

# LM2574/LM2574HV SIMPLE SWITCHER™ 0.5A Step-Down Voltage Regulator

## General Description

The LM2574 series of regulators are monolithic integrated circuits that provide all the active functions for a step-down (buck) switching regulator, capable of driving a 0.5A load with excellent line and load regulation. These devices are available in fixed output voltages of 3.3V, 5V, 12V, 15V, and an adjustable output version.

Requiring a minimum number of external components, these regulators are simple to use and include internal frequency compensation and a fixed-frequency oscillator.

The LM2574 series offers a high-efficiency replacement for popular three-terminal linear regulators. Because of its high efficiency, the copper traces on the printed circuit board are normally the only heat sinking needed.

A standard series of inductors optimized for use with the LM2574 are available from several different manufacturers. This feature greatly simplifies the design of switch-mode power supplies.

Other features include a guaranteed  $\pm 4\%$  tolerance on output voltage within specified input voltages and output load conditions, and  $\pm 10\%$  on the oscillator frequency. External shutdown is included, featuring 50  $\mu\text{A}$  (typical) standby current. The output switch includes cycle-by-cycle current limiting, as well as thermal shutdown for full protection under fault conditions.

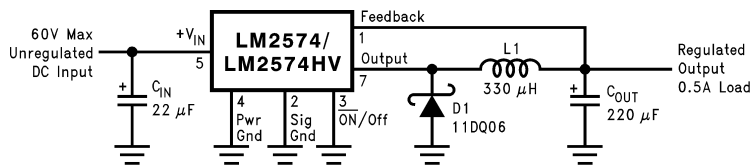
## Features

- 3.3V, 5V, 12V, 15V, and adjustable output versions
- Adjustable version output voltage range, 1.23V to 37V (57V for HV version)  $\pm 4\%$  max over line and load conditions
- Guaranteed 0.5A output current
- Wide input voltage range, 40V, up to 60V for HV version
- Requires only 4 external components
- 52 kHz fixed frequency internal oscillator
- TTL shutdown capability, low power standby mode
- High efficiency
- Uses readily available standard inductors
- Thermal shutdown and current limit protection

## Applications

- Simple high-efficiency step-down (buck) regulator
- Efficient pre-regulator for linear regulators
- On-card switching regulators
- Positive to negative converter (Buck-Boost)

## Typical Application (Fixed Output Voltage Versions)



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Note: Pin numbers are for 8-pin DIP package.

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## Absolute Maximum Ratings (Note 1)

If Military/Aerospace specified devices are required, please contact the National Semiconductor Sales Office/Distributors for availability and specifications.

Maximum Supply Voltage	
LM2574	45V
LM2574HV	63V
ON /OFF Pin Input Voltage	$-0.3V \leq V \leq +V_{IN}$
Output Voltage to Ground (Steady State)	-1V
Minimum ESD Rating (C = 100 pF, R = 1.5 kΩ)	2 kV
Storage Temperature Range	-65°C to +150°C

Lead Temperature (Soldering, 10 seconds)	260°C
Maximum Junction Temperature	150°C
Power Dissipation	Internally Limited

## Operating Ratings

Temperature Range	LM2574/LM2574HV	$-40^{\circ}\text{C} \leq T_J \leq +125^{\circ}\text{C}$
Supply Voltage	LM2574	40V
	LM2574HV	60V

## LM2574-3.3, LM2574HV-3.3 Electrical Characteristics

Specifications with standard type face are for  $T_J = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$ , and those with **boldface type** apply over full Operating Temperature Range.

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	LM2574-3.3 LM2574HV-3.3		Units (Limits)
			Typ	Limit (Note 2)	
<b>SYSTEM PARAMETERS</b> (Note 3) Test Circuit <i>Figure 2</i>					
$V_{OUT}$	Output Voltage	$V_{IN} = 12V, I_{LOAD} = 100\text{ mA}$	3.3	3.234 3.366	V V(Min) V(Max)
$V_{OUT}$	Output Voltage LM2574	$4.75V \leq V_{IN} \leq 40V, 0.1A \leq I_{LOAD} \leq 0.5A$	3.3	3.168/ <b>3.135</b> 3.432/ <b>3.465</b>	V V(Min) V(Max)
$V_{OUT}$	Output Voltage LM2574HV	$4.75V \leq V_{IN} \leq 60V, 0.1A \leq I_{LOAD} \leq 0.5A$	3.3	3.168/ <b>3.135</b> 3.450/ <b>3.482</b>	V(Min) V(Max)
$\eta$	Efficiency	$V_{IN} = 12V, I_{LOAD} = 0.5A$	72		%

## LM2574-5.0, LM2574HV-5.0 Electrical Characteristics

Specifications with standard type face are for  $T_J = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$ , and those with **boldface type** apply over full Operating Temperature Range.

