/5a9e254bb243462e5842564331fe7c640ef5a738>



# Fibrinogen

Fibrinogen is a key biomarker in coagulation and cardiovascular health. As a clotting protein produced by the liver, it plays a crucial role in blood clot formation and wound healing. Since it is also an acute-phase reactant, fibrinogen levels can rise in response to inflammation, infection, or tissue injury. It is useful in assessing bleeding disorders, thrombosis risk, and inflammatory conditions, helping clinicians evaluate cardiovascular health, monitor systemic inflammation, and guide treatment strategies for clotting disorders and chronic diseases.

## Standard Range:

- 175-425 mg/dL

## Recommended Range:

- Low: 0- 200 mg/dL
- Optimal: 200-400 mg/dL
- High: > 400 mg/dL

## Source(s):

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK537184/>

<https://testdirectory.questdiagnostics.com/test/test-detail/461/fibrinogen-activity-clauss?cc=M>  
[ASTER](#)

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/29176380/>

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/11815639/>

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/7845427/>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/ab21e3a20b599e3f078766b56f68c6d6407d5eb7>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/5cb798b25334dc0545689e8dea8b8eda6ffd248b>

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# HDL Cholesterol

HDL cholesterol is crucial for cardiovascular health as it helps transport cholesterol from the arteries to the liver for excretion, has anti-inflammatory and antioxidant properties, maintains endothelial function, and reduces the risk of blood clots. Higher levels are associated with a lower risk of heart disease and stroke, better management of metabolic syndrome, and increased longevity.

## Standard Range:

- Male:  $\geq 40$  mg/dL
- Female:  $\geq 50$  mg/dL

## Recommended Range:

- Male:
  - Low: 0- 40 mg/dL
  - Suboptimal low: 40-59 mg/dL
  - Optimal:  $\geq 60$  mg/dL
- Female:
  - Low:  $< 50$  mg/dL
  - Suboptimal low: 50-59 mg/dL
  - Optimal:  $\geq 60$  mg/dL

## Source(s):

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/34971388/>

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/30869791/>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/1652f64a1c58c62987d3ac4745bef81bd823049e>

<https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jamacardiology/fullarticle/2792282>

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/22617230/>

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## HDL Large

HDL Large particles are crucial for cardiovascular health due to their efficiency in promoting cholesterol efflux, anti-inflammatory properties, antioxidant effects, and ability to maintain endothelial function. Measuring the size and concentration of HDL particles, including HDL Large, provides a more detailed assessment of cardiovascular risk and helps tailor effective treatment strategies.

### Standard Range:

- 6729 nmol/L

### Recommended Range:

- Optimal: 0-6729 nmol/L
- High: >6729 nmol/L

### Source(s):

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/30704250/>  
<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC9016450/>

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## Homocysteine

Elevated homocysteine levels are associated with various health issues, including cardiovascular diseases, cognitive decline, osteoporosis, and pregnancy complications. Managing homocysteine levels can help in the prevention and management of these conditions, improving public health outcomes.

### Standard Range:

- Male: <11.4 umol/L
- Female: <10.4 umol/L

### Recommended Range:

- Optimal: 0-11.4 umol/L
- Suboptimal High: 11.4-15 umol/L



- High: >15 umol/L

**Source(s):**

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/Using-data-mining-technology-to-explore-at-low-Ts-eng-Huang/908b6d25c5e60c8714dc238dc2f134e55cd8907a>  
<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC4566450/>  
<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC11138896/>  
<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/22239874/>  
<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC3816557/>  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/812055fe5055499a30b97ac7922ff10b3ef2ed27>  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/00a1bd218adbfa64bef8a7f160b64fe1887b62f>

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## hsCRP

hsCRP is a valuable biomarker for assessing inflammation and predicting the risk of various chronic diseases, particularly cardiovascular diseases. Understanding and monitoring hsCRP levels can lead to early detection, better disease management, and improved overall health outcomes.

**Standard Range:**

- Optimal: < 1.0 mg/L
- Suboptimal High: 1.0-3.0 mg/L
- High: > 3.0 mg/L

**Recommended Range:**

- Optimal: 0- 1.0 mg/L
- Suboptimal High: 1.0-3.0 mg/L
- High: > 3.0 mg/L

**Source(s):**

<https://testdirectory.questdiagnostics.com/test/test-detail/10124/hs-crp?q=crp&cc=MASTER>  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/12fff2e2b48be79b46943a8a1df1b88d1c715e75>  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/0c3dec8d937ebbbfc5de70fa6ac0234d155d3cc1>



## LDL Cholesterol (Calculated)

Understanding why LDL cholesterol matters is crucial for maintaining cardiovascular health and preventing serious health conditions. Elevated levels of LDL cholesterol are a significant risk factor for heart disease, which is one of the leading causes of death globally. By comprehending the role of LDL cholesterol, individuals can take proactive steps to manage their cholesterol levels, thereby reducing their risk of heart attacks, strokes, and other cardiovascular diseases. (Calculated)

### Standard Range:

- <100 mg/dL

### Recommended Range:

- Optimal: 0-100 mg/dL
- Suboptimal high: 100-159 mg/dL
- High: > 160 mg/dL

### Source(s):

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/30971484/>

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/20666103/>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/b9eafb057829f4d5c87825cc8e9f6fa77260b8cb>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/591e2b680105c28f4919200e74a9aafb42d8001a>

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## LDL Medium

Medium LDL particles fall between small dense LDL and large buoyant LDL in terms of size and density. Its atherogenic potential, susceptibility to oxidation, and impact on diagnostic and treatment strategies make it a critical factor in managing heart health. Understanding and monitoring LDL Medium can lead to better risk assessment, personalized treatment, and improved outcomes in cardiovascular disease prevention and management.

### Standard Range:

- < 215 angstrom

### Recommended Range:

- Optimal: 0- 215 angstrom
- High: >215 angstrom

### Source(s):

<https://my.functionhealth.com/biomarkers/heart/ldl-medium>

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC4446774/>

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## LDL Particle Number

LDL Particle Number is a more accurate predictor of cardiovascular risk than the total amount of LDL cholesterol (LDL-C). High LDL-P is associated with greater risk of plaque buildup in arteries, leading to atherosclerosis and cardiovascular diseases. Understanding LDL-P can influence treatment decisions, risk assessment, and overall management of cardiovascular health, leading to more effective prevention strategies and better health outcomes.

### Standard Range:

- <1138 nmol/L

### Recommended Range:

- Optimal: 0-1000 nmol/L
- Suboptimal high: 1000-1600 nmol/L
- High: > 1600 nmol/L



**Source(s):**

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/19657464/>

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/26371381/>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/be2862a2d922c057f992a1a6ee83cba7cc5aa7b8>

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## LDL Pattern

LDL Pattern is a key marker in lipid profiling, providing insight into the size and density of low-density lipoprotein (LDL) particles. Since smaller, denser LDL particles are more prone to oxidation and arterial plaque formation, this biomarker is useful in assessing cardiovascular risk beyond standard LDL cholesterol levels. It helps differentiate between LDL subtypes associated with higher or lower atherosclerosis risk, offering a deeper understanding of lipid metabolism and cardiovascular health.

**Standard Range:**

- A = optimal
- B = high

**Recommended Range:**

- A = optimal
- B = high

**Source(s):**

<https://www.ahajournals.org/doi/full/10.1161/01.ATV.17.4.707>

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC8260186/>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/7fe2e563e4039f3380698807e2edce6fb1019647>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/6d97f9787d507b08ed2c1663fe0a6a103da3c15d>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/9d979a046ea41b3d650ff5e6651a0cfce22c1743>

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## LDL Peak Size

LDL peak size refers to the predominant size of LDL (Low-Density Lipoprotein) particles in the blood. This measurement helps to identify the distribution of LDL particle sizes, which can provide insight into cardiovascular risk. Larger LDL particles are generally considered less atherogenic compared to smaller, denser LDL particles, which are more likely to penetrate the arterial wall and contribute to plaque formation.

### Standard Range:

- 222.9 Angstrom

### Recommended Range:

- Low: 0-222 Angstrom
- Optimal: >222 Angstrom

### Source(s):

[https://www.researchgate.net/publication/11824907\\_A\\_prospective\\_population-based\\_study\\_of\\_low\\_density\\_lipoprotein\\_particle\\_size\\_as\\_a\\_risk\\_factor\\_for\\_ischemic\\_heart\\_disease\\_in\\_men](https://www.researchgate.net/publication/11824907_A_prospective_population-based_study_of_low_density_lipoprotein_particle_size_as_a_risk_factor_for_ischemic_heart_disease_in_men)

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/7f9f5b06d5e9f54626c1d3bd6acb1190ca7ac106>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/341e34fb99f7cc36ef26ffba14b6cc9b9900a0d2>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/4b06cc74dfc5b0e8d05cb494b0d87656c674e966>

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## LDL small (sdLDL)

LDL small (sdLDL) is crucial for diagnosing and managing various health conditions related to cardiovascular health. It serves as a key indicator of atherogenic risk, helps assess the likelihood of developing cardiovascular disease, and is associated with conditions like metabolic syndrome and diabetes. Additionally, elevated sdLDL levels indicate increased susceptibility to oxidative damage and plaque formation, making it a valuable marker for evaluating lipid-related risks. It is also monitored in chronic diseases to guide treatment strategies and improve cardiovascular risk management.



### Standard Range:

- <50.0 mg/dL

### Recommended Range:

- Optimal: 0- 20 mg/dL
- Suboptimal High: 20-50 mg/dL
- High: >50 mg/dL

### Source(s):

<https://www.ahajournals.org/doi/10.1161/ATVBAHA.114.303284>

<https://nutritionandmetabolism.biomedcentral.com/articles/10.1186/s12986-019-0334-y>

<https://testdirectory.questdiagnostics.com/test/test-detail/36406/sldl?cc=MASTER>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/4b02dfa8f9a3b907cd6e897064794ce300e2aaa8>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/a9f4a94f1f81baf37a718d69773a304f1b898093>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/562f724a2c249ae00104325db8ee2664e67a8030>

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## Lipoprotein(a)

The Lipoprotein(a) blood test measures the concentration of Lipoprotein(a) [Lp(a)] in the blood, a key marker for cardiovascular health. Lp(a) is a type of low-density lipoprotein (LDL) that contains an additional protein, apolipoprotein(a), which can contribute to plaque buildup in arteries and increase the risk of heart disease and stroke. Elevated Lp(a) levels are largely determined by genetics and are associated with a higher risk of atherosclerosis and thrombosis. Monitoring Lp(a) levels helps assess cardiovascular risk, guide preventive strategies, and inform treatment decisions for heart health management.

