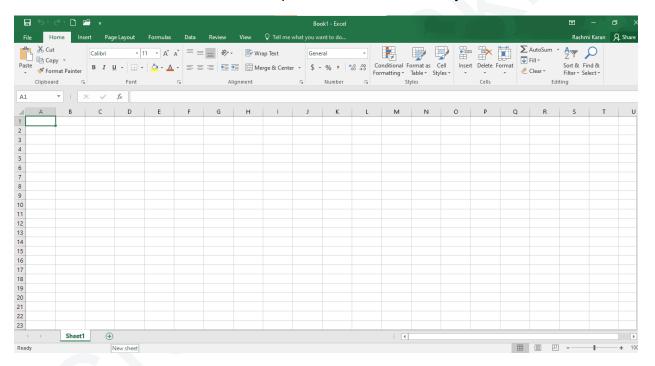


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Q. What are spreadsheets?

A. Spreadsheets are software programs that facilitate effective data organization, calculation, and sorting. A spreadsheet consists of rows and columns spread throughout. The total number of rows and columns on an MS excel worksheet is 1,048,576 rows by 16,384 columns.

There is a worksheet (labeled "Sheet1") as shown below, and we also notice a "+" sign somewhere at the bottom, which indicates we can create a new sheet. We can add, rename, remove, hide, show, and perform other actions on sheets. Worksheets are added by default as Sheet1, Sheet2, etc. Such sheets are simple to rename as necessary.

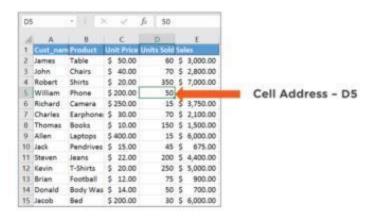


Q. What is a cell address in Excel?

A. A cell address is used to identify a particular cell on a worksheet. It is denoted by a combination of the respective column letter and a row number.

As shown above, the highlighted cell belongs to the column 'D' and row 5, so the cell address is read as D5.





Q. What do you mean by Relative cell referencing and Absolute cell referencing in MS Excel?

Relative cell referencing	Absolute cell referencing
In Relative referencing, there is a change when copying a formula from one cell to another cell with respect to the destination. cells' address	Meanwhile, there is no change in Absolute cell referencing when a formula is copied, irrespective of the cell's destination.
This type of referencing is there by default. Relative cell referencing doesn't require a dollar sign in the formula.	If you don't want a change in the formula when it's copied across cells, then absolute referencing requires you to add a dollar sign before and after the column and row address.





D3		- 1 ×	√ fx	=A3*\$B\$2
A	Α	В	С	D.
1	Qty	Price per Unit	Total Sales	Qty * 30
2	10	30	300	300
3	11	35	385	330
4	12	40	480	360

Q. How is a Formula different from a Function in Excel?

Formula	Function		
The formula is like an equation in Excel, the user types in that. It can be any type of calculation depending on the user's choice.	Whereas, a function in Excel is a predefined calculation which is in-built in Excel.		
Manually typing out a formula every time you need to perform a calculation, consumes more time. Ex: = A1+A2+A3	However, performing calculations becomes more comfortable and faster while working with functions. Ex: = SUM(A1:A3)		

Q. Mention the order of operations used in Excel while evaluating formulas.

A. The order of operations in Excel is referred to as PEMDAS. Shown below is the order of precedence while performing an Excel operation.

Parentheses



- Exponentiation
- Division/Multiplication
- Addition
- Subtraction

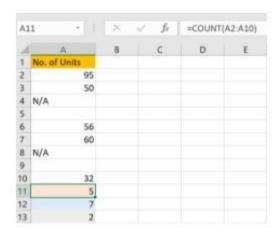
As seen above, first, the data in the parentheses is operated, followed by the exponentiation operation. After that, it can be either the division or multiplication operations. The result is then added and finally subtracted to give the final result.

Q. What is the difference between count, counta, and countblank?

The count function is very often used in Excel. Here, let's look at the difference between count, and it's variants - counta and countblank.

1. COUNT

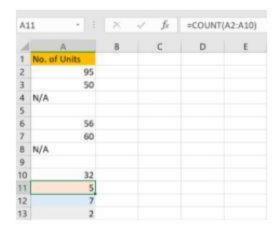
It counts the number of cells that contain numeric values only. Cells that have string values, special characters, and blank cells will not be counted. Shown below is an example of the count function.



