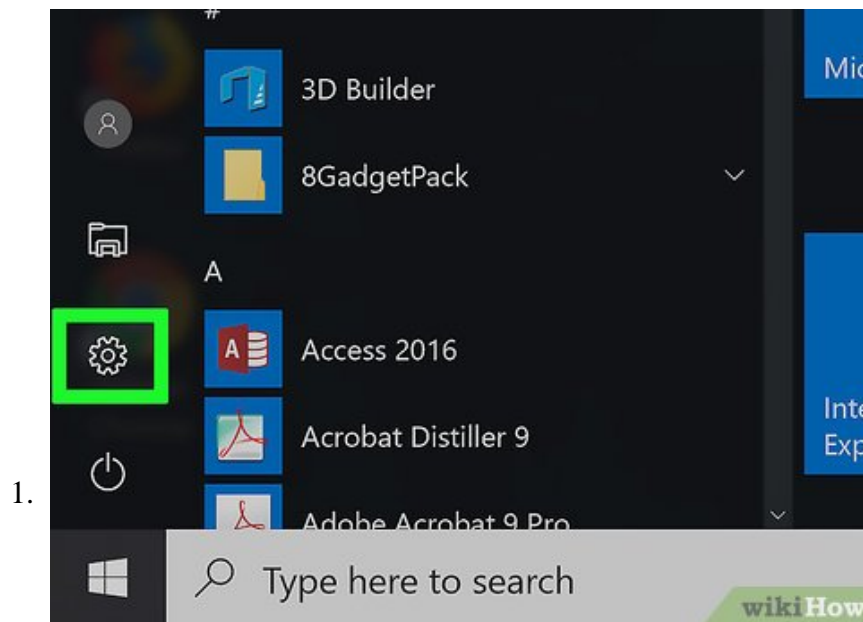


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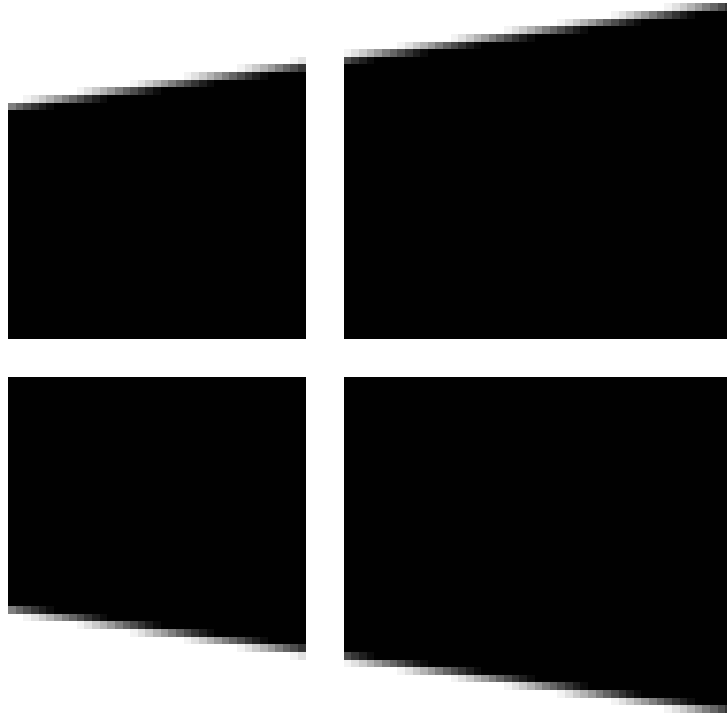
This wikiHow article will teach you how to check if your copy of Microsoft Windows is activated and licensed. Open the Settings app. Click the Start button and click the settings gear.

Method 1 of 3:

