



CROPAIA

Agronomy Toolkit

For agronomists and growers



NUTRIENT FORM CONVERSIONS

From	To	Multiply by
NH_4	N-NH_4	0.821
NO_3	N-NO_3	0.226
N	NH_4	1.285
N	NO_3	4.427
P_2O_5	P	0.436
PO_4	P	0.326
P	P_2O_5	2.291
P	PO_4	3.066
K_2O	K	0.830
K	K_2O	1.205
CaCO_3	Ca	0.400
CaO	Ca	0.714
Ca	CaCO_3	2.497
MgO	Mg	0.603
Mg	MgO	1.657

CONVERSION BETWEEN CONCENTRATION UNITS

Element	mmol/L	meq/L	ppm
N-NO ₃	1	1	14
N-NH ₄	1	1	14
P-H ₂ PO ₄	1	1	31
K	1	1	39
Ca	1	2	40
Mg	1	2	24
Na	1	1	23
Cl	1	1	35.5
S-SO ₄	1	2	32
Fe	1	3	56
Mn	1	2	55
Zn	1	2	65
Cu	1	2	64
B-B ₄ O ₇	1	2	11

FERTILIZER RATE CONVERSIONS

From	To	Multiply by
kg/ha	lbs/ac	0.892
lbs/ac	kg/ha	1.12
t/ha	t/acre	0.446
t/acre	t/ha	2.24

YIELD UNITS CONVERSIONS

From	To	Multiply by
Bushel/acre corn	MT/ha corn	62.8
Bushel/acre corn	lbs/acre corn	56
Bushel/acre wheat/soybeans	kg/ha wheat/soybeans	67.3
Bushel/acre wheat/soybeans	lbs/acre wheat/soybeans	60
Bushel/acre Barley	kg/ha barley	53.8

SOIL ANALYSIS INTERPRETATION

Phosphorus (P), ppm

Extraction method	Low	Medium	High	Excessive
Olsen	<10	10-30	30-40	>40
Saturated paste	<2.5	2.5-10	11-15	>15
Bray 1	<20	20-40	40-100	>100
Mehlich 3	<30	30-100	100-150	>150

Potassium (K), ppm

Extraction method	Low	Medium	High	Excessive
Ammonium acetate	<150	150-250	251-800	>800
Mehlich 3	<35	35-65	66-130	>130
Saturated paste	<80	80-195	196-300	>300

Calcium (Ca), ppm

Extraction method	Low	Medium	High	Excessive
Ammonium acetate	<1000	1.000-2.000	>2.000	
Mehlich 3	<500	501-655	656-835	>835
Saturated paste	<100	100-400	401-500	>500

Magnesium (Mg), ppm

Extraction method	Low	Medium	High	Excessive
Ammonium acetate	<60	60-180	>180	
Mehlich 3	<20	20-65	66-135	>135
Saturated paste	<30	30-120	121-180	>180

Boron (B), ppm

Extraction method	Low	Medium	High	Excessive
Agua caliente	<0.5	0.5-2.0	2.0-6.0	>6.0
Saturated paste	<1.0	1.0-1.5	>1.5	
Fosfato de Calcium	<0.5	0.5-1.0	>1.0	

Iron (Fe), ppm

Extraction method	Low	Medium	High	Excessive
DTPA	<2.5	2.5-5.0	5.0-10	>10
Mehlich 3	<50	50-100	>100	

Manganese (Mn), ppm

Extraction method	Low	Medium	High	Excessive
DTPA	<1.0	1.0-2.5	2.5-4.0	>4
Mehlich 3	<30	30-200	>200	

Zinc (Zn), ppm

Extraction method	Low	Medium	High	Excessive
DTPA	<0.5	0.5-0.75	0.75-1.0	>10
Mehlich 3	<1.0	1.0-2.0	>2.0	

Copper (Cu), ppm

Extraction method	Low	Medium	High	Excessive
DTPA	<0.2	0.2-0.3	0.3-0.6	>12
Mehlich 3	<1.6	1.6-4.5	>4.5	

Sodium (Na), ppm

Extraction method	Low	Medium	High	Excessive
Ammonium acetate	<50	50-200	200-300	>300
Saturated paste	<45	45-115	116-160	>160

Sulfur (S), ppm

Extraction method	Low	Medium	High	Excessive
KCl 40	<5	5-12	13-20	
Saturated paste	<160	160-480	481-640	>640

Conversions from meq/100g to ppm

	meq/100g (cmol/kg)	ppm (g/kg)
Potassium (K^+)	1	390
Calcium (Ca^{2+})	1	200.86
Magnesium (Mg^{2+})	1	120.7
Sodium (Na^+)	1	230

DESIRED ELEMENT CONCENTRATIONS IN THE IRRIGATION WATER

Element	Common concentration in irrigation water (mg/L)	Desired range (mg/L)
Potassium (K^+)	0-10	5-10
Calcium (Ca^{2+})	10-150	60-120
Magnesium (Mg^{2+})	5-30	10-30
Sulfur ($S-SO_4^{2-}$)	5-30	30-80
Boron (B)	0-2	<0.5
Iron (Fe)	0-3	<1.0
Manganese (Mn)	0-2	<0.8
Bicarbonates (HCO_3^-)	30-500	30-120
Sodium (Na^+)	5-130	0-50
Chlorides (Cl^-)	0-350	<120



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