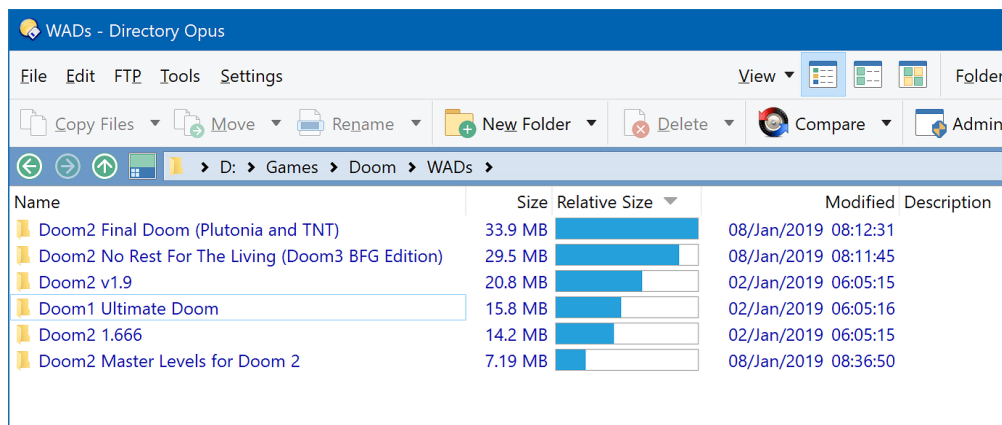


# Calculate Folder Sizes Automatically

## Opus FAQs

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Folder size calculation can be automatic or on-demand, depending on your preferences. Size calculation is performed in the background and does not block concurrent use of the lister, but it also causes disk access as the directory structures are examined so you may not want it to be done automatically, at least for certain drive types.



If you select one or more folders and run the **GetSizes** command then Opus will calculate their sizes and display the information the same way size is displayed for files. If you run the same command with no folders selected Opus will calculate the size of all folders.

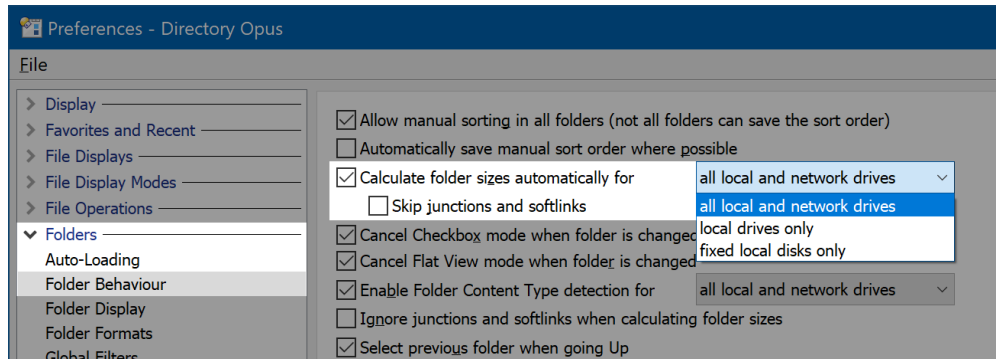
### GetSizes command:

On the default toolbars, the GetSizes command can be accessed via **Edit -> Calculate Folder Sizes (Ctrl+K)**. (Ctrl+L if your toolbars date back to an older version.)

*Tip:* Edit the GetSizes button and change its command to **GetSizes NODESELECT** if you don't want your folder selection to be cleared after the button is clicked.

