

How do I use the TODAY function in Google Sheets?

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The TODAY function in Google Sheets is a tool that allows users to automatically insert the current date into a cell. This function is useful for keeping track of important dates and deadlines, as well as for creating dynamic spreadsheets that update with the current date. To use the TODAY function, simply type "`=TODAY()`" into the desired cell and press enter. The cell will then display the current date in the format specified in your spreadsheet settings. This function can also be combined with other functions and formulas to create more complex date calculations.

TODAY

Returns the current date as a date value.

Sample Usage

`TODAY()`

Syntax

`TODAY()`

Notes

Note that `TODAY` is a volatile function and can hurt spreadsheet performance.

`TODAY` provides the current date with no time component. To create a date with the current time, use `NOW`.

`TODAY` will always represent the current date the last time the spreadsheet was recalculated, rather than remaining at the date when it was first entered.

See Also

`NOW`: Returns the current date and time as a date value.

`DATEVALUE`: Converts a provided date string in a known format to a date value.

`DATE`: Converts a year, month, and day into a date.

Examples

Returns the current computer system date.

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