2. COUNTA

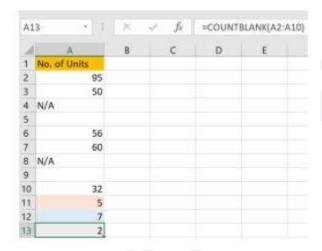
It counts the number of cells that contain any form of content. Cells that have string values, special characters, and numeric values will be counted. However, a blank cell will not be counted. Shown below is an example of the counta function.





3. COUNTBLANK

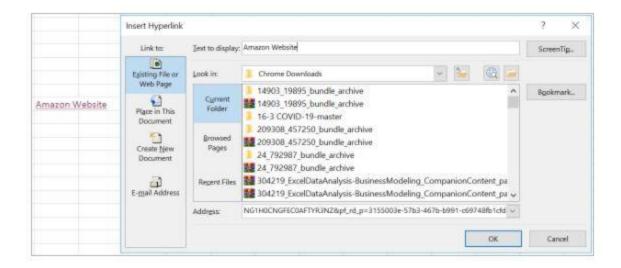
As the name suggests, it counts the number of blank cells only. Cells that have content will not be taken into consideration. Shown below is an example of the countblank function.



Q. How do you create a hyperlink in Excel?

A. Hyperlinks are used to navigate between worksheets and files/websites. To create a hyperlink, the shortcut used is Ctrl+K.

The 'Insert Hyperlink' box appears. Enter the address and the text to display. Here, we are directed to the Amazon Website.

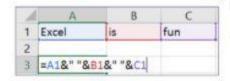


Q. How can we merge multiple cells text strings in a cell?

To merge text strings present in multiple cells into one cell, you can use the CONCATENATE(). Shown below is an example of the concatenate function.



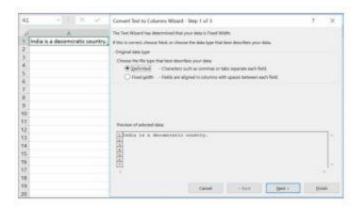
Another way of combining cell values is by using the "&" operator, as shown below:



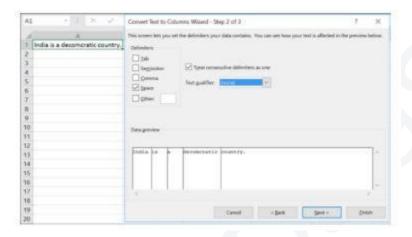
Q. How can you split a column into 2 or more columns?

You can split a column into 2 or more columns by following the below steps:

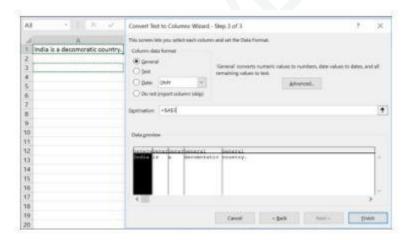
1. Select the cell that you want to split. Then, navigate to the Data tab, after that, select Text to Columns.



2. Select the delimiter.



3. Choose the column data format and select the destination you want to display the split.



4. The final output will look like below where the text is split into multiple columns.





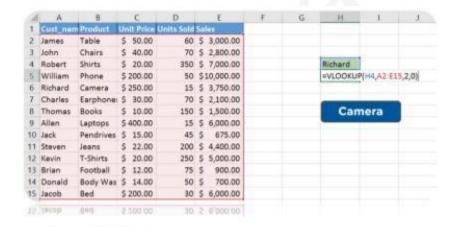
Q. What is the use of VLOOKUP and how do we use it?

The function VLOOKUP in Excel is used to look up information in a table and extract the corresponding data.

Syntax: VLOOKUP (value, table, col_index, [range_lookup])

- value Indicates the data that you are looking for in the first column of a table.
- table Refers to the set of data (table) from which you have to retrieve the above value.
- col_index Refers to the column in the table from where you are to retrieve the value.
- range_lookup FALSE = exact match [optional] TRUE = approximate match (default).

Shown below is an example of the vlookup function. We are to find the Product related to the Customer Name – "Richard".



Q. How is VLOOKUP different from the LOOKUP function?

VLOOKUP	LOOKUP



VLOOKUP lets the user look for a value in the left-most column of a table. It then returns the value in a left-to-right way.

It is not very easy to use as compared to the LOOKUP function.

Meanwhile, the LOOKUP function enables the user to look for data in a row/column. It returns the value in another row/column.

It is easier and can also be used to replace the VLOOKUP function.

