

How Much Yarn Do I Need?

This chart shows the average quantity of yarn needed to knit an average adult-sized long-sleeved pullover or cardigan by chest measurements. (it allows for 2 inches of wearing ease in the finished sweater.

Allow 20% less for short-sleeved sweaters.

Allow 30% less for sleeveless or children's garments.

Add 20% for textured or multicolored patterns.

Gauge (Sts/4")	Chest 34-34"	Chest 38-40"	Chest 42-44"	Chest 46-48"
30-32 (Baby Weight)	2420 yards	2640 yards	2860 yards	3080 yards
27-29 (Fingering Wt.)	1980 yards	2420 yards	2640 yards	2860 yards
24-26 (Sport Wt.)	1760 yards	1980 yards	2420 yards	2640 yards
21-23 (DK Wt.)	1650 yards	1760 yards	1980 yards	2420 yards
19-20 (Worsted Wt.)	1430 yards	1650 yards	1760 yards	1980 yards
17-18 (Aran Wt.)	1320 yards	1430 yards	1650 yards	1760 yards
15-16 (Chunky Wt.)	1210 yards	1320 yards	1430 yards	1650 yards
12-14 (Bulky Wt.)	1100 yards	1210 yards	1320 yards	1430 yards
10-11 (Polar Wt.)	770 yards	880 yards	990 yards	1100 yards

“...But My Yarn Is In Meters! How much do I need?”

To convert yards to meters: $\text{Meters} = \text{yards} \times 0.9144$

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To convert grams to ounces: $\text{Ounces} = \text{Grams} \times 0.035$

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