

JMP Tools

The Tools menu provides tools to help you interact with JMP output and data. Note: In Mac, tool bar appears at the top of all reports by default. In Windows, the menus and the toolbar are hidden by default. Click the Alt key to view. The tools can also be accessed from the tools menu.



Using the Tools

The default tool is the Arrow, or Cursor. To change tools, click on the icon from the toolbar or select from the Tools Menu. Your cursor will change from the arrow to the shape of the tool selected, and the active tool will be highlighted in the toolbar.

Description of Tools

-  **Arrow** – Allows you to select points in plots, choose analysis options, and more. Remember to select the arrow after you’ve finished using other tools.
-  **Help** – The help tool or question mark accesses the JMP help system. Select the help tool, then click on an area of a data table or report on which you need assistance. Context-sensitive help tells about the items located near the location of your click.
-  **Selection** – The selection tool, or fat plus sign. Click on the selection tool, then select rows or regions of rows by clicking and dragging, or select portions of graphical output or analysis results to copy and paste.
-  **Scroller** – The scroller tool is for scrolling reports up or down to show only the results you want to see.
-  **Grabber** – The grabber or hand tool is for manipulating plots, axes and formula components. Click and drag to rescale or change the range of an axis, or click and drag in a histogram to change the bin size.
-  **Brush** – The brush tool is for highlighting a rectangular area of points in a plot. Alt-click (Option-click on Mac) to change the size of the rectangle or to extend the selection.
-  **Lasso** – The lasso tool lets you highlight an irregular area of points in a plot. Drag the lasso around any set of points to select them.
-  **Magnifier** – The magnifier tool is for zooming in on an area in a plot. The area you click on becomes the center of a new view. Alt-click (Option-click on Mac) to restore the original plot.
-  **Crosshairs** – The crosshair tool creates a movable set of axes on a graph useful to display the x,y coordinate values of a point.
-  **Ruler** – Click and drag the ruler tool in any direction to measure the distance between two points on a graph.
-  **Annotate** – The Annotate tool is for adding text to a plot, output or journal.
-  **Line, Polygon, and Simple Shape** – The drawing tools draw lines, polygons, and shapes on JMP reports, journals, and layouts. Right click a line or shape for a menu of options to customize it.

Visit “Using JMP > Customize Menus and Toolbars” in **JMP Help** to learn more.