

Create a Personal Spending Budget Using Excel Sheet

Client: Michael

Goal: Develop a spending budget to make informed decisions about his spending.



Michael

- Michael has collected the necessary data to create a budget.
- Michael wants to make sure that he is spending his money responsibly.
- Feels like he might be overspending, but he is not sure.

Questions to Explore:

1. What is the total amount Michael spends each month?
2. How much does he spend in each category?
3. How much does he spend, on average, in each month & category?
4. What percent of his total spending is spent in each of those categories?



Access **Michael's budget** Spreadsheet.
(From Github repository)

https://github.com/BilalZahid0/Personal_Spending_Budget

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
Rent	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500
Electricity	\$ 168	\$ 150	\$ 88	\$ 90	\$ 110	\$ 125	\$ 130	\$ 133	\$ 120	\$ 101	\$ 95	\$ 144
Water	\$ 35	\$ 40	\$ 45	\$ 42	\$ 50	\$ 60	\$ 75	\$ 39	\$ 45	\$ 43	\$ 40	\$ 39
Phone	\$ 75	\$ 84	\$ 84	\$ 84	\$ 84	\$ 84	\$ 102	\$ 102	\$ 102	\$ 102	\$ 102	\$ 102
Internet	\$ 50	\$ 50	\$ 50	\$ 50	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 55

Task 1

Total amount spends each month

- Using **Sum() Function** for “JAN” column & then drag the function for other columns.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
Rent	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500
Electricity	\$ 168	\$ 150	\$ 88	\$ 90	\$ 110	\$ 125	\$ 130	\$ 133	\$ 120	\$ 101	\$ 95	\$ 144
Water	\$ 35	\$ 40	\$ 45	\$ 42	\$ 50	\$ 60	\$ 75	\$ 39	\$ 45	\$ 43	\$ 40	\$ 39
Phone	\$ 75	\$ 84	\$ 84	\$ 84	\$ 84	\$ 84	\$ 102	\$ 102	\$ 102	\$ 102	\$ 102	\$ 102
Internet	\$ 50	\$ 50	\$ 50	\$ 50	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 55
Total Amount / Month	\$ 1,728	\$ 1,724	\$ 1,667	\$ 1,666	\$ 1,699	\$ 1,724	\$ 1,762	\$ 1,729	\$ 1,722	\$ 1,801	\$ 1,792	\$ 1,840

Task 2

Total amount spends on each category

- Using **Sum() Function** for “Rent” row & then drag the function for other rows.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	Total Amount / Category
Rent	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 17,100
Electricity	\$ 168	\$ 150	\$ 88	\$ 90	\$ 110	\$ 125	\$ 130	\$ 133	\$ 120	\$ 101	\$ 95	\$ 144	\$ 1,454
Water	\$ 35	\$ 40	\$ 45	\$ 42	\$ 50	\$ 60	\$ 75	\$ 39	\$ 45	\$ 43	\$ 40	\$ 39	\$ 553
Phone	\$ 75	\$ 84	\$ 84	\$ 84	\$ 84	\$ 84	\$ 102	\$ 102	\$ 102	\$ 102	\$ 102	\$ 102	\$ 1,107
Internet	\$ 50	\$ 50	\$ 50	\$ 50	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 640
Total Amount / Month	\$ 1,728	\$ 1,724	\$ 1,667	\$ 1,666	\$ 1,699	\$ 1,724	\$ 1,762	\$ 1,729	\$ 1,722	\$ 1,801	\$ 1,792	\$ 1,840	\$ 20,854

 Total Annual Spend

 Total Monthly Spend

 Total Spend Per Category

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	Total Amount / Category
Rent	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 17,100
Electricity	\$ 168	\$ 150	\$ 88	\$ 90	\$ 110	\$ 125	\$ 130	\$ 133	\$ 120	\$ 101	\$ 95	\$ 144	\$ 1,454
Water	\$ 35	\$ 40	\$ 45	\$ 42	\$ 50	\$ 60	\$ 75	\$ 39	\$ 45	\$ 43	\$ 40	\$ 39	\$ 553
Phone	\$ 75	\$ 84	\$ 84	\$ 84	\$ 84	\$ 84	\$ 102	\$ 102	\$ 102	\$ 102	\$ 102	\$ 102	\$ 1,107
Internet	\$ 50	\$ 50	\$ 50	\$ 50	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 640
Total Amount / Month	\$ 1,728	\$ 1,724	\$ 1,667	\$ 1,666	\$ 1,699	\$ 1,724	\$ 1,762	\$ 1,729	\$ 1,722	\$ 1,801	\$ 1,792	\$ 1,840	\$ 20,854

