

Count cells that contain numbers

The screenshot shows an Excel spreadsheet with the following data:

Range	Count	Notes
B5:B9	3	numeric
B5:B9	2	non-numeric

The spreadsheet also contains a list of values in column B:

Range	Value
B5	apple
B6	10
B7	1/1/2016
B8	\$100.00
B9	

The formula bar shows the formula: `=COUNT(B5:B9)`. The result '3' is displayed in cell E5. The ExcelJET logo is visible in the bottom right corner.

Generic formula

```
= COUNT ( rng )
```

Summary

To count the number of cells that are not blank, use the [COUNT function](#). In the generic form of the formula (above) **rng** represents a range of cells.

In the example, the active cell contains this formula:

```
= COUNT ( B5 : B9 )
```

Explanation

The COUNT function is fully automatic. It counts the number of cells in the range that contain numbers and returns the result.

Count cells that do not contain numbers

To count the number of cells in a range that do not contain numbers, use this [SUMPRODUCT function](#):

```
= SUMPRODUCT ( -- NOT ( ISNUMBER ( B5 : B9 ) ) )
```