

## Re: Excel 2003– Charts– date and time format on x–axis of XY chart

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David Biddulph

"kk" <kk@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message  
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Continuing on with the "Date and Time" questioning above. I have data that looks like this in text form: "22–AUG–2007, 11:37". How would I go about changing this format so that excel reads it as date and time (ie: 08/22/07 11:37, which would equal as a number 39316.4840277778)?

"David Biddulph" wrote:

Are your data values actually date and time, or are they text? Does your 10/28/06 17:00 change to 39018.7083333333 if you temporarily reformat the cell as General or Number instead of Date and Time? If not, it's probably text and you'll need to change it to date & time before you can plot them that way.

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David Biddulph

"Elizabeth" <Elizabeth@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message  
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Hello,

I am trying to plot an XY graph with x–axis data in date and time format but Excel keeps counting the x–axis data as "data labels". It is in the format mm/dd/yy HH:mm  
ex) 10/28/06 17:00

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Instead, Excel appears to be turning my XY plot into a line plot (for example, the first date is assigned an x–value of 1, the second value assigned an x–value of 2 and so on so that each date/time x–value is evenly spaced).

I would like to find a way to plot this data so that it is spaced relative to date and time.