=C5*C16

Part of the cell reference points to cell **C16** (which if you check is empty). The problem is that because of the relative nature of the formula, the component that should always refer to the contents of the cell in **C15** (i.e. the delivery charge percentage), in fact moves down as you drag down the screen to extend your calculations.

- Select the range **D4:D12** and press the **Del** key to delete the cell contents.
- Click on cell **D4** and we will try again. This time type in the following formula.

=C4*\$C\$15

The dollar signs make the reference to cell **C15** absolute.

• Try extending the formula to fill the range down to **D12**. This time you should find that the delivery charges are calculated correctly.

4	A	В	C	D
1				
2				
3		Part Number	Price (excluding delivery)	Cost of delivery
4		100837	22.99	1.15
5	\$2 24	100263	10.95	0.55
6		100937	20.50	1.03
7	52 22	100234	10.50	0.53
8		100375	12.95	0.65
9	32	100746	29.84	1.49
10		100387	23.43	1.17
11	94	100883	9.48	0.47
12		100338	20.50	1.03

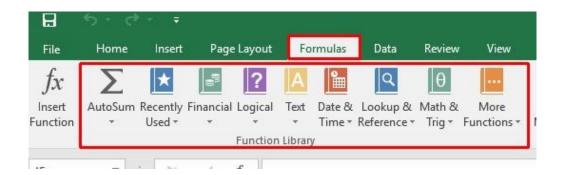
TIP: You have seen relative and absolute referencing. You can also have mixed references, which contain an absolute and a relative reference.

Save your changes and close the workbook.

Excel 2016 Functions

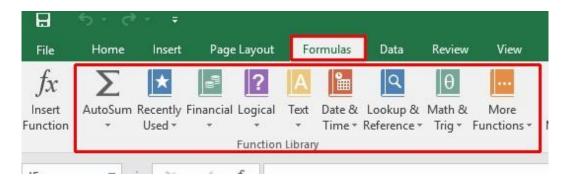
What are functions?

☐ A function allows you to calculate a result such as adding numbers together, or finding the average of a range of numbers. Functions are located under the **Formulas** tab.



Common functions

☐ Some commonly used functions include:



AVERAGE: Used to determine the average value of the selected cells contents.

COLUMNS: Used to return the number of columns within a reference.

COUNT: Used to count how many numbers are in the list.

COUNTA: Used to count the number of cells that are not empty and the values within the list of arguments.

COUNTBLANK: Used to count empty cells within a cell range.

MAX: Used to return the maximum number from a list.

MIN: Used to return the minimum number from a list.

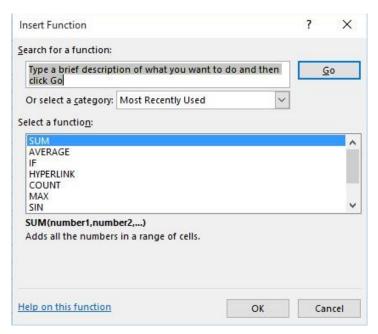
ROUND: Used to round off numbers to a specified number of decimal points.

SUM: Used to add the contents of selected cells.

To display the available functions, press **Ctrl+N** to display a blank workbook and then click on the **Formulas** tab and within the **Function Library** group click on the **Insert Function** icon.



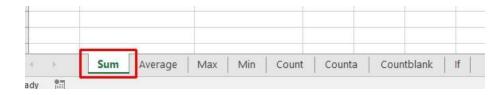
This will display the **Insert Function** dialog box.



☐ Scroll down the list which as you will see is extensive.

Sum function

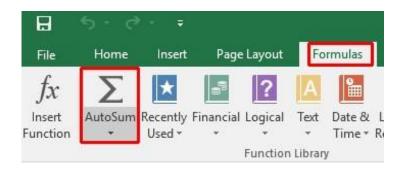
- Open a workbook called Functions.
- If necessary, click on the Sum worksheet tab.



Click on cell C8.

C8		* : × ✓ fx	
4	Α	В	C
1			
2			
3		Sales Region	No of sales
4		North	34
5		South	11
6		East	84
7		West	38
8		TOTAL	
9			

- In this cell we need to sum the values in the column above.
- Click on the Formulas tab and within the Function Library group click on the AutoSum icon.