### Standard Range:

- Optimal <75 nmol/L
- Moderate 75-125 nmol/L
- High >125 nmol/L

### Recommended Range:

- Optimal: 0- 65 nmol/L



- Suboptimal high: 65-125 nmol/L
- High: > 125 nmol/L

**Source(s):**

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC10605347/#:~:text=32%E2%80%9390%20nmol%2FL%E2%80%9494.%2FL%E2%80%9494very%20high%20chance.>

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/19622820/>

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/20965889/>

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/26361154/>

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/31578080/>

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## Lp-PLA2

Lp-PLA2 is a biomarker for cardiovascular diseases, indicating increased risk for coronary heart disease, stroke, and other cardiovascular events. It plays a role in the inflammatory processes within atherosclerotic plaques, contributing to plaque instability and potential rupture. Monitoring Lp-PLA2 levels helps in assessing cardiovascular risk and guiding therapeutic interventions.

**Recommended Range:**

- Optimal: 0-200 ng/mL
- Borderline High: 200-235 ng/mL
- High: > 235 ng/mL

**Source(s):**

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC8744129/>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/2043ec741ad60c443a3be02adef7d0e7f0239ac4>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/d9af5ecce63c9335f73cb9c0a28e7a08127678ae>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/9348b20f77c12f9c635bcf02e06b3ad46508eb8c>

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## Non-HDL Cholesterol

Non-HDL cholesterol is a significant marker for assessing the risk of heart disease. It provides a comprehensive risk assessment, has predictive value for cardiovascular events, serves as a treatment target, is easy to calculate, and is particularly relevant in metabolic conditions like diabetes and metabolic syndrome.

### Standard Range:

- $\leq 130$  mg/dl

### Recommended Range:

- Optimal: 0-130 mg/dl
- High:  $> 130$  mg/dl

### Source(s):

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0735109721001911?via%3Dihub>  
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## Total Cholesterol

Understanding why total cholesterol matters is crucial for maintaining cardiovascular health and preventing serious conditions such as heart disease and stroke. High cholesterol levels are often asymptomatic, meaning individuals may not be aware of their risk until significant damage has occurred. Therefore, knowing the importance of total cholesterol can lead to early intervention and better health outcomes.

### Standard Range:

- $< 200$  mg/dL



### Recommended Range:

- Optimal: 0- 200 mg/dL
- Suboptimal high: 200-240 mg/dL
- High: > 240 mg/dL

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## Total Cholesterol/HDL Ratio

The Total Cholesterol/HDL Ratio is a key indicator of cardiovascular health, providing insight into the balance between total cholesterol and high-density lipoprotein (HDL). Since it reflects the proportion of cholesterol that may contribute to plaque buildup in arteries, it is useful in assessing the risk of heart disease and atherosclerosis. A higher ratio may indicate an increased cardiovascular risk, while a lower ratio suggests better heart health. This biomarker helps clinicians evaluate lipid metabolism and guide lifestyle or therapeutic interventions to reduce cardiovascular risk.

### Standard Range:

- Male/Female < 5.0

### Recommended Range:

- Male/Female Optimal: 0- 3.5:1
- Suboptimal high: 3.5-5:1
- High: > 5:1

### Source(s):



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## Triglycerides

Testing triglycerides measures the level of triglycerides in the blood, which are a type of fat. High triglyceride levels can indicate an increased risk of heart disease, stroke, and pancreatitis. This test helps evaluate cardiovascular health and is often included in lipid panels along with cholesterol measurements. It aids in diagnosing conditions such as hyperlipidemia and metabolic syndrome. Monitoring triglycerides can guide treatment plans, including lifestyle changes and medications, to reduce cardiovascular risk and improve overall health.

### Standard Range:

- < 150 mg/dL

### Recommended Range:

- Optimal: 0- 100 mg/dL
- Suboptimal high: 100-150 mg/dL
- High: > 150 mg/dL

### Source(s):

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# Hormone

## Cortisol (AM)

The cortisol (AM) blood test measures the level of cortisol in the blood, typically collected in the morning. Cortisol is a steroid hormone produced by the adrenal glands in response to stress and low blood-glucose concentration. It follows a diurnal rhythm, with peak levels in the morning and lowest levels at night. This test helps assess adrenal gland function and diagnose disorders related to abnormal cortisol levels.

### Standard Range:

- Male/Female >17 Years (7-9 a.m.): 4.0-22.0 mcg/dL

### Recommended Range:

- Male/Female Low: 0- 4.0 mcg/dL
- Male/Female Suboptimal Low: 4.0-5.0 mcg/dL
- Male/Female Optimal: 5.0-22.0 mcg/dL
- Male/Female Suboptimal High: 22.0-25.0 mcg/dL
- Male/Female High: > 25.0 mcg/dL

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# DHEA-S

The DHEA-S (Dehydroepiandrosterone Sulfate) blood test measures the level of DHEA-S in the blood. DHEA-S is a sulfated form of DHEA, a hormone produced primarily by the adrenal glands and, to a lesser extent, by the ovaries in women and the testes in men. It serves as a precursor to sex hormones such as estrogen and testosterone. DHEA-S levels provide insights into adrenal gland function and help diagnose various endocrine disorders.

## Standard Range:

- Male:
  - 18-21 Years: 20-480 µg/dL
  - 22-30 Years: 74-617 µg/dL
  - 31-40 Years: 93-415 µg/dL
  - 41-50 Years: 61-442 µg/dL
  - 51-60 Years: 32-279 µg/dL
  - 61-70 Years: 20-217 µg/dL
  - >70 Years: 3-225 µg/dL
- Female:
  - 18-21 Years: 44-286 µg/dL
  - 22-30 Years: 14-349 µg/dL
  - 31-40 Years: 19-237 µg/dL
  - 41-50 Years: 15-205 µg/dL
  - 51-60 Years: 5-167 µg/dL
  - 61-70 Years: 9-118 µg/dL
  - >70 Years: 4-157 µg/dL

## Recommended Range:

- Male:
  - 18-21 Years: 20-480 µg/dL
  - 22-30 Years: 74-617 µg/dL
  - 31-40 Years: 93-415 µg/dL
  - 41-50 Years: 61-442 µg/dL
  - 51-60 Years: 32-279 µg/dL
  - 61-70 Years: 20-217 µg/dL
  - >70 Years: 3-225 µg/dL



- Female:
  - 18-21 Years: 44-286 µg/dL
  - 22-30 Years: 14-349 µg/dL
  - 31-40 Years: 19-237 µg/dL
  - 41-50 Years: 15-205 µg/dL
  - 51-60 Years: 5-167 µg/dL
  - 61-70 Years: 9-118 µg/dL
  - >70 Years: 4-157 µg/dL

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## Estradiol

The estradiol blood test measures the level of estradiol, the most potent form of estrogen, in the blood. Estradiol (E2) is a steroid hormone produced primarily by the ovaries in women, and in smaller amounts by the testes in men and the adrenal glands in both sexes. It plays a critical role in the regulation of the menstrual cycle, reproductive system, bone health, and secondary sexual characteristics.

**Standard Range:**

- Male:
  - <39 pg/mL
- Female:
  - Follicular Phase: 19-144 pg/mL
  - Mid-Cycle: 64-357 pg/mL
  - Luteal Phase: 56-214 pg/mL
  - Postmenopausal: <31 pg/mL

**Recommended Range:**

- Male:
  - <39 pg/mL



- Female:
  - Low: 0-19 pg/mL
  - Suboptimal Low: 19-30 pg/mL
  - Optimal: 30-400 pg/mL
  - Suboptimal High: 400-800 pg/mL
  - High: >800 pg/mL

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## T3, Free

T3, Free is crucial for diagnosing and managing various health conditions related to thyroid function. It serves as a key indicator of active thyroid hormone levels, helps assess conditions like hyperthyroidism and hypothyroidism, and aids in detecting thyroid dysfunction even when TSH and T4 levels appear normal. Additionally, it plays a vital role in metabolism, energy regulation, and cardiovascular health, making it a valuable marker for evaluating metabolic disorders. It is also monitored in chronic diseases to assess thyroid status, guide treatment, and optimize hormonal balance.

#### Standard Range:

- 2.3-4.2 pg/mL

#### Recommended Range:

- Low: 0- 2.0 pg/mL
- Suboptimal low: 2.0-2.3 pg/mL
- Optimal: 2.3-4.2 pg/mL
- Suboptimal high: 4.2-4.4 pg/mL
- High: > 4.4 pg/mL



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## T4, Free

T4, Free is crucial for diagnosing and managing various health conditions related to thyroid function. It serves as a key indicator of thyroid hormone availability, helps assess conditions like hypothyroidism and hyperthyroidism, and aids in detecting thyroid dysfunction even when TSH levels are normal. Additionally, it plays a vital role in metabolism, growth, and energy regulation, making it a valuable marker for evaluating endocrine health. It is also monitored in chronic diseases to assess thyroid status, guide treatment, and optimize hormonal balance.

### Standard Range:

- 0.8-1.8 ng/dL

### Recommended Range:

- Low: 0-0.8 ng/dL
- Optimal: 0.8-1.8 ng/dL
- Suboptimal high: 1.8-2.0 ng/dL
- High: > 2.0 ng/dL

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## Reverse T3

Reverse T3 is important for assessing thyroid function, diagnosing Non-Thyroidal Illness Syndrome (NTIS), differentiating types of hypothyroidism, and monitoring treatment efficacy in patients on thyroid hormone replacement therapy.