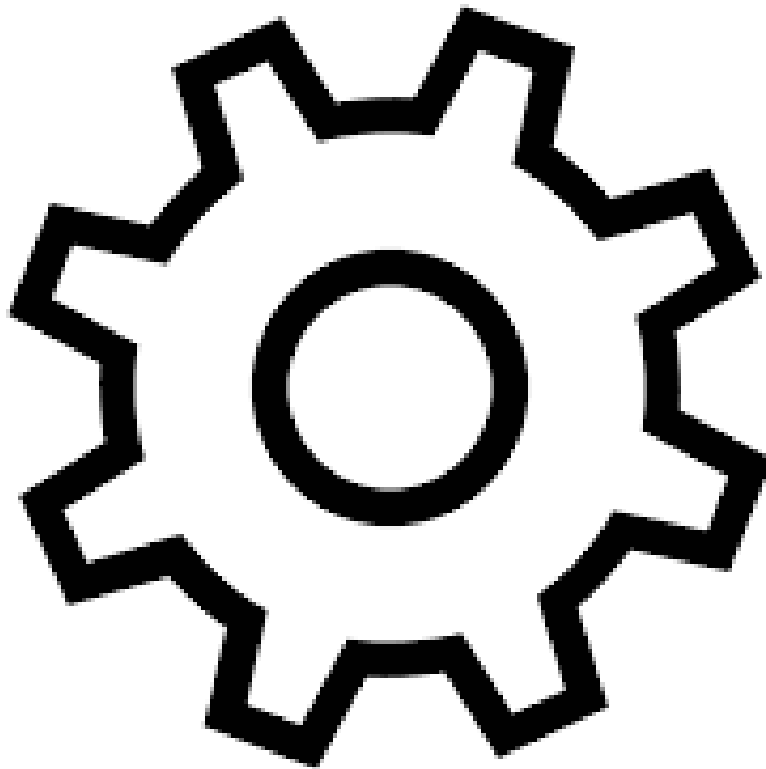
Windows 10



Open the Settings app. Click the Start

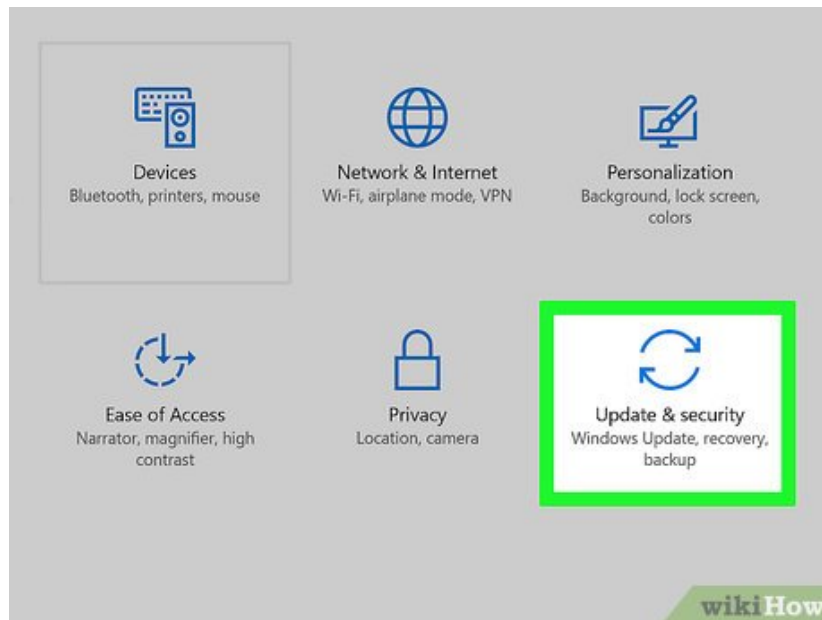


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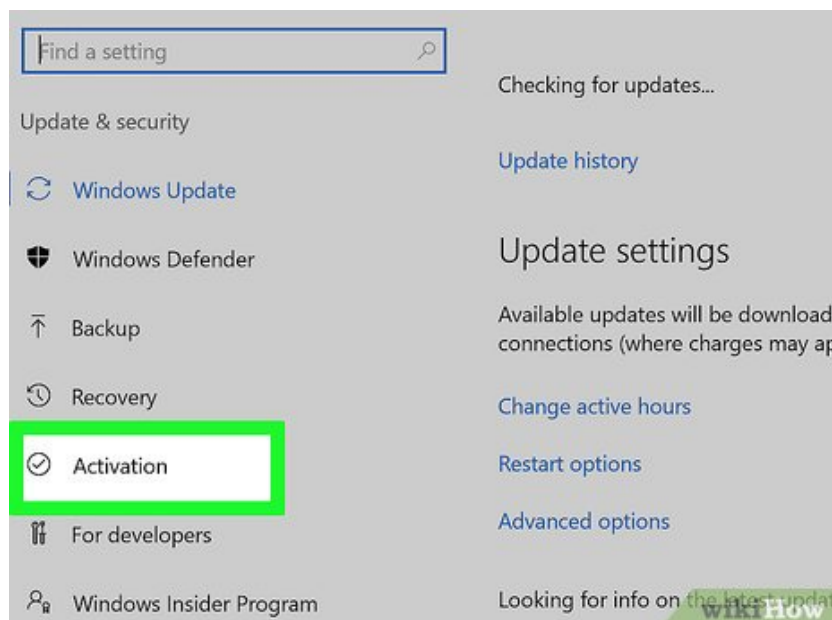
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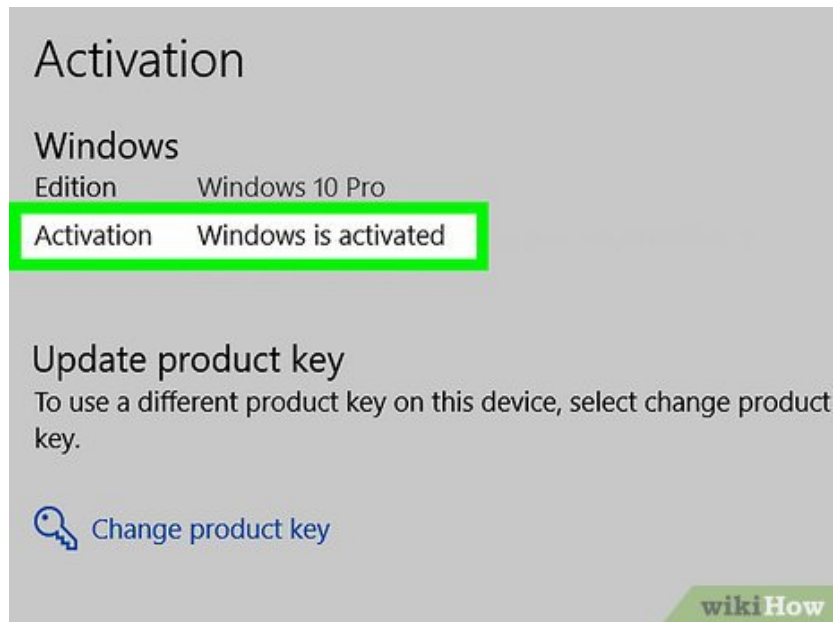


Click **Update & Security**.

3.



Click **Activation** from the left pane.



