

TABLE 4. PROPERTIES OF CARBON DIOXIDE

SAT. TEMP. F	ABS. PRESS. Lb. per Sq. In.	VOLUME		HEAT CONTENT AND ENTROPY TAKEN FROM -40 F							
				Heat Content		Entropy		50 F Superheat		100 F Superheat	
		Liquid	Vapor	Liquid	Vapor	Liquid	Vapor	Ht. Ct.	Entropy	Ht. Ct.	Entropy
0	305.5	0.01570	0.29040	18.8	138.9	0.0418	0.3024	153.7	0.3342	167.5	0.3612
2	315.9	0.01579	0.28030	19.8	138.8	0.0440	0.3014	153.7	0.3330	167.6	0.3600
4	326.5	0.01588	0.27070	20.8	138.8	0.0461	0.3005	153.7	0.3318	167.7	0.3588
5	332.0	0.01592	0.26610	21.3	138.8	0.0472	0.3000	153.7	0.3312	167.7	0.3582
6	337.4	0.01596	0.26140	21.8	138.7	0.0483	0.2994	153.7	0.3306	167.8	0.3576
8	348.7	0.01605	0.25260	22.9	138.7	0.0504	0.2982	153.7	0.3293	167.9	0.3563
10	360.2	0.01614	0.24370	24.0	138.7	0.0526	0.2970	153.7	0.3281	168.0	0.3550
12	371.9	0.01623	0.23540	25.0	138.6	0.0548	0.2958	153.7	0.3270	168.1	0.3538
14	383.9	0.01633	0.22740	26.1	138.6	0.0571	0.2946	153.7	0.3259	168.2	0.3526
16	396.2	0.01642	0.21970	27.2	138.5	0.0593	0.2933	153.7	0.3249	168.3	0.3513
18	408.9	0.01652	0.21210	28.3	138.4	0.0616	0.2921	153.7	0.3238	168.5	0.3501
20	421.8	0.01663	0.20490	29.4	138.3	0.0638	0.2909	153.7	0.3227	168.6	0.3489
22	434.0	0.01673	0.19790	30.5	138.2	0.0662	0.2897	153.7	0.3214	168.7	0.3479
24	448.4	0.01684	0.19120	31.7	138.1	0.0686	0.2885	153.7	0.3202	168.8	0.3470
26	462.2	0.01695	0.18460	32.9	138.0	0.0710	0.2873	153.7	0.3189	168.9	0.3460
28	476.3	0.01707	0.17830	34.1	137.9	0.0734	0.2861	153.7	0.3177	169.0	0.3451
30	490.8	0.01719	0.17220	35.4	137.8	0.0758	0.2849	153.7	0.3164	169.1	0.3441
32	505.5	0.01731	0.16630	36.7	137.7	0.0781	0.2834	153.7	0.3158	169.2	0.3431
34	522.6	0.01744	0.16030	37.9	137.4	0.0804	0.2820	153.7	0.3151	169.3	0.3421
36	536.0	0.01759	0.15500	39.1	137.2	0.0828	0.2805	153.7	0.3145	169.4	0.3411
38	551.7	0.01773	0.14960	40.4	136.9	0.0851	0.2791	153.7	0.3138	169.5	0.3401
39	559.7	0.01780	0.14700	41.0	136.8	0.0862	0.2783	153.7	0.3135	169.5	0.3396
40	567.8	0.01787	0.14440	41.7	136.7	0.0874	0.2776	153.7	0.3132	169.6	0.3391
41	576.0	0.01794	0.14185	42.3	136.5	0.0887	0.2768	153.7	0.3127	169.6	0.3386
42	584.3	0.01801	0.13930	42.9	136.3	0.0899	0.2761	153.7	0.3122	169.7	0.3381
44	601.1	0.01817	0.13440	44.3	136.1	0.0924	0.2745	153.7	0.3112	169.8	0.3371
46	618.2	0.01834	0.12970	45.6	135.7	0.0950	0.2730	153.7	0.3101	169.9	0.3362
48	635.7	0.01851	0.12500	47.0	135.4	0.0975	0.2714	153.7	0.3091	170.0	0.3352
50	653.6	0.01868	0.12050	48.4	135.0	0.1000	0.2699	153.7	0.3081	170.1	0.3342
52	671.9	0.01887	0.11610	49.8	134.5	0.1027	0.2681	153.7	0.3069	170.2	0.3333
54	690.6	0.01906	0.11170	51.2	133.9	0.1054	0.2663	153.7	0.3057	170.3	0.3324
56	709.5	0.01927	0.10750	52.6	133.4	0.1081	0.2644	153.7	0.3046	170.5	0.3315
58	728.8	0.01948	0.10340	54.0	132.7	0.1108	0.2626	153.7	0.3034	170.6	0.3306
60	748.6	0.01970	0.09940	55.5	132.1	0.1135	0.2608	153.7	0.3022	170.7	0.3297
62	769.0	0.01995	0.09545	57.0	131.3	0.1164	0.2584	153.7	0.3012	170.8	0.3289
64	789.4	0.02020	0.09180	58.6	130.6	0.1194	0.2560	153.7	0.3002	170.9	0.3281
66	810.3	0.02048	0.08800	60.2	129.7	0.1223	0.2535	153.7	0.2991	171.0	0.3273
68	831.6	0.02079	0.08422	61.9	128.7	0.1253	0.2511	153.7	0.2981	171.1	0.3265
70	853.4	0.02112	0.08040	63.7	127.5	0.1282	0.2487	153.7	0.2971	171.2	0.3257
72	875.8	0.02152	0.07654	65.5	126.0	0.1321	0.2450	153.7	0.2962	171.3	0.3250
74	898.2	0.02192	0.07269	67.3	124.5	0.1360	0.2414	153.7	0.2953	171.4	0.3242
76	921.3	0.02242	0.06875	69.4	122.8	0.1398	0.2377	153.7	0.2945	171.5	0.3235
78	944.8	0.02300	0.06473	71.6	120.9	0.1437	0.2341	153.7	0.2936	171.6	0.3227
80	968.7	0.02370	0.06064	73.9	118.7	0.1476	0.2304	153.7	0.2927	171.7	0.3220
82	993.0	0.02456	0.05648	76.4	116.6	0.1518	0.2265	153.7	0.2920	171.8	0.3215
84	1017.7	0.02553	0.05223	79.4	113.9	0.1579	0.2208	153.7	0.2914	172.0	0.3209
86	1043.0	0.02686	0.04789	83.3	110.4	0.1781	0.1978	153.7	0.2907	172.2	0.3204
87.8	1069.9	0.03454	0.03454	97.0	97.0	0.1880	0.1880	153.7	0.2901	180.1	0.3199

