

# Table Backgrounds

'background-color' (and related properties) on table elements are applied as if the table is made up of multiple layers. From back to front, the 'layers' are derived from: <CSS:table>; <CSS:table-column> with a 'number-columns-spanned' value greater than 1; <CSS:table-column> with a 'number-columns-spanned' value greater than 1; <CSS:table-column>; <CSS:table-header>, <CSS:table-body>, and <CSS:table-footer> (which do not overlap); <CSS:table-row>; and <CSS:table-cell>. A layer is visible only when all of the layers above it have a transparent background.

'background-color' is specified on most of the elements in the following table. Each element type has a different value. The property is omitted on some elements to allow the color from underlying layers to be seen. The <CSS:table-body> background is transparent to allow the background colors from <CSS:table> and <CSS:table-column> to be seen.

The background layers in this example are simulated using PDF layers. If you are viewing this in a PDF viewer that supports layers, you can enable and disable individual layers to see the effect of each one.

<b>header R1C1</b>	<b>header R1C2</b>	<b>header R1C3</b>	<b>header R1C4</b>
<b>header R2C1</b>	<b>header R2C2</b>	<b>header R2C3</b>	<b>header R2C4</b>
body R1C1	body R1C2	body R1C3	body R1C4
body R2C1	body R2C2	body R2C3	body R2C4
body R3C1	body R3C2-R4C3		body R3C4
body R4C1			body R4C4
body R5C1	body R5C2		body R5C4
body R6C1			body R6C4
<i>footer R1C1</i>	<i>footer R1C2</i>	<i>footer R1C3</i>	<i>footer R1C4</i>
<i>footer R2C1</i>	<i>footer R2C2</i>	<i>footer R2C3</i>	<i>footer R2C4</i>

CSS	Style	Applied to
<table>	#FFFF99	
<col>	#FFC2A3	
<thead>	#FFADC9	

CSS	Style	Applied to
<tfoot>	#D6C2FF	
<tr>	#CCDDFF	
<td>	#D4FFFF	