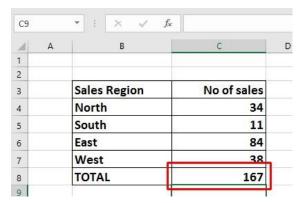


TIP: Click on the AutoSum icon, not the down arrow under or beside the icon.

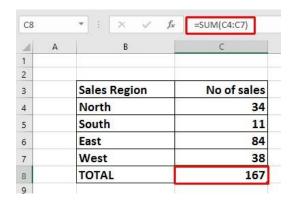
You will see the following displayed on your screen.

4	Α	В	C	D
1				
2				
3		Sales Region	No of sales	
4		North	34	
5		South	11	
6		East	84	
7		West	38	
8		TOTAL	=SUM(C4:C7)	
9			SUM(number1, [number2],)	
100				

Press the Enter key and you will see the AutoSum result in cell C8.



 Click on cell C8, and you will see the function displayed in the bar just above your worksheet.



As you can see the function is:

=SUM(C4:C7)

• This function tells Excel to sum the values in the range C4:C7.

Average function

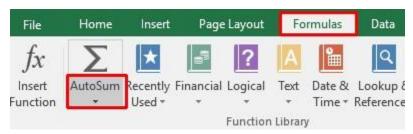
• Click on the **Average** worksheet tab.



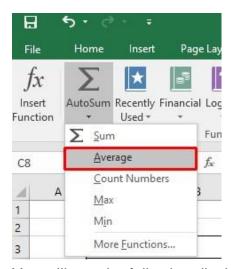
• Click on cell C8.

4	Α	В	C
1 2			
2			
3		Sales Region	No of sales
4		North	34
5		South	11
6		East	84
7		West	38
8		Average no. of sales per region	
9			
10			

- In this cell we want to display the average number of sales within the regions.
- Click on the Formulas tab and within the Function Library group click on the arrow under (or next to) the AutoSum icon.



You will see a drop down list displayed. Click on the Average command.



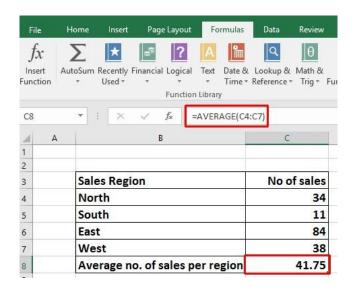
You will see the following displayed on your screen.

4	Α	В	C	D
1				
2				
3		Sales Region	No of sales	
4		North	34	
5		South	11	
6		East	84	
7		West	38	
8		Average no. of sales per region	=AVERAGE(C4:C	7)

• Press the Enter key and you will see the average value displayed in cell C8.

1	Α	В	С
1			
2			
3		Sales Region	No of sales
4		North	34
5		South	11
6		East	84
7		West	38
8		Average no. of sales per region	41.75

 Click on cell C8, and you will see the function displayed in the bar just above your worksheet.



As you can see the function is:

=AVERAGE(C4:C7)

This function tells Excel to sum the average in the range C4:C7.

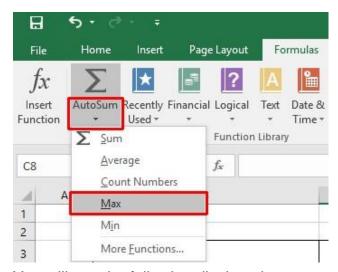
Max function

Click on the Max worksheet tab.

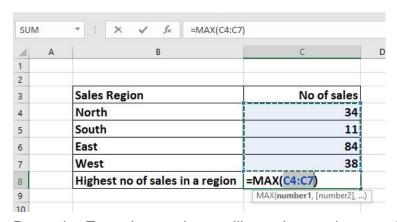


 Click on cell C8. In this cell we want to display the highest number of sales within a region.

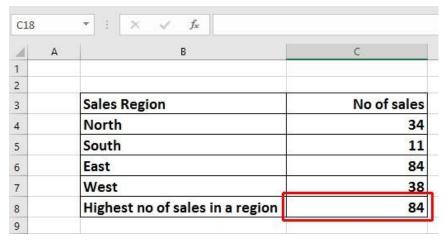
 Click on the Formulas tab and within the Function Library group click on the down arrow under (or next to) the AutoSum icon. You will see a drop down list displayed. Click on the Max command.



