Standard Weight System

Category o - LACE



Types of yarn:

Fingering 10-count crochet thread

Category 1 - SUPER FINE



Types of yarn:

Sock, Fingering, 4ply, Baby

Category 2 - FINE



Types of yarn:

Sport, Baby

Category 3 - LIGHT



Types of yarn:

DK, Light worsted

Category 4 - MEDIUM



Types of yarn:

Worsted, Afghan, Aran

Category 5 - BULKIY



Types of yarn:

Chunky, Craft, Rug

Category 6 - SUPER BULKIY



Types of yarn:

Super, Bulky, Roving

Category 7 - JUMBO



Types of yarn:

Jumbo, Roving

Project Types

Approximate equivalent of 1-2ply

This is the lightest weight of yarn. Often called lace, ultra fine, or crochet thread. It is used for making doilies, lace designs, and fine amigumuri. It must be treated gently to avoid tangling or breakage.

Approximate equivalent of 2 - 4ply

Often referred to as "sock yarn". Well suited for small accessory items like socks, gloves, hats, thicker lace patterns, or garments for babies and children.

Approximate equivalent of 5ply

Often referred to as "sport weight" or "baby yarn". Well suited for small accessory items like socks, gloves, hats, or garments for babies and children.

Approximate equivalent of 2 - 5ply

This includes DK (double knit) or light worsted yarns that are suitable for lightweight sweaters, shawls, and accessories. Can be used for blankets and garments for babies and children.

Approximate equivalent of 8 - 10ply

Commonly known as "worsted," this is a popular weight because it provides great stitch definition. It is considered the "general use" yarn and is used in sweaters, blankets, outerwear such as, scarves, hats, and mitten, as well as other accessories. Aran is slightly thicker than worsted.

Approximate equivalent of 12 - 14ply

Materials of this weight produce fast projects on big hooks. Best for chunky scarves, throws, rugs, blankets, and accessories.

Approximate equivalent of 16ply

Materials of this weight produce fast projects on big hooks. Best for big blankets, heavy sweaters, rugs, and home decor projects.

Approximate equivalent of 20ply

The thickest of the yarns. Best for heavy blankets, rugs, and home decor projects. It is also commonly used in arm knitting projects.