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	LM2574-5.0 LM2574HV-5.0		Units (Limits)
			Typ	Limit (Note 2)	
<b>SYSTEM PARAMETERS</b> (Note 3) Test Circuit <i>Figure 2</i>					
$V_{OUT}$	Output Voltage	$V_{IN} = 12V, I_{LOAD} = 100\text{ mA}$	5	4.900 5.100	V V(Min) V(Max)
$V_{OUT}$	Output Voltage LM2574	$7V \leq V_{IN} \leq 40V, 0.1A \leq I_{LOAD} \leq 0.5A$	5	4.800/ <b>4.750</b> 5.200/ <b>5.250</b>	V V(Min) V(Max)
$V_{OUT}$	Output Voltage LM2574HV	$7V \leq V_{IN} \leq 60V, 0.1A \leq I_{LOAD} \leq 0.5A$	5	4.800/ <b>4.750</b> 5.225/ <b>5.275</b>	V(Min) V(Max)
$\eta$	Efficiency	$V_{IN} = 12V, I_{LOAD} = 0.5A$	77		%

### LM2574-12, LM2574HV-12 Electrical Characteristics

Specifications with standard type face are for  $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$ , and those with **boldface type** apply over **full Operating Temperature Range**.

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	LM2574-12 LM2574HV-12		Units (Limits)
			Typ	Limit (Note 2)	
<b>SYSTEM PARAMETERS</b> (Note 3) Test Circuit <i>Figure 2</i>					
$V_{OUT}$	Output Voltage	$V_{IN} = 25\text{V}$ , $I_{LOAD} = 100\text{ mA}$	12	11.76 12.24	V V(Min) V(Max)
$V_{OUT}$	Output Voltage LM2574	$15\text{V} \leq V_{IN} \leq 40\text{V}$ , $0.1\text{A} \leq I_{LOAD} \leq 0.5\text{A}$	12	11.52/ <b>11.40</b> 12.48/ <b>12.60</b>	V V(Min) V(Max)
$V_{OUT}$	Output Voltage LM2574HV	$15\text{V} \leq V_{IN} \leq 60\text{V}$ , $0.1\text{A} \leq I_{LOAD} \leq 0.5\text{A}$	12	11.52/ <b>11.40</b> 12.54/ <b>12.66</b>	V(Min) V(Max)
$\eta$	Efficiency	$V_{IN} = 15\text{V}$ , $I_{LOAD} = 0.5\text{A}$	88		%

### LM2574-15, LM2574HV-15 Electrical Characteristics

Specifications with standard type face are for  $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$ , and those with **boldface type** apply over **full Operating Temperature Range**.

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	LM2574-15 LM2574HV-15		Units (Limits)
			Typ	Limit (Note 2)	
<b>SYSTEM PARAMETERS</b> (Note 3) Test Circuit <i>Figure 2</i>					
$V_{OUT}$	Output Voltage	$V_{IN} = 30\text{V}$ , $I_{LOAD} = 100\text{ mA}$	15	14.70 15.30	V V(Min) V(Max)
$V_{OUT}$	Output Voltage LM2574	$18\text{V} \leq V_{IN} \leq 40\text{V}$ , $0.1\text{A} \leq I_{LOAD} \leq 0.5\text{A}$	15	14.40/ <b>14.25</b> 15.60/ <b>15.75</b>	V V(Min) V(Max)
$V_{OUT}$	Output Voltage LM2574HV	$18\text{V} \leq V_{IN} \leq 60\text{V}$ , $0.1\text{A} \leq I_{LOAD} \leq 0.5\text{A}$	15	14.40/ <b>14.25</b> 15.68/ <b>15.83</b>	V(Min) V(Max)
$\eta$	Efficiency	$V_{IN} = 18\text{V}$ , $I_{LOAD} = 0.5\text{A}$	88		%

### LM2574-ADJ, LM2574HV-ADJ Electrical Characteristics

Specifications with standard type face are for  $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$ , and those with **boldface type** apply over **full Operating Temperature Range**. Unless otherwise specified,  $V_{IN} = 12\text{V}$ ,  $I_{LOAD} = 100\text{ mA}$ .

