

WEIGHTS OF SATURATED AND PARTLY SATURATED AIR FOR VARIOUS BAROMETRIC AND HYGROMETRIC CONDITIONS—Pounds per Cubic Foot

Barometric Pressure—Inches																					
26				27				28				29				30					
Dry Bulb Temp.		Wt. per Cu. Ft. Saturated Air		Incr's Wt. per 0.1° Rise in Bar.		Dcr's Wt. per Deg. Inc.		Wt. per Cu. Ft. Saturated Air		Incr's Wt. per 0.1° Rise in Bar.		Dcr's Wt. per Deg. Inc.		Wt. per Cu. Ft. Saturated Air		Incr's Wt. per 0.1° Rise in Bar.		Dcr's Wt. per Deg. Inc.		Wt. per Cu. Ft. Saturated Air	
0	0.7500	0.0016	0.0029	0.7788	0.0016	0.0029	0.8077	0.0017	0.0029	0.8365	0.0018	0.0029	0.8654	0.0019	0.0029	0.8944	0.0020	0.0029	0.9234	0.0021	0.0029
10	0.7338	0.0016	0.0028	0.7620	0.0016	0.0028	0.7903	0.0017	0.0028	0.8185	0.0018	0.0028	0.8468	0.0018	0.0028	0.8751	0.0019	0.0028	0.9034	0.0020	0.0028
20	0.7180	0.0016	0.0028	0.7456	0.0016	0.0028	0.7733	0.0017	0.0028	0.8009	0.0018	0.0028	0.8286	0.0018	0.0028	0.8563	0.0019	0.0028	0.8840	0.0020	0.0028
30	0.7027	0.0015	0.0027	0.7297	0.0016	0.0027	0.7569	0.0016	0.0027	0.7839	0.0017	0.0027	0.8110	0.0017	0.0027	0.8381	0.0018	0.0027	0.8652	0.0019	0.0027
40	0.6879	0.0015	0.0026	0.7143	0.0015	0.0027	0.7409	0.0016	0.0027	0.7675	0.0016	0.0027	0.7942	0.0017	0.0027	0.8209	0.0018	0.0027	0.8476	0.0019	0.0027
50	0.6732	0.0015	0.0026	0.6992	0.0015	0.0026	0.7252	0.0016	0.0026	0.7512	0.0016	0.0026	0.7773	0.0016	0.0026	0.8034	0.0017	0.0026	0.8295	0.0018	0.0026
60	0.6588	0.0015	0.0026	0.6843	0.0015	0.0026	0.7098	0.0015	0.0026	0.7353	0.0016	0.0026	0.7609	0.0016	0.0026	0.7865	0.0017	0.0026	0.8121	0.0018	0.0026
70	0.6442	0.0015	0.0025	0.6692	0.0015	0.0025	0.6943	0.0015	0.0025	0.7193	0.0016	0.0025	0.7440	0.0016	0.0025	0.7687	0.0017	0.0025	0.7934	0.0018	0.0025
80	0.6297	0.0015	0.0025	0.6542	0.0015	0.0025	0.6789	0.0015	0.0025	0.7034	0.0015	0.0025	0.7280	0.0016	0.0025	0.7526	0.0017	0.0025	0.7773	0.0018	0.0025
90	0.6146	0.0015	0.0024	0.6388	0.0016	0.0024	0.6629	0.0016	0.0024	0.6870	0.0016	0.0024	0.7112	0.0017	0.0024	0.7353	0.0018	0.0024	0.7595	0.0019	0.0024
100	0.5991	0.0016	0.0024	0.6228	0.0016	0.0024	0.6465	0.0017	0.0024	0.6703	0.0017	0.0024	0.6939	0.0018	0.0024	0.7175	0.0019	0.0024	0.7411	0.0020	0.0024
110	0.5828	0.0016	0.0023	0.6060	0.0017	0.0023	0.6293	0.0017	0.0023	0.6526	0.0018	0.0023	0.6759	0.0019	0.0023	0.6991	0.0020	0.0023	0.7222	0.0021	0.0023
120	0.5653	0.0018	0.0023	0.5882	0.0018	0.0023	0.6111	0.0018	0.0023	0.6339	0.0019	0.0023	0.6569	0.0020	0.0023	0.6797	0.0021	0.0023	0.7024	0.0022	0.0023
130	0.5467	0.0019	0.0023	0.5692	0.0019	0.0023	0.5917	0.0019	0.0023	0.6142	0.0020	0.0023	0.6367	0.0021	0.0023	0.6591	0.0022	0.0023	0.6815	0.0023	0.0023
140	0.5262	0.0021	0.0022	0.5483	0.0021	0.0022	0.5704	0.0021	0.0022	0.5925	0.0022	0.0022	0.6147	0.0023	0.0022	0.6367	0.0024	0.0022	0.6591	0.0025	0.0022
150	0.5036	0.0023	0.0022	0.5253	0.0023	0.0022	0.5471	0.0023	0.0022	0.5689	0.0024	0.0022	0.5906	0.0025	0.0022	0.6123	0.0026	0.0022	0.6340	0.0027	0.0022
160	0.4788	0.0025	0.0022	0.5001	0.0025	0.0022	0.5216	0.0026	0.0021	0.5430	0.0026	0.0021	0.5644	0.0028	0.0021	0.5852	0.0029	0.0021	0.6060	0.0030	0.0021
170	0.4509	0.0028	0.0021	0.4720	0.0028	0.0021	0.4931	0.0029	0.0021	0.5141	0.0031	0.0021	0.5352	0.0033	0.0021	0.5563	0.0035	0.0021	0.5773	0.0037	0.0021
180	0.4197	0.0031	0.0021	0.4404	0.0031	0.0021	0.4611	0.0032	0.0021	0.4818	0.0034	0.0021	0.5026	0.0036	0.0021	0.5237	0.0038	0.0021	0.5448	0.0040	0.0021
190	0.3845	0.0035	0.0021	0.4049	0.0036	0.0021	0.4253	0.0036	0.0021	0.4457	0.0037	0.0021	0.4662	0.0038	0.0021	0.4867	0.0039	0.0021	0.5073	0.0041	0.0021
200	0.3449	0.0040	0.0020	0.3650	0.0040	0.0020	0.3851	0.0040	0.0020	0.4052	0.0041	0.0020	0.4254	0.0041	0.0020	0.4456	0.0042	0.0020	0.4658	0.0043	0.0020

