

NAME	PARENTAGE	SPHERES	ATTRIBUTES	EPITHETS
ZEUS (Jupiter, Jove)	•Kronos & Rhea	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •sky & weather •king of gods •protection of hosts, guests, & suppliants 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •thunderbolt •throne, scepter •eagle, oak tree •mature, bearded 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Cloud-gatherer •Father of gods & men •Son of Kronos
HERA (Juno)	•Kronos & Rhea	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •women in their roles as wives and mothers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •crown, throne, •peacock, •mature, full-figured 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Argive •Ox-eyed
ATHENA (Minerva)	•Zeus, Metis *	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •cunning (metis) •battle •weaving, other crafts •fertility of olive tree 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •helmet, armour, spear, aegis •woman's dress •snake, owl 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Pallas •Parthenos •Gray-eyed goddess
POSEIDON (Neptune)	•Kronos & Rhea	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •the sea, rivers, & springs •earthquakes •horses 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •fish, sea creatures •trident •horses •matured, bearded 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Earth-Shaker
APHRODITE (Venus)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •genitals of Ouranos (Hesiod) •Zeus & Dione (Homer) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •sexual desire •human & animal fertility 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •often shown naked •doves •chariot drawn by birds •Graces 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Cyprian (Cypris) •Cytherea •Uranian •Laughter-loving goddess
HEPHAESTUS (Vulcan)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Hera (alone in some versions) •Zeus and Hera (Homer) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •metalworking & other crafts •fire as basis of technology 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •hammer & anvil •shrunk legs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Smith •Lame god

ARES (Mars)	•Zeus & Hera	•war	•armour, helmet •young, handsome	•Man-slaughtering •Brazen
APOLLO	•Zeus & Leto	•purification •interp. of religious laws •prophecy •healing & plague •music & poetry •[Later: sun]	•tripod •dolphins •bow & arrow •lyre, laurel	•Pythian •Delphian •Loxias •Far-Shooter •Paean (=“Healer”) •Phoebus (=“Bright”)
ARTEMIS (Diana)	•Zeus & Leto	•hunting & fertility of wild animals •childbirth •women’s transition from virginity to sexual maturity •[Later: moon]	•bow and arrow •short dress •animals •crescent moon	•Goddess of the golden bow •Chaste
HERMES (Mercury)	•Zeus & Maia	•stone heaps & pillars (herms) •travel (messenger, herald) •boundaries, theft •fertility, good luck	•traveler’s hat •sandals, wings •caduceus •sometimes beardless	•The Guide •Psychopompus •Slayer of Argus
HESTIA (Vesta)	•Kronos & Rhea	•hearth fire	[seldom portrayed]	[No major epithets]
DIONYSUS (Liber)	•Zeus & Semele	•fertility of vine, vegetations •life-giving fluids •release from social constraints •drama	•vine-leaves, grapes •ivy •wine cups •fawn skin •thyrsus •maenads, satyrs	•Bromios (Roarer) •Lusios (Releaser)

DEMETER (Ceres)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Kronos & Rhea 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •fertility of grain •Eleusinian Mysteries (hope of happy afterlife) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •stalks of wheat •torches •often shown with Persephone •mature woman 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Deo •Dread goddess(es) •The two goddesses [with Persephone)
PERSEPHONE KORE (Proserpina)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Zeus & Demeter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •fertility of grain •queen of the underworld 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •stalks of wheat •pomegranate •often shown with Demeter or Hades •young woman 	[see above]
EROS (Cupid)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •primordial in Hesiod •Aphrodite & Ares in later stories 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •sexual desire 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •wings •bow & arrow •young man or baby 	[No major epithets]