

**Chemical designation /  
Synonyms**

**Product description**

Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>  
E500 (i)  
Soda  
Calcined Soda  
(Single) carbonic sodium  
bicarbonate

Sodium carbonate is a salt of carbonic acid. Sodium carbonate is an inorganic sodium salt, which is obtained through the recovery of naturally occurring sodium carbonate containing minerals or by bringing about a chemical reaction. Sodium carbonate dissolves in water with the development of heat. In the event of contact with acids, sodium carbonate is degraded and carbon dioxide develops. For this reason, sodium carbonate is used in baking powders, chocolate and cocoa products.

Sodium carbonate is used in the areas of foods, food supplements and pharmaceuticals.