Example. As an example of the use of the table No. 3 we will assume a case where it is desired to find the weight in pounds per cubic foot of air at a temperature of 83° dry- and 68° wet-bulb (or a depression of 15°) when the barometric pressure is 29.40 inches. From the table No. 3 we find that the weight of saturated air at 80° and 29.00 inch barometer is 0.07034 lb. per cu. ft. Also the decrement to be subtracted is 0.00015 lb. per degree of temperature above 80°. That is, the weight at 83° and 29.00 inches would be $0.07034 - (3 \times 0.00015) = 0.06989$ lb. per cu. ft. The increment is to be added per 0.1° increase in barometer above 29.00 inches is 0.00025, so that the weight of the saturated mixture at 83° and 29.40 inches will be $0.06989 + (4 \times 0.00025) = 0.07089$ lb. per cu. ft. From the last column in the table we find the increase in weight for each degree wet-bulb depression for a temperature of 83° to be $0.000034 + 0.3 (0.000039 - 0.000034) = 0.0000355$.

Then the weight of moist air at 83°, 15° wet-bulb depression, and 29.40 inch barometer will be:

$$0.07034 - 0.00045 + 0.001 + 0.00053 = 0.07142 \text{ lb. per cu. ft.}$$

Specific Heat of Air

The specific heat of air is the ratio of the heat required to raise the temperature of a given weight of air through one degree as compared to the heat required to raise the temperature of the same weight of water from 62 to 63 degrees Fahr., i. e., it is the B. t. u. required to raise one pound of air one degree Fahr.

The specific heat of air may be expressed as either of two factors, specific heat at constant pressure or at constant volume. It is the specific heat at constant pressure that is ordinarily referred to. The factors commonly used heretofore have been those determined by Renault—specific heat at constant pressure = 0.2375, and at constant volume = 0.1689. But recent investigation tends to show that the value 0.2375 is too low, and that it should be $C_p = 0.24112 + 0.000009t$ or for ordinary purposes approximately 0.2415.*

For the specific heats of various substances see the table on page 150.

Relation of Velocity to Pressure

The laws governing the flow of air are perhaps less understood than almost any other branch of engineering data. The flow of air under high pressures must necessarily be investigated thermodynamically and the formulae are more or less complicated. For ordinary fan work, however, where air is at low pressure but slight error is introduced if the same formulae are applied to the flow of air as are commonly used for the flow of water. The basic formula for such calculations is

$$V_s = \sqrt{2gh} \quad (10)$$

where V_s = velocity in ft. per second, or

$$V = 60 \sqrt{2gh} \quad (11)$$

where V = velocity in ft. per min.

g = acceleration due to gravity in feet per second

But we also have

$$h = h' \frac{d}{12W} \quad (12)$$

where h' = head expressed in in. of water

$d =$ density of water

W = weight of air in lbs. per cu. ft.

* "Rational Psychrometric Formulae," by Willis H. Carrier, Am. Soc. Mech. Engrs., December, 1911, also W. F. G. Swan, Phil. Trans. Royal Soc., Series A, Vol. 210, pp. 199-238.