

Microsoft Excel Formula Cheat Sheet

Quick Reference for 80+ Essential Formulas

■ MATH & STATISTICS

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| SUM (range) | Adds all numbers in a range | =SUM (A1:A10) |
| SUMIF (range,criteria,[sum_range]) | Conditional sum | =SUMIF (B2:B10,"Sales",C2:C10) |
| SUMIFS (sum_range,range1,crit1,...) | Sum with multiple conditions | =SUMIFS (C2:C10,B2:B10,"Sales",D2:D10,">100") |
| AVERAGE (range) | Mean of values | =AVERAGE (A1:A10) |
| AVERAGEIF (range,criteria,[avg_range]) | Conditional average | =AVERAGEIF (B2:B10,"Jan",C2:C10) |
| MIN (range) / MAX (range) | Smallest / largest value | =MIN (A1:A10) / =MAX (A1:A10) |
| COUNT (range) | Count cells with numbers | =COUNT (A1:A10) |
| COUNTA (range) | Count non-empty cells | =COUNTA (A1:A10) |
| COUNTIF (range,criteria) | Count cells matching condition | =COUNTIF (B2:B10,">50") |
| COUNTIFS (range1,crit1,...) | Count with multiple conditions | =COUNTIFS (B2:B10,"Sales",C2:C10,">100") |
| ROUND (number,digits) | Round to specified decimals | =ROUND (3.14159,2) → 3.14 |
| ABS (number) | Absolute value | =ABS (-25) → 25 |
| MOD (number,divisor) | Remainder after division | =MOD (10,3) → 1 |
| POWER (number,power) | Raise to a power | =POWER (2,10) → 1024 |
| SQRT (number) | Square root | =SQRT (144) → 12 |
| INT (number) | Round down to integer | =INT (4.9) → 4 |
| RAND () / RANDBETWEEN (low,high) | Random number | =RANDBETWEEN (1,100) |

■ LOOKUP & REFERENCE

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| VLOOKUP (val,table,col,[match]) | Vertical lookup (legacy) | =VLOOKUP (A2,D1:Z3,2,FALSE) |
| HLOOKUP (val,table,row,[match]) | Horizontal lookup | =HLOOKUP (A1,D1:Z3,2,FALSE) |
| XLOOKUP (val,lookup_array,return_array) | Modern flexible lookup | =XLOOKUP (A2,D2:D100,E2:E100) |
| INDEX (array,row,[col]) | Return value at position | =INDEX (A1:C10,3,2) |
| MATCH (val,array,[type]) | Position of value in range | =MATCH ("Apple",A1:A10,0) |
| INDEX+MATCH combo | Flexible 2-way lookup | =INDEX (C1:C10, MATCH (A2,A1:A10,0)) |
| CHOOSE (index,val1,val2,...) | Select from list by index | =CHOOSE (2,"Mon","Tue","Wed") |
| OFFSET (ref,rows,cols,[h],[w]) | Shift reference by rows/cols | =OFFSET (A1,2,1) → C1 value |
| INDIRECT (ref_text) | Reference from text string | =INDIRECT ("A"&ROW;()) |
| ROW ([ref]) / COLUMN ([ref]) | Row or column number | =ROW (A5) → 5 |

| ■ TEXT FUNCTIONS | | |
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| LEN(text) | Number of characters | =LEN("Hello") → 5 |
| LEFT(text,n) / RIGHT(text,n) | Extract from left or right | =LEFT(A1,3) |
| MID(text,start,n) | Extract from middle | =MID(A1,3,4) |
| FIND(find_text,within) | Position (case-sensitive) | =FIND("@",A1) |
| SEARCH(find,within) | Position (case-insensitive) | =SEARCH("excel",A1) |
| UPPER(text) / LOWER(text) | Change case | =UPPER(A1) / =LOWER(A1) |
| PROPER(text) | Title Case | =PROPER("john doe") → John Doe |
| TRIM(text) | Remove extra spaces | =TRIM(A1) |
| SUBSTITUTE(text,old,new) | Replace text | =SUBSTITUTE(A1,"","_") |
| REPLACE(text,start,n,new) | Replace by position | =REPLACE(A1,1,3,"XYZ") |
| CONCATENATE / & | Join text | =A1&" "&B1; |
| TEXTJOIN(delim,ignore,range) | Join range with delimiter | =TEXTJOIN(", ",TRUE,A1:A5) |
| TEXT(value,format) | Number to formatted text | =TEXT(A1,"DD-MM-YYYY") |
| VALUE(text) | Text to number | =VALUE("1,234") → 1234 |
| REPT(text,n) | Repeat text n times | =REPT("★",5) |

