# Standard Table of Body Measurements for Adult Female Misses Figure Type, Sizes 2-20¹ 


#### Abstract

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## INTRODUCTION

This body measurement table was developed from body measurements used currently by apparel manufacturers and retail organizations and from anthropometric surveys conducted by the U.S. Army (Gordon, et al., $1988^{2}$ ) and by the U.S. Navy (Mellian, et al., $1990^{3}$ and Robinette, $1990^{4}$ ). The measurements were derived originally from the PS 42-70 database, ${ }^{5}$ which was developed from anthropometric research conducted in 1941 by O'Brien and Shelton. ${ }^{6}$ It is important to note that the body measurements herein have been derived from designer experience and market observations and crosschecked with available databases in the attempt to identify current customer characteristics and changing proportions and not from new nationwide anthropometric research.

## 1. Scope

1.1 This table lists body measurements of the adult female misses figure type, sizes 2 through 20. Although these are body measurements, they can be used as a baseline in designing apparel for misses figures in this size range when considering such factors as fabric type, desired ease for body movement, styling, and fit.
1.2 The values stated in either acceptable SI units or inch-pound units shall be regarded separately as standard. The values stated in each system may not be exact equivalents; therefore, each system must be used independently of the other,

[^0]without combining values in any way.

## 2. Referenced Documents

2.1 ASTM Standards:

D 123 Terminology Relating to Textiles ${ }^{7}$
D 5219 Terminology Relating to Body Dimensions for Apparel Sizing ${ }^{8}$
2.2 ISO Standards: ${ }^{9}$

ISO 3635-1981 Size Designation of Clothes, Definition and Body Measurement Procedures
ISO 8559 Garment Construction and Anthropometric Surveys-Body Dimensions

## 3. Terminology

3.1 Definitions-For definitions relating to body dimensions, refer to Terminology D 5219. For definitions of other textile terms used in this table, refer to Terminology D 123.

## 4. Significance and Use

4.1 The use of the body measurement information given in Table 1 will enable manufacturers to develop patterns and garments that are consistent with the current anthopometric characteristics of the population of interest.

[^1]TABLE 1 Standard Table of Body Measurements for Adult Female Misses Figure Type, Sizes 2-20

