

Figures & Small Caps

Art & Design

The number and capital variants a professional face carries, and where each belongs.

OpenType variants, selected rather than typed.

Variant	Use it for
Lining figures	Setting beside capitals, and tables
Old-style figures	Numbers inside running text
Tabular figures	Columns that have to align
Proportional figures	Running text, evenly spaced
Small caps	Acronyms and abbreviations in text
Faux small caps	Nothing; the strokes come out too pale

Scaling capitals down is not small caps: the strokes thin, and the letters look pale beside the text around them.