

Continental crust differs from oceanic by the presence of granitic rocks in its structure.

Top eight elements that are most abundant in Earth's continental crust are:

1. Oxygen — 46.3 % of weight, 94.2% of volume
2. Silicon — 28.2 % of weight, 0.8 % of volume
3. Aluminum — 8.1 % of weight, 0.4 % of volume
4. Hydrogen — 0.1 % of weight
5. Sodium — 2.4 % of weight, 1.1 % of volume
6. Calcium — 4.1 % of weight, 1.2 % of volume
7. Iron — 5.4 % of weight, 0.4 % of volume
8. Magnesium — 2.3 % of weight, 0.3 % of volume