| Girth Measurements in in. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Size | 2 | 4 | 6 | 8 | 10 | 12 | 14 | 16 | 18 | 20 |
| Bust | 32 | 33 | 34 | 35 | 36 | $37^{1 / 2}$ | 39 | 401/2 | 421/2 | 441/2 |
| Waist | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 291/2 | 31 | $32^{1 / 2}$ | $341 / 2$ | $361 / 2$ |
| High hip | $31^{1 / 2}$ | $32^{1 / 2}$ | $33^{1 / 2}$ | $341 / 2$ | $35^{1 / 2}$ | 37 | $38^{1 / 2}$ | 40 | 42 | 44 |
| Hip | 341/2 | 351/2 | 361/2 | 371/2 | 381/2 | 40 | 411/2 | 43 | 45 | 47 |
| Mid-neck | 13 | 131/4 | $13^{1 / 2}$ | 133/4 | 14 | 143/8 | 143/4 | 151/8 | 155/8 | 161/8 |
| Neck base | $13^{1 / 2}$ | 133/4 | 14 | 141/4 | $14^{1 / 2}$ | 147/8 | $15^{1 / 4}$ | 155/8 | 161/8 | 165/8 |
| Armscye | 141/4 | 145/8 | 15 | 153/8 | 153/4 | 163/8 | 17 | 175/8 | 183/8 | 191/8 |
| Upper arm | 10 | 101/4 | 101/2 | 103/4 | 11 | 113/8 | 113/4 | 121/8 | 123/4 | 133/8 |
| Elbow | 93/8 | $91 / 2$ | 95/8 | $93 / 4$ | 97/8 | 101/8 | 103/8 | 105/8 | 11 | 113/8 |
| Wrist | 55/8 | 53/4 | 57/8 | 6 | $61 / 8$ | $61 / 4$ | $63 / 8$ | $61 / 2$ | 65/8 | $63 / 4$ |
| Thigh, max | 191/2 | 201/4 | 21 | 213/4 | 221/2 | $23^{1 / 2}$ | 241/2 | 251/2 | 263/4 | 28 |
| Thigh, mid | $18^{1 / 4}$ | 183/4 | 191/4 | 193/4 | 201/4 | 21 | 213/4 | 221/2 | $231 / 2$ | 241/2 |
| Knee | 13 | 133/8 | $133 / 4$ | 141/8 | $14^{1 / 2}$ | 15 | 151/2 | 16 | 161/2 | 17 |
| Calf | $12^{1 / 2}$ | 127/8 | $13^{1 / 4}$ | 135/8 | 14 | $14^{1 / 2}$ | 15 | $15^{1 / 2}$ | 16 | 161/2 |
| Ankle | 83/8 | 85/8 | 87/8 | $91 / 8$ | 93/8 | 95/8 | 97/8 | 101/8 | 103/8 | 105/8 |
| Vertical trunk | 56 | 571/2 | 59 | 601/2 | 62 | $63^{1 / 2}$ | 65 | 661/2 | 68 | 691/2 |
| Total crotch | 25 | 253/4 | 261/2 | 271/4 | 28 | 283/4 | 291/2 | $301 / 4$ | 31 | $313 / 4$ |
| Vertical Measurements in in. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Stature | $63^{1 / 2}$ | 64 | 641/2 | 65 | 651/2 | 66 | 661/2 | 67 | 671/2 | 68 |
| Cervical height | 541/2 | 55 | 551/2 | 56 | 561/2 | 57 | 571/2 | 58 | 581/2 | 59 |
| Waist height | $391 / 4$ | $391 / 2$ | 393/4 | 40 | 401/4 | 401/2 | 403/4 | 41 | 411/4 | 411/2 |
| High hip height | $35^{1 / 4}$ | $35^{1 / 2}$ | 353/4 | 36 | $361 / 4$ | $361 / 2$ | 363/4 | 37 | $371 / 4$ | 371/2 |
| Hip height | $31^{1 / 4}$ | $311 / 2$ | 313/4 | 32 | $32^{1 / 4}$ | 321/2 | $323 / 4$ | 33 | $331 / 4$ | $331 / 2$ |
| Crotch height | 291/2 | 291/2 | 291/2 | 291/2 | 291/2 | 291/2 | 291/2 | 291/2 | 291/2 | 291/2 |
| Knee height | 175/8 | 173/4 | 177/8 | 18 | 181/8 | 181/4 | 183/8 | 181/2 | 185/8 | 183/4 |
| Ankle height | 23/4 | $23 / 4$ | $23 / 4$ | 23/4 | 23/4 | 23/4 | $23 / 4$ | 23/4 | 23/4 | 23/4 |
| Waist length (front) | $13^{1 / 2}$ | 133/4 | 14 | 141/4 | $141 / 2$ | 143/4 | 15 | 151/4 | 151/2 | 153/4 |
| Waist length (back) (on Curve) | 151/2 | 153/4 | 16 | 161/4 | $16^{1 / 2}$ | $163 / 4$ | 17 | 171/4 | 171/2 | 173/4 |
| True rise | $93 / 4$ | 10 | 101/4 | 101/2 | 103/4 | 11 | 111/4 | $111 / 2$ | 113/4 | 12 |
| Width and Length Measurements in in. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Across shoulder | 143/8 | 145/8 | 147/8 | 151/8 | 153/8 | 153/4 | 161/8 | 161/2 | 17 | 171/2 |