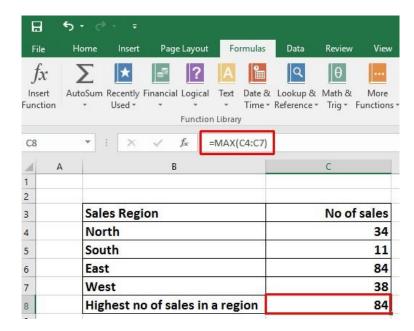
You will see the following displayed on your screen.



Press the Enter key and you will see the maximum value displayed in cell C8.



 Click on cell C8, and you will see the function displayed in the bar just above your worksheet.



As you can see the function is:

=MAX(C4:C7)

This function tells Excel to display the maximum value within the range C4:C7.

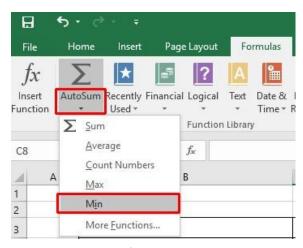
Min function

- The MIN function will display the minimum number within a range.
- Click on the Min worksheet tab.

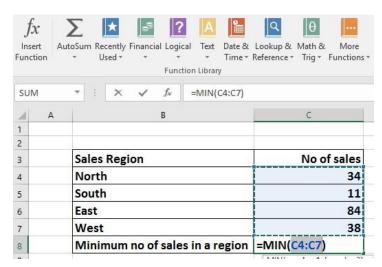


• Click on cell **C8**. In this cell we want to display the lowest number of sales within a region.

 Click on the Formulas tab and within the Function Library group click on the down arrow under (or next to) the AutoSum icon. You will see a drop down list displayed. Click on the Min command.



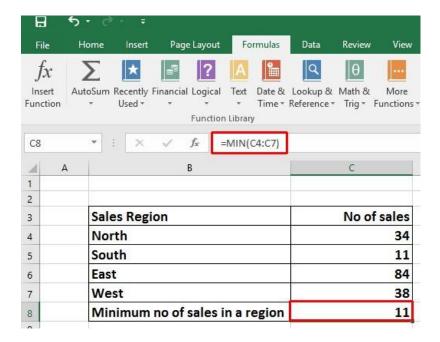
You will see the following displayed on your screen.



Press the Enter key and you will see the minimum value displayed in cell C8.

4	A B	С	
1			
2			
3	Sales Region	No of sales	
4	North	34	
5	South	11	
6	East	84	
7	West	38	
3	Minimum no of sales in a region	11	
9			

 Click on cell C8, and you will see the function displayed in the bar just above your worksheet.



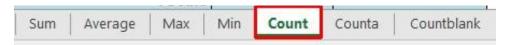
As you can see the function is:

=MIN(C4:C7)

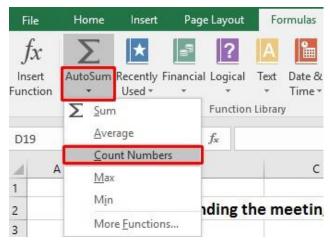
This function tells Excel to display the minimum value within the range C4:C7.

Count function

- The **Count** function will count up the number of cells which contain numbers.
- Click on the Count worksheet tab.



- Click on cell **C19**. In this cell we want to display the number of cells in the column above that contain a number.
- Click on the Formulas tab and within the Function Library group click on the down arrow under (or next to) the AutoSum icon. You will see a drop down list displayed. Click on the Count Numbers command.



You will see the following displayed on your screen.

	Delegates attending to	ne meeting			
1	Delegate country	Present	Not present		
	Australia	1	·		
5	Brazil	1	8		
	Canada	1			
	China		1		
i I	Cyprus	1			
0	Greece	1	2		
1	India	1	1		
2	Ireland	1			
3	New Zealand	1			
4	Pakistan	1	8		
5	South Africa	1			
6	Turkey		1		
7	UK	1			
В	USA	11	_		
9	=COUNT(C17:C18)				

WARNING: In all the previous examples, there was a column containing values immediately above the cell into which we inserted the function. In this case some of the cells within the column are empty and Excel, as you can see, has only applied the Count function to the range C17:C18. The reason for this is that the next cell up, i.e. cell C16 is empty.

