

Material group	Hardness		SFM	Feed Rate - IPR									
	HRC	BHN		1/16 in. 1.590 mm	1/8 in. 3.170 mm	1/4 in. 6.350 mm	3/8 in. 9.520 mm	1/2 in. 12.700 mm	5/8 in. 15.870 mm	3/4 in. 19.050 mm	1 in. 25.400 mm	1 1/4 in. 31.750 mm	1 1/2 in. 38.100 mm
Common structural steels	-	≤ 150	130	0.0017	0.0050	0.0080	0.0100	0.0125	0.0125				
	≤ 32	≤ 301	100	0.0015	0.0040	0.0065	0.0080	0.0100	0.0100				
Free-cutting steels	≤ 25	≤ 255	155	0.0017	0.0050	0.0080	0.0100	0.0125	0.0125				
	≤ 32	≤ 301	125	0.0017	0.0050	0.0080	0.0100	0.0125	0.0125				
Unalloyed heat-treatable steels	≤ 20	≤ 220	130	0.0017	0.0050	0.0080	0.0100	0.0125	0.0125				
	≤ 25	≤ 255	100	0.0017	0.0050	0.0080	0.0100	0.0125	0.0125				
	≤ 32	≤ 301	65	0.0015	0.0040	0.0065	0.0080	0.0100	0.0100				
Alloyed heat-treatable steels	≤ 32	≤ 301	55	0.0012	0.0030	0.0050	0.0065	0.0080	0.0080				
	≤ 43	≤ 402	35	0.0010	0.0025	0.0040	0.0050	0.0065	0.0065				
Unalloyed case hardened steels	≤ 25	≤ 255	100	0.0017	0.0050	0.0080	0.0100	0.0125	0.0125				
Alloyed case hardened steels	≤ 32	≤ 301	50	0.0012	0.0030	0.0050	0.0065	0.0080	0.0080				
	≤ 43	≤ 402	35	0.0010	0.0025	0.0040	0.0050	0.0065	0.0065				
Nitriding steels	≤ 32	≤ 301	45	0.0012	0.0030	0.0050	0.0065	0.0080	0.0080				
	≤ 43	≤ 402	35	0.0010	0.0025	0.0040	0.0050	0.0065	0.0065				
Tool steels	≤ 25	≤ 255	55	0.0012	0.0030	0.0050	0.0065	0.0080	0.0080				
	≤ 43	≤ 402	30	0.0010	0.0025	0.0040	0.0050	0.0065	0.0065				
High speed steels	≤ 43	≤ 402	30	0.0010	0.0025	0.0040	0.0050	0.0065	0.0065				
Spring steels	≤ 38	≤ 354											
Hardened steels	≤ 48	≤ 460											
	≤ 66	-											
Stainless steels, sulphured	≤ 28	≤ 273	50	0.0012	0.0030	0.0050	0.0065	0.0080	0.0080				
austenitic	≤ 36	≤ 337	35	0.0012	0.0030	0.0050	0.0065	0.0080	0.0080				
martensitic	≤ 46	≤ 435	45	0.0012	0.0030	0.0050	0.0065	0.0080	0.0080				
Cast iron	≤ 23	≤ 242	115	0.0017	0.0050	0.0080	0.0100	0.0125	0.0125				
	≤ 38	≤ 354	90	0.0017	0.0050	0.0080	0.0100	0.0125	0.0125				
Spheroidal graphite iron and malleable cast iron	≤ 23	≤ 242	100	0.0017	0.0050	0.0080	0.0100	0.0125	0.0125				
	≤ 38	≤ 354	80	0.0017	0.0050	0.0080	0.0100	0.0125	0.0125				
Chilled cast iron	≤ 38	≤ 354											
New cast materials GGV	≤ 20	≤ 220											
	≤ 32	≤ 301											
New cast materials ADI	≤ 32	≤ 301											
	≤ 43	≤ 402											
Special alloys	≤ 54	≤ 549											
Ti and Ti-alloys	≤ 25	≤ 255											
	≤ 43	≤ 402											
Aluminium and Al-alloys	-	≤ 120	180	0.0020	0.0065	0.0100	0.0125	0.0160	0.0160				
Al wrought alloys	-	≤ 200	180	0.0020	0.0065	0.0100	0.0125	0.0160	0.0160				
Al cast alloys ≤ 10 % Si	-	≤ 180	230	0.0020	0.0065	0.0100	0.0125	0.0160	0.0160				
≤ 24 % Si	-	≤ 180	185	0.0017	0.0050	0.0080	0.0100	0.0125	0.0125				
Magnesium alloys	-	≤ 120	205	0.0017	0.0050	0.0080	0.0100	0.0125	0.0125				
Copper, low-alloyed	-	≤ 150	80	0.0015	0.0040	0.0065	0.0080	0.0100	0.0100				
Brass, short-chipping	-	≤ 180	165	0.0015	0.0040	0.0065	0.0080	0.0100	0.0100				
long-chipping	-	≤ 180	100	0.0015	0.0040	0.0065	0.0080	0.0100	0.0100				
Bronze, short-chipping	-	≤ 180	130	0.0012	0.0030	0.0050	0.0065	0.0080	0.0080				
	≤ 25	≤ 255	75	0.0012	0.0030	0.0050	0.0065	0.0080	0.0080				
Bronze, long-chipping	≤ 25	≤ 255	100	0.0012	0.0030	0.0050	0.0065	0.0080	0.0080				
	≤ 32	≤ 301	75	0.0012	0.0030	0.0050	0.0065	0.0080	0.0080				
Duroplastics			65	0.0012	0.0030	0.0050	0.0065	0.0080	0.0080				
Thermoplastics			65	0.0012	0.0030	0.0050	0.0065	0.0080	0.0080				
Reinforced plastics - Kevlar													