Q. How many report formats are available in Excel?

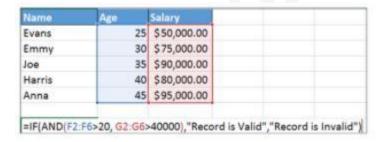
There are three report formats available in Excel; they are:

- 1. Compact Form
- 2. Outline Form
- 3. Tabular Form

Q. How does the IF() function in Excel work?

In Excel, the IF() function performs a logical test. It returns a value if the test evaluates to true and another value if the test result is false. It returns the value depending on whether the condition is valid for the entire selected range.

Let's look at the below example:

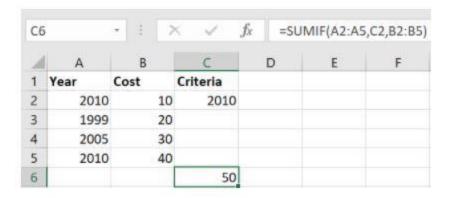


As seen above, the IF function returns "Record is Valid" if age is greater than 20, and the salary should be greater than \$40000. Else, it will return "Record is Invalid". Here the final answer will be "Record is Valid" as the entire selected range qualifies both the conditions.

Q. How do we use the SUMIF() function in Excel?

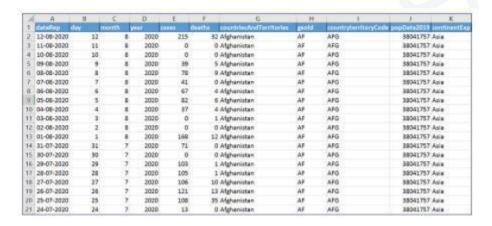
The SUMIF() function adds the cell values specified by a given condition or criteria. Given below is an example of the sumif function.





As seen above, the costs corresponding to the years 2010 are added as p Using the COVID data, find the number of days in which the number of deaths in Italy has been greater than 200.

To perform this operation, we can use the COUNTIFS() function. The dataset we will be using is shown below:



The COUNTIFS() function we use is - =COUNTIFS(G2:G35777,"Italy",E2:E35777,">200").

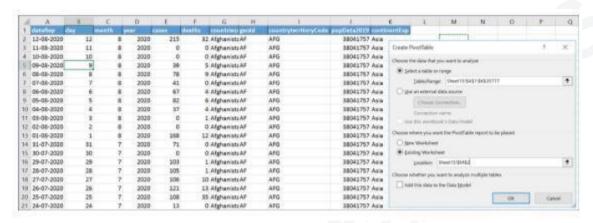
Q. What is a Pivot Table?

A. A pivot table is like a summary table of the dataset that enables you to create reports and analyze trends. They are useful when you have long rows or columns that hold values you need to track.

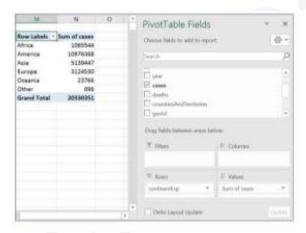
To create a pivot table, first, go to the Insert tab and select the 'PivotTable' option.



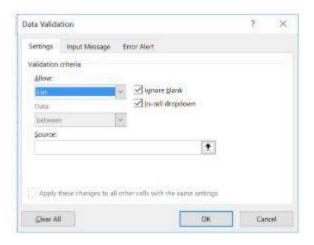
Select the table or the range and choose where you want to place the pivot table.



Drag the fields you wish to show in the pivot table. Here we have created a pivot table using the Coronavirus data.



- Q. Create a drop-down list in Excel.
- A. This can be done by using the 'Data Validation' option present in the Data tab.

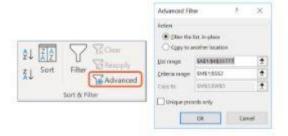


In the example below, we have created a list based on the city column of the dataset.



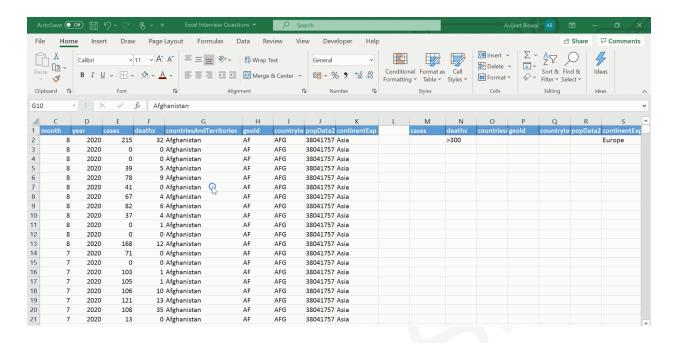
Q. How do we apply advanced filters in Excel?

