## Frequency of Letters in English Language Text

## Arranged alphabetically

| Letter | Frequency <br> (per 10,000 letters) |
| :---: | :---: |
| $\mathbf{a}$ | 821 |
| $\mathbf{b}$ | 150 |
| $\mathbf{c}$ | 230 |
| $\mathbf{d}$ | 479 |
| $\mathbf{e}$ | 1237 |
| $\mathbf{f}$ | 225 |
| $\mathbf{g}$ | 208 |
| $\mathbf{h}$ | 645 |
| $\mathbf{i}$ | 676 |
| $\mathbf{j}$ | 18 |
| $\mathbf{k}$ | 87 |
| $\mathbf{l}$ | 393 |
| $\mathbf{m}$ | 254 |
| $\mathbf{n}$ | 705 |
| $\mathbf{o}$ | 767 |
| $\mathbf{p}$ | 163 |
| $\mathbf{q}$ | 9 |
| $\mathbf{r}$ | 550 |
| $\mathbf{s}$ | 617 |
| $\mathbf{t}$ | 921 |
| $\mathbf{u}$ | 291 |
| $\mathbf{v}$ | 87 |
| $\mathbf{w}$ | 254 |
| $\mathbf{x}$ | 13 |
| $\mathbf{y}$ | 195 |
| $\mathbf{z}$ | 6 |

Arranged in order of decreasing frequency

| Letter | Frequency <br> (per 10,000 letters) |
| :---: | :---: |
| $\mathbf{e}$ | 1237 |
| $\mathbf{t}$ | 921 |
| $\mathbf{a}$ | 821 |
| $\mathbf{o}$ | 767 |
| $\mathbf{n}$ | 705 |
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| $\mathbf{z}$ |  |

This data was obtained from seven English-language novels, containing a total of about 3.2 million letters, available on Project Gutenberg. Upper case letters were converted to lower case, and non-letter were ignored.

