

INDEX OF REFRACTION OF WATER

This table gives the index of refraction of liquid water at atmospheric pressure, relative to a vacuum, at several temperatures and wavelengths. It is generated from the formulation in Reference 1, which covers a wide range of temperature, pressure, and wavelength. The wavelengths listed here correspond to prominent lines of cadmium (226.50 and 361.05 nm), potassium (404.41 nm), sodium (589.00 nm), Ne (632.80 nm, from a helium - neon laser), and mercury (1.01398 μm).

References

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<i>t</i> /°C	226.50 nm	361.05 nm	404.41 nm	589.00 nm	632.80 nm	1.01398 μm
0	1.39450	1.34896	1.34415	1.33432	1.33306	1.32612
10	1.39422	1.34870	1.34389	1.33408	1.33282	1.32591
20	1.39336	1.34795	1.34315	1.33336	1.33211	1.32524
30	1.39208	1.34682	1.34205	1.33230	1.33105	1.32424
40	1.39046	1.34540	1.34065	1.33095	1.32972	1.32296
50	1.38854	1.34373	1.33901	1.32937	1.32814	1.32145
60	1.38636	1.34184	1.33714	1.32757	1.32636	1.31974
70	1.38395	1.33974	1.33508	1.32559	1.32438	1.31784
80	1.38132	1.33746	1.33284	1.32342	1.32223	1.31576
90	1.37849	1.33501	1.33042	1.32109	1.31991	1.31353
100	1.37547	1.33239	1.32784	1.31861	1.31744	1.31114