To apply advanced filters, use the Advanced Filter option present in the Data tab. Select where you want to filter the table. Choose the 'list range' and the 'criteria range' that has the conditions based on which you would like to filter the table.



The below example shows how to apply advanced filters.





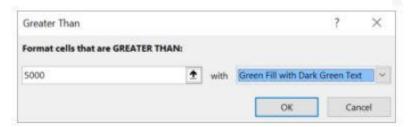
Q. Using the below-given sales data, highlight those cells where total sales > \$5000. Here, conditional formatting is used to highlight cells based on the criteria.



1. Select 'Conditional Formatting' from the home tab and under Highlight Cells Rules, choose 'Greater Than option'.



2. Provide the condition and choose the color for the cells to be highlighted.





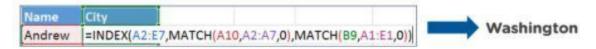
Q. Using the given table, explain how the index-match function works in Excel.



Here, we will write an index-match function to find the city to which Andrew belongs to from the below table.



Here is how you can use the Index-Match function to get the result.



Q. How do you find duplicate values in a column?

To find duplicate values in a column, you can either use Conditional Formatting or the COUNTIF() function.

1. Conditional Formatting

First, go to the Home tab, then under Conditional Formatting, select 'Highlight Cells Rules'. Then choose 'Duplicate Values'.



Below, we have highlighted the cells in the 'Name' column that have been repeated.

2. COUNTIF()

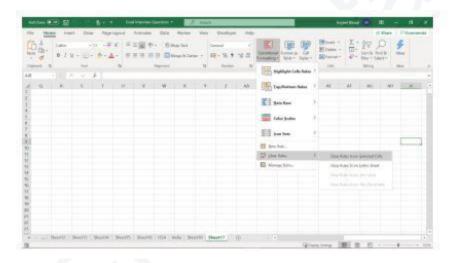
You can write a COUNTIF() function to check if the values in a particular column are repeated.





In the below example, we are fetching the duplicate names using the COUNTIF() function.

- Q. How can you remove duplicate values in a range of cells?
- 1. To delete duplicate values in a column, select the highlighted cells, and press the delete button. After deleting the values, go to the 'Conditional Formatting' option present in the Home tab. Choose 'Clear Rules' to remove the rules from the sheet.



2. You can also delete duplicate values by selecting the 'Remove Duplicates' option under Data Tools present in the Data tab.

MEDIUM

Q. What are the wildcards available in Excel?

Wildcards only work with text data. Excel has three wildcards.

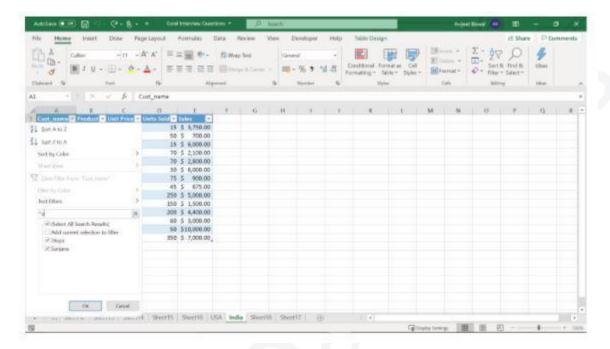


1. * (Asterisk)

This refers to any number of characters.

The example stated below filters the customers whose name ends with "a".

For that, we use "*a".

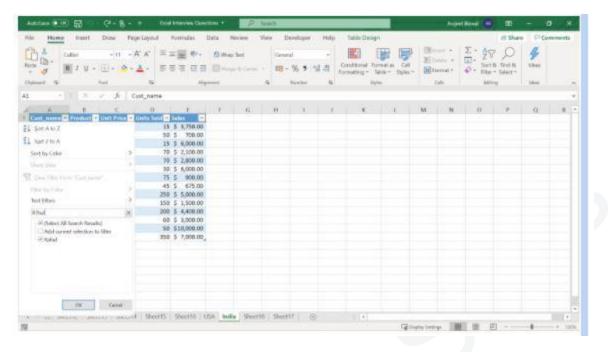


2. ? (Question mark)

It represents one single character.

The example below shows how to filter a particular customer name.

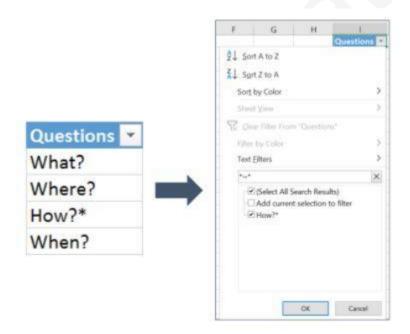




3. ~ (Tilde)

It is used to identify a wildcard character (~, *, ?) in the text.

