

**TABLE 2.5**

## Common Polyatomic Ions

Ion	Name	Ion	Name
$\text{NH}_4^+$	ammonium	$\text{CO}_3^{2-}$	carbonate
$\text{NO}_2^-$	nitrite	$\text{HCO}_3^-$	hydrogen carbonate (bicarbonate is a widely used common name)
$\text{NO}_3^-$	nitrate	$\text{ClO}^-$	hypochlorite
$\text{SO}_3^{2-}$	sulfite	$\text{ClO}_2^-$	chlorite
$\text{SO}_4^{2-}$	sulfate	$\text{ClO}_3^-$	chlorate
$\text{HSO}_4^-$	hydrogen sulfate (bisulfate is a widely used common name)	$\text{ClO}_4^-$	perchlorate
$\text{OH}^-$	hydroxide	$\text{C}_2\text{H}_3\text{O}_2^-$	acetate
$\text{CN}^-$	cyanide	$\text{MnO}_4^-$	permanganate
$\text{PO}_4^{3-}$	phosphate	$\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7^{2-}$	dichromate
$\text{HPO}_4^{2-}$	hydrogen phosphate	$\text{CrO}_4^{2-}$	chromate
$\text{H}_2\text{PO}_4^-$	dihydrogen phosphate	$\text{O}_2^{2-}$	peroxide

**TABLE 2.3**

## Common Monatomic Cations and Anions

Cation	Name	Anion	Name
$\text{H}^+$	hydrogen	$\text{H}^-$	hydride
$\text{Li}^+$	lithium	$\text{F}^-$	fluoride
$\text{Na}^+$	sodium	$\text{Cl}^-$	chloride
$\text{K}^+$	potassium	$\text{Br}^-$	bromide
$\text{Cs}^+$	cesium	$\text{I}^-$	iodide
$\text{Be}^{2+}$	beryllium	$\text{O}^{2-}$	oxide
$\text{Mg}^{2+}$	magnesium	$\text{S}^{2-}$	sulfide
$\text{Ca}^{2+}$	calcium	$\text{N}^{3-}$	nitride
$\text{Ba}^{2+}$	barium	$\text{P}^{3-}$	phosphide
$\text{Al}^{3+}$	aluminum		
$\text{Ag}^+$	silver		
$\text{Zn}^{2+}$	zinc		

**TABLE 2.4**

## Common Type II Cations

Ion	Systematic Name	Alternate Name
$\text{Fe}^{3+}$	iron(III)	ferric
$\text{Fe}^{2+}$	iron(II)	ferrous
$\text{Cu}^{2+}$	copper(II)	cupric
$\text{Cu}^+$	copper(I)	cuprous
$\text{Co}^{3+}$	cobalt(III)	cobaltic
$\text{Co}^{2+}$	cobalt(II)	cobaltous
$\text{Sn}^{4+}$	tin(IV)	stannic
$\text{Sn}^{2+}$	tin(II)	stannous
$\text{Pb}^{4+}$	lead(IV)	plumbic
$\text{Pb}^{2+}$	lead(II)	plumbous
$\text{Hg}^{2+}$	mercury(II)	mercuric
$\text{Hg}_2^{2+}$ *	mercury(I)	mercurous

\*Note that mercury(I) ions always occur bound together to form  $\text{Hg}_2^{2+}$ .