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Free spreadsheet programs for windows 10

There are several free spreadsheet programs that have the capabilities of Microsoft Excel without the price tag. These free spreadsheet programs have all the spreadsheet features you'd expect, as well as features like Excel file compatibility, clean interfaces, automatic spell check, macro creation, and automatic savings. Although it's not a desktop application like the others listed here, Google Sheets is a popular alternative to Microsoft Excel — in both its online and offline variants. Sheets work like any other spreadsheet. However, because it's a cloud-based service by default, it stores your work in almost real-time and stores your files in your Google Drive. You need to sign in with a Google Account to create new spreadsheets, but once logged in, the tool is free to use. Sheets are a cloud-based service that supports real-time collaboration and document sharing features that desktop-based solutions generally can't match. Gregor Schuster/Getty Images WPS Office Spreadsheet is a great free spreadsheet program. The beautiful, intuitive interface is easy to use, and it supports many features. It works with the same file types as almost every version of Microsoft Excel, including the XLSX, XLS, and CSV formats. You can open these common file types and save them to these file types. This free spreadsheet software supports more than a hundred formulas for working with data. OpenOffice Calc has many of the same features as Kingsoft Spreadsheets, including support for common file formats. However, it's not that easy to use. It offers unique advantages, such as support for creating macros and an automated spell check feature. OpenOffice Calc also lets different toolbars be detached from the main app window to provide more room to work, while providing tons of useful features. The Extensions Manager allows you to add features to OpenOffice Calc that are not included in the default app, which is another way to customize the app to your liking. Grnumeric is an advanced spreadsheet program. There are numerous tools you won't find from this list in some of the other software. Although there are advanced features like automated workbook savings, it also supports the common ones you'd expect to find in a spreadsheet program. Microsoft Excel 2003 and 2007 formats are supported, and data can be imported from a text file and then filtered into Grnumeric. Like all these spreadsheet apps, Spread32 supports hundreds of features and all the regular formatting tools. Still, the app interface is easy to use and provides a clean workspace. Save files to your computer in many formats, including XLS, XLT, PXT, CSV, and BMP. Spread32 is portable, which means you don't have to install it to use it. It can also run from portable media such as a flash drive. It takes less space than the other apps list; the size is below some megabytes. SSuite Accel doesn't look nearly as nice as the other apps from this list, but it's a working spreadsheet spreadsheet that performs many of the same functions. Files save to formats like XLS and CSV, but also to some Acceleration-specifics like VTS and ATP. SSuite Accel connects to external database files and supports opening files directly from Dropbox and other online storage services. Free office software has come a long way in recent years, and the best free suites can now easily be the place of premium apps for many users. For most users, Microsoft 365 (formerly known as Office 365) remains the original and best office suite, and it takes matters further with an online version that provides cloud backups and mobile use as required. Microsoft Word, Excel, Publisher, Access, Powerpoint, and Outlook remain key office applications. Over the years, however, other companies have released competitive office suites to help with productivity, some of which are paid and some of which are free - sometimes with the same company offering both. All of these alternatives to Microsoft Office offer a similar array of software applications, based primarily on creating and editing documents, spreadsheets, and presentations. However, while most offer the ability to work with traditional Microsoft Office documents, be aware that not everyone will preserve formatting when exporting from or to Microsoft Office, which can be a problem when documents are sent between different apps. Even still, for home users and new businesses, the idea of creating, modifying, managing and organizing office documents without incurring costs can be very welcome. Best free office software — at a glance (Image credit: Microsoft)Microsoft's desktop software carries a subscription fee, but the company noticed the threat posed by Google Workspace (formerly G Suite) and created its own set of free online apps. Microsoft 365 looks online and works just like its desktop equivalent, and although advanced tools like pivot tables are out of reach, but also aren't offered by Google. If you're generally using Microsoft document formats, Office Online is a brilliant choice. Unlike Google's free office suite, it doesn't have to convert your files before you can work on them, and you can easily share them through your Microsoft OneDrive account. Just sign in using your Microsoft account (the same one you use to sign in to Windows 10) and you're ready to go. There is a version of Office Online for Chrome, plus mobile editions of Office for iOS and Android. (Image credit: Zoho) While Google Docs is, thanks to the power of its brand, likely to be used more widely, Zoho Workplace is very good in its own right. It's certainly closer to a desktop office package, and it's strong enough to have attracted businesses like the BBC and Nike than regular users. Zoho's new word processor (which is the classic Word-style interface in favor of a formatting French) is very well presented and able to produce professional docs, and it has a sterling spreadsheet and reasonable presentation package along with it. They're just the point. However, the iceberg includes 'Zoho Workplace contains a powerful site regular tool, a file management solution, and many collaborative tools. Some are on the simplistic side, so they probably won't replace anything you already have in place, but if you start as a small business, Zoho is probably a good starting point. If you want to sign up for the free version of Zoho Workplace, you'll need to search the pricing page for the Forever Free plan. However, there's no one-click setup or access, and instead you'll have to go through