

# Clearing Your Cache

## What Does Cache Mean?

- This simply means that the browser you are using is presenting a saved version of the webpage. This happens because saved versions tend to load faster than loading a new, fresh version of the page. Some websites are developed to only show cached versions of their pages because it is faster. This can cause confusion as it may disrupt ultimate optimization of web activity.
  - **Pro Tip:** *The easiest way to clear a browser cache in every browser is to press **Ctrl + Shift + Delete** at the same time.*

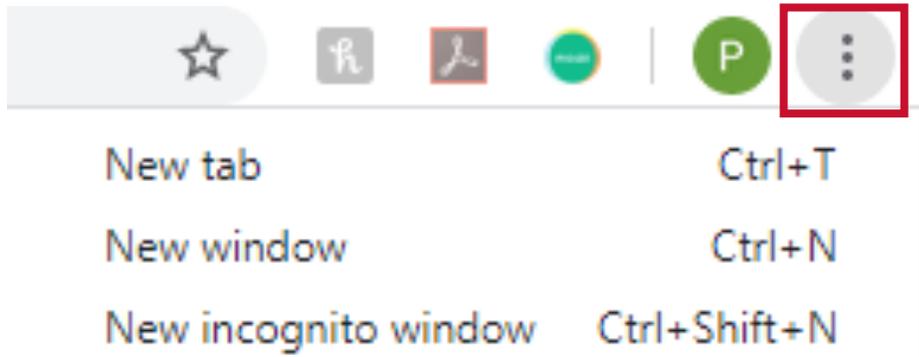
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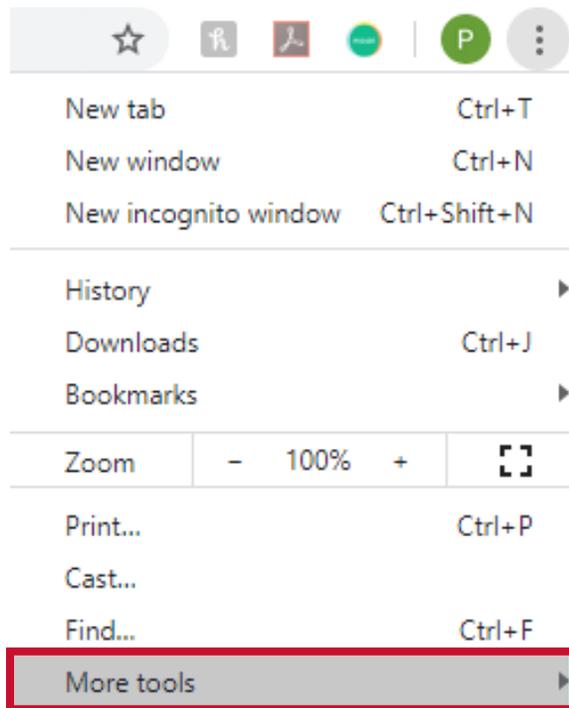
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## I. Clearing Your Cache in Google Chrome

