

Geological time scale

millions of years ago	Eon	Era	Period	Epoch	millions of years ago
	Phanerozoic	Cenozoic	Neogene	Holocene	23
				Pleistocene	
			Pliocene		
			Miocene		
			Oligocene		
			Eocene		
			Palaeogene	Palaeocene	65
		Mesozoic	Cretaceous		145
				Jurassic	200
				Triassic	251
		Palaeozoic	Permian		299
				Carboniferous	359
			Devonian		416
				Silurian	444
	Ordovician		488		
	Cambrian		542		
542	Proterozoic		Precambrian time		542
2500		Archaean			
3600				Hadean	
4500					4500