

# FIRSTWEEKDAY

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Use [FIRSTWEEKDAY](#) to return the first specified day of the week in any calendar month

## Syntax

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Public Shared Function FIRSTWEEKDAY(  
    ByVal StartDate As Date,  
    ByVal DayOfWeek As String,)
```

## Arguments

### *StartDate*

specifies the month and year of the return value. *StartDate* is an expression that returns a **Date**, or of a type that can be implicitly converted to **Date**.

### *DayOfWeek*

the day of the week to be returned. *DayOfWeek* can be specified using the numbers 1 – 7, where 1 is Sunday and 7 is Saturday, or by using the name of the day of the week (e.g. 'Monday') or the abbreviated name of the week (e.g. 'Mon') as controlled by the Windows Regional Settings on the Windows Server. *DayOfWeek* is an expression that returns a **String**, or of a type that can be implicitly converted to **String**.

## Return Type

Date

## Remarks

- *StartDate* must be a valid date.
- *StartDate* only determines the month and year of the returned value.
- *DayOfWeek* always understands 1 to mean Sunday and 7 to mean Saturday. The day of week name and abbreviated name are validated against the Windows Server Regional Settings and not the SQL Server language settings.
- Use the [LASTWEEKDAY](#) function to calculate the last specified day of the week in any calendar month.

## See Also

- [CALCDATE](#) - Convert MDY to date
- [DATEFLOAT](#) - Convert MDY to float
- [DATEINT](#) - Convert MDY to int
- [DAYS360](#) - Calculate number of days using 30/360 day count conventions
- [DAYSINMONTH](#) - Number of days in the month of the specified date
- [DAYSINYEAR](#) - Number of number of days in the year of the specified date

- DAYSNL - Number of days excluding Leap Years
- EASTER - Date of Western Easter for a given year
- EDATE - Exact date n months from specified date
- EOMONTH - Last day of month
- ISREGULARPAY - Determine if a date is a regular payment date for a loan
- LASTWEEKDAY - Last specified day of the week in any calendar month
- NBD - Convert a series of dates to flat csv string in YYYYMMDD format
- NUMMONTHS -Number of months between two dates
- YEARFRAC - Fraction of a year between two dates