a sign-up process that starts by providing details of an existing business domain. (Image Credit: Polaris Office) Available for desktop and mobile, includes 1GB cloud storageBundled extra softwareIf you own a Samsung phone, you may already be familiar with the mobile version of Polaris Office. This cross-platform free office software is available for Windows, macOS, Android and iOS, and comes pre-installed on some Samsung handsets. It's compatible with all Microsoft document formats, and provides a smooth ribbon-based interface with some basic customization options. Be careful if you choose to install Windows version, you'll see several additional pieces of bundled software, which could potentially include a browser extension of McAfee called WebAdvisor, a market research tool called PremierOpinion and an antivirus suite. You can refuse all these things - just keep an eye out. You then have to sign in with Facebook or Google, or create an account. This is necessary because Polaris Office is a cloud-based service. Your free Polaris account comes with 60MB monthly data transfer, 1GB of cloud storage, and can be used across three devices (one desktop and two mobile). If that's not enough space, you can connect Polaris Office to Google Drive, Dropbox, Box, Microsoft OneDrive, and Amazon Cloud Drive — or save jobs locally to your device. Upgrading to a premium Polaris account gives you access to extra features, including a PDF editor, deletes ads, and the ability to search within a document. You can read our review of Polaris Office here. (Image credit: LibreOffice) Large software suiteFull MS Office compatibilityCompletely freeLibreOffice is so good, you'll wonder why you ever pay for office software. It's compatible with all Microsoft document formats, and has almost every feature you'll find in the latest versions of Word, PowerPoint, and Excel. The suite, contains six apps to cover every common office task: Writer, Calc, Impress, Draw, Math, and Base. The last three are tools you won't find in many other free office suites, and are designed for vector diagrams, mathematical features, and databases, respectively. The latter is especially useful; free alternatives to Microsoft Access are hard to find. LibreOffice is an open source project maintained by a large and enthusiastic community of volunteers who improve stability and add new features. There's a great selection of extensions and templates to even make it flexible, and it's free for businesses as well as home users. LibreOffice is a fork of Apache OpenOffice, and the two are extremely similar, but LibreOffice is the better overall product and properly supports file conversion that preserves existing formatting — so your Word .doc files should look the same in LibreOffice as they do in Word, and vice versa. The latest release of LibreOffice (version 6) adds a vast array of new features and fixes, including more interface customization options, improved file input and export compatibility, and new online help pages. LibreOffice is available for Windows, Mac and Linux, but there are no official mobile versions available except for a document viewer for Android. It has some editing features, but it's experimental and we won't advise relying on it. You can read our LibreOffice review here. (Image Credit: WPS Office) WPS Office is a slimmed down version of a premium office suite, but you'll hardly know it. Each of its three apps looks just as smooth as the latest versions of Word, Excel, and PowerPoint, and is packed with just as many features. File format support is excellent, and you can save your work in native Microsoft formats for easy sharing with Office users. There is no database software, but WPS Office comes with an excellent free PDF reader that is a good replacement for Windows' built-in program. There's the occasional ad, but it's few and far between. They certainly won't get in the way of your work, and you'll easily forget that everything in this suite is completely free. There are versions of WPS Office for Windows and Linux systems, as well as apps for Android devices, but Apple device users will have to look elsewhere. You can read our review of WPS Office here. (Image Credit: SoftMaker) Supports Microsoft formatsIncludes PDF readerNo thesaurusLike WPS Office Free, SoftMaker FreeOffice provides analogs for Microsoft Word, Excel, and PowerPoint (TextMaker, PlanMaker, and Presentations respectively). As with all the free office suites in this roundup, there is support for Microsoft file formats from 1997 on down. It also offers effortless conversion to both PDF and Epub formats, which is a welcome addition. Unfortunately, some key features are exclusive to the premium version of the software. Some of these (such as folded browsing) are nice to have but non-essential, but the lack of a thesaurus is a real disadvantage for anyone who writes regularly. FreeOffice doesn't look quite as smart as WPS Office, but if you don't like the Microsoft ribbon and find it unintuitive, you'll prefer the slightly more old-fashioned approach to navigation. You can read our FreeOffice review here. (Image credit: Google) Cross-platformIntegrate with Google DriveMobile apps that are availableFormatting issuesQuirky if you work together, or switch between a and a Mac, Google Docs, Sheets, and Slides must be your first link port. For anyone already deep in the Android/Google ecosystem is, suite will be a natural choice. The three key tools happily run in any web browser, and are available as mobile apps for Apple and Android devices. Google's free office suite doesn't offer the advanced tools you'll find in desktop software like LibreOffice (for example, there are no pivot tables, and there's no database tool) but everything is laid out in a clear, logical way and all of your files will be saved and synced automatically, so you don't have to worry about transfers and backups. The main disadvantage of Docs, Sheets and Slides is that opening files created using other office software is a cumbersome process and file formatting is not always converted properly. This is partly because Google's office tools use web utilities rather than those stored locally on your device, and partly because Microsoft documents sometimes contain features that aren't supported by Google. Additionally, there are a few quirks with Google Docs that make it less user-friendly than other office software. As a free software, it does the job well, but as a paid product it still lies behind the features and functionality of Microsoft Office. Read our full Google Docs review. Check.