

# Common Ions

Used in Chemical Nomenclature

## CATIONS

### Single Oxidation State

Name	Formula and Charge
hydrogen ion	H <sup>+</sup>
lithium ion	Li <sup>+</sup>
sodium ion	Na <sup>+</sup>
potassium ion	K <sup>+</sup>
rubidium ion	Rb <sup>+</sup>
ammonium ion	NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup>
silver ion	Ag <sup>+</sup>
beryllium ion	Be <sup>+2</sup>
magnesium ion	Mg <sup>+2</sup>
calcium ion	Ca <sup>+2</sup>
strontium ion	Sr <sup>+2</sup>
barium ion	Ba <sup>+2</sup>
zinc ion	Zn <sup>+2</sup>
cadmium ion	Cd <sup>+2</sup>
aluminum ion	Al <sup>+3</sup>

### Multiple Oxidation States

IUPAC Name	Common Name	Formula and Charge
copper(I) ion	cuprous ion	Cu <sup>+</sup>
copper(II) ion	cupric ion	Cu <sup>+2</sup>
iron(II) ion	ferrous ion	Fe <sup>+2</sup>
iron(III) ion	ferric ion	Fe <sup>+3</sup>
tin(II) ion	Stannous ion	Sn <sup>+2</sup>
tin(IV) ion	Stannic ion	Sn <sup>+4</sup>
mercury(I) ion	mercurous ion	Hg <sub>2</sub> <sup>+2</sup>
mercury(II) ion	mercuric ion	Hg <sup>+2</sup>
lead(II) ion	plumbous ion	Pb <sup>+2</sup>
lead(IV) ion	plumbic ion	Pb <sup>+4</sup>
nickel(II) ion	nickelous ion	Ni <sup>+2</sup>
nickel(III) ion	nickelic ion	Ni <sup>+3</sup>
chromium(II) ion	chromous ion	Cr <sup>+2</sup>
chromium(III) ion	chromic ion	Cr <sup>+3</sup>
cobalt(II) ion	cobaltous ion	Co <sup>+2</sup>
cobalt(III) ion	cobaltic ion	Co <sup>+3</sup>

## ANIONS

### "ide" Ending

Name	Formula and Charge
fluoride ion	F <sup>-</sup>
chloride ion	Cl <sup>-</sup>
bromide ion	Br <sup>-</sup>
iodide ion	I <sup>-</sup>
hydride ion	H <sup>-</sup>
hydroxide ion	OH <sup>-</sup>
cyanide ion	CN <sup>-</sup>
sulfide ion	S <sup>-2</sup>
bisulfide ion	HS <sup>-</sup>
(hydrogen sulfide ion)	O <sup>-2</sup>

### "ate" Ending

Name	Formula and Charge
chlorate ion	ClO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>
bromate ion	BrO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>
iodate ion	IO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>
nitrate ion	NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>
sulfate ion	SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>-2</sup>
bisulfate ion	HSO <sub>4</sub> <sup>-</sup>
(hydrogen sulfate ion)	
carbonate ion	CO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-2</sup>
bicarbonate ion	HCO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>
(hydrogen carbonate)	
phosphate ion	PO <sub>4</sub> <sup>-3</sup>
arsenate ion	AsO <sub>4</sub> <sup>-3</sup>
silicate ion	SiO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-2</sup>
chromate ion	CrO <sub>4</sub> <sup>-2</sup>
dichromate ion	Cr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>7</sub> <sup>-2</sup>
acetate ion	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>3</sub> O <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>
permanganate ion	MnO <sub>4</sub> <sup>-</sup>

### "ate" Ending

Name	Formula and Charge
Oxalate Ion	C <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> <sup>-2</sup>
Peroxide Ion	O <sub>2</sub> <sup>-2</sup>
Thiocyanate Ion	CNS <sup>-</sup>
Thiosulfate Ion	S <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> <sup>-2</sup>

## LIST OF COMMON ANIONS & CATIONS

Learn to match the names and formulas for the following monoatomic (m) and polyatomic (p) ions

Name	Formula & Charge	Type of Ion
chloride	$\text{Cl}^-$	anion (m)
fluoride	$\text{F}^-$	anion (m)
iodide	$\text{I}^-$	anion (m)
oxide	$\text{O}^{2-}$	anion (m)
sulfide	$\text{S}^{2-}$	anion (m)
hydroxide	$\text{OH}^-$	anion (p)
nitrate	$\text{NO}_3^-$	anion (p)
bicarbonate	$\text{HCO}_3^{-1}$	anion (p)
acetate	$\text{C}_2\text{H}_3\text{O}_2^-$	anion (p)
sulfate	$\text{SO}_4^{2-}$	anion (p)
carbonate	$\text{CO}_3^{2-}$	anion (p)
phosphate	$\text{PO}_4^{3-}$	anion (p)
hydrogen ion	$\text{H}^+$	cation (m)
lithium ion	$\text{Li}^+$	cation (m)
sodium ion	$\text{Na}^+$	cation (m)
potassium ion	$\text{K}^+$	cation (m)
ammonium ion	$\text{NH}_4^+$	cation (p)
magnesium ion	$\text{Mg}^{+2}$	cation (m)
calcium ion	$\text{Ca}^{+2}$	cation (m)
strontium ion	$\text{Sr}^{+2}$	cation (m)
barium ion	$\text{Ba}^{+2}$	cation (m)
zinc ion	$\text{Zn}^{+2}$	cation (m)
iron (II) ion	$\text{Fe}^{+2}$	cation (m)
iron (III) ion	$\text{Fe}^{+3}$	cation (m)
aluminum ion	$\text{Al}^{+3}$	cation (m)