### Standard Range:

- 8-25 ng/dL

### Recommended Range:

- Low: 0-8 ng/dL
- Optimal: 8-25 ng/dL
- High: > 25 ng/dL

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## Testosterone, Free

The free testosterone blood test measures the level of testosterone that is not bound to proteins in the blood. Testosterone circulates in the blood in two main forms: bound and unbound (free). About 98% of testosterone is bound to proteins such as sex hormone-binding globulin (SHBG) and albumin, leaving approximately 2% as free testosterone. Free testosterone is the bioactive form that can enter cells and exert its effects on the body.

### Standard Range:

- Male:
  - 18-69 Years: 46-224.0 pg/mL
  - 70-89 Years: 6.0-73.0 pg/mL
  - >89 Years: N/A pg/mL



- Female:
  - 18-69 Years: 0.2-5.0 pg/mL
  - 70-89 Years: 0.3-5.0 pg/mL
  - >89 Years: N/A

### Recommended Range:

- Male:
  - 18-69 Years:
    - Low: 0-46.0 pg/mL
    - Optimal: 46.0-224.0 pg/mL
    - High: >224.0 pg/mL
  - 70-89 Years:
    - Low: 0-6.0 pg/mL
    - Optimal: 6.0 - 73.0 pg/mL
    - High: >73.0 pg/mL
- Female:
  - 18-69 Years:
    - Low: 0-0.2 pg/mL
    - Optimal: 0.2-5.0 pg/mL
    - High: >5.0 pg/mL
  - 79-89 Years:
    - Low: 0-0.3 pg/mL
    - Optimal: 0.3-5.0 pg/mL
    - High: >5.0 pg/mL

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# Testosterone, Total

The total testosterone blood test measures the level of testosterone, the primary male sex hormone, in the blood. Testosterone is crucial for the development of male reproductive tissues, muscle mass, bone density, and secondary sexual characteristics. It also plays a role in women's health, affecting libido, bone density, and muscle mass.

## Standard Range:

- Male:
  - 250-1100 ng/dL
- Female:
  - 2-45 ng/dL

## Recommended Range:

- Male:
  - Low: 0-250 ng/dL
  - Optimal: 250-1100 ng/dL
  - High: >1100 ng/dL
- Female:
  - Low: <2 ng/dL
  - Optimal: 2-45 ng/dL
  - High: >45 ng/dL

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# Thyroid-Stimulating Hormone (TSH)

Thyroid-Stimulating Hormone (TSH) is crucial for diagnosing and managing various health conditions related to thyroid function. It acts as a regulatory hormone for thyroid activity, serves as an early indicator of hypothyroidism or hyperthyroidism, and helps detect thyroid dysfunction in cases of abnormal T3 and T4 levels. Additionally, TSH is a sensitive marker for assessing the overall health of the thyroid gland, useful in diagnosing conditions like Hashimoto's thyroiditis and Graves' disease. It is monitored in chronic diseases to evaluate thyroid status and guide treatment strategies.

## Standard Range:

- 0.40-4.50 mIU/L
- Pregnancy First Trimester
  - 0.26-2.66 mIU/L
- Pregnancy Second Trimester
  - 0.55-2.73 mIU/L
- Pregnancy Third Trimester
  - 0.43-2.91 mIU/L

## Recommended Range:

- Low: 0-0.4 mIU/L
- Optimal: 0.4-4.0 mIU/L
- Suboptimal high: 4.0-4.5 mIU/L
- High: > 4.5 mIU/L

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# Kidneys

## Amorphous Sediment, Urinalysis

The presence of amorphous sediment in urine can indicate several underlying health issues such as urinary tract infections, kidney stones, dehydration, and metabolic disorders. It is crucial for diagnosing, monitoring, and preventing health conditions, as well as providing insights into a person's diet and hydration status., Urinalysis

### Standard Range:

- Optimal: None or Few

### Recommended Range:

- Optimal: None or Few
- High: Large amounts

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## Appearance, Urinalysis

Urine appearance is a significant indicator of an individual's overall health. It can provide valuable insights into hydration levels, dietary habits, and potential medical conditions. Monitoring urine appearance can help in early detection of various health issues, making it an essential aspect of routine health checks., Urinalysis

### Standard Range:

- Clear

### Recommended Range:

- Optimal: Clear, light yellow, transparent
- Non-optimal: milky, cloudy, foamy

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## Bacteria, Urinalysis

Bacteria in urine, known as bacteriuria, is a significant clinical finding that can indicate various underlying health issues such as urinary tract infections (UTIs), kidney infections, or other systemic conditions. Early detection and treatment can prevent complications, and guide effective antibiotic therapy strategies to reduce the incidence of UTIs and related conditions., Urinalysis

### Standard Range:

- None seen (0.0)



### Recommended Range:

- Optimal: 0.0 (negative)
- High: > 0.0

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## Bilirubin, Urinalysis

A bilirubin urine test measures the amount of bilirubin in the urine. Bilirubin is a yellow pigment formed by the breakdown of red blood cells in the liver. Normally, bilirubin is processed by the liver, converted into bile, and excreted in the stool. The presence of bilirubin in the urine typically indicates liver dysfunction or bile duct obstruction., Urinalysis

### Standard Range:

- 0.0 (negative)

### Recommended Range:

- Optimal: 0.0 (negative)
- High: > 0.0

### Source(s):

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# Blood Urea Nitrogen

Blood Urea Nitrogen (BUN) is a vital marker for assessing kidney function, liver health, hydration status, nutritional status, and the impact of certain medications. Elevated BUN levels can indicate impaired kidney function, liver dysfunction, dehydration, or a high protein diet, while low levels can suggest overhydration or malnutrition. Monitoring BUN levels helps in early detection and management of various health conditions.

## Standard Range:

- Male/Female: 7-25 mg/dL

## Recommended Range:

- Male:
  - Low: 0- 7 mg/dL
  - Optimal: 7-20 mg/dL
  - Suboptimal High: 20-25 mg/dL
  - High: > 25 mg/dL
- Female:
  - Low: 0-6 mg/dL
  - Optimal: 6-20 mg/dL
  - Suboptimal High: 20-25 mg/dL
  - High: > 25 mg/dL

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# BUN/Creatinine Ratio

BUN (Blood Urea Nitrogen) and Creatinine are both waste products filtered by the kidneys and their levels in the blood provide important information about kidney function. The BUN/Creatinine ratio is a useful marker for evaluating kidney function and can help differentiate between various causes of kidney dysfunction.

## Standard Range:

- 6-20

## Recommended Range:

- Low: 0-10
- Optimal: 10-20
- High: > 20

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# Calcium

A calcium blood test measures the level of calcium in the blood. Calcium is a vital mineral for various bodily functions, including bone health, muscle function, nerve signaling, and blood clotting. The test is typically ordered to check for abnormal calcium levels, which can indicate a variety of health issues.

## Standard Range:

- Male:
  - 20-49 Years: 8.6-10.3 mg/dL



- >49 Years: 8.6 - 10.3 mg/dL
- Female:
  - 20-49 Years: 8.6-10.2 mg/dL
  - >49 Years: 8.6-10.4 mg/dL

### Recommended Range:

- Low: 0-8.5 mg/dL
- Optimal: 8.5-10.2 mg/dL
- High: > 10.2 mg/dL

### Source(s):

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<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/c62480536e166a8d2b79fa2d9cabd870ddc3d791>

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## Calcium Oxalate Crystals, Urinalysis

A calcium blood test measures the level of calcium in the blood. Calcium is a vital mineral for various bodily functions, including bone health, muscle function, nerve signaling, and blood clotting. The test is typically ordered to check for abnormal calcium levels, which can indicate a variety of health issues. Oxalate Crystals, Urinalysis

### Standard Range:

- None or Few

### Recommended Range:

- Optimal: None or Few



### Source(s):

[https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/Kidney-Stones-\(Renal-Calculi%2C-Nephrolithiasis\)-E-spinosa-Murray/c14ad900f9164fa3579d769da46cc0b54db5fe79](https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/Kidney-Stones-(Renal-Calculi%2C-Nephrolithiasis)-E-spinosa-Murray/c14ad900f9164fa3579d769da46cc0b54db5fe79)  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/b587da78ed049719bf7e57fefa8a338543fdf81d>  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/2a9040b31ff1067280f02dc7570e90a9a70cf3d5>  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/558f339242d1f92c67a1666e9ca4a0c57b407e05>

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## Carbon Dioxide

A carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) blood test measures the amount of carbon dioxide in the blood. CO<sub>2</sub> in the blood is primarily in the form of bicarbonate (HCO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>), a component of the body's buffering system that helps maintain acid-base balance. This test is often part of an electrolyte panel or metabolic panel.

### Standard Range:

- Male/Female: 20-32 mmol/L

### Recommended Range:

- Male/Female Low: 0-20 mmol/L
- Male/Female Suboptimal Low: 20-22 mmol/L
- Male/Female Optimal: 23-29 mmol/L
- Male/Female Suboptimal High: 29-32 mmol/L
- Male/Female High: > 32 mmol/L

### Source(s):

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/20008503/>  
<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/26769766/>  
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<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/f5d72e08a6f4a8bbff2e2bd66b5adb87a1fe11e5>

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# Chloride

Chloride is an electrolyte that helps maintain the body's acid-base balance, fluid balance, and electrical neutrality in the cells. It works closely with other electrolytes, such as sodium, potassium, and bicarbonate, to ensure proper bodily functions. A chloride blood test measures the level of chloride in the blood.

## Standard Range:

- 98-110 mmol/L

## Recommended Range:

- Low: 0-96 mmol/L
- Optimal: 96-106 mmol/L
- High: > 106 mmol/L

## Source(s):

[https://www.ahajournals.org/doi/10.1161/HYPERTENSIONAHA.113.01793#:~:text=Data%20suggest%20that%20increased%20dietary,bicarbonate%20\(HCO3%E2%88%92\).](https://www.ahajournals.org/doi/10.1161/HYPERTENSIONAHA.113.01793#:~:text=Data%20suggest%20that%20increased%20dietary,bicarbonate%20(HCO3%E2%88%92).)

