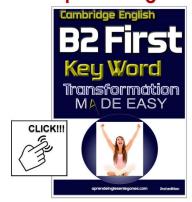
AMOUNT QUANTITY NUMBER

amount

Amount(s) of is used with uncountable nouns. It usually precedes a singular word.

- The server is designed to store huge amounts of data.
- He paid regular amounts of money to a charity.
- No amount of love would heal the hatred she felt.
- I had a certain amount of difficulty finding the house.

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quantity

Quantity is more formal than amount or number. A quantity of or quantities of can be followed by countable or uncountable nouns. It is usually applied to inanimate objects.

- A large quantity of illegal drugs was discovered.
- This quantity of lasagne will feed six people.
- Huge quantities of oil were spilling into the sea.

number

Number(s) of is used with countable nouns and can be applied to both animate and inanimate items.

- · A large number of cows were infected.
- Small numbers of children are educated at home.
- · Large numbers of invitations were sent.
- There are a number of reasons why I can't marry you.
- A number of people were injured in the explosion.