

Table 1: Cellular RNA content and proportion of total RNA that is rRNA from several studies, and calculation of the cellular ribosome content.

Total RNA content (g/cell)	rRNA proportion in total RNA	Ribosomes (molecules/cell) ^a	Study
7.6×10^{-13}	80%		[27]
4.9×10^{-13}	84%		[30]
5.8×10^{-13}	83%		[25]
7.0×10^{-13}			[29]
10.0×10^{-13}			[28]
$7.1 \pm 1.9 \times 10^{-13}$	$83 \pm 2\%$	$187,000 \pm 56,000$	[26]

The last row contains averages.

^a calculated as $(\text{total RNA} * \text{rRNA proportion}) / \text{MW} * N_A$; where MW is the total molecular weight of ribosomal RNA contained within a ribosome (1.9×10^6 g/mol, from <http://mips.gsf.de/proj/yeast/rna/rrna.html>), and N_A is Avogadro's number (6.022×10^{23} mol⁻¹).

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