<https://testdirectory.questdiagnostics.com/test/test-detail/330/chloride?p=r&q=Chloride&cc=M>  
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<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/5bf5ec787417c34dfb4426cf5ceccc765bd3f981>

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# Creatinine

Creatinine is a waste product formed by the normal breakdown of muscle tissue. It is produced from creatine, a molecule important for energy production in muscles. Once produced, creatinine enters the bloodstream and is transported to the kidneys, where it is filtered out and excreted in urine. Because creatinine is produced and excreted at a relatively constant rate, its levels in the blood are a useful indicator of kidney function.



## Standard Range:

- Male:
  - 18-29 Years: 0.60 - 1.24 mg/dL
  - 30-39 Years: 0.60 - 1.26 mg/dL
  - 40-49 Years: 0.60 - 1.29 mg/dL
  - 50-59 Years: 0.70-1.30 mg/dL
  - 60-69 Years: 0.70 - 1.35 mg/dL
  - 70-79 Years: 0.70 - 1.28 mg/dL
  - >80 Years: 0.70-1.22 mg/dL
- Female:
  - 18-29 Years: 0.50-0.96 mg/dL
  - 30-39 Years: 0.50-0.97 mg/dL
  - 40-49 Years: 0.50-1.03 mg/dL
  - 60-69 Years: 0.50-1.05 mg/dL
  - 70-79 Years: 0.60-1.00 mg/dL
  - >80 Years: 0.60-0.95 mg/dL

## Recommended Range:

- Male:
  - Low: 0-0.74 mg/dL
  - Optimal: 0.74-1.35 mg/dL
  - High: > 1.35 mg/dL
- Female:
  - Low: 0-0.5 mg/dL
  - Optimal: 0.5-1.1 mg/dL
  - High: > 1.1 mg/dL

## Source(s):

<https://testdirectory.questdiagnostics.com/test/test-detail/375/creatinine?p=r&q=creatinine&cc=MASTER>

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC2646021/#:~:text=Lower%20serum%20creatinine%20was%20associated,0.71%20and%200.80%20mg%2FdL.>

[https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0085253815485886#:~:text=Modest%20postoperative%20serum%20creatinine%20elevation%20\(%3E1.5%20mg%2FdL\),adverse%20outcomes%20after%20general%20surgery.](https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0085253815485886#:~:text=Modest%20postoperative%20serum%20creatinine%20elevation%20(%3E1.5%20mg%2FdL),adverse%20outcomes%20after%20general%20surgery.)

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<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/df9819165b065ea06ef27be540c777437db9d69f>

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# Crystals, Urinalysis

The presence of crystals in urine can be a precursor to more serious conditions such as kidney stones, urinary tract infections (UTIs), or metabolic disorders. Early detection and analysis of these crystals can lead to timely intervention, preventing complications and promoting better health outcomes., Urinalysis

## Standard Range:

- None seen

## Recommended Range:

- None seen

## Source(s):

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/2a9040b31ff1067280f02dc7570e90a9a70cf3d5>  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/aaf10ce3e655b258b0503a2cc37f520977e26b5f>  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/b587da78ed049719bf7e57fefa8a338543fdf81d>

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# Cystatin C

Cystatin C is a small protein produced by all nucleated cells, and it is filtered out of the blood by the kidneys. It is produced at a constant rate and almost completely reabsorbed by the kidneys, so its level in the blood is a good indicator of kidney function. Unlike creatinine, cystatin C is less influenced by muscle mass, age, and sex, making it a potentially more reliable marker for kidney function. Elevated levels can indicate early stages of kidney dysfunction, increased risk of cardiovascular events, and can be used to monitor chronic kidney disease and acute kidney injury.

## Recommended Range:

- Low: 0-0.6 mg/L
- Optimal: 0.6-1.0 mg/L
- High: > 1.0 mg/L



### Source(s):

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC6817201/>  
<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/10672373/>  
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## Estimated Glomerular Filtration Rate (eGFR)

Estimated Glomerular Filtration Rate (eGFR) is a measure of how well your kidneys are filtering blood. It helps in staging chronic kidney disease, identifying acute kidney injury, adjusting medication dosages, avoiding nephrotoxic drugs, guiding decisions on dialysis and transplantation, assessing surgical risks, and informing public health policies. eGFR is expressed in milliliters per minute per 1.73 meters squared (mL/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup>) and provides an overall assessment of kidney function. (eGFR)

### Standard Range:

- >60 mL/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup>

### Recommended Range:

- Low: 0-70 mL/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup>
- Suboptimal low: 70-90 mL/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup>
- Optimal: > 90 mL/min/1.73 m<sup>2</sup>

### Source(s):

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<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC2744545/>  
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<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/37434027/>  
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<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/6964706afbfc391e7870b8359988171532ad59c>  
<https://www.kidney.org/kidney-topics/estimated-glomerular-filtration-rate-egfrv>  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/51f810c6cb88dd3709d3e482a7ab1a6773099d58>



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## Glucose (Fasting)

Glucose (fasting) is essential for diagnosing and managing various health conditions related to glucose metabolism. It serves as a primary indicator of diabetes and prediabetes, helps assess insulin resistance, and aids in detecting hypoglycemia. Additionally, it is a key marker for monitoring metabolic disorders, guiding treatment decisions, and evaluating the impact of lifestyle and medication interventions. Since glucose levels fluctuate with diet and physiological stress, fasting glucose provides a standardized measure to assess long-term metabolic health and detect underlying endocrine or metabolic dysfunctions.

### Standard Range:

- Male/Female: 65-99 mg/dL

### Recommended Range:

- Low: 0- 65 md/dL
- Suboptimal Low: 65-70 mg/dL
- Optimal: 70-99 mg/dL
- Suboptimal High: 100-125 mg/dL
- High: > 126 mg/dL

### Source(s):

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/10333902/>

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/23647841/>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/9bc445ade4d6137b60964183286d47d43809c81a>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/a15c2b63e7a3f550d994382c48c763f695f5280d>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/ce147b3bfd145df7ee170de7b3e21694ed7da423>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/22e670fcbeec2a404f6b9a8ac34e0b9313b56742>

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## Glucose, Urinalysis

The glucose urinalysis test measures the presence of glucose in the urine, providing insight into glucose metabolism and kidney function. Glucose is a crucial energy source for the body,



and its presence in urine can indicate conditions such as diabetes, impaired glucose regulation, or kidney dysfunction. Normally, glucose is reabsorbed by the kidneys, but elevated levels may suggest hyperglycemia or issues with renal glucose handling. Monitoring urinary glucose levels can help assess metabolic health, detect early signs of diabetes, and guide treatment decisions for glucose regulation disorders.

**Standard Range:**

- Negative

**Recommended Range:**

- Optimal: 0.0 (negative)
- Suboptimal high: 0.0-0.8 mmol/L
- High: > 8.0 mmol/L

**Source(s):**

<https://testdirectory.questdiagnostics.com/test/test-detail/4719/glucose-qualitative-urine?p=r&q=glucose%20urine&cc=MASTER>  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/9bc445ade4d6137b60964183286d47d43809c81a>

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## Granular Casts, Urinalysis

Granular casts in urine are important because they can be indicative of various renal pathologies, including acute tubular necrosis, glomerulonephritis, and chronic kidney disease. Their presence suggests renal tubular damage, helps in diagnosing acute kidney injury, indicates ongoing tubular damage in chronic kidney disease, provides clues for glomerulonephritis, has prognostic value, and guides further investigations., Urinalysis

**Standard Range:**

- None seen

**Recommended Range:**

- Optimal: 0-5 / LPF (none seen)
- High: > 5 / LPF



### Source(s):

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/Urinary-Casts-After-Stress-Haber-Lindner/6bf504e7f6783f6498f8742bdd11921338e0f854>  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/ad07635228f31f362e9bf4031981c7e87b140cae>  
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## Hyaline Casts, Urinalysis

Hyaline casts in urine are an important diagnostic marker in urinalysis. While they can be found in healthy individuals, an increased number can indicate underlying renal or systemic conditions. Understanding their presence and significance can aid in the early detection and management of various health issues, making this a critical aspect of clinical practice.,  
Urinalysis

### Standard Range:

- None seen

### Recommended Range:

- Optimal: 0-2 / LPF (none seen)
- High: > 2 / LPF

### Source(s):

<https://www.osmosis.org/answers/hyaline-casts#:~:text=Are%20hyaline%20casts%20normal%20in,kidney%2C%20or%20renal%2C%20disease.>  
<https://media.neliti.com/media/publications/279129-hyaline-cast-in-urine-in-normal-healthy-b0d47717.pdf>

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## Ketones, Urinalysis

High levels of ketones in urine can indicate diabetic ketoacidosis (DKA), a potentially life-threatening condition. Regular monitoring helps in early detection and prompt treatment, especially for Type 1 diabetes patients.

