







Standards & Guidelines For Knitting And Crochet

Standard Yarn Weight System

Categories of yarn, gauge ranges and recommended needles and hook sizes

Yarn weight Symbol & Category Names	 Super Fine	 Fine	 Light	 Medium	 Bulky	 Super Bulky
Type of Yarns in Category	Sock Fingering Baby	Sport Baby	DK Light Worsted	Worsted Afghan Aran	Chunky Craft Rug	Super Bulky Roving
Knit Gauge Range* in Stockinette Stitch to 4 inches	27 - 32 sts	23 - 26 sts	21 - 24 sts	16 - 20 sts	12 - 15 sts	6 - 11 sts
Recommended Needle in Metric Size Range	2 - 3.25 mm	3.25 - 3.75 mm	3.75 - 4.50 sts	4.5 - 5.5 mm	5.5 - 8 mm	9 - 16 mm
Recommended Needle US size range	1 - 3	3 - 5	5 - 7	7 - 9	9 - 11	13 - 19
Crochet Gauge* Ranges in Single Crochet to 4 inch	21 - 32 sts	16 - 20 sts	12 - 17 sts	11 - 14 sts	8 - 11 sts	5 - 9 sts
Recommended Hook in Metric Size Range	2.25 - 3.5 mm	3.5 - 4.5 mm	4.5 - 5.5 mm	5.5 - 6.5 mm	6.5 - 9 mm	9 - 12 mm
Recommended Hook US Size Range	B-1 to E-4	E-4 to 7	7 to I-9	I-9 to K-10.5	K-10.5 to M-13	M-13 to P-16

*Guidelines Only: The above reflect the most commonly used gauges and needle or hook sizes for specific yarn categories.

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