In the following example, we are filtering How?* using the tilde (~) symbol.

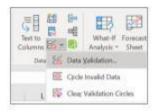


Q. What is Data Validation? Illustrate with an example.

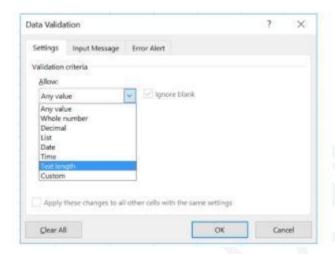


Data Validation restricts the type of values that a user can enter into a particular cell or a range of cells.

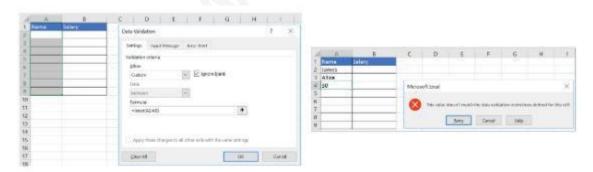
In the Data tab, select the 'Data Validation' option present under Data Tools.



Select the kind of data validation you want to apply.



In the following example, we have applied data validation to the 'Name' column to accept only text values. If you enter something other than a text, it will throw an error.



Q. Given below is a student table. Write a function to add pass/fail to the results column based on the following criteria.

If student marks > 60 and attendance > 75%, then pass else the student fails.



Student	Marks	Attendance
Sam	50	80
Danny	90	89
Mark	55	60
Mia	69	85
Suzane	75	72
Sophia	65	78

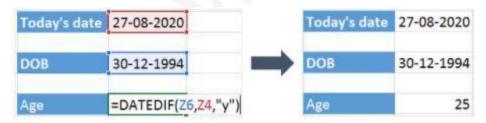
You can use the IF() function and check with an AND condition to fill in the results column.

Student	Marks	Attendance	Results		
Sam	50	80	Fail		
Danny	90	89	Pass		
Mark	55	60	=IF(AND(L	J7>60,V7>75), "Pass",	"Fail"
Mia	69	85	Pass		
Suzane	75	72	Fail		
Sophia	65	78	Pass		

Q. Calculate your age in years from the current date.

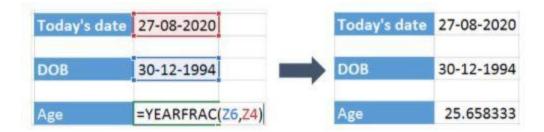
Use the YEARFRAC() or DATEDIF() function to return the number of whole days between start_date and end_date

YEARFRAC()



DATEDIF()





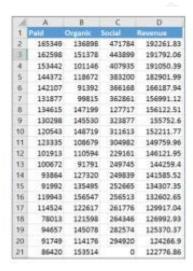
Q. How are nested IF statements used in Excel?

The function IF() can be nested when we have multiple conditions to meet. The FALSE value in the first IF function is replaced by another IF function to make a further test.

Below, using nested IF statements, we are categorizing results based on the marks.

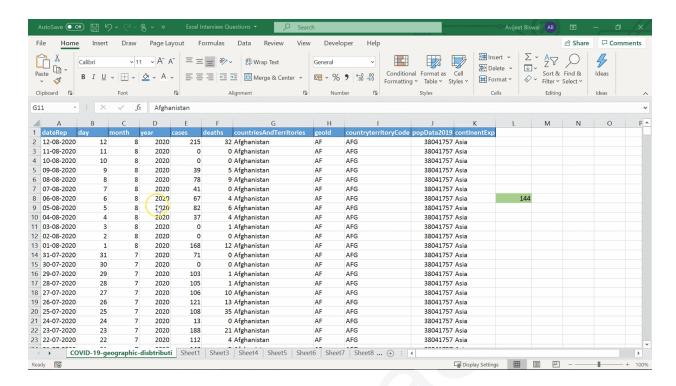
Student	Marks	Results	
Sam	50	Bad	
Danny	90	=IF(B3>80,	"Excellent", IF(B3<=60, "Bad", "Average")
Mark	55	Bad	
Mia	69	Average	
Suzane	75	Average	
Sophia	65	Average	

Q. From the below table, find the descriptive statistics of the columns using the Data Analysis ToolPak in Excel.

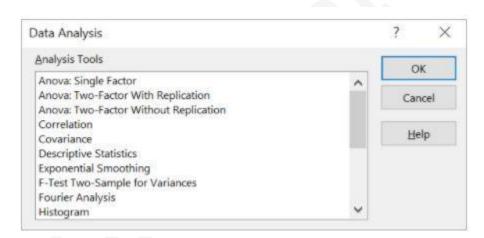


Add the Analysis ToolPak from Options ----> Add-ins ----> Analysis ToolPak.