### Standard Range:

- Negative

### Recommended Range:

- Optimal: 0.0 (negative)
- Suboptimal high: 0.0-0.6 mmol/L
- High: > 0.6 mmol/L

### Source(s):

<https://testdirectory.questdiagnostics.com/test/test-detail/5463/urinalysis-complete?cc=MASTER>  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/39d86bde87b90fb20db4b275b6baf91c7d25add1>  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/aa351f2112794274d473dae5cafc415b9a23ca0c>

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## Leukocyte Esterase, Urinalysis

The leukocyte esterase urine test detects the presence of leukocyte esterase, an enzyme found in white blood cells (leukocytes). This test is commonly used to screen for urinary tract infections (UTIs) because the presence of leukocyte esterase in the urine suggests an increased number of white blood cells, which can indicate infection or inflammation in the urinary tract., Urinalysis

### Standard Range:

- Negative

### Recommended Range:

- Optimal: Negative



- High: Positive

**Source(s):**

<https://testdirectory.questdiagnostics.com/test/test-detail/5463/urinalysis-complete?cc=MASTER>  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/20353af9b879b1758f35e2dc0c693e7ef7d84110>  
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<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/ce6ef6c69c6c2617390f435a783511e2ab5bf0d9>

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## Nitrite, Urinalysis

The presence of nitrite in urine is a significant indicator of bacterial infection in the urinary tract. Its detection is essential for the timely diagnosis and treatment of UTIs, which can prevent more severe health issues. Therefore, understanding and monitoring nitrite levels in urine is a critical aspect of maintaining urinary health., Urinalysis

**Recommended Range:**

- Optimal: Negative
- High: Positive

**Source(s):**

<https://testdirectory.questdiagnostics.com/test/test-detail/5463/urinalysis-complete?cc=MASTER>  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/ce6ef6c69c6c2617390f435a783511e2ab5bf0d9>  
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<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/674b01574af866486817c7d6539df0d9dc29a9d2>  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/05c7524dc63d02bfd68c8563f99a5e1fad6718c2>

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## Occult Blood, Urinalysis

Occult blood in urine, or hematuria, is a critical indicator of various underlying health issues. It can signal urinary tract infections, kidney diseases, bladder conditions, prostate issues, systemic diseases, trauma or injury, and medication side effects. Early detection through microscopic examination or chemical tests can lead to timely diagnosis and treatment, preventing the progression of potentially serious conditions and improving patient outcomes.,  
Urinalysis

### Standard Range:

- Negative

### Recommended Range:

- Optimal: Negative
- High: Positive

### Source(s):

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<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/674b01574af866486817c7d6539df0d9dc29a9d2>

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<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/c8a7ae12cf8c57d0e4c507363f8adb01437469ba>

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## pH, Urinalysis

Urine pH is a valuable diagnostic tool that provides insights into a person's health, diet, and metabolic processes. Monitoring urine pH can help in diagnosing and managing various health conditions, optimizing medication efficacy, and preventing disease. Understanding the importance of urine pH can lead to better health outcomes and improved quality of life.,  
Urinalysis

### Standard Range:

- 5.0-8.0



### Recommended Range:

- Low: 0- 4.5
- Optimal: 4.5-8.0
- High: > 8.0

### Source(s):

<https://testdirectory.questdiagnostics.com/test/test-detail/5463/urinalysis-complete?cc=MASTER>

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<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/1ba5801785e4b8ddcbcc8b42948ea794d8ad6b67>

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## Potassium

Potassium is essential for maintaining electrolyte balance, nerve function, muscle contraction, heart health, blood pressure regulation, and bone health. Imbalances can lead to serious health issues such as hypokalemia and hyperkalemia. A potassium blood test measures the level of potassium in the blood.

### Standard Range:

- 3.5-5.3 mmol/L

### Recommended Range:

- Low: 0- 3.5 mmol/L
- Optimal: 3.5-5.0 mmol/L
- Suboptimal high: 5.0-5.3 mmol/L
- High: > 5.3 mmol/L

### Source(s):

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<https://nutritionj.biomedcentral.com/articles/10.1186/s12937-023-00888-z>

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<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/4ade67c822cee9462c93263dff92949dd094a4e5>

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## Protein, Urinalysis

A protein urine test, also known as a urine protein test or urinalysis for protein, measures the amount of protein in the urine. Under normal conditions, very little protein is present in urine because the kidneys filter out waste products while retaining valuable substances like proteins. Elevated levels of protein in the urine, a condition known as proteinuria, can indicate kidney disease or other medical conditions., Urinalysis

### Standard Range:

- Negative

### Recommended Range:

- Optimal: 0-10 mg/dL
- High: > 10 mg/dL

### Source(s):

<https://testdirectory.questdiagnostics.com/test/test-detail/5463/urinalysis-complete?cc=MAST&ER>  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/d2730cd7cb5919106c31a0463af7045e2c553f89>  
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<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/d6bf9d2a6941e5c50223fe4049ec5b0d22f98509>  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/8f8f453175df7c0ab3e9c6be5c7e2a225fd8e78a>

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## Renal Epithelial Cells, Urinalysis

Renal epithelial cells are crucial for kidney function, including filtration, reabsorption, acid-base balance, hormone production, and detoxification. Changes in these cells can indicate kidney disease, making them important for diagnosis, treatment, and public health initiatives.,  
Urinalysis

### Standard Range:

- $\leq 3$  /HPF

### Recommended Range:

- Optimal: 0-2 /HPF
- Suboptimal High: 2-3 /HPF
- High:  $> 3$  /HPF

### Source(s):

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC9536011/>  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/Differential-count-and-quantitative-estimation-of-W%C3%A5hlin/286c276880232c939210331d2be57aa378352b2d>  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/7c2ac1729195ac897f2fccf3006e187bfd924466>  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/7e4baa5f6668b7ec3a79d6ab897abc2066d826f5>

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## Sodium

Sodium is integral to maintaining fluid balance, nerve and muscle function, blood pressure regulation, and nutrient absorption. Both deficiency and excess of sodium can lead to significant health issues. The balance of sodium in the body is regulated by the kidneys, and it is influenced by fluid intake, diet, and various hormones.

### Standard Range:

- 135-146 mmol/L



### Recommended Range:

- Low: 0- 135 mmol/L
- Optimal: 135-145 mmol/L
- High: > 145 mmol/L

### Source(s):

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/35348651/>

[https://www.thelancet.com/journals/ebiom/article/PIIS2352-3964\(22\)00586-2/fulltext](https://www.thelancet.com/journals/ebiom/article/PIIS2352-3964(22)00586-2/fulltext)

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## Specific Gravity, Urinalysis

The specific gravity urine test measures the concentration of solutes in the urine. This test helps determine the kidney's ability to concentrate urine and maintain fluid balance. It reflects the density of urine compared to the density of water and provides insight into the body's hydration status and kidney function., Urinalysis

### Standard Range:

- 1.001-1.035

### Recommended Range:

- Low: 0- 1.001
- Suboptimal low: 1.001-1.005
- Optimal: 1.005-1.030
- Suboptimal high: 1.030-1.035
- High: > 1.035

### Source(s):

<https://testdirectory.questdiagnostics.com/test/test-detail/3190/specific-gravity-urine?cc=MAS>  
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<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/dbe788f394aa1c718fa5d8dbbcba538ff12f9b74>



# Squamous Epithelial Cells, Urinalysis

The squamous epithelial cells urine test measures the number of squamous epithelial cells present in a urine sample. Squamous epithelial cells are flat cells found in the outer layer of the skin and the mucous membranes, including the lining of the urinary tract. The presence of these cells in urine can indicate contamination of the sample or potential issues within the urinary tract. They serve as important diagnostic markers for conditions like infections, inflammatory diseases, and cancers, and are vital in the wound healing process., Urinalysis

## Standard Range:

- Negative

## Recommended Range:

- Optimal: 0.0 (negative)
- Suboptimal high: 0- 5 cells/HPF
- High: > 5 cells/HPF

## Source(s):

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# Total Protein

The total protein test measures the total amount of protein in the plasma, which is the liquid part of the blood. Proteins are essential components of all cells and tissues in the body, playing a key role in building and repairing tissues, producing enzymes and hormones, and supporting immune function. The two main types of proteins in the blood are albumin and globulin.

## Standard Range:

- 6.1-8.1 g/dL

## Recommended Range:

- Low: 0- 6.0 g/dL
- Optimal: 6.0-8.3 g/dL
- High: > 8.3 g/dL

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# Transitional Epithelial, Urinalysis

The transitional epithelial urinalysis detects the presence of transitional epithelial cells in the urine. These cells line the bladder, ureters, and parts of the kidneys, playing a crucial role in protecting the urinary tract and allowing it to stretch. A small number of transitional epithelial cells in urine is normal, but an elevated count may indicate infections, inflammation, or underlying urinary tract conditions. This test helps assess bladder and kidney health, aiding in the diagnosis of conditions such as urinary tract infections, kidney disease, or, in rare cases, urinary tract cancers.



### Standard Range:

- $\leq 5$  /HPF

### Recommended Range:

- Optimal: 0-2 /HPF
- Suboptimal High: 2-5 /HPF
- High:  $> 5$  /HPF

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## Triple Phosphate Crystals, Urinalysis

The presence of triple phosphate crystals in urine can indicate urinary tract infections (UTIs), kidney stones, or metabolic imbalances. Recognizing and addressing these crystals can lead to timely and effective treatment, preventing complications and improving patient health outcomes., Urinalysis

### Standard Range:

- Optimal: None or Few

### Recommended Range:

- Optimal: None or Few



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## Uric Acid Crystals, Urinalysis

Uric acid is a waste product found in the blood, created when the body breaks down purines, which are substances found in certain foods and drinks. Most uric acid dissolves in the blood, is filtered through the kidneys, and is excreted in urine. However, if the body produces too much uric acid or the kidneys do not excrete enough, uric acid levels can build up in the blood, leading to hyperuricemia. Crystals, Urinalysis

### Standard Range:

- Optimal: None or Few

### Recommended Range:

- Male:
  - Low: 0- 3.4 mg/dl
    - Optimal: 3.4- 6.0 mg/dl
- Suboptimal High: 6.0-7.0 mg/dl
  - High: >7.0 mg/dl
- Female:
  - Low: 0-2.4 mg/dl
  - Optimal: 2.4-6.0 mg/dl
  - High: >6.0 mg/dl

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## RBC, Urinalysis

Red Blood Cells (RBC) in urinalysis are a key indicator of kidney and urinary tract health. Since the presence of RBCs in urine, known as hematuria, may signal conditions such as infections, kidney stones, trauma, or glomerular diseases, it is useful in diagnosing and monitoring urinary and renal disorders. RBC levels provide insight into potential underlying conditions affecting the kidneys, bladder, or urinary tract.

### Standard Range:

- Negative

### Recommended Range:

- Optimal: 0.0 RBC/HPF
- Suboptimal high: 0-3 RBC/HPF
- High: > 3 RBC/HPF

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## WBC, Urinalysis

WBC (White Blood Cells) in urinalysis is crucial for diagnosing and managing various health conditions related to urinary tract and kidney function. It acts as an indicator of infection, inflammation, or immune response within the urinary system, helping to detect conditions like urinary tract infections (UTIs), pyelonephritis, or interstitial nephritis. Additionally, elevated WBC levels in urine can signal the presence of inflammatory or infectious processes, serving as an early marker for such conditions.