1. First, click on the three dots in the right-hand corner (this is the menu).

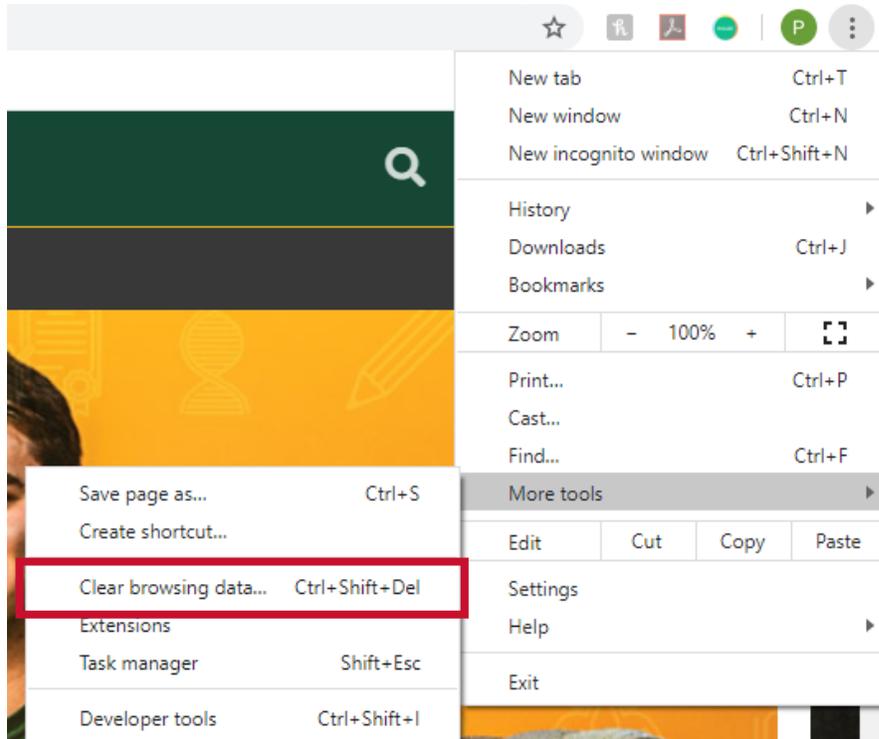


2. Then, hover over **More tools**.

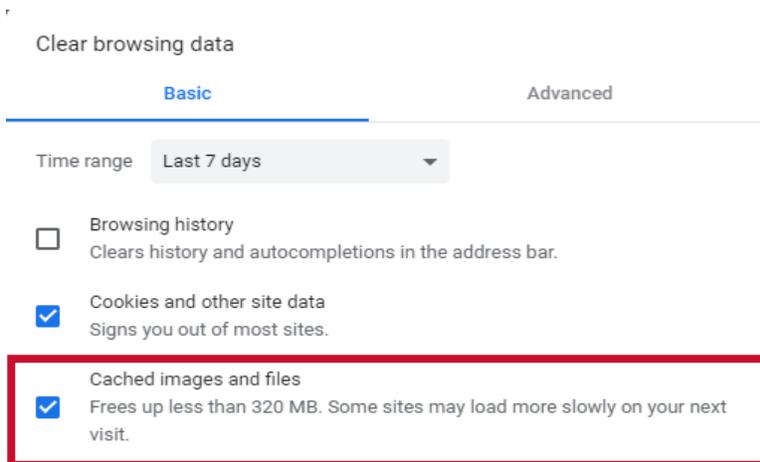


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3. Click **Clear browsing data**.



4. Select **Cached images and files**.



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5. Click **Clear Data**.

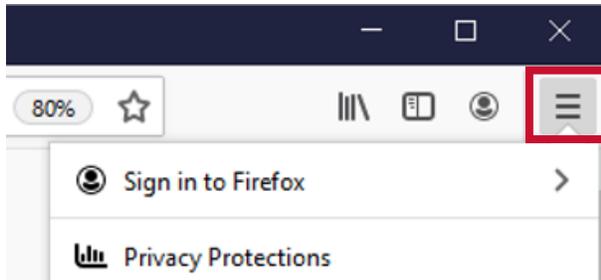


6. Finally, refresh the page you were viewing and the cache will be cleared.

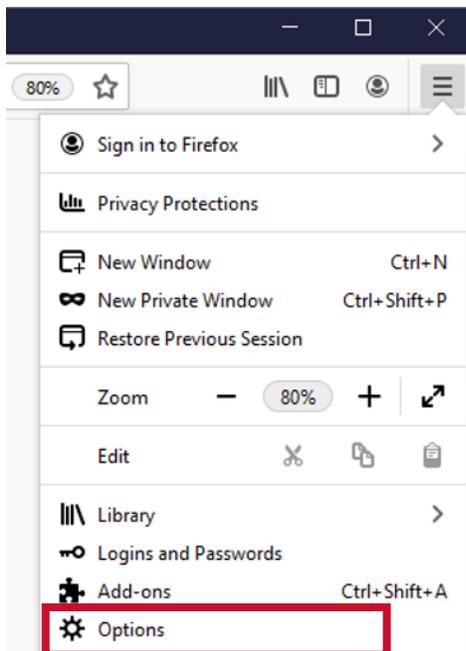
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## 2. Clearing Your Cache in Firefox

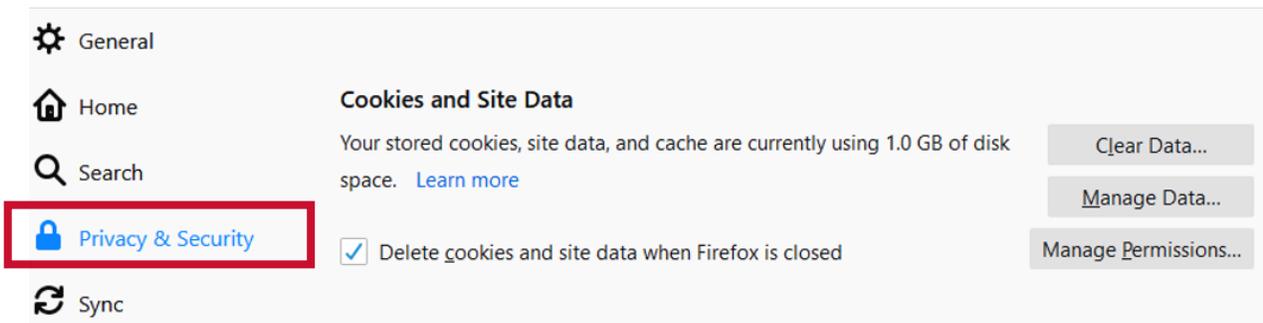
1. First, click on the menu in the right-hand corner of your screen.