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	LM2574-ADJ LM2574HV-ADJ		Units (Limits)
			Typ	Limit (Note 2)	
<b>SYSTEM PARAMETERS</b> (Note 3) Test Circuit <i>Figure 2</i>					
$V_{FB}$	Feedback Voltage	$V_{IN} = 12\text{V}$ , $I_{LOAD} = 100\text{ mA}$	1.230	1.217 1.243	V V(Min) V(Max)

## LM2574-ADJ, LM2574HV-ADJ

### Electrical Characteristics (Continued)

Specifications with standard type face are for  $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$ , and those with **boldface type** apply over **full Operating Temperature Range**. Unless otherwise specified,  $V_{IN} = 12\text{V}$ ,  $I_{LOAD} = 100\text{ mA}$ .

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	LM2574-ADJ LM2574HV-ADJ		Units (Limits)
			Typ	Limit (Note 2)	
<b>SYSTEM PARAMETERS</b> (Note 3) Test Circuit <i>Figure 2</i>					
$V_{FB}$	Feedback Voltage LM2574	$7\text{V} \leq V_{IN} \leq 40\text{V}$ , $0.1\text{A} \leq I_{LOAD} \leq 0.5\text{A}$ $V_{OUT}$ Programmed for 5V. Circuit of <i>Figure 2</i>	1.230	1.193/ <b>1.180</b> 1.267/ <b>1.280</b>	V V(Min) V(Max)
$V_{FB}$	Feedback Voltage LM2574HV	$7\text{V} \leq V_{IN} \leq 60\text{V}$ , $0.1\text{A} \leq I_{LOAD} \leq 0.5\text{A}$ $V_{OUT}$ Programmed for 5V. Circuit of <i>Figure 2</i>	1.230	1.193/ <b>1.180</b> 1.273/ <b>1.286</b>	V(Min) V(Max)
$\eta$	Efficiency	$V_{IN} = 12\text{V}$ , $V_{OUT} = 5\text{V}$ , $I_{LOAD} = 0.5\text{A}$	77		%

### All Output Voltage Versions Electrical Characteristics

Specifications with standard type face are for  $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$ , and those with **boldface type** apply over **full Operating Temperature Range**. Unless otherwise specified,  $V_{IN} = 12\text{V}$  for the 3.3V, 5V, and Adjustable version,  $V_{IN} = 25\text{V}$  for the 12V version, and  $V_{IN} = 30\text{V}$  for the 15V version.  $I_{LOAD} = 100\text{ mA}$ .

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	LM2574-XX LM2574HV-XX		Units (Limits)
			Typ	Limit (Note 2)	
<b>DEVICE PARAMETERS</b>					
$I_b$	Feedback Bias Current	Adjustable Version Only, $V_{OUT} = 5\text{V}$	50	100/ <b>500</b>	nA
$f_O$	Oscillator Frequency	(see Note 10)	52	47/ <b>42</b> 58/ <b>63</b>	kHz kHz(Min) kHz(Max)
$V_{SAT}$	Saturation Voltage	$I_{OUT} = 0.5\text{A}$ (Note 4)	0.9	1.2/ <b>1.4</b>	V V(max)
DC	Max Duty Cycle (ON)	(Note 5)	98	93	% %(Min)
$I_{CL}$	Current Limit	Peak Current, (Notes 4, 10)	1.0	0.7/ <b>0.65</b> 1.6/ <b>1.8</b>	A A(Min) A(Max)
$I_L$	Output Leakage Current	(Notes 6, 7) Output = 0V Output = -1V Output = -1V	7.5	2 30	mA(Max) mA mA(Max)
$I_Q$	Quiescent Current	(Note 6)	5	10	mA mA(Max)
$I_{STBY}$	Standby Quiescent Current	$\overline{\text{ON}} / \text{OFF}$ Pin = 5V (OFF)	50	200	$\mu\text{A}$ $\mu\text{A}(\text{Max})$
$\theta_{JA}$	Thermal Resistance	N Package, Junction to Ambient (Note 8)	92		$^\circ\text{C/W}$
$\theta_{JA}$		N Package, Junction to Ambient (Note 9)	72		
$\theta_{JA}$		M Package, Junction to Ambient (Note 8)	102		
$\theta_{JA}$		M Package, Junction to Ambient (Note 9)	78		

