

Table 1: The Relative Weight Abundance of Earth Crust Elements

Range	Element
>10%	O, Si
1-10%	Al, Fe, Ca, K, Na, Mg
0.1-1.0%	C, H, Mn, P, Ti
0.01-0.1%	Ba, Cl, Cr, F, Rb, S, Sr, V, Zr
10-100 ppm	Cu, Ce, Co, Ga, La, Li, Nb, Ni, Pb, Sn, Th, Zn, Yt
1-10 ppm	As, B, Br, Cs, Ge, Hf, Mo, Sb, Ta, U, W, and most Rare Earths
0.1-1.0 ppm	Bi, Cd, I, In, Tl
0.01-0.1 ppm	Ag, Pd, Se
0.001- 0.01 ppm	Au, Ir, Os, Pt, Re, Rh, Ru

J. D. Gilchrist, **Extraction Metallurgy 3rd ed**, Pergamon Press, New York, 1989

Table 2: Elemental Abundance in Igneous Rocks

Element	Percentage
O	45.6
Si	27.7
Al	8.1
Fe	5.0
Ca	3.63
Na	2.85
K	2.60
Mg	2.09
Ti	0.63
Mn	0.10
Zr	0.026
Ni	0.020
V	0.017
Cu	0.010
U	0.008
W	0.005
Zn	0.004
Pb	0.002
Th	0.002
Co	0.001
Be	0.001
Mo	0.000,n
As	0.000,n
Sn	0.000,n
Sb	0.000,0n
Cd	0.000,0n
Hg	0.000,0n
Ag	0.000,00n
Pt	0.000,000,n
Au	0.000,000,n
Ir	0.000,000,0n
Pd	0.000,000,00n
Ra	0.000,000,000,n

F. W. Clarke and H. S. Washington,  
*Composition of the Earth's Crust*, U. S. Geol.  
 Survey Professional Paper 127, 1924

Table 3: Mineral Sources of Common Metals

Metal	Mineral	Formula
Iron	Magnetite	$\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4$
	Hematite	$\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3$
	Limonite	$2\text{Fe}_2\text{O}_3 \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$
	Siderite	$\text{FeCO}_3$
Copper	Native Copper	Cu
	Chalcocite	$\text{Cu}_2\text{S}$
	Covellite	CuS
	Chalcopyrite	$\text{CuFeS}_2$
	Cuprite	$\text{Cu}_2\text{O}$
Aluminum	Diaspore	$\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$
	Gibbsite	$\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3 \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$
	Kaolinite	$\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3 \cdot 2\text{SiO}_2 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$
Lead	Galena	PbS
	Cerussite	$\text{PbCO}_3$
	Anglesite	$\text{PbSO}_4$
Zinc	Sphalerite	ZnS
	Zincite	ZnO
	Franklinite	$(\text{Fe}, \text{Zn}, \text{Mn})\text{O}$
Sodium	Halite	NaCl
Lithium	Amblygonite	$\text{LiAlFPO}_4$
	Spodumene	$\text{LiAl}(\text{Si}_2\text{O}_6)$
Beryllium	Beryl	$\text{Be}_3\text{Al}_2(\text{Si}_6\text{O}_{18})$
Potassium	Sylvite	KCl
Magnesium	Magnesite	MgO
	Dolomite	$\text{MgCO}_3 \cdot \text{CaCO}_3$
	Magnesium Chloride	$\text{MgCl}_2$ (from sea water)
Tin	Cassiterite	$\text{SnO}_2$
	Stannite	$(\text{Cu}_2\text{S} \cdot \text{FeS} \cdot \text{SnS}_2)$
Nickel	Millerite	NiS
	Garnierite	Ni-Mg hydrosilicate
	Pentlandite	$(\text{FeNi})\text{S}$
Manganese	Pyrolusite	$\text{MnO}_2$
	Rhodochrosite	$\text{MnCO}_3$
	Rhodonite	$\text{MnSiO}_3$
Chromium	Chromite	$\text{FeCr}_2\text{O}_4$
Titanium	Ilmenite	$\text{FeO} \cdot \text{TiO}_2$
	Rutile	$\text{TiO}_2$
Zirconium	Baddeleyite	$\text{ZrO}_2$
	Zircon	$\text{ZrSiO}_4$
Vanadium	Patronite	$\text{V}_2\text{S}_5$ +sulfur
	Carnotite	$\text{K}_2\text{O} \cdot 2\text{UO}_3 \cdot \text{V}_2\text{O}_5 \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$
	Vanadinite	$3\text{Pb}_3(\text{VO}_4)_2\text{PbCl}_2$
Molybdenum	Molybdenite	$\text{MoS}_2$
	Molybdite	$\text{MoO}_3$
Tungsten	Wolframite	$\text{FeWO}_4$
	Scheelite	$\text{CaWO}_4$
Silver	Native Silver	Ag
	Argentite	$\text{Ag}_2\text{S}$
	Cerargyrite	$\text{AgCl}$
Gold	Native Gold	Au
	Calaverite	$\text{AuTe}_2$
	Sylvanite	$(\text{AuAg})\text{Te}_2$

Robert Pehlke. **Unit Processes of Extractive Metallurgy**, American Elsevier, New York, 1973