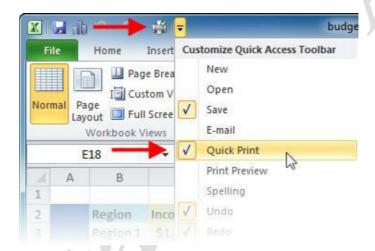
# **Printing your Workbook**

It is often the case that printouts of your workbook (or parts of your workbook) will be required for one purpose or another. This is especially true for the workplace, where hard copies of data are often requested. Needless to say, knowing how to print data from your workbook is essential. In this final lesson, we will explore how to use the printing functionality in Excel.

#### **Print Commands**

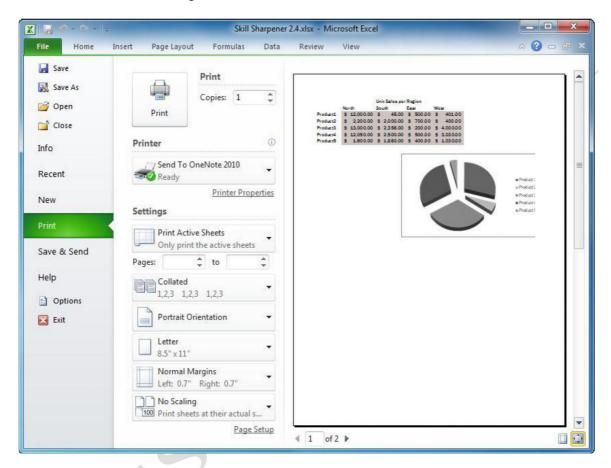
There are a few ways you can print your document. First, you can add the Quick Print icon to the Quick Access toolbar. The Quick Print icon will send the document directly to the default printer:



The more conventional method is to use the Print section of the File menu, which is accessible by clicking File Print or pressing Ctrl + P.

#### **Print Preview**

When you open the Print options by clicking File Print, you will see a preview of what your printed document will look like on the right-hand side of the screen:

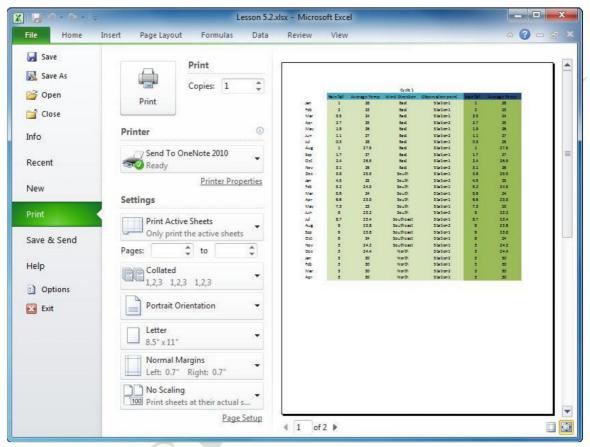


This view provides a scaled-down version of what your document would look like if it were printed as is. You can flip through the pages by using the arrows at the bottom of the screen. There are also two commands in the bottom right-hand corner. Click the left command to show margins, and click the right one to zoom in to 100% zoom:



## **Using Basic Print Options**

Open the Print options by clicking File Print

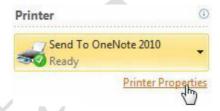


If you have a printer installed, turned on, and paper ready to go, just click the big Print button near the top of the window.

To select a different printer, click the pull-down arrow under the Printer heading and make a selection:

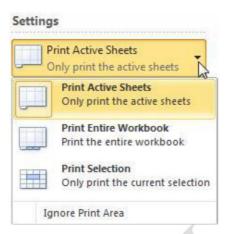


You can adjust printer settings by clicking the link under the Printer command:



These commands will depend on the capabilities of your printer. We will explore printer options later in this lesson.

Under the Setting heading, there are a few more basic commands. If you click Print Active Sheets, you will have a choice over which pages in the document will be printed:



Let's go over these three options:

**Print Active Sheets** Prints the entire worksheet.

**Print Entire Workbook** Prints all worksheets in the current workbook.

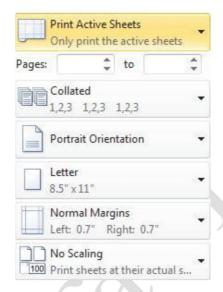
**Print Selection** If you have only selected part of a table of data or a chart, you can

specify to only print that information. Use this when you only need

to print a specific thing.

## **Other Print Options**

Let's go over the other print options that are available. The commands listed below are not the proper command names; rather, they are the default options when you first click File Print. Many of these commands are the same as those in the Page Setup group of the Page Layout tab:



**Print Active Sheets** Choose what to print (current worksheet, all worksheets, or the

current selection).

Pages Choose which pages to print.

**Collated** If you have a 3 page document and wanted to print 2 copies, the

pages would come out 1, 2, 3, 1, 2, 3. If you printed uncollated, the

pages would print 1, 1, 2, 2, 3, 3.

**Portrait Orientation** Change the page orientation from portrait to landscape.

**Letter** Change the paper size.

**Normal Margins** Change the page margins.

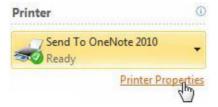
No Scaling Choose how large the print should be. You can print at 100%, fit the

worksheet to fit on one page, fit all columns on one page, or fit all

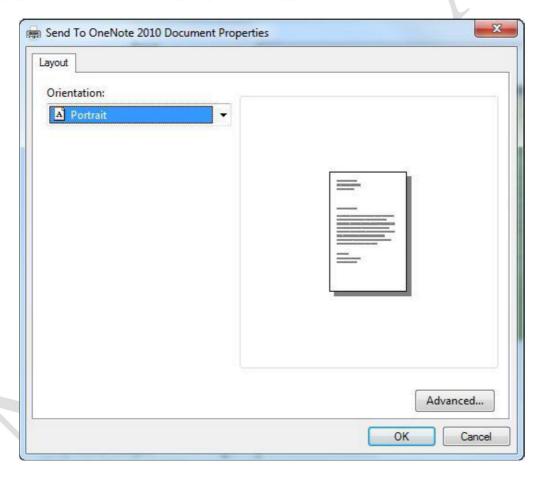
rows to fit on one page.

## **Setting Printer Properties**

To set options specific to your printer, click the Printer Properties command under the Printer heading:



A properties window specific to your printer will appear:



Typically, you will have options for color settings, page size, and paper type, though every printer is a little different. Make any changes you like and click OK to apply them.

Note that a printer doesn't always necessarily have to be a physical thing sitting on your desk or in a room down the hall. Computers can make use of "soft printers," or software that can print a file into a different file format. Excel is also capable of "printing" to other Office 2010 programs, such as OneNote, a program used like a big notebook to record information for ataglance use.