

PRICE INDICATIONS FOR BLUE FLUORESCENT DIAMONDS

In the table below, we present our estimation of the price gap between nonfluorescent polished round diamonds, and polished round diamonds that show varying degrees of fluorescence. The percentages represent the average price difference for each of the size, color and clarity categories indicated.

APPROXIMATE % CHANGES FROM NONFLUORESCENT					
As of May 7, 2024			FAINT	MEDIUM	STRONG
0.30 - 0.49 CT.	D-F	IF-VVS2	-12%	-18%	-21%
		VS1-VS2	-9%	-13%	-16%
		SI1-SI2	-7%	-10%	-13%
	G-H	IF-VVS2	-9%	-13%	-16%
		VS1-VS2	-7%	-10%	-12%
		SI1-SI2	-5%	-7%	-9%
	I-K	IF-VVS2	-5%	-9%	-11%
		VS1-VS2	-4%	-7%	-9%
		SI1-SI2	-3%	-5%	-7%
0.50 - 0.99 CT.	D-F	IF-VVS2	-15%	-20%	-25%
		VS1-VS2	-12%	-16%	-20%
		SI1-SI2	-9%	-13%	-16%
	G-H	IF-VVS2	-11%	-15%	-19%
		VS1-VS2	-9%	-12%	-16%
		SI1-SI2	-6%	-9%	-12%
	I-K	IF-VVS2	-6%	-9%	-13%
		VS1-VS2	-4%	-7%	-10%
		SI1-SI2	-3%	-6%	-9%
1.00 - 2.99 CT.	D-F	IF-VVS2	-17%	-22%	-29%
		VS1-VS2	-14%	-19%	-24%
		SI1-SI2	-10%	-14%	-18%
	G-H	IF-VVS2	-12%	-17%	-22%
		VS1-VS2	-10%	-14%	-18%
		SI1-SI2	-8%	-11%	-15%
	I-K	IF-VVS2	-7%	-11%	-15%
		VS1-VS2	-5%	-8%	-12%
		SI1-SI2	-4%	-7%	-10%

The impact of fluorescence on price depends on its noticeability. In some cases, fluorescence gives the stone a milky-white appearance, which greatly lowers value. In some instances, the fluorescence is hardly noticeable and has minimal impact on the stone's brilliance. Blue fluorescence gives lower-color stones a whiter, brighter face-up appearance. Yellow or white fluorescence is problematic and may require an additional 5% to 10% discount. Generally, the higher the quality and price per carat, the more fluorescence lowers value.