| Cross-back width | 137/8 | 141/8 | 143/8 | 145/8 | 147/8 | $15^{1 / 4}$ | 155/8 | 16 | 161/2 | 17 |
| Cross-chest width | 127/8 | $13^{1 / 8}$ | $13^{3 / 8}$ | 135/8 | 137/8 | $14^{1 / 4}$ | 145/8 | 15 | 151/2 | 16 |
| Shoulder length | 415/16 | 5 | 51/16 | 51/8 | 53/16 | 55/16 | 57/16 | 59/16 | 53/4 | 515/16 |
| Shoulder slope (degrees) | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 |
| Arm length shoulder to wrist | 22 ${ }^{15 / 16}$ | 231/8 | 235/16 | 231/2 | 2311/16 | 237/8 | 241/16 | 241/4 | 247/16 | 245/8 |
| Arm length shoulder to elbow | $13^{1 / 4}$ | 133/8 | $13^{1 / 2}$ | 135/8 | 133/4 | 137/8 | 14 | 141/8 | $141 / 4$ | 143/8 |
| Arm length center back neck to wrist | 301/8 | 307/16 | 303/4 | 311/16 | 313/8 | $313 / 4$ | 321/8 | 321/2 | 32 ${ }^{15 / 16}$ | 333/8 |
| Bust point to bust point | 7 | $71 / 4$ | $71 / 2$ | 73/4 | 8 | $81 / 4$ | $81 / 2$ | 83/4 | 9 | 91/4 |
| Neck to bust point | 91/4 | 91/2 | 93/4 | 10 | $10^{1 / 4}$ | 105/8 | 11 | 113/8 | 117/8 | 123/8 |
| Scye depth | $71 / 8$ | $71 / 4$ | 73/8 | $71 / 2$ | 75/8 | $73 / 4$ | 77/8 | 8 | 81/8 | $81 / 4$ |
| Girth Measurements in cm |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Size | 2 | 4 | 6 | 8 | 10 | 12 | 14 | 16 | 18 | 20 |
| Bust | 81.3 | 83.8 | 86.4 | 89.0 | 91.4 | 95.2 | 99.1 | 102.9 | 107.9 | 113 |
| Waist | 61.0 | 63.5 | 66.0 | 68.5 | 71.1 | 74.9 | 78.7 | 82.6 | 87.6 | 92.7 |
| High hip | 80.0 | 82.5 | 85.1 | 87.6 | 90.2 | 94.0 | 97.7 | 101.6 | 106.7 | 111.8 |
| Hip | 86.4 | 90.2 | 92.7 | 95.2 | 97.8 | 101.6 | 105.4 | 109.2 | 114.3 | 119.4 |
| Mid-neck | 33.0 | 33.7 | 34.3 | 34.9 | 35.6 | 36.5 | 37.5 | 38.4 | 39.7 | 40.1 |
| Neck base | 34.3 | 34.9 | 35.6 | 36.2 | 36.8 | 37.8 | 38.7 | 39.7 | 40.9 | 42.2 |
| Armscye | 36.2 | 37.1 | 38.1 | 39.1 | 40.0 | 16.2 | 43.2 | 44.8 | 46.7 | 48.6 |
| Upper arm | 25.4 | 26.0 | 26.7 | 27.3 | 27.9 | 28.9 | 29.8 | 30.8 | 32.4 | 34.0 |
| Elbow | 23.8 | 24.1 | 24.4 | 24.8 | 25.1 | 25.7 | 26.4 | 27.0 | 27.9 | 28.9 |
| Wrist | 14.3 | 14.6 | 14.9 | 15.2 | 15.6 | 15.9 | 16.2 | 16.5 | 16.8 | 17.1 |
| Thigh, max | 49.5 | 51.4 | 53.3 | 55.2 | 57.2 | 59.7 | 62.2 | 64.5 | 67.9 | 71.1 |
| Thigh, mid | 46.4 | 47.6 | 48.9 | 50.2 | 51.4 | 53.3 | 55.2 | 57.1 | 59.7 | 62.2 |
| Knee | 33.0 | 34.0 | 34.9 | 35.9 | 36.8 | 38.1 | 39.4 | 40.6 | 41.9 | 43.2 |
| Calf | 31.8 | 32.7 | 33.6 | 34.6 | 35.6 | 36.8 | 38.1 | 39.4 | 40.6 | 41.9 |
| Ankle | 21.3 | 21.9 | 22.5 | 23.2 | 23.8 | 24.4 | 25.1 | 26.7 | 26.4 | 27.0 |
| Vertical trunk | 142.2 | 146.0 | 149.9 | 153.7 | 157.5 | 161.3 | 165.1 | 167.6 | 172.7 | 176.5 |
| Total crotch | 63.5 | 65.4 | 67.3 | 69.2 | 71.1 | 73.0 | 75.0 | 76.8 | 78.7 | 80.6 |
| Vertical Measurements in cm |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Stature | 161.3 | 162.6 | 163.8 | 165.1 | 166.4 | 167.6 | 169.0 | 170.2 | 171.5 | 172.7 |
| Cervical height | 138.4 | 139.7 | 141.7 | 142.2 | 143.5 | 144.8 | 146.1 | 147.3 | 148.6 | 149.9 |
| Waist height | 99.7 | 100.3 | 101.0 | 101.6 | 102.2 | 102.9 | 103.5 | 104.1 | 104.8 | 105.4 |
| High hip height | 89.5 | 90.2 | 90.8 | 91.4 | 92.1 | 92.7 | 93.3 | 94.0 | 94.6 | 95.2 |