➤ Total Annual Spending = **\$ 20,854 | 100%**

Task 3

Average monthly spend & Average spend per category

- Using **Average() Function**.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	Total Amount / Category	Average Amount / Category
Rent	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 17,100	\$ 1,425
Electricity	\$ 168	\$ 150	\$ 88	\$ 90	\$ 110	\$ 125	\$ 130	\$ 133	\$ 120	\$ 101	\$ 95	\$ 144	\$ 1,454	\$ 121
Water	\$ 35	\$ 40	\$ 45	\$ 42	\$ 50	\$ 60	\$ 75	\$ 39	\$ 45	\$ 43	\$ 40	\$ 39	\$ 553	\$ 46
Phone	\$ 75	\$ 84	\$ 84	\$ 84	\$ 84	\$ 84	\$ 102	\$ 102	\$ 102	\$ 102	\$ 102	\$ 102	\$ 1,107	\$ 92
Internet	\$ 50	\$ 50	\$ 50	\$ 50	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 640	\$ 53
Total Amount / Month	\$ 1,728	\$ 1,724	\$ 1,667	\$ 1,666	\$ 1,699	\$ 1,724	\$ 1,762	\$ 1,729	\$ 1,722	\$ 1,801	\$ 1,792	\$ 1,840	\$ 20,854	\$ 1,738
Average Monthly Spend	\$ 346	\$ 345	\$ 333	\$ 333	\$ 340	\$ 345	\$ 352	\$ 346	\$ 344	\$ 360	\$ 358	\$ 368		

Task 4

Determine Percentages of total spend in each category

- For finding percentage I write the formula **N2/N7 %**
- For first category “Rent”, formula worked normally but as we drag the formula down the column, an Error **#DIV/0!** Occurs.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	Total Amount / Category	Average Amount / Category	% of Total Spend
Rent	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 17,100	\$ 1,425	81.99865733
Electricity	\$ 168	\$ 150	\$ 88	\$ 90	\$ 110	\$ 125	\$ 130	\$ 133	\$ 120	\$ 101	\$ 95	\$ 144	\$ 1,454	\$ 121	#DIV/0!
Water	\$ 35	\$ 40	\$ 45	\$ 42	\$ 50	\$ 60	\$ 75	\$ 39	\$ 45	\$ 43	\$ 40	\$ 39	\$ 553	\$ 46	#DIV/0!
Phone	\$ 75	\$ 84	\$ 84	\$ 84	\$ 84	\$ 84	\$ 102	\$ 102	\$ 102	\$ 102	\$ 102	\$ 102	\$ 1,107	\$ 92	#DIV/0!
Internet	\$ 50	\$ 50	\$ 50	\$ 50	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 640	\$ 53	#DIV/0!
Total Amount / Month	\$ 1,728	\$ 1,724	\$ 1,667	\$ 1,666	\$ 1,699	\$ 1,724	\$ 1,762	\$ 1,729	\$ 1,722	\$ 1,801	\$ 1,792	\$ 1,840	\$ 20,854	\$ 1,738	
Average Monthly Spend	\$ 346	\$ 345	\$ 333	\$ 333	\$ 340	\$ 345	\$ 352	\$ 346	\$ 344	\$ 360	\$ 358	\$ 368			

- The cells referenced change when the formula is copied into other cells. This is called **Relative Referencing** and with **Absolute Referencing**, the cells referenced by a formula remain constant no matter where they are copied.
- Absolute references are used when you want to fix a cell location within the formula.
- To fix a cell location in a formula, add a **dollar sign (\$)** before that cell's name.

❖ Formula Transform:

=N2/N7%  =N2/\$N\$7%

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	Total Amount / Category	Average Amount / Category	% of Total Spend
Rent	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500	\$ 17,100	\$ 1,425	81.99865733
Electricity	\$ 168	\$ 150	\$ 88	\$ 90	\$ 110	\$ 125	\$ 130	\$ 133	\$ 120	\$ 101	\$ 95	\$ 144	\$ 1,454	\$ 121	6.972283495
Water	\$ 35	\$ 40	\$ 45	\$ 42	\$ 50	\$ 60	\$ 75	\$ 39	\$ 45	\$ 43	\$ 40	\$ 39	\$ 553	\$ 46	2.651769445
Phone	\$ 75	\$ 84	\$ 84	\$ 84	\$ 84	\$ 84	\$ 102	\$ 102	\$ 102	\$ 102	\$ 102	\$ 102	\$ 1,107	\$ 92	5.308334133
Internet	\$ 50	\$ 50	\$ 50	\$ 50	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 55	\$ 640	\$ 53	3.068955596
Total Amount / Month	\$ 1,728	\$ 1,724	\$ 1,667	\$ 1,666	\$ 1,699	\$ 1,724	\$ 1,762	\$ 1,729	\$ 1,722	\$ 1,801	\$ 1,792	\$ 1,840	\$ 20,854	\$ 1,738	
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Task 5

Conclusion

1. In Micheal's spending budget, a **large amount** is spending on **Rent** annually which is **81.99%** of his total expenditure.
2. **Internet** bills take the **least percentage** of his spending budget which is **3.068%** .
3. **December** is the most **expensive month** with the highest expenditure of **\$ 1,840** whereas **April** is the **least expensive** month having expenditure of **\$ 1,666** .