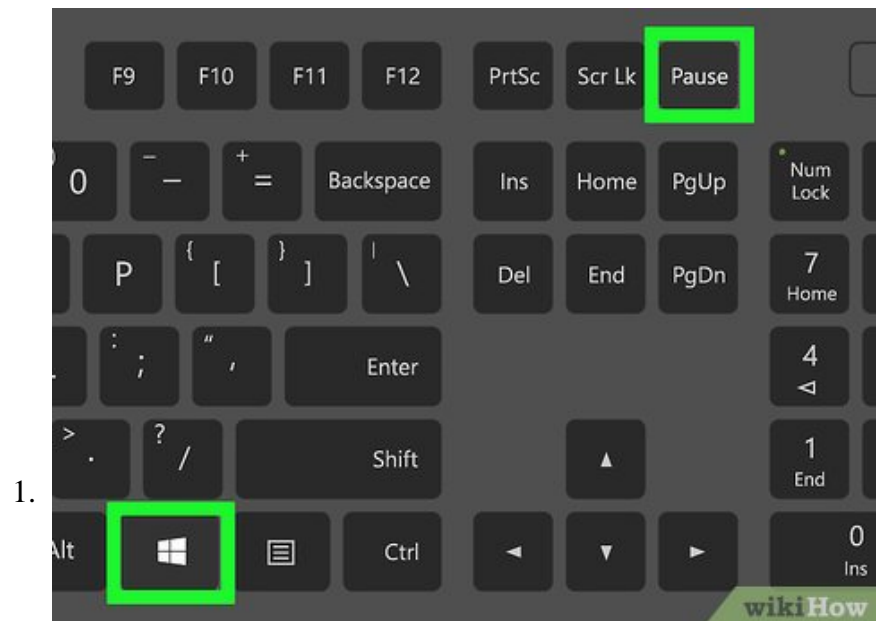
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Check if Windows is activated. Review the text to the right of "Activation" under the "Windows" header.

1. If Windows is activated, something along the lines of "Windows is activated..." will be displayed.
2. If Windows isn't activated, "Windows is not activated" will be displayed.

