

TABLE 7.3 Geological Epochs

GEOLOGICAL EPOCH	TIME SPAN
Holocene	10,000 years ago to the present
Pleistocene	1.7 million years ago to 10,000 years ago
Pliocene	5.0–1.7 million years ago
Miocene	24–5.0 million years ago
Oligocene	36–24 million years ago
Eocene	55–36 million years ago
Paleocene	65–55 million years ago