TABLE 1 Continued

| Hip height | 79.4 | 80.0 | 80.6 | 81.3 | 82.0 | 82.6 | 83.2 | 83.8 | 84.5 | 85.1 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Crotch height | 74.9 | 74.9 | 74.9 | 74.9 | 74.9 | 74.9 | 74.9 | 74.9 | 74.9 | 74.9 |
| Knee height | 44.8 | 45.1 | 45.4 | 45.7 | 46.0 | 46.4 | 46.7 | 47.0 | 47.3 | 47.6 |
| Ankle height | 7.0 | 7.0 | 7.0 | 7.0 | 7.0 | 7.0 | 7.0 | 7.0 | 7.0 | 7.0 |
| Waist length (front) | 34.3 | 34.9 | 35.6 | 36.2 | 36.8 | 37.5 | 38.1 | 38.7 | 39.4 | 40.0 |
| Girth Measurements in cm |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Size | 2 | 4 | 6 | 8 | 10 | 12 | 14 | 16 | 18 | 20 |
| Waist length (back) (on Curve) | 38.8 | 40.0 | 40.6 | 41.3 | 41.9 | 42.5 | 43.2 | 43.8 | 44.5 | 45.1 |
| True Rise | 24.8 | 25.4 | 26.0 | 26.7 | 27.3 | 28.0 | 28.6 | 29.2 | 29.8 | 30.5 |
| Width and Length Measurements in cm |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Across shoulder | 36.5 | 37.1 | 37.8 | 38.4 | 39.1 | 40.0 | 41.0 | 42.0 | 43.2 | 44.5 |
| Cross-back width | 35.2 | 35.9 | 36.5 | 37.1 | 37.8 | 38.7 | 39.7 | 40.6 | 42.0 | 43.2 |
| Cross-chest width | 32.7 | 33.3 | 34.0 | 34.6 | 35.2 | 36.2 | 37.1 | 38.1 | 39.4 | 40.6 |
| Shoulder length | 12.5 | 12.7 | 12.9 | 13.0 | 13.2 | 13.5 | 13.8 | 14.1 | 14.6 | 15.1 |
| Shoulder slope, degrees | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 |
| Arm length shoulder to wrist | 58.3 | 58.7 | 59.2 | 59.7 | 60.2 | 60.6 | 61.1 | 61.6 | 62.1 | 62.5 |
| Arm length shoulder to elbow | 33.7 | 34.0 | 34.3 | 34.6 | 34.9 | 35.2 | 35.6 | 35.9 | 36.2 | 36.5 |
| Arm length center back neck to wrist | 76.5 | 77.3 | 78.1 | 78.9 | 79.7 | 80.6 | 81.6 | 82.6 | 83.7 | 84.8 |
| Bust point to bust point | 17.78 | 18.4 | 19.1 | 19.7 | 20.3 | 21.0 | 21.6 | 22.2 | 22.9 | 23.5 |
| Neck to bust point | 23.5 | 24.1 | 24.8 | 25.4 | 26.0 | 27.0 | 28.0 | 28.9 | 30.2 | 31.4 |
| Scye depth | 18.1 | 18.4 | 18.7 | 19.0 | 19.4 | 19.7 | 20.0 | 20.3 | 20.6 | 21.0 |

4.2 This table should in turn reduce or minimize consumer confusion and dissatisfaction related to apparel sizing.
4.3 For further information, refer to ISO 3635 and ISO 8559.

## 5. Apparatus

5.1 All apparatus are calibrated for accuracy.
5.2 Tape Measure, dimensionally stable and approximately 15 mm ( $1 / 2-\mathrm{in}$.) wide and graduated accurately in mm ( $1 / 16 \mathrm{in}$.) increments.
5.3 Plastic Goniometer, to measure the degree of shoulder slope.
5.4 Plastic L-Square.
5.5 Standard Body-Weight Scale.

## 6. Procedure

6.1 General Procedure:
6.1.1 Verify that measuring devices and scales are within calibration.
6.1.2 For all vertical and most horizontal measurements, measure the body while standing erect without shoes and with feet approximately 15 cm ( 6 in .) apart.
6.1.3 Take measurements over regular undergarments normally worn when shopping for well-fitted apparel.
6.1.4 For bust-related dimensions, measure over an unpadded brassiere that fits exactly, is made of thin material, and does not contain metal or other supports.
6.1.5 Take all measurements except torso circumferences, height, and weight from the same side of the body for consistency.
6.1.6 Refer to Terminology D 5219 for the location of all points to be measured (See Section 2).

