

Table 1.3 Temperature Distribution and Transition Zones Between Regions of Earth's Interior

Region	State	Connecting Zone	Depth (km)	Temperature (°C)	Density (g/cm ³)	Composition	Region	
Crust	Rigid Plates		0	0-50				
			10-20 ^C	?	2.7	Na,K aluminosilicates ^a		
Mantle	Solid		Moho	6-70	500-1000	3.0	Fe,Ca,Mg aluminosilicates ^b	Lithosphere
			Solidus	100-200	1200			
	Viscous Mass					3.6-4.4	Fe,Mg silicates	Asthenosphere
			Solidus	700	1900			
Core	Rigid Mantle				4.5-5.5	Fe,Mg silicates &/or oxides	Mantle	
			Solidus	2800	3700			
	Liquid					10-12		Core
			Solidus	5500	4300		Fe,Ni	
Solid					12-13			
		Center	6340	4500		Fe,Ni		

^aSial: Silicic crust - consisting of composition shown, non-existent in oceanic crust.

^bSima: Mafic crust - consisting of composition shown.

^CConrad discontinuity, 0 under oceans.