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Common structural steels	-	≤ 150	290		0.0050	0.0080	0.0100	0.0125	0.0125	0.0140	0.0160		
	≤ 32	≤ 301	265		0.0040	0.0065	0.0080	0.0100	0.0100	0.0110	0.0125		
Free-cutting steels	≤ 25	≤ 255	325		0.0065	0.0100	0.0125	0.0160	0.0160	0.0180	0.0200		
	≤ 32	≤ 301	300		0.0065	0.0100	0.0125	0.0160	0.0160	0.0180	0.0200		
Unalloyed heat-treatable steels	≤ 20	≤ 220	290		0.0065	0.0100	0.0125	0.0160	0.0160	0.0180	0.0200		
	≤ 25	≤ 255	260		0.0050	0.0080	0.0100	0.0125	0.0125	0.0140	0.0160		
	≤ 32	≤ 301	265		0.0050	0.0080	0.0100	0.0125	0.0125	0.0140	0.0160		
Alloyed heat-treatable steels	≤ 32	≤ 301	265		0.0050	0.0080	0.0100	0.0125	0.0125	0.0140	0.0160		
	≤ 43	≤ 402	195		0.0050	0.0080	0.0100	0.0125	0.0125	0.0140	0.0160		
Unalloyed case hardened steels	≤ 25	≤ 255	290		0.0065	0.0100	0.0125	0.0160	0.0160	0.0180	0.0200		
Alloyed case hardened steels	≤ 32	≤ 301	265		0.0050	0.0080	0.0100	0.0125	0.0125	0.0140	0.0160		
	≤ 43	≤ 402	195		0.0030	0.0050	0.0065	0.0080	0.0080	0.0090	0.0100		
Nitriding steels	≤ 32	≤ 301	190		0.0050	0.0080	0.0100	0.0125	0.0125	0.0140	0.0160		
	≤ 43	≤ 402	155		0.0030	0.0050	0.0065	0.0080	0.0080	0.0090	0.0100		
Tool steels	≤ 25	≤ 255	145		0.0040	0.0065	0.0080	0.0100	0.0100	0.0110	0.0125		
	≤ 43	≤ 402	110		0.0030	0.0050	0.0065	0.0080	0.0080	0.0090	0.0100		
High speed steels	≤ 43	≤ 402	115		0.0030	0.0050	0.0065	0.0080	0.0080	0.0090	0.0100		
Spring steels	≤ 38	≤ 354	115		0.0050	0.0050	0.0050	0.0050	0.0050	0.0050	0.0050		
Stainless steels, sulphured	≤ 28	≤ 273	130		0.0030	0.0050	0.0065	0.0080	0.0080	0.0090	0.0100		
austenitic	≤ 36	≤ 337	130		0.0030	0.0050	0.0065	0.0080	0.0080	0.0090	0.0100		
martensitic	≤ 46	≤ 435	140		0.0030	0.0050	0.0065	0.0080	0.0080	0.0090	0.0100		
Cast iron	≤ 23	≤ 242	370		0.0080	0.0125	0.0160	0.0200	0.0200	0.0220	0.0245		
	≤ 38	≤ 354	350		0.0080	0.0125	0.0160	0.0200	0.0200	0.0220	0.0245		
Spheroidal graphite iron and malleable cast iron	≤ 23	≤ 242	245		0.0080	0.0125	0.0160	0.0200	0.0200	0.0220	0.0245		
	≤ 38	≤ 354	260		0.0065	0.0100	0.0125	0.0160	0.0160	0.0180	0.0200		
Chilled cast iron	≤ 38	≤ 354											
New cast materials GGV	≤ 20	≤ 220											
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New cast materials ADI	≤ 32	≤ 301											
	≤ 43	≤ 402											
Aluminium and Al-alloys	-	≤ 120	485		0.0080	0.0125	0.0160	0.0200	0.0200	0.0220	0.0245		
Al wrought alloys	-	≤ 200	485		0.0080	0.0125	0.0160	0.0200	0.0200	0.0220	0.0245		
Al cast alloys ≤ 10 % Si	-	≤ 180	490		0.0080	0.0125	0.0160	0.0200	0.0200	0.0220	0.0245		
≤ 24 % Si	-	≤ 180	390		0.0080	0.0125	0.0160	0.0200	0.0200	0.0220	0.0245		
Magnesium alloys	-	≤ 120	485		0.0065	0.0100	0.0125	0.0160	0.0160	0.0180	0.0200		
Copper, low-alloyed	-	≤ 150	260		0.0050	0.0080	0.0100	0.0125	0.0125	0.0140	0.0160		
Brass, short-chipping	-	≤ 180	390		0.0065	0.0100	0.0125	0.0160	0.0160	0.0180	0.0200		
long-chipping	-	≤ 180	390		0.0050	0.0080	0.0100	0.0125	0.0125	0.0140	0.0160		
Bronze, short-chipping	-	≤ 180	135		0.0050	0.0080	0.0100	0.0125	0.0125	0.0140	0.0160		
	≤ 25	≤ 255											
Bronze, long-chipping	≤ 25	≤ 255			0.0040	0.0065	0.0080	0.0100	0.0100	0.0110	0.0125		
	≤ 32	≤ 301	125										
Duroplastics													
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Note: Pilot holes (depth >1xD) are recommended when drilling depths greater than 7xD. The pilot hole can be produced with a short, rigid drill.
The diameter should be 0.01 - 0.02 mm larger than the diameter of the finish drill. Ratio drills can produce their own pilot hole by reducing speed and feed rates by 30-40%.