# Creating Histograms

**MS Excel 2007**

## To set up Microsoft Excel for creating histograms

1. Open Microsoft Excel.
2. Click the **Microsoft Office Button** , and then click **Excel Options**.

1. Click **Add-Ins**, and then in the **Manage** box, select **Excel Add-ins**.
2. Click **Go**.
3. In the **Add-Ins available** box, select the **Analysis ToolPak** check box, and then click **OK**.
**Tip**: If **Analysis ToolPak** is not listed in the **Add-Ins available** box, click **Browse** to locate it.
If you get prompted that the Analysis ToolPak is not currently installed on your computer, click **Yes** to install it.
4. After you load the Analysis ToolPak, the **Data Analysis** command is available in the **Analysis** group on the **Data** tab.

**Making Histograms**

1. Type in the input values to be graphed
In the example pictured on the next page, scores for 25 students on a Math test marked out of 50 are given.
2. Choose the boundary values for the "bins" in ascending order (optional).
This example shows a set of bin values from 13 (slightly higher than the lowest score) to 49 (just below the highest score). Values will be included in a bin if it is equal to or less than that bin, but greater than all smaller bins. If you don’t set a bin range, it will be calculated for you.
3. Access the Histogram option through the **Data** tab . Click on **Data Analysis** and then choose **Histogram** from the list in the dialog window.
You will have to ensure that the **Analysis ToolPak** has been activated (see information above).

1. Choose the options for your histogram:
**Input Range:** Highlight all the cells containing the information for the histogram (cells A6 to A30 in the example).
**Bin Range:** Highlight the cells containing the bin range you have planned (cells E10 to E19).
**Output Range:** choose at least one cell for your calculated information to be placed, if you are putting it on the same sheet as the input data.
**New Worksheet Ply:** Put the information on a new worksheet created for it, within the same workbook.
**New Workbook:** Make an entirely new workbook for your calculated information.
**Pareto (sorted histogram):** This sorts the data in the output in descending order of frequency. If it is not checked, the data will be sorted in ascending order.
**Cumulative Percentage:** Check this to have cumulative percentages calculated and included in the data and histogram.
**Chart Output:** Check this to create the data table and the embedded histogram together.

**Sample Data and Histogram:**

