

How to change regional settings on Windows 10

On Windows 10, regional settings allow operating systems and apps (e.g., Microsoft Store) to personalize the experience of displaying content to users based on location.

Additionally, based on location, Windows 10 can also automatically display the correct format for the date, time, language, and currency.

Change the regional settings the old way

In the past, you needed to use the Control Panel to change regional settings, such as first day of week, currency, and date and time format. However, you can now adjust these options using the "**Region**" settings page with the **Settings** app .

In this guide, you will learn the steps to change location on Windows 10 and set the correct regional formats.

Change regional and location format settings on Windows 10

To adjust the regional settings, follow these steps:

Step 1. Open Settings on Windows 10.

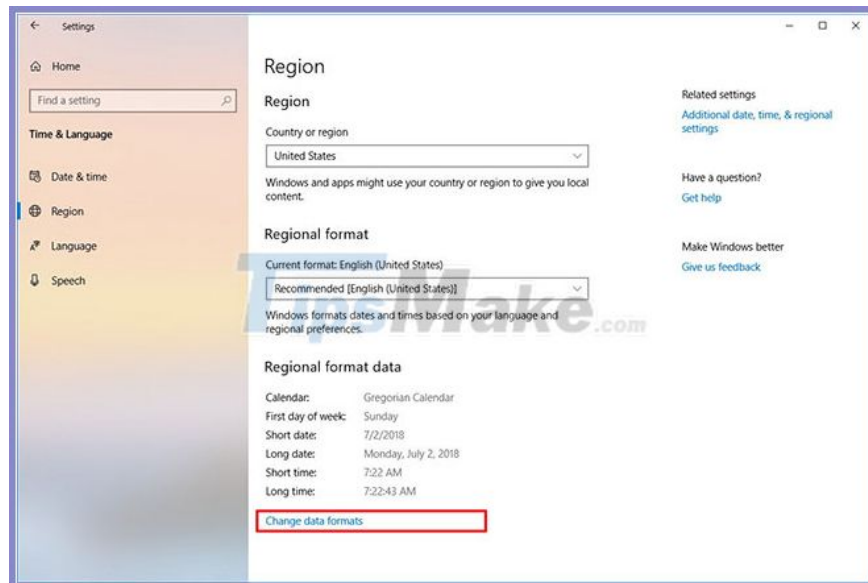
Step 2. Click **Time & Language** .

Step 3. Click **Region**.

Step 4. In the **Region** section , use the drop-down menu to set your exact location.

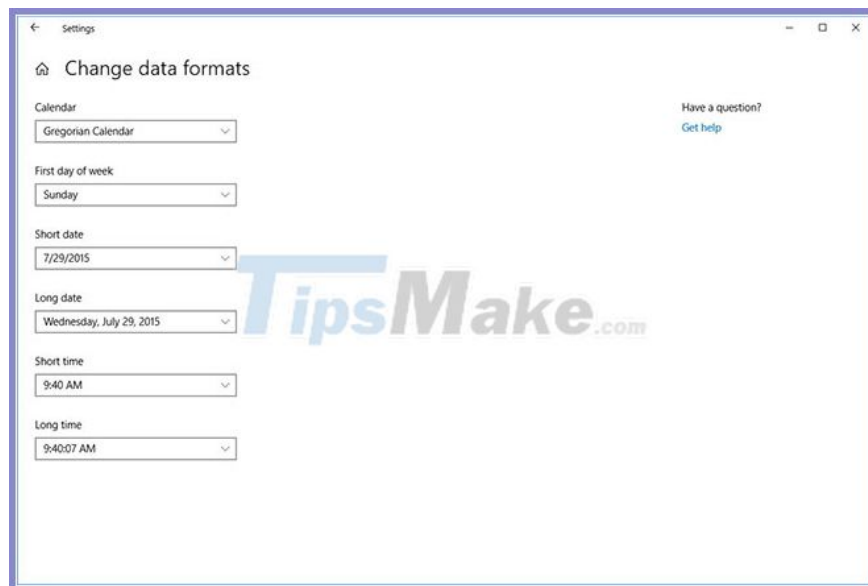
Step 5. In the **Regional format** section , use the drop-down menu to decide if Windows 10 should configure date and time formats based on your region and language settings.

Step 6. In the **Regional format data section** , click the **Change data formats option** .



Step 7. Select the language options:

1. Calendar.
2. First day of the week.
3. Short date.
4. Long date.
5. Short time.
6. Long time.
7. Currency.



When you complete the steps, the regional settings will reflect your preferences. However, you may need to close and reopen some apps for the setting to take effect.

Although this page covers most regional settings, if you need to adjust the language for non-Unicode programs or make a copy of the settings, on the right side of the **Region** page , under **Related settings** , please Click the **Additional date, time, & regional settings option** . The link opens the **Clock and Region settings** in the **Control Panel** , where you can access the **Region** settings to change the **Administrative** options .

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