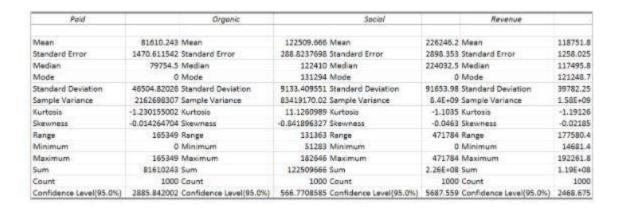


Click on the Data Analysis option in the Data tab. Choose Descriptive Statistics.



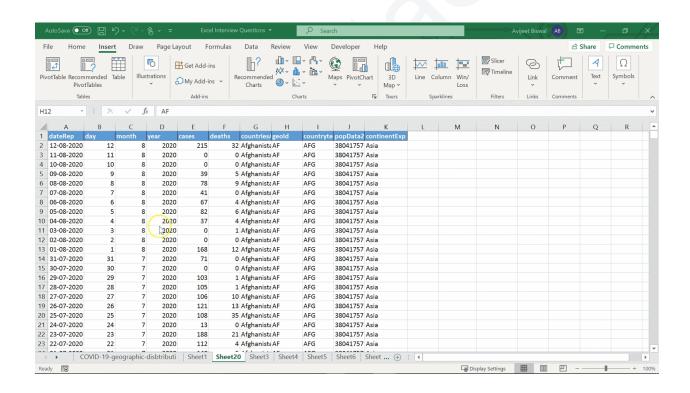
Below is the summary table for the columns and their respective statistical measures.





Q. Using the Coronavirus dataset, create a pivot table to find the total cases in each country belonging to their respective continents.

First, drag the continent and country columns into rows. After that, drag the cases column on to the values section.



Q. How do you provide Dynamic Range in 'Data Source' of Pivot Tables?

Dynamic Range in the data source of pivot tables is used to make your pivot table dynamic to adjust to new data when refreshed automatically.



Create a Named table to provide a dynamic range. Go to the Insert tab and select Table.



Under Table Design, give a name to the table.



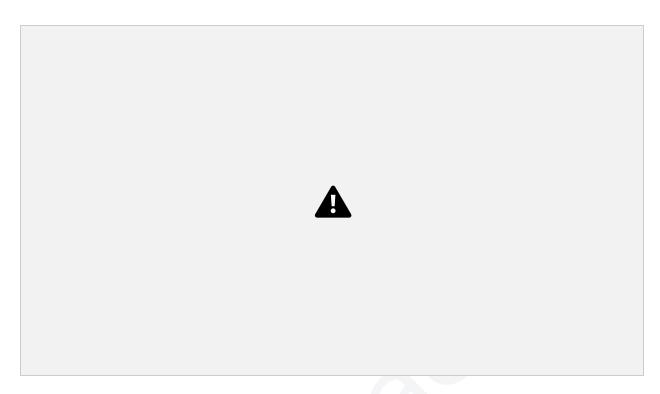
Q. Is it possible to create a Pivot Table using multiple sources of data?

Yes, you can create a pivot table from multiple worksheets. For this, there must be a common row in both the tables. This will act as the Primary key for the first table and Foreign key for the second table. Create a relationship between the tables and then build the pivot table.

- Q. Create a pivot table to find the top three countries from each continent based on the total cases using COVID data.
 - Create a pivot table using the coronavirus dataset by dragging sales into values.
 - Place the continent and country columns into rows.
 - Filter the table by selecting 'Top 3'.

Below is the sequence of steps to follow.





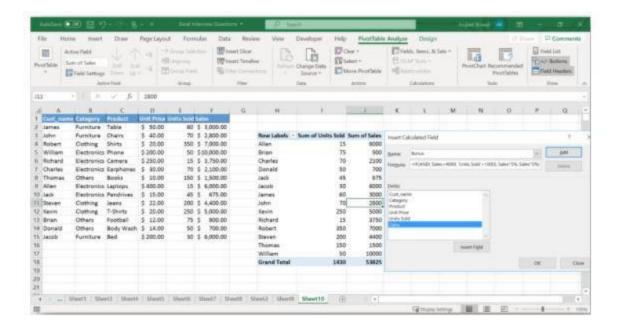
Q. How do you create a column in a pivot table?

