

How can I sum only positive numbers in Google Sheets?

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The process of summing only positive numbers in Google Sheets involves using the SUMIF function, which allows users to specify a range of cells and a criteria to be met. By setting the criteria to be greater than 0, the function will only sum the positive numbers in the designated range, ignoring any negative numbers. This can be useful for quickly calculating totals or averages of positive data in a spreadsheet.

Google Sheets: Sum Only Positive Numbers

You can use the following formula to sum only positive numbers in a range in Google Sheets:

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=SUMIF(A2:A16,">0")
```

This particular formula sums all of the positive numbers in the range A2:A16.

The following example shows how to use this formula in practice.

Example: Sum Only Positive Numbers in Google Sheets

Suppose we have the following dataset in Google Sheets:

| | A | B | C | D |
|----|---------------|---|---|---|
| 1 | Values | | | |
| 2 | 4 | | | |
| 3 | 1 | | | |
| 4 | 0 | | | |
| 5 | 5 | | | |
| 6 | -3 | | | |
| 7 | -5 | | | |
| 8 | 9 | | | |
| 9 | -5 | | | |
| 10 | -3 | | | |
| 11 | 0 | | | |
| 12 | 2 | | | |
| 13 | 4 | | | |
| 14 | -1 | | | |
| 15 | -3 | | | |
| 16 | 2 | | | |
| 17 | | | | |
| 18 | | | | |
| 19 | | | | |
| 20 | | | | |

We can use the following formula to sum only the positive values in column A:

=SUMIF(A2:A16,">0")

The following screenshot shows how to use this formula in practice:

C2 *fx* =SUMIF(A2:A16, ">0")

| | A | B | C | D |
|----|---------------|---|-------------------------------|---|
| 1 | Values | | Sum of Positive Values | |
| 2 | 4 | | 27 | |
| 3 | 1 | | | |
| 4 | 0 | | | |
| 5 | 5 | | | |
| 6 | -3 | | | |
| 7 | -5 | | | |
| 8 | 9 | | | |
| 9 | -5 | | | |
| 10 | -3 | | | |
| 11 | 0 | | | |
| 12 | 2 | | | |
| 13 | 4 | | | |
| 14 | -1 | | | |
| 15 | -3 | | | |
| 16 | 2 | | | |
| 17 | | | | |
| 18 | | | | |
| 19 | | | | |
| 20 | | | | |
| 21 | | | | |
| 22 | | | | |

The sum of only the positive values in column A turns out to be 27.

We can confirm this is correct by manually calculating the sum of the positive numbers:

Sum of Positive Numbers: $4 + 1 + 5 + 9 + 2 + 4 + 2 = 27$

This matches the value that we calculated using the

SUMIF formula.

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