

To install the Solver Table add-in:

1. Be sure that the Solver is installed. If it is, it should appear under the Tools menu. If it is not, use the Excel or Microsoft Office installation CD to install it.
2. Quit Excel if it is currently running.
3. Copy the Solver Table.xla file to the **exact same location** as the Solver.xla file.
 - a. On a PC, this will typically be at C:\program files\Microsoft Office\Office\Library\Solver\Solver.xla. (If it is not, use the Find command to find the Solver.xla file).
 - b. On a Macintosh this will typically be in the Microsoft Office:Office:Add-Ins folder. (If it is not, use Find File or Sherlock to locate the Solver.xla file.)
4. Launch Excel.
5. Under the Tools menu, choose the “Add-Ins” command.
6. Click the Solver Table checkbox to have Solver Table load with Excel every time it is loaded. (Uncheck the box to have Solver Table *not* load next time Excel is launched.)

To use the Solver Table add-in:

The Solver Table is used to show the results in the changing cells and/or certain output cells for various trial values in a data cell (or two data cells). For each trial value in the data cell(s), Solver is called on to re-solve the problem. The Solver Table is fully described throughout Chapter 5, so this is your best resource. The Solver Table works just like the Data Table feature in Excel (with the additional feature of re-solving with Solver for each trial value), so the Excel help files for using Data Tables may also help you work with Solver Tables.