

# Speeds and Feeds



ISO	VDI 3323	Material Description	Composition / Structure / Heat Treatment		HB	HRC		Vc(m/min)		Drill Diameter(mm)
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P	1	Non-alloy steel	About 0.15% C	Annealed	125		●	28	RPM	8910
									FEED	0.01-0.03
	2		About 0.45% C	Annealed	190	13	●	25	RPM	7960
									FEED	0.01-0.03
	3		About 0.45% C	Quenched & tempered	250	25	●	20	RPM	6370
									FEED	0.01-0.03
	4		About 0.75% C	Annealed	270	28	○	15	RPM	4770
									FEED	0.01-0.02
	6		Low alloy steel	Annealed	180	10	●	25	RPM	7960
										FEED
7	Quenched & tempered	275		29	○	20	RPM	6370		
								FEED	0.01-0.03	
8	Quenched & tempered	300		32	○	20	RPM	6370		
								FEED	0.01-0.02	
10	High alloyed steel, and tool steel	Annealed	200	15	○	15	RPM	4770		
								FEED	0.01-0.03	
M	12	Stainless steel	Ferritic / Martensitic	Annealed	200	15	●	18	RPM	5730
									FEED	0.01-0.03
			Martensitic	Quenched & Tempered	240	23	○	15	RPM	4770
13								FEED	0.01-0.03	
	14		Austenitic	180	10	○	10	RPM	3180	
								FEED	0.01-0.02	
K	15	Grey cast iron	Pearlitic / ferritic		180	10	○	28	RPM	8910
									FEED	0.01-0.03
	16	Pearlitic (Martensitic)		260	26	○	25	RPM	7960	
								FEED	0.01-0.02	
	17	Nodular cast iron	Ferritic		160	3	○	28	RPM	8910
									FEED	0.01-0.03
18	Pearlitic		250	25		20	RPM	6370		
							FEED	0.01-0.02		
19	Malleable cast iron	Ferritic		130		○	25	RPM	7960	
								FEED	0.01-0.03	
20	Pearlitic		230	21		20	RPM	6370		
							FEED	0.01-0.02		
N	21	Aluminum-wrought alloy	Not Curable		60		○	45	RPM	14320
									FEED	0.02-0.05
	22	Curable	Hardened	100		○	45	RPM	14320	
								FEED	0.02-0.05	
23	Aluminum-cast, alloyed	≤ 12% Si, Not Curable		75		○	35	RPM	11140	
								FEED	0.02-0.05	
29	Non Metallic Materials	Duroplastic, Fiber Reinforced Plastic					○	20	RPM	6370
									FEED	0.01-0.03
S	36	Titanium Alloys	Pure Titanium		400 Rm		○	15	RPM	4770
								FEED	0.01-0.02	