We need to tell Excel that the range we are interested in actually extends from C5:C18.

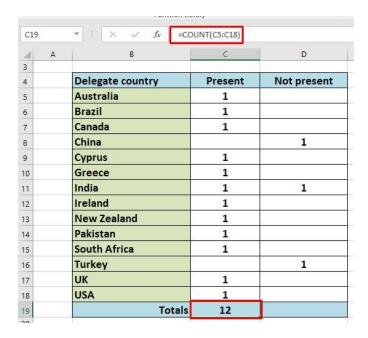
To do this, click on cell C18 and while holding down the mouse button drag up to cell C5. Then release the mouse button. Your screen should now look like this.



• Press the Enter key and you will see the count value displayed in cell C19.

1	Α	В	С	D
3				
4		Delegate country	Present	Not present
5		Australia	1	
6		Brazil	1	÷.
7		Canada	1	
8		China		1
9		Cyprus	1	
10		Greece	1	
11		India	1	1
12		Ireland	1	
13		New Zealand	1	
14		Pakistan	1	ë
15		South Africa	1	
16		Turkey		1
17		UK	1	
18		USA	1	
19		Totals	12	

• Click on cell **C19**, and you will see the function displayed in the bar just above your worksheet.



As you can see the function is:

=COUNT(C5:C18)

 This function tells Excel to display the number of cells containing a value within the range C5:C18.

NOTE: If you made a mistake, click on cell **C19** and press the **Del** key. Then try again.

• Use the same technique to count up the number of people who could not attend, and display the value in cell **D19**.

The COUNTA function

- Used to count the number of cells within a range that are not empty.
- Click on the Counta worksheet tab.



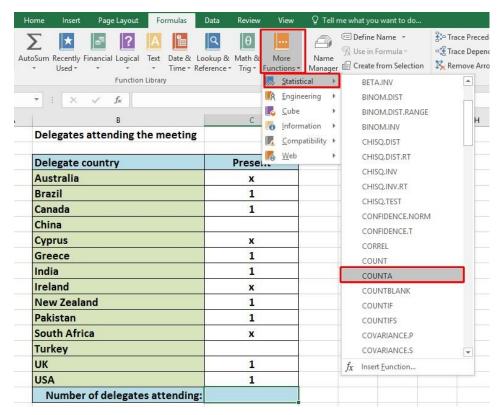
You will see data that contains a mixture of numbers (1) and letters (x).

A A	В	С
2	Delegates attending the meeting	
3		
4	Delegate country	Present
5	Australia	x
6	Brazil	1
7	Canada	1
8	China	
9	Cyprus	x
10	Greece	1
11	India	1
12	Ireland	x
13	New Zealand	1
14	Pakistan	1
15	South Africa	x
16	Turkey	
17	UK	1
18	USA	1
19	Number of delegates attending:	
20		•

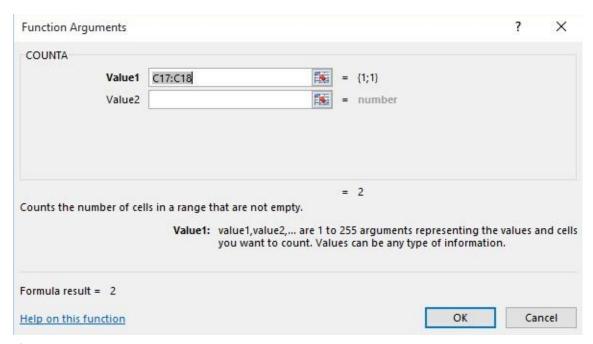
- The Count function would only count up the number of cells containing numbers, whereas Counta will count the number of cells containing numbers and letters.
- Click on cell C19.
- Click on the **More Functions** icon (contained within the **Function Library** section of the **Formulas** tab).



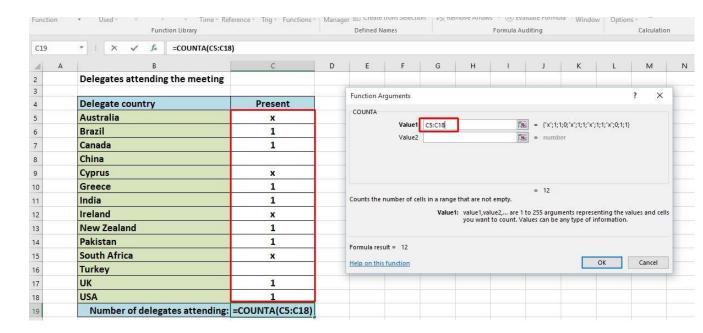
• From the drop down displayed, select **Statistical**. From the submenu select **Counta**.