For this, you have to go to the PivotTable Analyze tab and select 'Fields, Items & Sets' option. Under that, you need to click 'Calculate Field' to create a new column.



The Insert Calculated Field box appears. Give a name to the column and insert the formula by selecting the existing columns from the pivot table. Click Add ----> OK to create the column.





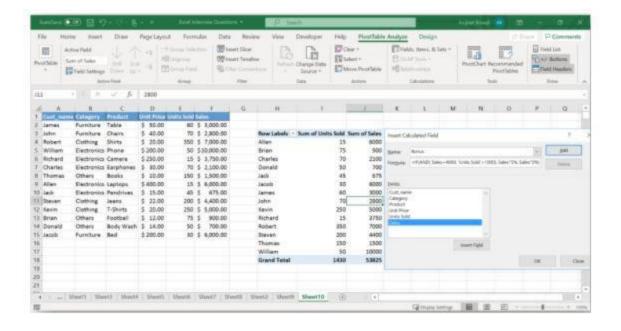
Q. How does a Slicer work in Excel?

To filter data in a Pivot table, we can use slicers.

- 1. To create a slicer, go to the Insert tab, and select Slicer present under Filter.
- 2. Then, select the list of fields for which you want to create slicers.

In the below example, we have created two slicers (months, countries, and territory) to filter the pivot table.





- Q. Use the coronavirus dataset to find the percentage contribution of each country and continent to the total cases?
 - 1. Create the pivot table to show the total cases by country and continent.
 - 2. Right-click on the sum of cases column and under Show Value As, select "% of Grand Total."



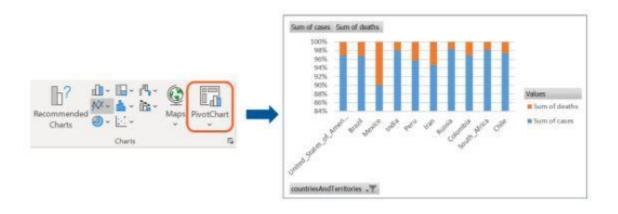


Q. How do you create a pivot chart in Excel?

To create a pivot chart, first, we need to create a pivot table.

Row Labels	Į¥.	Sum of cases	Sum of deaths
United_States_of_/	America	5141207	164537
Brazil		3109630	103026
Mexico		492522	53929
India		2329638	46091
Peru		489680	21501
Iran		331189	18800
Russia		897599	15131
Colombia		410453	13475
South_Africa		566109	10751
Chile		376616	10178
Grand Total		14144643	457419

 Go to the Insert tab next and select the 'Pivot Chart' option. Choose a suitable chart to represent your pivot table data.



Q. Differentiate between Pivot charts and standard charts.

The following are a few differences between Pivot charts and standard charts:

- The row/column format: A Pivot Chart's row/column orientation cannot be changed using the Select Data Source dialog box, in contrast to a normal chart. Instead, you can achieve the same result by pivoting the Row and Column labels of the corresponding PivotTable.
- Chart type: A Pivot Chart can be changed into any form of a chart, with the exception of a xy (scatter), stock, or bubble chart.
- Source of data: Pivot Charts are based on the data source of the related Pivot Table,
 whereas standard charts are tied directly to worksheet cells. In contrast to a standard



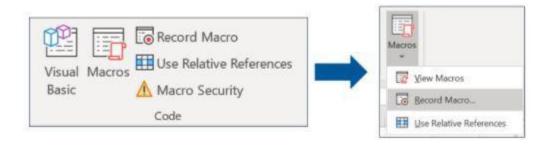
chart, the Pivot Chart's Choose Data Source dialog box does not allow you to alter the chart's data range.

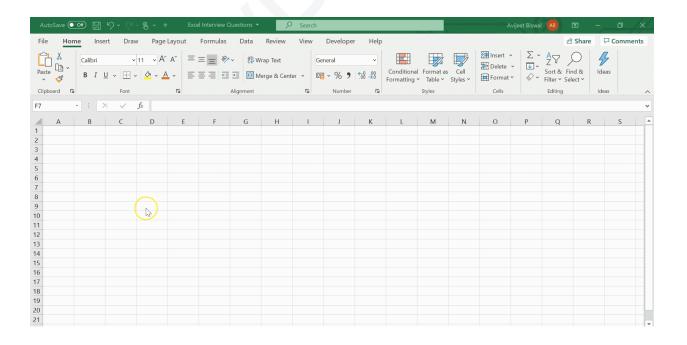
 Formatting The majority of formatting, including newly added chart elements, structure, and style, is kept when you reload a Pivot Chart. Trendlines, data labels, error bars, and other modifications to data sets, however, are not kept. After being applied, standard charts retain their formatting. Although you can't directly modify the data labels in a Pivot Chart, you may still do it by increasing the text's font size.