### 6.2 Body Measurements:

6.2.1 Bust-Measure the bust circumference horizontally around the body under the arms, across the nipples, and parallel to the floor.
6.2.2 Waist-Measure the waist circumference horizontally around the body at the waist level.
6.2.3 High-Hip-Measure the high hip circumference of the body at high-hip level, approximately 7.5 cm ( 3 in .) below the waist level and parallel to the floor.
6.2.4 Hip-Measure the maximum hip circumference of the body at the hip level and parallel to the floor.
6.2.5 Mid-Neck-Measure the mid neck circumference of the neck approximately 25 cm (1 in.) above the neck base.
6.2.6 Neck Base-With tape measure standing on edge, measure the circumference of the neck base crossing the cervicale at the back, shoulder line/neck base at side, and hollow at center front.
6.2.7 Armscye-With the arm hanging down, measure from the shoulder joint down through the front-break point, the armpit, up to the back-break point, and up to the starting point.
6.2.8 Upper Arm-With the arm down, measure the maximum upper arm circumference parallel to the floor between the shoulder joint and the elbow.
6.2.9 Elbow-With the arm bent, measure the elbow circumference.
6.2.10 Wrist-Measure the wrist circumference over the inner and outer prominence at the lower end of the forearm.
6.2.11 Thigh, Maximum-Measure the circumference of the upper leg close to the crotch.
6.2.12 Thigh, Mid—Measure the circumference of the upper leg midway between the hip and the knee.
6.2.13 Knee-With the leg straight, measure the knee circumference over the knee cap and parallel to the floor.
6.2.14 Calf-Measure the maximum circumference of the lower leg between the knee and the ankle and parallel to the floor.
6.2.15 Ankle-Measure the ankle circumference over the inner and outer bony prominence at the lower end of the lower leg.
6.2.16 Vertical Trunk-Measure from a point on the right shoulder midway between the neck base and shoulder joint, down the back, through the crotch, and up over the prominence of the right breast to the starting point, taking care to avoid constriction at the crotch.
6.2.17 Total Crotch Length-Measure from the center front waist level through the crotch to the center back waist level.
6.2.18 Height-In a standing position, measure from the top of the head to the soles of the feet.
6.2.19 Stature-Measure from the top of the head to the soles of the feet.
6.2.20 Cervicale Height-Measure from the cervicale following the contour of the spinal column to the level of the hips, then vertically to the soles of the feet.
6.2.21 Waist Height-Measure from the waist level at the side of the body following the contour of the body to hip level, then vertically to the soles of the feet.
6.2.22 High-Hip Height-At the side of the body, measure from the level of the prominent high-hip (abdominal extension) following the contour of the body to the soles of the feet.
6.2.23 Hip Height—At the side of the body, measure from the full hip level to the soles of the feet.
6.2.24 Crotch Height-While standing erect without shoes and with feet slightly apart, measure from the crotch straight down to the soles of the feet.
6.2.25 Knee Height-Measure from the crease in the back of the knee to the soles of the feet.
6.2.26 Ankle Height-Measure from the middle of the outer ankle bone to the soles of the feet.
6.2.27 Waist Length (Front)—Measure from the center front neck base line to the center front waist level.
6.2.28 Waist Length (Back)—Measure from the cervicale following the contour of the spinal column to the center back waist level.
6.2.29 True Rise-While sitting on a hard, flat surface, measure straight down from the waist level at the side of the body to the flat surface.
6.2.30 Across Shoulder-While standing erect with the arms hanging down, measure across the back from one shoulder joint to the other.
6.2.31 Cross-Back Width—Measure across the back from armscye to armscye at the back-break point level.
6.2.32 Cross-Chest Width-Measure across the chest from armscye to armscye at the front-break point level.
6.2.33 Shoulder Length-With the arm hanging down, measure from the side of the neck base to the armscye line at the shoulder joint.
6.2.34 Shoulder Slope-Using a goniometer, position the measure on the shoulder and move the baseline until it is parallel to the floor; identify on the dial the degrees of difference between the shoulder slant and the horizontal measure of the goniometer.
6.2.35 Arm Length (Shoulder to Wrist)—With the arm bent at 90 degrees and the hand placed on the hip, measure from the shoulder joint down along the outside of the arm over the elbow to the prominent wrist bone.
6.2.36 Arm Length (Shoulder to Elbow)—With the arm bent at 90 degrees and the hand placed on the hip, measure from the shoulder joint along the outside of the arm to the center elbow bone.
6.2.37 Arm Length (Center Back Neck to Wrist)—With the arm bent at 90 degrees, measure from the cervicale over the top of the shoulder to the shoulder joint, then along the outside of the arm over the elbow to the prominent wrist bone.
6.2.38 Bust Point to Bust Point-Measure horizontally from one bust apex to the other.
6.2.39 Neck to Bust Point-Measure from the intersection of shoulder and front neck base to the bust apex.
6.2.40 Scye Depth—Measure vertically on the body from the cervicale to the upper edge of a tape passed horizontally under the armpits.

## 7. Keywords

7.1 adult female; apparel; body measurements; garment sizes; misses

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