

The Geologic Time Scale

EON	ERA	PERIOD	EPOCH		
Phanerozoic	Cenozoic	Quaternary	Holocene		
			Pleistocene	2	
		Tertiary	Neogene	Pliocene	5
				Miocene	24
			Paleogene	Oligocene	37
		Eocene		58	
		Paleocene		66	
	Mesozoic	Cretaceous		144	
		Jurassic		208	
		Triassic		245	
	Paleozoic	Permian		286	
		Carboniferous	Pennsylvanian	320	
			Mississippian	362	
		Devonian		418	
		Silurian		441	
		Ordovician		505	
		Cambrian		544	
		Proterozoic		2500	Numbers are millions of years before present
	Archean		3960		
Hadean		Origin of Earth 4.6 billion years ago			