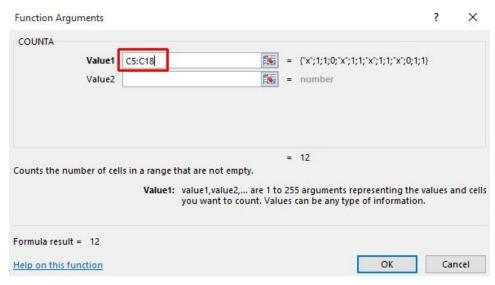
This will display the Function Arguments dialog box, as illustrated.



• If necessary move the dialog box to one side and then select the cell range **C5:C18**, as illustrated.



The Function Argument dialog box will look like this.



Click on the **OK** button and you will see the following.

_ A	В	С
2	Delegates attending the meeting	
3	1970	
4	Delegate country	Present
5	Australia	x
6	Brazil	1
7	Canada	1
8	China	
9	Cyprus	х
10	Greece	1
11	India	1
12	Ireland	x
13	New Zealand	1
14	Pakistan	1
15	South Africa	х
16	Turkey	
17	UK	1
18	USA	1
19	Number of delegates attending:	12
50.535		

 As you can see the function has counted every instance of a number or letter within the specified cell range.

The COUNTBLANK function

Average

Used to count empty cells within a cell range.

Max

Click on the Countblank worksheet tab.



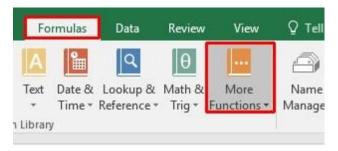
• Click on cell C19.

Sum

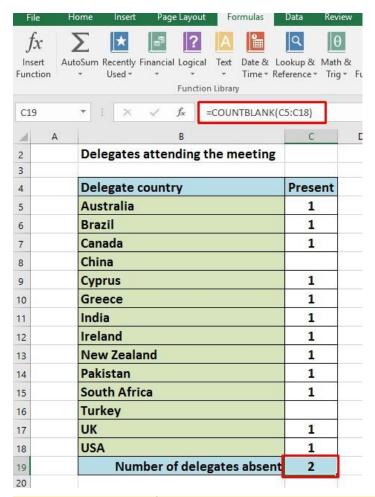
• Click on the **More Functions** icon (contained within the **Function Library** section of the **Formulas** tab).

Count

Min



• From the drop down displayed, select **Statistical**. From the submenu select **Countblank**. You may have to scroll down the list to see this function.



 As you can see the function has counted every instance of an empty cell within the specified cell range.)

What are 'IF functions'?

 Excel has a number of functions which allow us to evaluate values and make decisions based on the result of the evaluation. The IF() FUNCTION is one of these.

IF() SYNTAX

The format (Syntax) of the IF() function is as follows: IF(LOGICAL_TEST, ACTION_IF_TRUE, ACTION_IF_FALSE)

LOGICAL TEST

The logical_test evaluates an expression to see if it passes the test, i.e. is TRUE or does not pass the test, i.e. is FALSE

Logical operators		Values for Evaluation A=10 B=5 C=15 D=10	Result
	= (Equal to)	A=B	FALSE
		A=D	TRUE
	> (Greater than)	A>B	TRUE
		A>C	FALSE
	< (Less than)	A <b< td=""><td>FALSE</td></b<>	FALSE
		A <c< td=""><td>TRUE</td></c<>	TRUE
	>= (Greater than or Equal to)	A>=B	TRUE
		A>=D	TRUE
		A>=C	FALSE
	<= (Less than or Equal to)	A<=B	FALSE
		A<=C	TRUE
		A<=D	TRUE

ACTION_IF_TRUE

Action_if_true can be a value or an operation. Whichever, the result is placed in the cell which contains the IF() Function if the logical_test is true.