### Standard Range:

- Negative



### Recommended Range:

- Optimal: 0.0
- Suboptimal high: 0- 5 WBC/HPF
- High: > 5 WBC/HPF

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## Yeast, Urinalysis

A yeast urine test is conducted to detect the presence of yeast cells in the urine. This test is typically used to diagnose urinary tract infections (UTIs) caused by yeast, most commonly Candida species. Yeast infections in the urinary tract can occur, although they are less common than bacterial UTIs. They can be seen more frequently in individuals with certain risk factors, such as diabetes, a compromised immune system, or prolonged use of antibiotics or catheters.

### Standard Range:

- 0 (negative)

### Recommended Range:

- Optimal: 0
- High: > 0

### Source(s):

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# Liver

## Albumin

The albumin blood test measures the amount of albumin in the blood. Albumin is a protein made by the liver and is the most abundant protein in the plasma. It plays a crucial role in maintaining oncotic pressure (the pressure that keeps fluid from leaking out of blood vessels), transporting hormones, vitamins, drugs, and substances like calcium throughout the body, and maintaining overall fluid balance.

### Standard Range:

- 3.6-5.1 g/dL

### Recommended Range:

- Low: 0-3.5 g/dL
- Optimal: 3.5-5.0 g/dL
- High: > 5.0 g/dL

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# Albumin/Globulin Ratio

The Albumin/Globulin (A/G) ratio is a calculated value derived from the measurements of two major types of proteins in the blood: albumin and globulin. This ratio helps in evaluating and diagnosing various health conditions, including liver and kidney diseases, and certain inflammatory or immune disorders.

## Standard Range:

- Male/Female: 1.0-2.5 A/G

## Recommended Range:

- Male/Female Low: <0-1.0 A/G
- Male/Female Optimal: 1.0-2.1 A/G
- Male/Female Suboptimal High: 2.1-2.5 A/G
- High: > 2.5 A/G

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# Alkaline Phosphatase (ALP)

Alkaline phosphatase (ALP) is crucial for diagnosing liver disease, bone disorders, gallbladder issues, and kidney function. It also provides insights into growth and development in children, maternal and fetal health during pregnancy, and nutritional status. Regular monitoring aids in early detection, comprehensive health assessment, targeted treatment, and preventive healthcare.

## Standard Range:

- Male:
  - 17 - 19 Years: 46-169 U/L
  - 20-49 Years: 36-130 U/L
  - >49 Years: 35-144 U/L
- Female:
  - 17-19 Years: 36-128 U/L
  - 20-49 Years: 31-125 U/L
  - >49 Years: 37-153 U/L

## Recommended Range:

- Male:
  - Low: 0-35 U/L
  - Suboptimal Low: 35-40 U/L
  - Optimal: 40-130 U/L
  - High: > 130 U/L
- Female:
  - Female: 0-30 U/L
  - Optimal: 30-120 U/L
  - High: > 120 U/L

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# Alanine Aminotransferase (ALT)

ALT, also known as SGPT (serum glutamic-pyruvic transaminase), is an enzyme primarily found in the liver. It plays a role in converting amino acids into energy for the liver cells. Elevated levels of ALT in the blood often indicate liver damage or inflammation.

## Standard Range:

- Male: 9-46 U/L
- Female  $\geq 20$  Years: 6-29 U/L

## Recommended Range:

- Male Low: 0- 7 U/L
- Male Suboptimal Low: 7-9 U/L
- Male Optimal: 9-46 U/L
- Male Suboptimal High: 46-55 U/L
- Male High: > 55 U/L
- Female Low: 0-6 U/L U/L
- Female Optimal: 6-29 U/L
- Female Suboptimal High: 29-35 U/L
- Female High: >35 U/L

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## Aspartate Aminotransferase (AST)

AST, also known as SGOT (serum glutamic-oxaloacetic transaminase), is an enzyme found primarily in the liver, heart, muscles, and other tissues. It plays a role in the metabolism of amino acids. Elevated levels of AST in the blood can indicate damage to these tissues, particularly the liver.

### Standard Range:

- Male:
  - 20-49 Years: 10 - 40 U/L
  - >49 Years: 10-35 U/L
- Female:
  - 20-44 Years: 10-30 U/L
  - >45 Years: 10-35 U/L

### Recommended Range:

- Male/Female Low: 0- 10 U/L
- Male/Female Optimal: 10-30 U/L
- Male/Female Suboptimal High: 30-40 U/L
- Male/Female High: > 40 U/L

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## Direct Bilirubin

The direct bilirubin blood test measures the level of direct (conjugated) bilirubin in the blood. Bilirubin is a yellow pigment produced during the normal breakdown of red blood cells. Once produced, bilirubin is transported to the liver, where it is converted into a conjugated form (direct bilirubin) that can be excreted into bile and eliminated from the body through stool.



Elevated levels of direct bilirubin in the blood can indicate liver dysfunction or bile duct obstruction.

**Standard Range:**

- <0.2 mg/dL

**Recommended Range:**

- Optimal: 0- 0.2 mg/dL
- High: > 0.2 mg/dL

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## Indirect Bilirubin (Calculated)

Indirect Bilirubin (Calculated) is essential for diagnosing and managing various health conditions related to bilirubin metabolism and liver function. It serves as a key indicator of hemolysis, aids in detecting conditions like Gilbert's syndrome, and helps assess liver function abnormalities. Additionally, elevated levels can indicate increased red blood cell breakdown, liver dysfunction, or inherited metabolic disorders. It is also monitored in chronic diseases to evaluate bilirubin processing, guide treatment, and assess overall hepatic and hematologic health.

**Standard Range:**

- 0.2-1.2 mg/dL (calc)

**Recommended Range:**

- Low: 0- 0.2 mg/dL (calc)



- Optimal: 0.2-0.8 mg/dL (calc)
- Suboptimal High: 0.8-1.2 mg/dL (calc)
- High: >1.2 mg/dL (calc)

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## Gamma-glutamyl Transferase (GGT)

GGT is crucial for diagnosing and managing various health conditions related to liver function and biliary health. It serves as a sensitive marker for liver disease, alcohol consumption, and bile duct obstruction, aiding in the early detection of hepatobiliary disorders. Additionally, it helps differentiate liver from bone disease when evaluating elevated alkaline phosphatase levels. GGT is also useful in assessing oxidative stress and cardiovascular risk and is monitored in chronic liver diseases to guide treatment and evaluate disease progression.

**Standard Range:**

- Male:
  - 20-29 Years: 3-70 U/L
  - 30-39 Years: 3-90 U/L
  - 40-54 Years: 3-95 U/L
  - 55-59 Years: 3-85 U/L
  - >60 Years: 3-70 U/L
- Female:
  - 20-29 Years: 3-40 U/L
  - 30-39 Years: 3-50 U/L
  - 40-49 Years: 3-55 U/L
  - 50-59 Years: 3-70 U/L
  - >60 Years: 3-65 U/L

**Recommended Range:**

- Male:
  - Low: 0-3 U/L



- Suboptimal Low: 3-10 U/L
- Optimal: 10-60 U/L
- Suboptimal High: 60-95 U/L
- High: >95 U/L
- Female:
  - Low: 0-3 U/L
  - Suboptimal Low: 3-9 U/L
  - Optimal: 9-36 U/L
  - Suboptimal High: 36-70 U/L
  - High: >70 U/L

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## Globulin (Calculated)

The globulin blood test measures the levels of globulin proteins in the blood. Globulins are a group of proteins that play various roles in the body, including fighting infections, transporting nutrients, and supporting blood clotting. Globulins are categorized into different types: alpha, beta, and gamma globulins, each with specific functions.

**Standard Range:**

- 1.9-3.7 g/dL (calc)

**Recommended Range:**

- Low: 0- 2.0 g/dL
- Optimal: 2.0-3.5 g/dL
- High: > 5 g/dL



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## Total Bilirubin

Bilirubin is a yellow pigment that is produced during the normal breakdown of red blood cells. It is processed by the liver, where it is converted into a form that can be excreted in bile and urine. The total bilirubin test is often part of a liver function panel and helps diagnose and monitor liver and bile duct health.

### Standard Range:

- 0.2-1.2 mg/dL

### Recommended Range:

- Low: 0.0 mg/dL
- Optimal: 0.1-1.2 mg/dL
- High: > 1.2 mg/dL

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# Metabolic

## Estimated Average Glucose

The Estimated Average Glucose (eAG) blood test measures the average blood glucose levels over an extended period, providing insight into long-term glucose control and metabolic health. eAG is calculated based on hemoglobin A1c levels and reflects an individual's typical blood sugar levels over the past two to three months. It plays a crucial role in assessing diabetes risk, monitoring glycemic control in individuals with diabetes, and guiding treatment decisions. Tracking eAG levels helps evaluate overall blood sugar management, prevent complications, and support metabolic health.

### Standard Range:

- Optimal: < 114 mg/dL
- Suboptimal High: 114 mg/dL - 140 mg/dL
- High: > 140 mg/dL

### Recommended Range:

- Male
  - Low: 0-70 mg/dL
  - Optimal: 70-100 mg/dL
  - Suboptimal High: 100-126 mg/dL
  - High: >126 mg/dL
- Female:
  - Low: 0- 70 mg/dL
  - Optimal: 70-100 mg/dL
  - Suboptimal High: 100-126 mg/dL
  - High: >126 mg/dL

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## Hemoglobin A1c (HbA1c)

Hemoglobin A1c (HbA1c) is a key biomarker in diabetes management and long-term blood sugar control. It reflects the average blood glucose levels over the past two to three months by measuring the percentage of glycated hemoglobin in red blood cells. HbA1c is essential for diagnosing diabetes and prediabetes, as well as monitoring the effectiveness of treatment strategies. It helps clinicians assess glycemic control and the risk of complications such as cardiovascular disease, neuropathy, and kidney dysfunction, guiding personalized interventions for metabolic health.

