

# How can I calculate the Intraclass Correlation Coefficient in Excel?

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The Intraclass Correlation Coefficient (ICC) is a statistical measure used to assess the reliability and consistency of data within a group or sample. It is commonly used in research and data analysis to determine the degree of agreement among multiple raters or measurements. To calculate the ICC in Excel, one can use the built-in function "ICC" or manually input the formula, which involves calculating the variance components and dividing them by the total variance. This allows for the quantification of the proportion of total variability that can be attributed to within-group variability. With its user-friendly interface and robust statistical capabilities, Excel is a convenient tool for calculating the ICC and assessing the reliability of data.

## Calculate Intraclass Correlation Coefficient in Excel

**An (ICC) is used to determine if items (or subjects) can be rated reliably by different raters.**

**The value of an ICC can range from 0 to 1, with 0 indicating no among raters and 1 indicating perfect reliability.**

**This tutorial provides a step-by-step example of how to calculate ICC in Excel.**

### Step 1: Create the Data

**Suppose four different judges were asked to rate the quality of 10 different college entrance exams. The results are shown below:**

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
1	Exam	Judge A	Judge B	Judge C	Judge D		
2	1	1	2	0	1		
3	2	1	3	4	2		
4	3	3	8	1	3		
5	4	6	4	5	3		
6	5	6	5	5	6		
7	6	7	5	6	4		
8	7	8	7	6	6		
9	8	9	9	9	8		
10	9	8	8	8	8		
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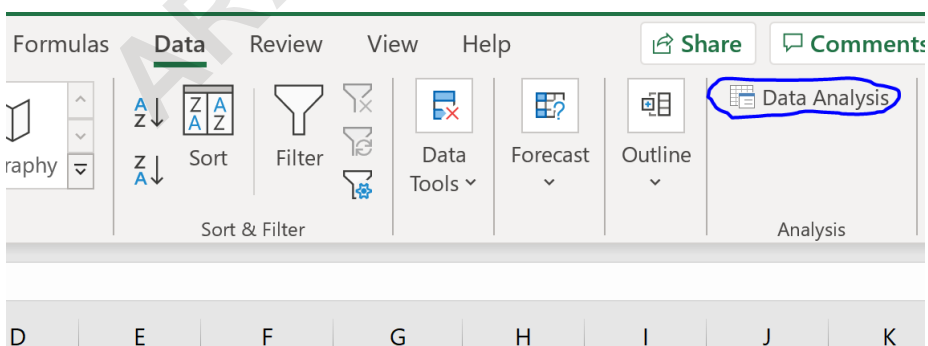
## Step 2: Fit an ANOVA

In order to calculate the ICC for these ratings, we first need to fit an Anova: Two-Factor Without Replication.

To do so, highlight cells A1:E11 as follows:

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
1	Exam	Judge A	Judge B	Judge C	Judge D		
2	1	1	2	0	1		
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4	3	3	8	1	3		
5	4	6	4	5	3		
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7	6	7	5	6	4		
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To do so, click the Data tab along the top ribbon and then click the Data Analysis option under the Analysis group:



If you don't see this option available, you need to first .

In the dropdown menu that appears, click **Anova: Two-Factor Without Replication** and then click **OK**. In the new window that appears, fill in the following information and then click **OK**:

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
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5	4	6	4	5	3		
6	5	6	5	5	6		
7	6	7	5	6	4		
8	7	8	7	6	6		
9	8	9	9	9	8		
10	9	8	8	8	8		
11	10	7	8	8	9		

Anova: Two-Factor Without Replication

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The following results will appear:

G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N
Anova: Two-Factor Without Replication							
	<i>SUMMARY</i>	<i>Count</i>	<i>Sum</i>	<i>Average</i>	<i>Variance</i>		
	1	4	4	1	0.666667		
	2	4	10	2.5	1.666667		
	3	4	15	3.75	8.916667		
	4	4	18	4.5	1.666667		
	5	4	22	5.5	0.333333		
	6	4	22	5.5	1.666667		
	7	4	27	6.75	0.916667		
	8	4	35	8.75	0.25		
	9	4	32	8	0		
	10	4	32	8	0.666667		
	Judge A	10	56	5.6	8.488889		
	Judge B	10	59	5.9	5.877778		
	Judge C	10	52	5.2	8.622222		
	Judge D	10	50	5	7.777778		
	ANOVA						
	<i>Source of Variation</i>	<i>SS</i>	<i>df</i>	<i>MS</i>	<i>F</i>	<i>P-value</i>	<i>F crit</i>
	Rows	231.525	9	25.725	15.30744	1.85E-08	2.250131
	Columns	4.875	3	1.625	0.966942	0.422653	2.960351
	Error	45.375	27	1.680556			
	Total	281.775	39				

### Step 3: Calculate the Intraclass Correlation Coefficient

We can use the following formula to calculate the ICC among the raters:

G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N
Anova: Two-Factor Without Replication							
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ICC	0.782	=(K23-K25)/(K23+J24*K25+(J24+1)*(K24-K25)/(J23+1))					

The intraclass correlation coefficient (ICC) turns out to be 0.782.

Here is how to interpret the value of an intraclass correlation coefficient, according to :

**Less than 0.50: Poor reliability**

**Between 0.5 and 0.75: Moderate reliability**

**Between 0.75 and 0.9: Good reliability**

**Greater than 0.9: Excellent reliability**

Thus, we would conclude that an ICC of 0.782 indicates that the exams can be rated with "good" reliability by different raters.

**A Note on Calculating ICC**

There are several different versions of an ICC that can be calculated, depending on the following three factors:

**Model: One-Way Random Effects, Two-Way Random Effects, or Two-Way Mixed Effects**

**Type of Relationship: Consistency or Absolute Agreement**

**Unit: Single rater or the mean of raters**

In the previous example, the ICC that we calculated used the following assumptions:

**Model: Two-Way Random Effects**

**Type of Relationship: Absolute Agreement**

**Unit: Single rater**

**For a detailed explanation of these assumptions, please**

**refer to .**

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