| ■ LOGICAL FUNCTIONS | | |
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| IF(test,true_val,false_val) | Conditional result | =IF(A1>100,"High","Low") |
| IFS(test1,val1,test2,val2,...) | Multiple conditions | =IFS(A1>90,"A",A1>80,"B",TRUE,"C") |
| AND(cond1,cond2,...) | All conditions true? | =AND(A1>0,B1<100) |
| OR(cond1,cond2,...) | Any condition true? | =OR(A1="Y",B1="Yes") |
| NOT(logical) | Reverse true/false | =NOT(A1=0) |
| IFERROR(value,error_val) | Trap errors | =IFERROR(A1/B1,0) |
| IFNA(value,na_val) | Trap #N/A only | =IFNA(VLOOKUP(...),"Not found") |
| SWITCH(val,case1,result1,...) | Match & return value | =SWITCH(A1,1,"Jan",2,"Feb","Other") |
| TRUE() / FALSE() | Boolean constants | =IF(A1>0,TRUE(),FALSE()) |
| XOR(cond1,cond2) | Exclusive OR | =XOR(A1>5,B1>5) |

| ■ DATE & TIME | | |
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| TODAY() / NOW() | Current date / datetime | =TODAY() / =NOW() |
| DATE(year,month,day) | Create a date | =DATE(2024,12,31) |
| YEAR(date) / MONTH(date) / DAY(date) | Extract date parts | =YEAR(A1) / =MONTH(A1) |
| HOUR(time) / MINUTE(time) / SECOND(time) | Extract time parts | =HOUR(A1) |
| WEEKDAY(date,[type]) | Day of week (1-7) | =WEEKDAY(TODAY(),2) |
| WEEKNUM(date) | Week number of year | =WEEKNUM(TODAY()) |
| EDATE(date,months) | Date N months away | =EDATE(A1,3) |
| EOMONTH(date,months) | Last day of month | =EOMONTH(TODAY(),0) |
| NETWORKDAYS(start,end,[holidays]) | Working days between dates | =NETWORKDAYS(A1,B1) |
| DATEDIF(start,end,"unit") | Difference in Y/M/D | =DATEDIF(A1,B1,"Y") |
| DATEVALUE(text) | Text string to date | =DATEVALUE("01/01/2024") |

| ■ FINANCIAL FUNCTIONS | | |
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| PMT(rate,nper,pv) | Loan payment per period | =PMT(5%/12,60,-10000) |
| PV(rate,nper,pmt) | Present value | =PV(5%/12,60,200) |
| FV(rate,nper,pmt,[pv]) | Future value | =FV(5%/12,12,-100) |
| NPV(rate,values) | Net present value | =NPV(10%,B2:B6) |
| IRR(values) | Internal rate of return | =IRR(B1:B6) |
| RATE(nper,pmt,pv) | Interest rate per period | =RATE(60,200,-10000) |
| NPER(rate,pmt,pv) | Number of periods | =NPER(5%/12,-200,10000) |
| SLN(cost,salvage,life) | Straight-line depreciation | =SLN(10000,1000,5) |
| IPMT(rate,per,nper,pv) | Interest part of payment | =IPMT(5%/12,1,60,-10000) |
| PPMT(rate,per,nper,pv) | Principal part of payment | =PPMT(5%/12,1,60,-10000) |

| ■ ARRAY & DYNAMIC (Excel 365) | | |
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| FILTER (array,include ,[empty]) | Filter by condition | = FILTER (A2:C10, B2:B10="Sales") |
| SORT (array,[idx],[order]) | Sort a range | = SORT (A2:B10,2,-1) |
| SORTBY (array,by_arr,[order]) | Sort by another array | = SORTBY (A2:A10,B2:B10,-1) |
| UNIQUE (array) | Remove duplicates | = UNIQUE (A2:A10) |
| SEQUENCE (rows,[cols],[start],[step]) | Generate number sequence | = SEQUENCE (10,1,1,2) |
| RANDARRAY (rows,[cols]) | Array of random numbers | = RANDARRAY (5,3) |
| VSTACK (arr1,arr2) | Stack arrays vertically | = VSTACK (A1:C5,A10:C15) |
| HSTACK (arr1,arr2) | Stack arrays horizontally | = HSTACK (A1:A5,C1:C5) |
| LET (name1,val1,...,calc) | Assign names to values | = LET (x,A1*2,x+10) |
| LAMBDA (param,formula) | Create custom function | = LAMBDA (x,x*x)(5) → 25 |

| ■ TIPS & SHORTCUTS | | |
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| F4 (in formula) | Toggle \$ absolute/relative refs | A1 → \$A\$1 → A\$1 → \$A1 |
| Ctrl + Shift + Enter | Enter array formula (legacy) | {=SUM(A1:A5*B1:B5)} |
| \$ sign in references | \$A\$1=absolute, A1=relative | =A\$1 vs =A1 |
| Named Ranges | Use Formulas > Define Name | =SUM(SalesData) |
| F2 | Edit active cell formula | Shows formula in cell |
| Ctrl + ` | Toggle show formulas | Shows all formulas in sheet |
| Trace Precedents (Alt+TU) | Audit formula inputs | Formulas > Trace Precedents |
| FORMULATEXT (ref) | Show formula as text | =FORMULATEXT(B2) |

Pro Tips: Use **Ctrl+Shift+L** to toggle filters • **Alt+=** to AutoSum • **Ctrl+T** to create a Table • **F9** to evaluate part of a formula • **Ctrl+Z** to undo