### Standard Range:

- < 5.7%

### Recommended Range:

- Optimal: 0- 5.6%
- Suboptimal high: 5.6-6.0 %
- High: > 6.0 %

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## Insulin (fasting)

Insulin is crucial for regulating blood sugar levels, storing glucose, and influencing fat and protein metabolism. Proper insulin function is essential for maintaining overall health and managing conditions like diabetes. Dysregulation can lead to serious health issues such as hyperglycemia, hypoglycemia, and diabetes. (fasting)

### Standard Range:

- $\leq 18.4$  uIU/mL

### Recommended Range:

- Optimal: 0-18.4 uIU/mL
- High:  $> 18.4$  uIU/mL

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## Mean Plasma Glucose (MPG)

The Mean Plasma Glucose (MPG) test measures the average concentration of glucose in the blood over time, providing insight into glucose metabolism and overall glycemic control. MPG is closely related to hemoglobin A1c levels and reflects blood sugar trends over weeks to months. It plays a crucial role in assessing diabetes risk, monitoring blood glucose management in individuals with diabetes, and guiding treatment strategies. Tracking MPG levels helps evaluate metabolic health, detect early signs of glucose dysregulation, and support long-term disease prevention.



### Recommended Range:

- Low: 0- 70 md/dL
- Suboptimal low: 70-75 md/dL
- Optimal: 75-88 md/dL
- Suboptimal high: 89-99 md/dL
- High: > 100 md/dL

### Source(s):

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<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/6bb2371f0d6168ca3c8b7a7910714ce03e565a83>

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## Uric Acid

Uric acid is a waste product found in the blood, created when the body breaks down purines, which are substances found in certain foods and drinks. Most uric acid dissolves in the blood, is filtered through the kidneys, and is excreted in urine. However, if the body produces too much uric acid or the kidneys do not excrete enough, uric acid levels can build up in the blood, leading to hyperuricemia.

### Standard Range:

- Male:
  - 4.0-8.0 mg/dL
- Female:
  - 2.5-7.0 mg/dL

### Recommended Range:

- Male:
  - Low: 0-3.4 mg/dL
  - Optimal: 3.4-7.0 mg/dL
  - High: > 7.0 mg/dL



- Female:
  - Low: <2.4 mg/dL
  - Optimal: 2.4-6.0 mg/dL
  - High: > 6.0 mg/dL

**Source(s):**

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC7231289/>

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/27533308/>

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC8544513/>

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# Nutrients

## Arachidonic Acid/EPA Ratio (AA/EPA)

The EPA/AA blood test measures the ratio of eicosapentaenoic acid (EPA) to arachidonic acid (AA), providing insight into the body's inflammatory balance and cardiovascular health. EPA is an omega-3 fatty acid with anti-inflammatory properties, while AA is an omega-6 fatty acid involved in inflammation and immune responses. The balance between these fatty acids influences cardiovascular risk, inflammatory conditions, and overall metabolic health. Monitoring the EPA/AA ratio helps assess inflammation status, guide dietary and lifestyle interventions, and support long-term health and disease prevention strategies.

### Standard Range:

- < 0.2

### Recommended Range:

- Optimal: < 0.2
- High: > 0.2

### Source(s):

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC8871836/>

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/38648883/>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/77aab0c05850fe0651c2691c5947b617e8879dc>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/5fc713902b61da7eb78e987c88757682a1fc68f9>

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## Ferritin

Ferritin is crucial for diagnosing and managing various health conditions related to iron metabolism. It acts as a buffer against iron deficiency and overload, serves as an early indicator of iron deficiency anemia, and can indicate conditions like hemochromatosis. Additionally, it is an acute phase reactant useful in diagnosing inflammatory diseases and is monitored in chronic diseases to assess iron status and guide treatment.



## Standard Range:

- Male:
  - 19-59 Years: 38-130 ng/mL
  - >59 Years: 24-380 ng/mL
- Female:
  - 19-40 Years: 16-154 ng/mL
  - 41-60 Years: 16-232 ng/mL
  - >60 Years: 16-288 ng/mL

## Recommended Range:

- Male:
  - Low: 0-24 ng/mL
  - Suboptimal Low: 24-45 ng/mL
  - Optimal: 45-79 ng/mL
  - Suboptimal High: 79-380 ng/mL
  - High: 380 ng/mL
- Female:
  - Low: 0-16 ng/mL
  - Suboptimal low: 16-40 ng/mL
  - Optimal: 40-75 ng/mL
  - Suboptimal High: 75-200 ng/mL
  - High: >200 ng/mL

## Source(s):

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC8195161/>  
<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC5629903/>  
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<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/18835072/>  
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<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/7918045/>  
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## Folate, RBC

Folate (RBC) is essential for diagnosing and managing health conditions related to folate metabolism. It reflects long-term folate status, aids in detecting folate deficiency, and helps assess risks for megaloblastic anemia. Additionally, it is crucial for evaluating neural tube defect risk in pregnancy and monitoring folate levels in chronic conditions affecting nutrient absorption. Since folate plays a key role in DNA synthesis and cell division, its measurement is valuable in managing conditions like malnutrition, malabsorption syndromes, and hematological disorders.

### Standard Range:

- Male/Female: >280 ng/mL

### Recommended Range:

- Male/Female:
  - Low: 0- 280 ng/mL
  - Suboptimal Low: 280-400 ng/mL
  - Optimal: > 400 ng/mL

### Source(s):

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK294189/>

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<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/4b956ace8f91df67d1528a3c9289216a015895f9>

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## Iron % Saturation

The percent iron saturation test, also known as transferrin saturation, measures the percentage of transferrin (a protein that transports iron in the blood) that is saturated with iron. This test helps assess how much iron is available in the body to meet its needs and is commonly used to diagnose and monitor iron-related disorders, including iron deficiency anemia and iron overload conditions.



### Standard Range:

- Male:
  - 20-48%
- Female:
  - 16-45%

### Recommended Range:

- Male:
  - Low: 0 - 20%
  - Optimal: 20-48%
  - High: >48%
- Female:
  - Low: 0-16%
  - Optimal: 16-45%
  - High: >45%

### Source(s):

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC4975278/>

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/33422582/>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/a24e8ee476144c29a2bb0aa935f1d4933353352d>

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## Iron, Total

Iron is crucial for diagnosing and managing various health conditions related to iron metabolism. It plays a key role in oxygen transport and energy production, serves as an indicator of iron deficiency or overload, and helps detect conditions like anemia and hemochromatosis. Additionally, iron levels fluctuate with dietary intake, inflammation, and chronic diseases, making it an essential marker for assessing overall iron status. It is also monitored in metabolic and hematologic disorders to guide treatment and ensure proper iron balance in the body.



## Standard Range:

- Male:
  - 20-29 Years: 50-195 mcg/dL
  - >30 Years: 50-180 mcg/dL
- Female:
  - 20-49 Years: 40-190 mcg/dL
  - >50 Years: 45-160 mcg/dL

## Recommended Range:

- Male:
  - 20-29 Years:
    - Low: <50 mcg/dL
    - Suboptimal Low: 50-65 mcg/dL
    - Optimal: 50-176 mcg/dL
    - Suboptimal High: 176-195 mcg/dL
    - High: >195 mcg/dL
  - >30 Years:
    - Low: 0-50 mcg/dL
    - Suboptimal Low: 50-65 mcg/dL
    - Optimal: 50-176 mcg/dL
    - Suboptimal High: 176-180 mcg/dL
    - High: >180 mcg/dL
- Female:
  - 20-49 Years:
    - Low: 0-40 mcg/dL
    - Suboptimal Low: 40-60 mcg/dL
    - Optimal: 60-170 mcg/dL
    - Suboptimal High: 170-190 mcg/dL
    - High: >190 mcg/dL
  - >50 Years:
    - Low: 0-45 mcg/dL
    - Suboptimal Low: 45-60 mcg/dL
    - Optimal: 60-160 mcg/dL
    - High: >160 mcg/dL



### Source(s):

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<https://testdirectory.questdiagnostics.com/test/test-detail/571/iron-total?cc=MASTER>  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/6b7e0f5bb91e3f04ec1d384d68fea29afeee2d4e>  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/6a15f57ce9ba6cdf3d77e88b4c84f953ed431ca8>  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/6a15f57ce9ba6cdf3d77e88b4c84f953ed431ca8>  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/b3aa39af32ca5f1d94ce2376d99b92555a6cfd8>  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/b7fe30efcb3c5811707d1e1750ff5099ef23fdaf>

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## Magnesium, RBC

The Magnesium, RBC test measures the concentration of magnesium within red blood cells, providing insight into magnesium status at the cellular level. Magnesium is a vital mineral involved in muscle and nerve function, energy production, and bone health. It plays a crucial role in cardiovascular function, enzymatic reactions, and maintaining electrolyte balance. Measuring magnesium in red blood cells offers a more accurate assessment of long-term magnesium status compared to serum levels. Monitoring RBC magnesium helps evaluate deficiencies, guide supplementation, and support overall metabolic and neuromuscular health.

### Standard Range:

- 4.0-6.4 mg/dL

### Recommended Range:

- Low: 0- 4.0 mg/dL
- Optimal: 4.0-6.4 mg/dL
- High: > 6.4 mg/dL

### Source(s):

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<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/Method-validation-of-an-Inductively-Coupled-Plasma-Bithi-Ricks/1c8aab39d7d2b0070c7f3748ec76e84be7a10c98>



## Omega 3: DHA

Omega-3: DHA is crucial for diagnosing and managing various health conditions related to cardiovascular, neurological, and inflammatory health. It plays a key role in brain function and development, serves as an indicator of omega-3 status, and helps assess the risk of cardiovascular disease. Additionally, DHA levels are linked to cognitive function, eye health, and anti-inflammatory processes, making it a valuable marker for evaluating overall wellness.