ACTION_IF_FALSE

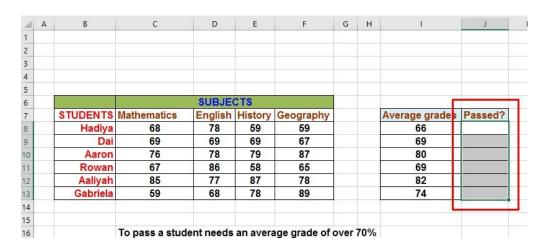
Action_if_false can be a value or an operation. Whichever, the result is placed in the cell which contains the IF() Function if the logical_test is false.

Using the IF function

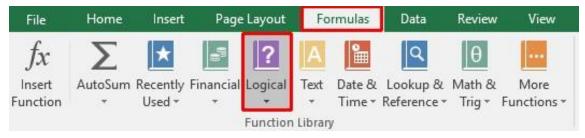
Click on the If worksheet tab.



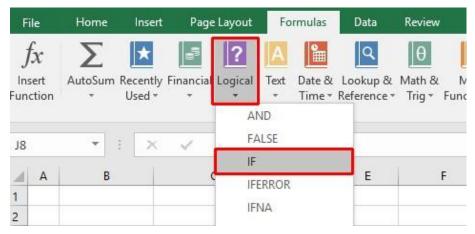
 In cells J8:J13 we need to display the word PASS or FAIL, depending on whether the average is over 70%.



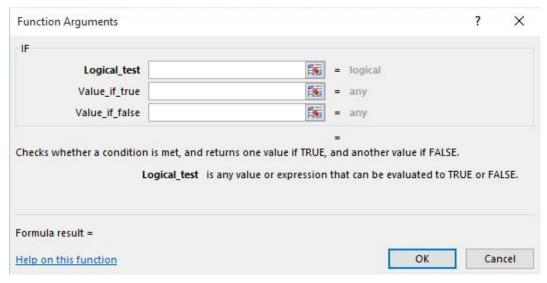
- Click on the cell **J8**.
- Click on the Logical icon within the Function Library group of the Formulas tab.



• This will display a drop down list. Select the **IF** command.



This will display the Function Arguments dialog box.

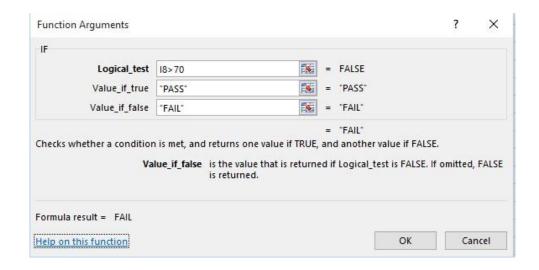


 In the LOGICAL_TEST section of the dialog box, we enter the logical test, i.e. I8>70

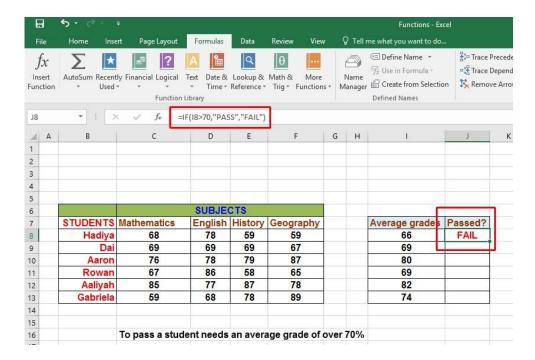
In the VALUE_IF_TRUE section of the dialog box, we enter the word PASS.

In the VALUE_IF_FALSE section of the dialog box, we enter the word FAIL.

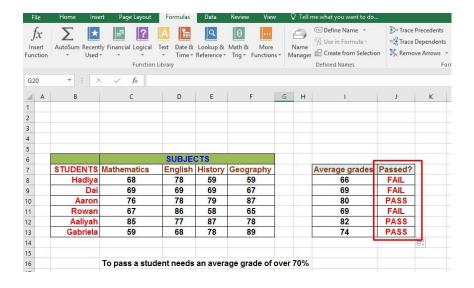
Your dialog box will now look like this.



Click on the OK button to continue. Your screen will now look like this.



• Use the normal Excel drag techniques to extend this function to the cells **I9:J13**. Your screen will now look like this.



Save your changes and close the workbook.