## All Output Voltage Versions Electrical Characteristics (Continued)

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Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	LM2574-XX LM2574HV-XX		Units (Limits)
			Typ	Limit (Note 2)	
<b>ON /OFF CONTROL</b> Test Circuit <i>Figure 2</i>					
$V_{IH}$	$\overline{\text{ON}}$ /OFF Pin Logic	$V_{OUT} = 0\text{V}$	1.4	2.2/2.4	V(Min)
$V_{IL}$	Input Level	$V_{OUT} = \text{Nominal Output Voltage}$	1.2	1.0/0.8	V(Max)
$I_H$	$\overline{\text{ON}}$ /OFF Pin Input Current	$\overline{\text{ON}}$ /OFF Pin = 5V (OFF)	12	30	$\mu\text{A}$ $\mu\text{A}(\text{Max})$
$I_{IL}$		$\overline{\text{ON}}$ /OFF Pin = 0V (ON)	0	10	$\mu\text{A}$ $\mu\text{A}(\text{Max})$

**Note 1:** Absolute Maximum Ratings indicate limits beyond which damage to the device may occur. Operating Ratings indicate conditions for which the device is intended to be functional, but do not guarantee specific performance limits. For guaranteed specifications and test conditions, see the Electrical Characteristics.

**Note 2:** All limits guaranteed at room temperature (Standard type face) and at temperature extremes (bold type face). All room temperature limits are 100% production tested. All limits at temperature extremes are guaranteed via correlation using standard Statistical Quality Control (SQC) methods. All limits are used to calculate Average Outgoing Quality Level.

**Note 3:** External components such as the catch diode, inductor, input and output capacitors can affect switching regulator system performance. When the LM2574 is used as shown in the *Figure 2* test circuit, system performance will be as shown in system parameters section of Electrical Characteristics.

**Note 4:** Output pin sourcing current. No diode, inductor or capacitor connected to output pin.

**Note 5:** Feedback pin removed from output and connected to 0V.

**Note 6:** Feedback pin removed from output and connected to +12V for the Adjustable, 3.3V, and 5V versions, and +25V for the 12V and 15V versions, to force the output transistor OFF.

**Note 7:**  $V_{IN} = 40\text{V}$  (60V for high voltage version).

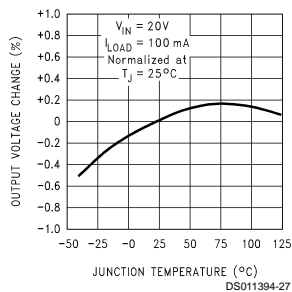
**Note 8:** Junction to ambient thermal resistance with approximately 1 square inch of printed circuit board copper surrounding the leads. Additional copper area will lower thermal resistance further. See application hints in this data sheet and the thermal model in Switchers Made Simple software.

**Note 9:** Junction to ambient thermal resistance with approximately 4 square inches of 1 oz. (0.0014 in. thick) printed circuit board copper surrounding the leads. Additional copper area will lower thermal resistance further. (See Note 8.)

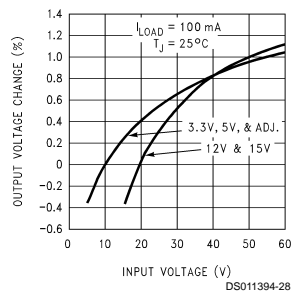
**Note 10:** The oscillator frequency reduces to approximately 18 kHz in the event of an output short or an overload which causes the regulated output voltage to drop approximately 40% from the nominal output voltage. This self protection feature lowers the average power dissipation of the IC by lowering the minimum duty cycle from 5% down to approximately 2%.