### Standard Range:

- 1.2-3.9 %

### Recommended Range:

- Low: 0- 1.2%
- Suboptimal Low: 1.2-3.0%
- Optimal: 3.0-4.0%
- High: > 4.0%

### Source(s):

[https://testdirectory.questdiagnostics.com/test/test-guides/TS\\_OmegaCheck/omegacheck](https://testdirectory.questdiagnostics.com/test/test-guides/TS_OmegaCheck/omegacheck)

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<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/2dc3138930c12826863fff987763f16739f6f244>

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## Omega 3: DPA

Omega-3: DPA is a crucial biomarker for assessing cardiovascular, inflammatory, and overall metabolic health. DPA, a long-chain omega-3 fatty acid, plays a key role in reducing inflammation, supporting heart health, and aiding in cellular function. It serves as an intermediate between EPA and DHA, contributing to the body's ability to maintain optimal omega-3 levels. Monitoring DPA levels can help evaluate cardiovascular risk, inflammation status, and dietary omega-3 intake, guiding nutritional and therapeutic interventions to support long-term health.



### Standard Range:

- 0.8-1.8 by %

### Recommended Range:

- Male:
  - Low: 0-0.1 by %
  - Optimal: 0.1-1.5 by %
  - High: > 1.5 by %
- Female:
  - Low: < 0.1 by %
  - Optimal: 0.1-0.5 by %
  - High: > 0.5 by %

### Source(s):

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC7922349/>

<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/695c58b9ddaedf64ba5dc03f3ce4e6875ba9e7f>

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## Omega 3: EPA

The Omega-3: EPA blood test measures the concentration of eicosapentaenoic acid (EPA), an essential omega-3 fatty acid that plays a critical role in reducing inflammation, supporting cardiovascular health, and maintaining cellular function. EPA is involved in the production of anti-inflammatory eicosanoids, which help regulate immune responses and protect against chronic diseases. It is primarily obtained through diet and supplementation. Monitoring EPA levels provides insight into inflammatory balance, cardiovascular risk, and overall metabolic health, helping to guide dietary and therapeutic interventions for optimal wellness.

### Standard Range:

- 0.2-1.5%

### Recommended Range:

- Low: 0-0.2%



- Optimal: 0.2-1.5%
- High: > 1.5%

**Source(s):**

<https://healthmatters.io/understand-blood-test-results/epa>  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/2dc3138930c12826863fff987763f16739f6f244>  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/df911dc183a396c20b49f48043ae6f6228547028>

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## Omega 3, Total (EPA + DPA + DHA)

The Omega-3 Total blood test measures the total concentration of omega-3 fatty acids in the blood, providing insight into cardiovascular, inflammatory, and overall metabolic health. Omega-3 fatty acids, including EPA, DHA, and DPA, play a crucial role in reducing inflammation, supporting heart and brain function, and maintaining cellular integrity. These essential fatty acids are primarily obtained through diet and supplementation. Monitoring total omega-3 levels helps assess nutritional status, evaluate cardiovascular risk, and guide dietary and therapeutic interventions to promote overall health and well-being.

**Recommended Range:**

- Low: 0-4.0%
- Suboptimal low: 4-8%
- Optimal: 8-12%
- High: > 12%

**Source(s):**

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC10602979/>  
<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/2dc3138930c12826863fff987763f16739f6f244>  
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<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/3952952a6ab04e2508cee538d82afcaf35eb09db>

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## Omega 6: Arachidonic Acid

The Omega-6: Arachidonic Acid (AA) blood test measures the concentration of arachidonic acid, an essential omega-6 fatty acid involved in inflammation, cellular signaling, and immune function. AA plays a crucial role in producing eicosanoids, which regulate inflammatory and immune responses, blood clotting, and vascular function. While necessary for health, excessive AA levels relative to omega-3 fatty acids may contribute to chronic inflammation and increased cardiovascular risk. Monitoring AA levels helps assess inflammatory balance, guide dietary and lifestyle interventions, and support overall metabolic and cardiovascular health.

### Standard Range:

- 5.2-12.9%

### Recommended Range:

- Low: 0-5.2%
- Optimal: 5.2-12.9%
- High: > 12.9%

### Source(s):

<https://healthmatters.io/understand-blood-test-results/arachidonic-acid>

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## Omega 6: Linoleic Acid (LA)

The Omega-6: Linoleic Acid (LA) biomarker measures the level of linoleic acid, an essential polyunsaturated fatty acid, in the blood. Linoleic acid is a key component of cell membranes and plays a vital role in inflammation, cardiovascular health, and overall cellular function. It is obtained through dietary sources such as vegetable oils, nuts, and seeds. Once consumed, linoleic acid can be metabolized into other bioactive compounds that influence immune function and inflammatory responses. Maintaining an optimal balance of omega-6 to omega-3 fatty acids is important for overall health.



### Standard Range:

- 18.6-29.5%

### Recommended Range:

- Low: 0-18.6%
- Optimal: 18.6 - 29.5%
- High: >29.5%

### Source(s):

<https://healthmatters.io/understand-blood-test-results/linoleic-acid>  
<https://lipidworld.biomedcentral.com/articles/10.1186/s12944-024-02246-2#:~:text=Intake%20of%20LA,-In%20North%20America&text=The%20Acceptable%20Macronutrient%20Distribution%20Range,22%20g/d%20of%20LA.>

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## Omega 6/Omega 3 Ratio

The ratio of Omega-6 to Omega-3 fatty acids is crucial for maintaining overall health. An imbalanced ratio, skewed heavily towards Omega-6, can lead to chronic inflammation and a host of related health issues such as cardiovascular diseases, mental health problems, and chronic diseases like obesity, diabetes, and certain types of cancer. Historically, human diets had a balanced ratio, but modern diets have dramatically shifted this balance, increasing the risk of these health issues.

### Standard Range:

- 5.7-21.3

### Recommended Range:

- Optimal: 1:1 - 4:1
- Suboptimal High: 4:1-21.3:1
- High: > 21.3:1

### Source(s):



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## Total Iron Binding Capacity (TIBC)

Total Iron Binding Capacity (TIBC) is crucial for diagnosing and managing conditions related to iron metabolism, such as anemia, hemochromatosis, and other iron-related disorders. It helps in assessing iron status, monitoring treatment efficacy, evaluating nutritional status, and understanding liver function.

### Standard Range:

- Male:
  - 250-425 mcg/dL
- Female >20 Years:
  - 250-450 mcg/dL

### Recommended Range:

- Low: 0- 240 mcg/dL
- Optimal: 240-450 mcg/dL
- High: > 450 mcg/dL

### Source(s):

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## Vitamin B12 (Cobalamin)

Vitamin B12 is essential for red blood cell formation, DNA synthesis, neurological function, energy production, and heart health. Deficiency can lead to anemia, neurological issues, cognitive impairments, and increased risk of heart disease. Awareness and adequate intake are crucial for preventing health issues, especially for vegetarians, vegans, older adults, and individuals with certain medical conditions.

### Standard Range:

- 200-1100 pg/mL

### Recommended Range:

- Low: 0-200 pg/mL
- Suboptimal low: 200-300 pg/mL
- Optimal: 300-900 pg/mL
- Suboptimal high: 900-1100 pg/mL
- High: > 1100 pg/mL

### Source(s):

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<https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/99ac8882ea9ca1814bc4ed018eeea3d25fda97dc>

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## Vitamin B6

Vitamin B6 is essential for amino acid metabolism, neurotransmitter synthesis, hemoglobin production, immune function, and hormone regulation. Deficiency can lead to neurological issues, anemia, weakened immune system, and dermatological problems.



### Standard Range:

- 2.1-21.7 ng/mL

### Recommended Range:

- Low: 0- 2.1 ng/mL
- Optimal: 2.1-21.7 ng/mL
- High: > 21.7 ng/mL

### Source(s):

<https://testdirectory.questdiagnostics.com/test/test-detail/926/vitamin-b6-plasma?p=r&q=Vitamin%20B6.%20Plasma&cc=MASTER>

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## Vitamin D 25-OH Total

Vitamin D 25-OH Total is crucial for diagnosing and managing various health conditions related to bone health, immune function, and overall wellness. It acts as a key marker of vitamin D status, helps assess the risk of deficiency or insufficiency, and is critical in diagnosing conditions like osteoporosis and rickets. Additionally, it plays a role in immune system regulation and can indicate the presence of inflammatory or autoimmune diseases. Vitamin D levels are monitored in chronic diseases to assess bone health, guide treatment for deficiencies, and optimize overall health.

### Standard Range:

- 30-100 ng/mL

### Recommended Range:



- Low: 0- 20 ng/mL
- Suboptimal low: 20-30 ng/mL
- Optimal: 30-50 ng/mL
- Suboptimal high: 50-100 ng/mL
- High: 100 ng/mL

**Source(s):**

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## Vitamin D, 25-OH, D2 (QuestAssure D)

(as a reflection of total Vitamin D) Includes Vitamin D, 25-OH, Total Vitamin D, 25-OH, D3  
 Vitamin D, 25-OH, D2

This is measured as Total Vitamin D

The Vitamin D, 25-OH, D2 (QuestAssure D) test measures the total level of vitamin D in the blood, including both vitamin D2 and vitamin D3. Vitamin D is a crucial nutrient that supports calcium absorption, bone strength, immune function, and overall health. It plays an essential role in maintaining healthy bones and muscles, regulating cell growth, and reducing inflammation. Sufficient vitamin D levels are important for preventing deficiencies that can lead to bone disorders such as osteoporosis and rickets. This test helps assess vitamin D status and guide appropriate supplementation or treatment.

**Recommended Range:**

- Low: <20 ng/mL
- Suboptimal Low: 20-35 ng/mL
- Optimal: 35-50 ng/mL
- Suboptimal High: 50-100 ng/mL
- High: >100 ng/mL



### Source(s):

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## Zinc

The zinc blood test measures the level of zinc in the blood. Zinc is an essential trace element that plays a crucial role in numerous physiological functions, including immune response, DNA synthesis, cell division, wound healing, and protein synthesis. It is also important for proper growth and development during pregnancy, childhood, and adolescence.

### Standard Range:

- 60-130 mcg/dL

### Recommended Range:

- Low: 0-60 mcg/dL
- Suboptimal low: 60-70 mcg/dL
- Optimal: 70-120 mcg/dL
- Suboptimal high: 120-130 mcg/dL
- High: > 130 mcg/dL

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