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									2	3	4	6	8	10	13		
P	1	Non-alloy steel	About 0.15% C	Annealed	125		●	40	RPM	6,370	4,240	3,180	2,120	1,590	1,270	980	
									FEED	0.04-0.08	0.06-0.10	0.08-0.12	0.12-0.16	0.12-0.18	0.16-0.22	0.18-0.24	
			2	About 0.45% C	Annealed	190	13	●	35	RPM	5,570	3,710	2,790	1,860	1,390	1,110	860
										FEED	0.04-0.08	0.06-0.10	0.08-0.12	0.12-0.16	0.12-0.18	0.16-0.22	0.18-0.24
	3		About 0.45% C	Quenched & tempered	250	25	●	30	RPM	4,770	3,180	2,390	1,590	1,190	950	730	
									FEED	0.04-0.08	0.06-0.10	0.08-0.12	0.12-0.16	0.12-0.18	0.16-0.22	0.18-0.24	
	4		About 0.75% C	Annealed	270	28	○	20	RPM	3,180	2,120	1,590	1,060	800	640	490	
									FEED	0.02-0.05	0.02-0.06	0.04-0.08	0.04-0.10	0.06-0.12	0.08-0.14	0.12-0.18	
	6	Low alloy steel	Annealed	180	10	●	35	RPM	5,570	3,710	2,790	1,860	1,390	1,110	860		
								FEED	0.04-0.08	0.06-0.10	0.08-0.12	0.12-0.16	0.12-0.18	0.16-0.22	0.18-0.24		
7			Quenched & tempered	275	29	○	30	RPM	4,770	3,180	2,390	1,590	1,190	950	730		
								FEED	0.04-0.08	0.06-0.10	0.08-0.12	0.12-0.16	0.12-0.18	0.16-0.22	0.18-0.24		
8			Quenched & tempered	300	32	○	30	RPM	4,770	3,180	2,390	1,590	1,190	950	730		
								FEED	0.02-0.05	0.02-0.06	0.04-0.08	0.04-0.10	0.06-0.12	0.08-0.14	0.12-0.18		
10	High alloyed steel, and tool steel	Annealed	200	15	○	20	RPM	3,180	2,120	1,590	1,060	800	640	490			
							FEED	0.04-0.08	0.06-0.10	0.08-0.12	0.12-0.16	0.12-0.18	0.16-0.22	0.18-0.24			
M	12	Stainless steel	Ferritic / Martensitic	Annealed	200	15	●	25	RPM	3,980	2,650	1,990	1,330	990	800	610	
									FEED	0.04-0.08	0.06-0.10	0.08-0.12	0.12-0.16	0.12-0.18	0.16-0.22	0.18-0.24	
			13	Martensitic	Quenched & Tempered	240	23	○	20	RPM	3,180	2,120	1,590	1,060	800	640	490
										FEED	0.04-0.08	0.06-0.10	0.08-0.12	0.12-0.16	0.12-0.18	0.16-0.22	0.18-0.24
			14	Austenitic	180	10	○	15	RPM	2,390	1,590	1,190	800	600	480	370	
									FEED	0.02-0.05	0.02-0.06	0.04-0.08	0.04-0.10	0.06-0.12	0.08-0.14	0.12-0.18	
K	15	Grey cast iron	Pearlitic / ferritic	180	10	○	40	RPM	6,370	4,240	3,180	2,120	1,590	1,270	980		
								FEED	0.04-0.08	0.06-0.10	0.08-0.12	0.12-0.16	0.12-0.18	0.16-0.22	0.18-0.24		
			16	Pearlitic (Martensitic)	260	26	○	35	RPM	5,570	3,710	2,790	1,860	1,390	1,110	860	
									FEED	0.02-0.05	0.02-0.06	0.04-0.08	0.04-0.10	0.06-0.12	0.08-0.14	0.12-0.18	
	17	Nodular cast iron	Ferritic	160	3	○	40	RPM	6,370	4,240	3,180	2,120	1,590	1,270	980		
								FEED	0.04-0.08	0.06-0.10	0.08-0.12	0.12-0.16	0.12-0.18	0.16-0.22	0.18-0.24		
			18	Pearlitic	250	25		30	RPM	4,770	3,180	2,390	1,590	1,190	950	730	
									FEED	0.02-0.05	0.02-0.06	0.04-0.08	0.04-0.10	0.06-0.12	0.08-0.14	0.12-0.18	
	19	Malleable cast iron	Ferritic	130		○	35	RPM	5,570	3,710	2,790	1,860	1,390	1,110	860		
								FEED	0.04-0.08	0.06-0.10	0.08-0.12	0.12-0.16	0.12-0.18	0.16-0.22	0.18-0.24		
			20	Pearlitic	230	21		30	RPM	4,770	3,180	2,390	1,590	1,190	950	730	
									FEED	0.02-0.05	0.02-0.06	0.04-0.08	0.04-0.10	0.06-0.12	0.08-0.14	0.12-0.18	
N	21	Aluminum-wrought alloy	Not Curable	60		○	65	RPM	10,350	6,900	5,170	3,450	2,590	2,070	1,590		
								FEED	0.05-0.09	0.07-0.11	0.12-0.16	0.12-0.18	0.14-0.20	0.16-0.22	0.22-0.28		
			22	Curable	Hardened	100		○	65	RPM	10,350	6,900	5,170	3,450	2,590	2,070	1,590
										FEED	0.05-0.09	0.07-0.11	0.12-0.16	0.12-0.18	0.14-0.20	0.16-0.22	0.22-0.28
	23	Aluminum-cast, alloyed	≤ 12% Si, Not Curable	75		○	50	RPM	7,960	5,310	3,980	2,650	1,990	1,590	1,220		
								FEED	0.05-0.09	0.07-0.11	0.12-0.16	0.12-0.18	0.14-0.20	0.16-0.22	0.22-0.28		
29	Non Metallic Materials	Duroplastic, Fiber Reinforced Plastic			○	30	RPM	4,770	3,180	2,390	1,590	1,190	950	730			
							FEED	0.04-0.08	0.06-0.10	0.08-0.12	0.12-0.16	0.12-0.18	0.16-0.22	0.18-0.24			
S	36	Titanium Alloys	Pure Titanium	400 Rm		○	20	RPM	3,180	2,120	1,590	1,060	800	640	490		
								FEED	0.02-0.05	0.02-0.06	0.04-0.08	0.05-0.09	0.06-0.10	0.07-0.13	0.08-0.14		



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**Penetration Rate  
(mm/min)**

$$v_f = f_n \cdot n$$

**Feed Per Revolution  
(mm/rev)**

$$f_n = \frac{v_f}{n}$$

**Cutting Speed  
(m/min)**

$$v_c = \frac{\pi \cdot D_{tool} \cdot n}{1000}$$

**Spindle Speed  
(rev/min)**

$$n = \frac{v_c \cdot 1000}{\pi \cdot D_{tool}}$$

**Material Removal Rate  
(cm<sup>3</sup>/min)**

$$MRR = \frac{D_{tool} \cdot f_n \cdot v_c}{4}$$

## Metric

Symbol	Definition	Unit
$v_f$	Penetration rate	mm/min
$f_n$	Feed per revolution	mm/rev
$v_c$	Cutting speed	m/min (SMM)
$n$	Spindle speed	rev/min (RPM)
$D_{tool}$	Tool cutting diameter	mm
$MRR$	Material removal rate	(cm <sup>3</sup> /min)