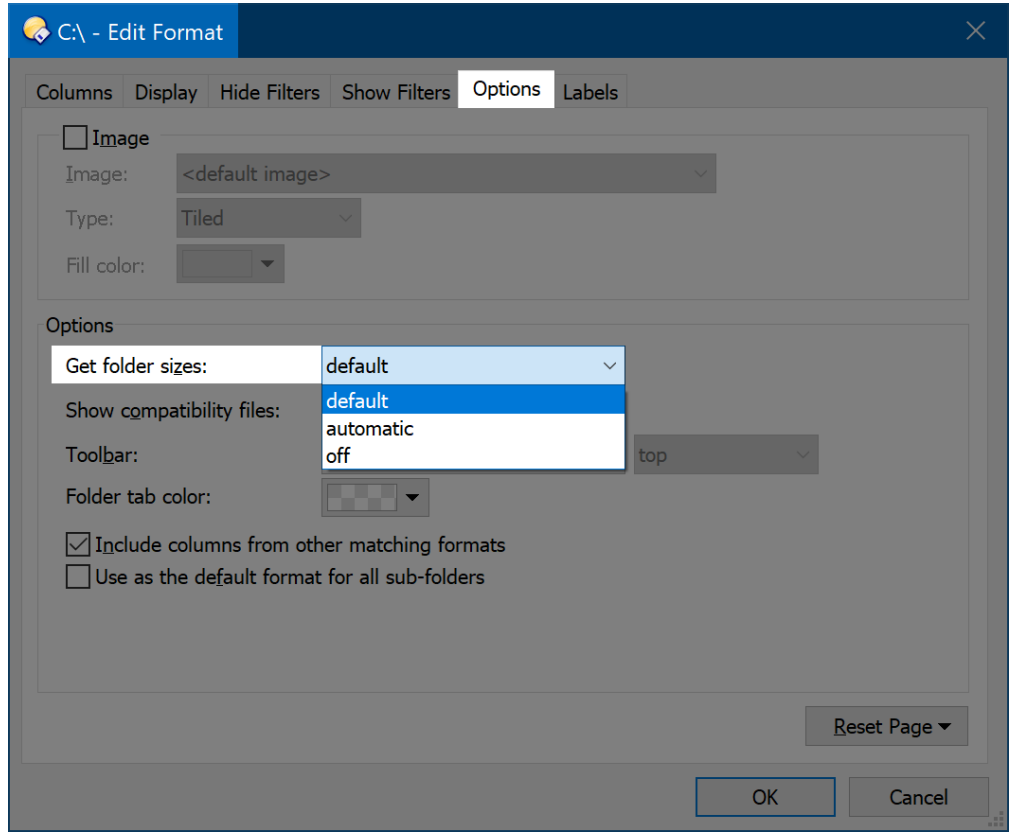
### Automatically, for all folders:

You can also ask Opus to calculate folder sizes automatically every time you change folder. Under **Preferences / Folders / Folder Behaviour**, the **Calculate folder sizes automatically for...** setting can be configured for all drives, all local drives, or fixed (non-removable) local drives, or switched off entirely.



## Overriding for specific folders:

Whichever way it is set, the global Preferences setting can be overridden for specific folders (and types of folders) via the [Folder Formats](#) system. If you go to **Preferences / Folders / Folder Formats**, edit one of the formats and switch to the **Options** tab then you will see a setting called **Get folder sizes**. Normally this is set to **default**, which means the global Preferences setting is used, but you can also force it on or off for the particular format.



Triggered by other recursive columns:

If you have added columns like **Total File Count / Files (total)** or **Total Sub-Folder Count / Folders (total)** to your file display then Opus will always calculate folder sizes while calculating the total file/folder counts.

D:\Games\Doom\WADs				
Name	Size	Relative Size	Files (total)	Folders (total)
Doom1 Ultimate Doom	15.8 MB	<div></div>	23	2
Doom2 1.666	14.2 MB	<div></div>	1	0
Doom2 Final Doom (Plutonia and TNT)	33.9 MB	<div></div>	2	0
Doom2 Master Levels for Doom 2	7.19 MB	<div></div>	42	1
Doom2 No Rest For The Living (Doom3 BFG Edition)	29.5 MB	<div></div>	3	0
Doom2 v1.9	20.8 MB	<div></div>	77	2

Calculatating folder sizes and relative size graphs

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**[NOT so happy with dopus anymore \(stability, foldersize calc\)](#)**

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**[Prevent auto-calculation of folders size on specific drives](#)**

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**[Button to switch to random view](#)**

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**[Force folder size](#)**

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**[Feedback from a beginner, but experienced software designer](#)**

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**[Foder size not working for all drives?](#)**

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**[Dopus or server fault?](#)**

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**[Slow Network Access](#)**

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**[DO 09 Folder Size and Report](#)**

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**[Suggestion: show info for empty dirs in thumbnail view](#)**

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**[Ctrl+L is not calculating folder size](#)**

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**[Big Google Team Drive make DO "slow"](#)**

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**[Remember the sizes](#)**

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**[Folder & File Size](#)**

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**[Lister not showing correct folder size](#)**

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**[Calculate folder sizes automatically for](#)**

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**[Relative Size works on files - but not on folders](#)**

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**[Automatic folder size calculation](#)**

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**[Automatic updating of folder sizes?](#)**

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[Prevent DO from Calculating the folder size for a particular drive](#)

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[Status bar code for total size](#)

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[Automatically show folder size in details mode](#)

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[Can't control "get size" on network, and other places](#)

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[Displaying folder size](#)

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[Calculate Folder Sizes Automatically issues](#)

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[Slow on one machine \(was: Slow after W10 Update\)](#)

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[Slow performance when changing folders...help!](#)

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[Total folders & file space problem \(affecting Infotip info\)](#)

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[Button for GetSizes plus Get Total File Count](#)

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[Persistant Directory Size Calc](#)

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[Is it possible to get size of selected folder](#)

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[Have buttons for \\*.pdf, \\*.doc, etc.?](#)

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