Q. What are macros in Excel? Create a macro to automate a task.

Macro is a program that resides within the Excel file. The use of it is to automate repetitive tasks that you would like to perform in Excel.

To record a macro, you can either go to the Developer tab and click on Record Macro or access it from the View tab.





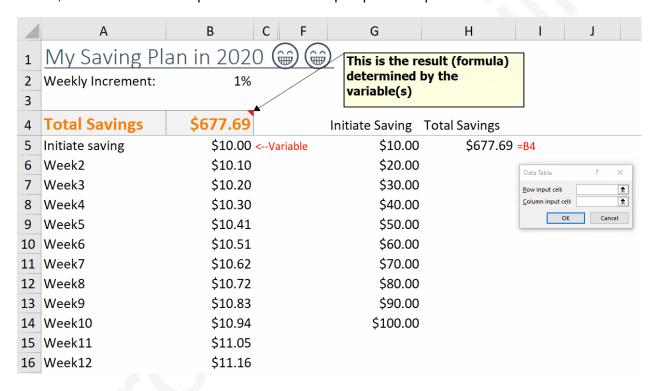


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Q. What do you understand by What If analysis?

What-if analysis is a technique for changing one or more cellular formulas to examine how the changes affect the worksheet results. Three different What-if approaches for analysis are available in Excel: Scenarios, Goal Seek, and Data Tables.

Data tables and scenarios offer a selection of inputs for potential results. While several variables can work with scenarios, a limit of 32 input values is allowed. Data tables only work with one or two variables, but they can all take on a variety of different values. Unlike Scenarios and Data Tables, Goal Seek takes outputs and determines prospective inputs to the same.



Q. How can one disable Pivot Tables' automatic sorting?

The data that is available in the Pivot Tables are automatically sorted by Excel. If you do not want Excel to do this action, select More Sort Options from the drop-down option for the Row Labels or Column Labels. The Sort dialog box appears as it opens. Deselect the option for Automatic Sort by selecting More Options.

Q. How would you add comments to your cells?

You must right-click a cell and select add comment from the cell menu to add a comment to it. Write your comment in the space provided for comments. There is a comment associated with

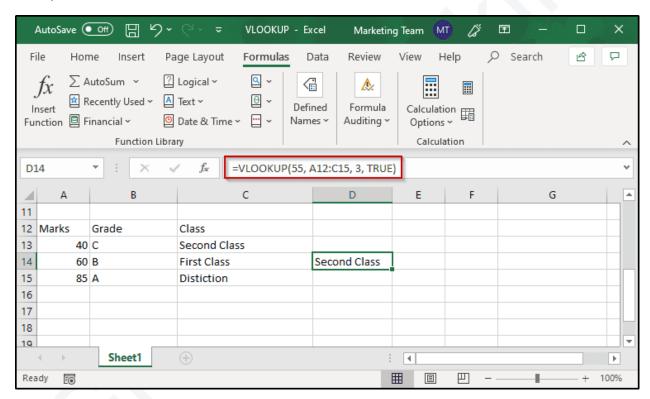


that specific cell if there is a red triangle in the upper right corner of the cell. Right-click the cell and choose "Delete Comment" from the cell menu to get rid of a comment.

Q. Provide an illustration of the approximate match.

When there are no exact matches for the provided lookup_value, VLOOKUP will fetch values to get an approximate match. Set the range_lookup value to TRUE for a rough match. Keep in mind that for VLOOKUP to do an approximate match, the table must be ordered in ascending order. In this case, VLOOKUP basically starts by searching for a roughly matching value to the specified lookup value before stopping at the value that is the next largest. It then enters that row to return the value from the designated column.

Example:



- Choose the target cell, then enter "=".
- Deploy VLOOKUP.
- Add the lookup value to the list of parameters.
- Use TRUE as the range lookup value.
- The function will be =VLOOKUP (55, A12: C15, 3, TRUE)

The lookup value is 55 and the next largest value near the lookup value that is present in the first column is 40. Hence, the output is 'Second Class'.