Types of Compressors

There are many different types of compressors, using various refrigerants. Each type has its advantages for its particular application, and those generally used for air conditioning are of the following types:

1. Reciprocating compressors (commonly referred to as piston type).
2. Centrifugal compressors.
3. Steam jet.

Reciprocating compressors are available in a wide range of sizes and types. Any of a number of refrigerants, including dichlorodifluoromethane

(F₁₂), methyl chloride, ammonia, carbon dioxide, and sulphur dioxide may be used in reciprocating machines. The first of these is used extensively in direct expansion systems of comfort air conditioning.

Compressors may be classified into two general types, (a) open type, (b) enclosed type. If the driving mechanism is external to the compressor, then the shaft must be brought out through the crankcase and a shaft seal or stuffing box must be used to prevent escape of the refrigerant. This type of compressor is known as an open-type compressor. When the driving mechanism is located within the crankcase of the compressor in such a way as to avoid the necessity of a shaft seal, the compressor is known as the completely enclosed or hermetically sealed type.

Open type compressors may be further classified as belt driven and directly connected. A great number of direct-driven units are now being used which generally operate at higher rotational speeds than the belt-driven type.

The present tendency is toward forced lubrication of the bearings of compressors by means of an oil pump driven from the crankshaft, although there are many splash lubricated compressors on the market. The chief advantages of the forced lubricated compressor are that the lubrication system requires less energy for its operation than the splash type, the oil can be easily filtered before it enters the bearings, and less oil is usually required.

The compressor capacity must be selected for and matched to the maximum load for the installation on which it is to be used. Air-conditioning loads, however, vary over a wide range, and a wide fluctuation in air conditions may result during periods of light load if on-and-off control of full compressor capacity is used. To prevent such undesirable fluctuation, several methods are employed to vary the capacity of reciprocating compressors, such as:

1. By-passing one or more cylinders, of a multi-cylinder compressor, from discharge to suction.
2. Rendering the suction valves of one or more cylinders of a multi-cylinder compressor inoperative. This is usually accomplished by depressing the suction valves.
3. Varying the speed of the compressor, usually by using variable speed or two-speed electric motors.
4. Using clearance pockets to control the quantity of refrigerant pumped.
5. Restricting the suction inlet to one or more of the cylinders of a multi-cylinder compressor either by an automatic modulating valve or by an *on* and *off* valve.

All of these methods, with the exception of variable speed, result in a slightly lowered overall compressor efficiency when in use, since the mechanical losses remain constant whereas the quantity of refrigerant pumped is lowered.

Centrifugal compressors are used with very low pressure refrigerants; usually both evaporator and condenser work below atmospheric pressure. Water and monofluorotrichloromethane (F₁₁) are the refrigerants commonly used in centrifugal machines.

Compression of the refrigerant is accomplished by means of centrifugal force; therefore, this type of compressor is inherently suitable for large volumes of refrigerant at low pressure differentials. Two or more stages are usually required and high speeds are necessary to obtain good efficiency.