

# **Recommended Cutting Data CDACR - Inch**

				vc - SFM			Drill Diameter						
Workpiece Material Group		S	Hardness	Min	Starting Value	Max	1/8	3/16	1/4	5/16	3/8	1/2	
		0					f - IPR						
Aluminum & Aluminum Wrought Alloys		10	60-100 Brinell HB	390	750	1480	.005–.010	.006–.011	.007–.014	.008–.017	.011–.020	.013–.022	
Cast Aluminum Alloys	N.	20	75-90 Brinell HB	390	720	1150	.006–.009	.006–.011	.007–.013	.009–.015	.011–.018	.013–.021	
Aluminum Alloys Cast 13-22% Si	N	30		330	590	1310	.005–.007	.006–.007	.006–.010	.008–.012	.011–.015	.013–.017	
Copper and Copper Alloys, Brass, Bronze, Copper		40	90-110 Brinell HB	330	430	980	.004–.006	.005–.007	.006–.009	.006–.011	.007–.013	.008–.014	

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This group contains non-ferrous, soft metals with hardness under 130 HB, except for high strength bronzes (>225HB)

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MMC: Metal Matrix Composite: Al + SiC (20-30%)

Magnesium based alloys

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Brass: Copper (60-85%) with Zinc (Zn) (40-15%)

## **Machinability of Aluminum**

Long-chipping material

Relatively easy chip control, if alloyed

Pure Al is sticky and requires sharp cutting edges and high cutting speeds (Vc), consider Fordlube coating.

Specific cutting force: 350-700 N/mm<sup>2</sup>

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#### **Common components**

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# **Recommended Cutting Data CDACR - Metric**

	I S O		Hardness	vc - m/min			Drill Diameter (mm)						
Workpiece Material Group				Min	Starting Value	Max	3	.0	4.0	6.0	8.0	10.0	12.0
							f - mm/Rev						
Aluminum & Aluminum Wrought Alloys		10	60-100 Brinell HB	120	230	450	0.13	-0.25	0.14-0.29	0.17–0.35	0.21–0.42	0.27-0.50	0.33–0.57
Cast Aluminum Alloys		20	75-90 Brinell HB	120	220	350	0.14	-0.23	0.15–0.28	0.17–0.34	0.22-0.39	0.29-0.46	0.34–0.54
Aluminum Alloys Cast 13-22% Si	N	30		100	180	400	0.13	-0.18	0.14–0.19	0.16–0.25	0.20-0.30	0.28-0.37	0.33-0.42
Copper and Copper Alloys, Brass, Bronze, Copper		40	90-110 Brinell HB	100	130	300	0.10	-0.16	0.12-0.18	0.14–0.24	0.16–0.28	0.18-0.32	0.20-0.36

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