

Proper Drill Bit Size for Drilling Pilot Holes & Shank Holes

SCREW GAGE NUMBER	SHANK HOLE	PILOT HOLE	PILOT HOLE
	HARD & SOFT WOOD	SOFT WOOD	HARD WOOD
0	1/16"	1/64"	1/32"
1	5/64"	1/32"	1/32"
2	3/32"	1/32"	3/64"
3	7/64"	3/64"	1/16"
4	7/64"	3/64"	1/16"
5	1/8"	1/16"	5/64"
6	9/64"	1/16"	5/64"
7	5/32"	1/16"	3/32"
8	11/64"	5/64"	3/32"
9	3/16"	5/64"	7/64"
10	3/16"	3/32"	7/64"
11	13/64"	3/32"	1/8"
12	7/32"	7/64"	1/8"
14	1/4"	7/64"	9/64"
16	17/64"	9/64"	5/32"
18	19/64"	9/64"	3/16"
20	21/64"	11/64"	13/64"