## Typical Performance Characteristics (Circuit of *Figure 2*)

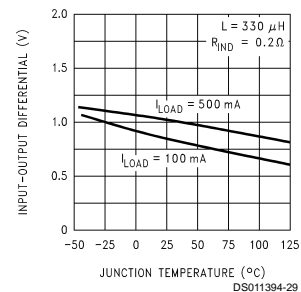
**Normalized Output Voltage**



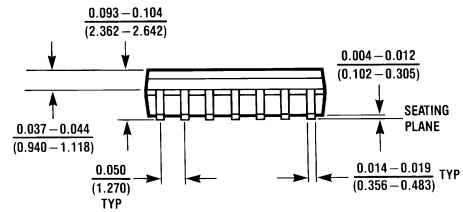
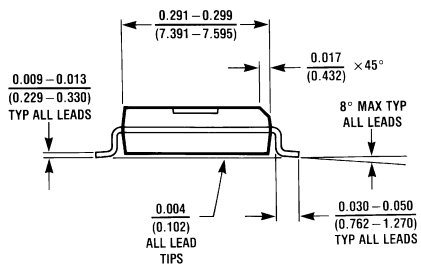
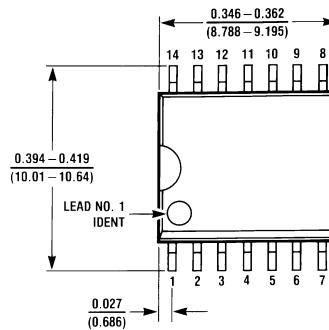
**Line Regulation**



**Dropout Voltage**



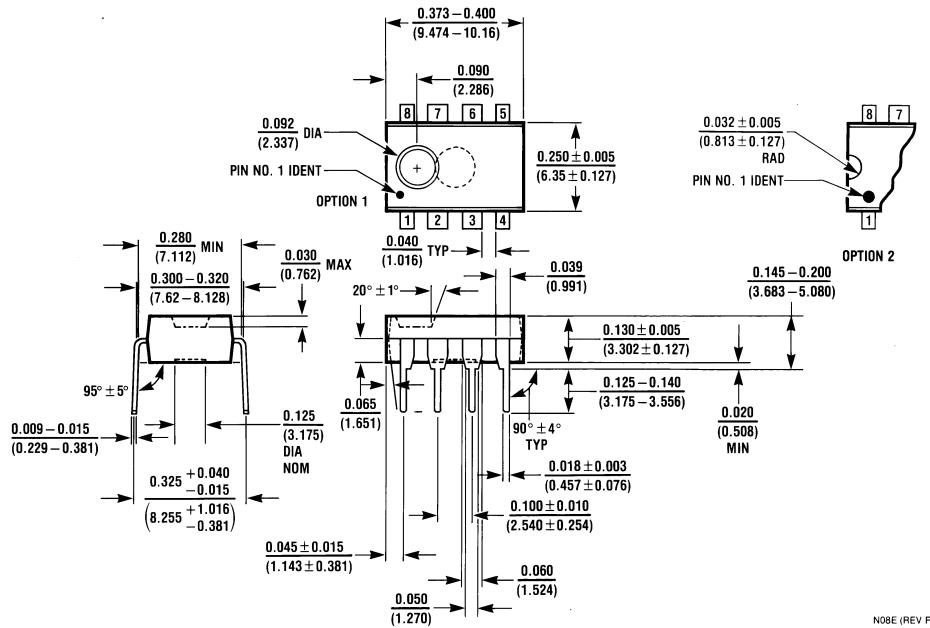
**Physical Dimensions** inches (millimeters) unless otherwise noted



M14B (REV D)

**14-Lead Wide Surface Mount (WM)**  
**Order Number LM2574M-3.3, LM2574HVM-3.3, LM2574M-5.0,**  
**LM2574HVM-5.0, LM2574M-12, LM2574HVM-12, LM2574M-15,**  
**LM2574HVM-15, LM2574M-ADJ or LM2574HVM-ADJ**  
**NS Package Number M14B**

**Physical Dimensions** inches (millimeters) unless otherwise noted (Continued)



N08E (REV F)

**8-Lead DIP (N)**  
**Order Number LM2574M-3.3, LM2574HVM-3.3, LM2574HVN-5.0, LM2574HVN-12,**  
**LM2574HVN-15, LM2574HVN-ADJ, LM2574N-5.0,**  
**LM2574N-12, LM2574N-15 or LM2574N-ADJ**  
**NS Package Number N08A**

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