

HOW TO Start Visual Studio Community 2015 (using Windows 8)

1. If necessary, tap the Windows logo key  on your keyboard to switch to the Windows 8 tile-based mode, and then click the Visual Studio 2015 tile.

2. *If the Choose Default Environment Settings dialog box appears*, click Visual Basic Development Settings and then click Start Visual Studio.

If the Choose Default Environment Settings dialog box does not appear, you can select the appropriate settings (if necessary) as follows: click Tools on the menu bar, click Import and Export Settings, select the Reset all settings radio button, click the Next button, select the appropriate radio button, click the Next button, click Visual Basic, click the Finish button, and then click the Close button to close the Import and Export Settings Wizard dialog box.

3. To reset the IDE to the default layout for Visual Basic, click Window on the menu bar, click Reset Window Layout, and then click the Yes button.
4. To temporarily show/hide the underlined letters (called access keys) in the menu bar, press the Alt key on your keyboard. To permanently show/hide the access keys, press and hold down the Windows logo key on your keyboard as you tap the letter x. Click Control Panel and then click Appearance and Personalization. In the Ease of Access Center section, click Turn on easy access keys. Select the Underline keyboard shortcuts and access keys check box, and then click the OK button. Close the Ease of Access Center window.

Figure 1-1 How to start Visual Studio Community 2015 (using Windows 8)