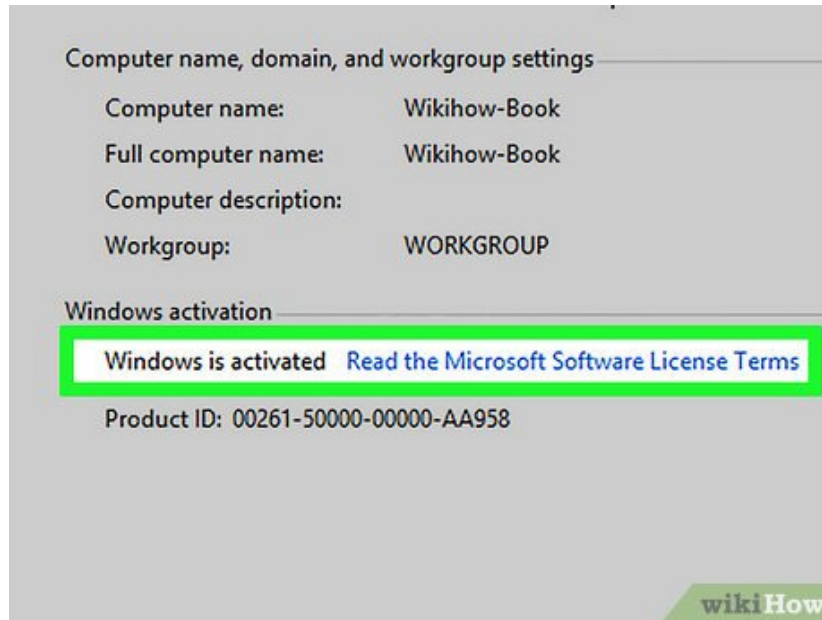
Method 2 of 3:

Windows 8



Press the ? Win + Pause keys simultaneously. This will open the System Properties window in the Control Panel.

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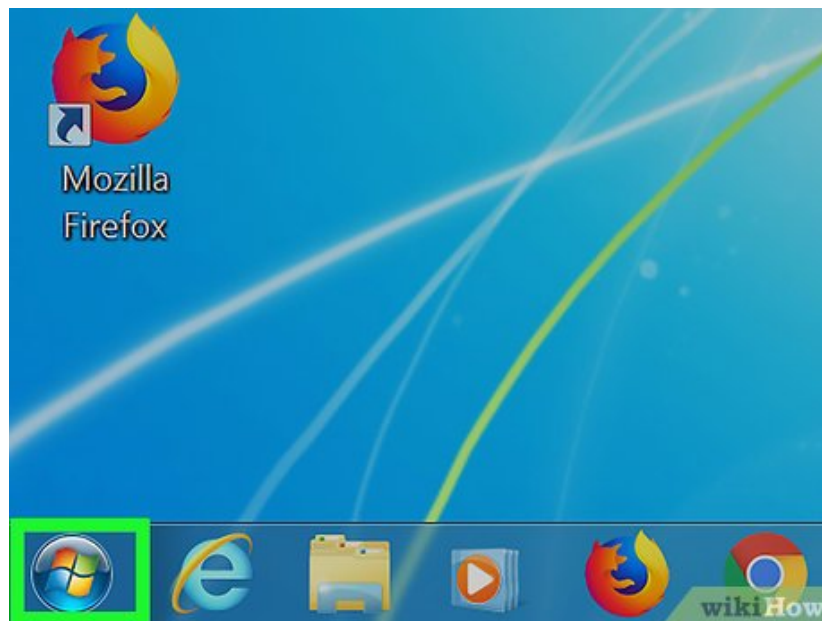


Review your activation status. Look under the "Windows activation" section to see if Windows is activated. Since it's at the bottom of the System Properties window, you may need to scroll down.

Method 3 of 3:

Windows 7 and Vista

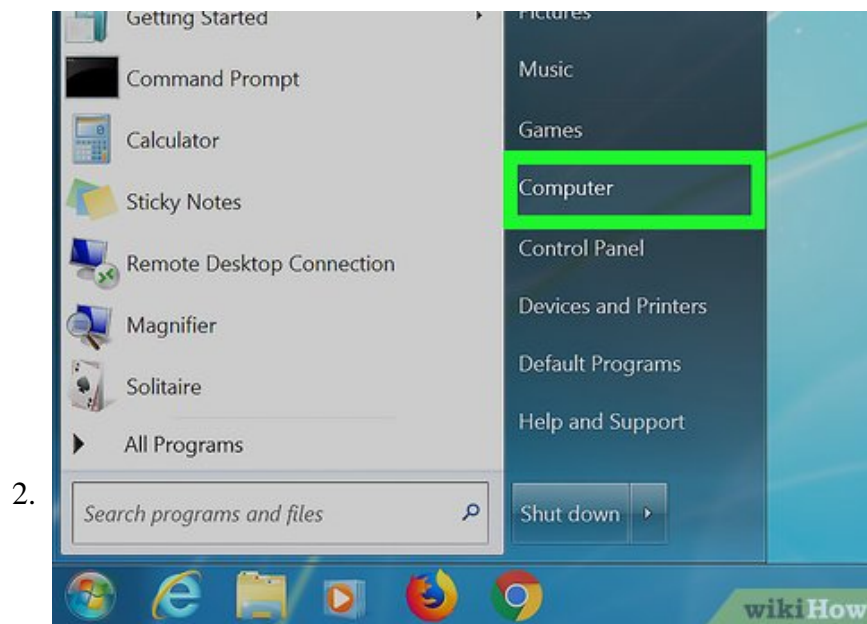
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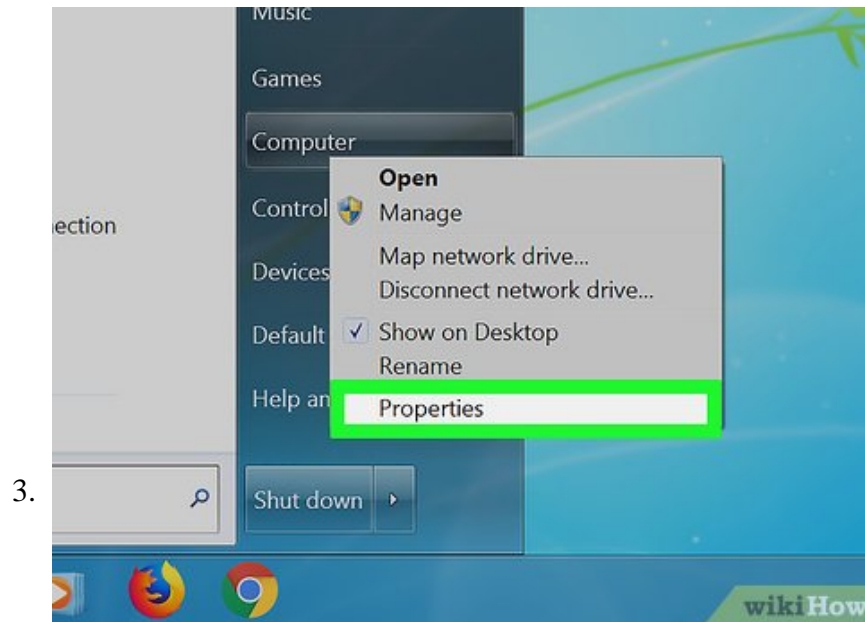
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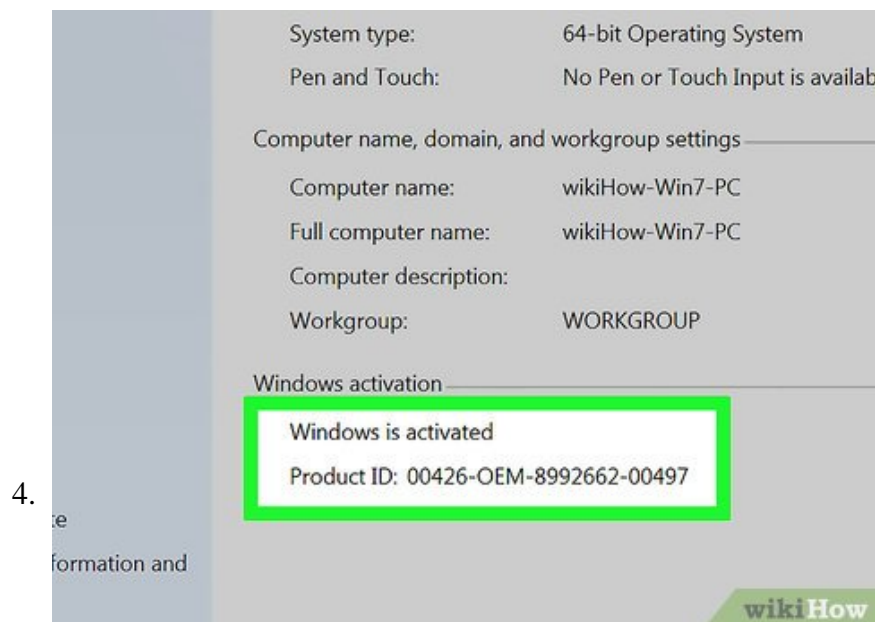
button.



Right-click on Computer in the right column.



Click **Properties** from the context menu. This will open the System Properties window in the Control Panel.



Review your activation status. Look under the "Windows activation" section to see if Windows is activated. Since it's at the bottom of the System Properties window, you may need to scroll down.

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