2. Next, click **Preferences** or **Options**.

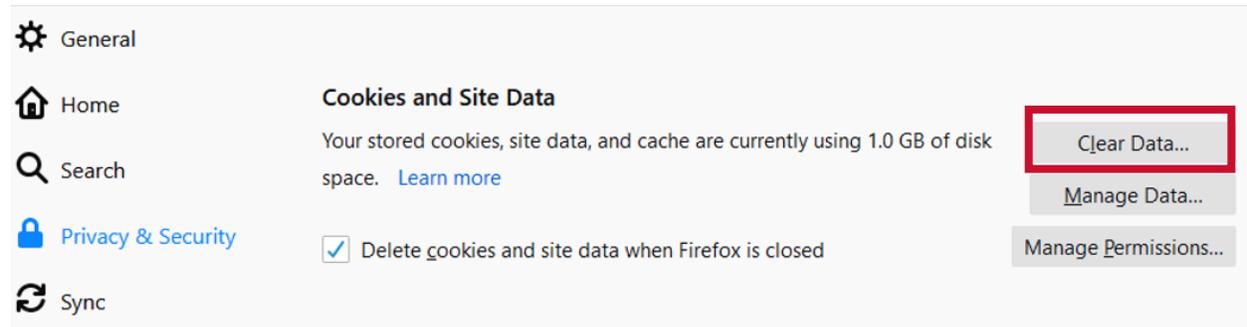


3. Then, click **Privacy & Security**.



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4. Under Cookies and Site Data click **Clear Data**.



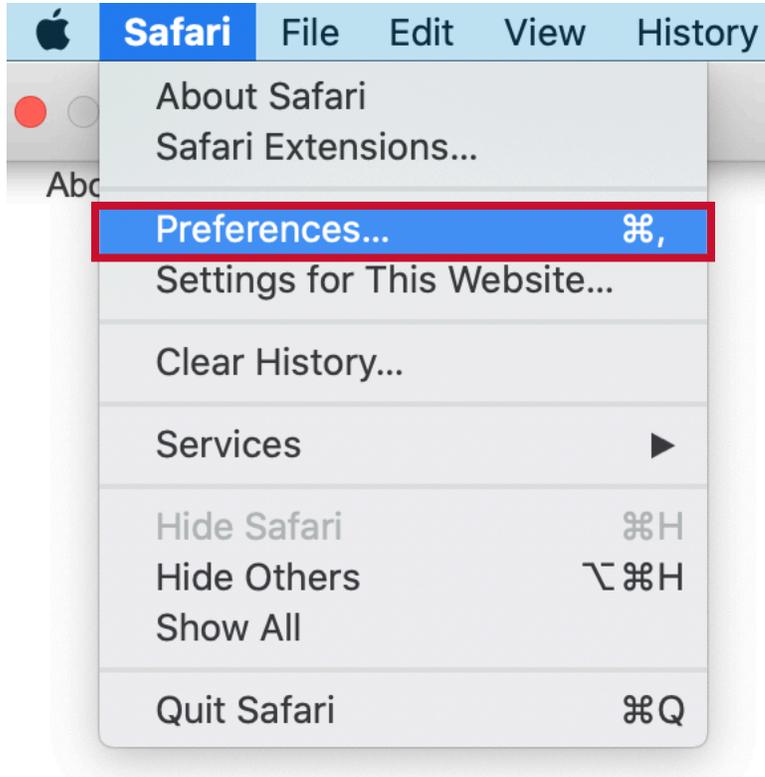
The screenshot shows the Firefox Settings interface. On the left, there is a sidebar with navigation options: General (gear icon), Home (house icon), Search (magnifying glass icon), Privacy & Security (lock icon), and Sync (refresh icon). The main content area is titled "Cookies and Site Data". Below the title, it states: "Your stored cookies, site data, and cache are currently using 1.0 GB of disk space. [Learn more](#)". There is a checkbox labeled "Delete cookies and site data when Firefox is closed" which is checked. On the right side of the main content area, there are three buttons: "Clear Data..." (highlighted with a red box), "Manage Data...", and "Manage Permissions...".

5. Check Cached Web Content and hit **Clear**.
6. Once you refresh the page, the cache will be cleared.

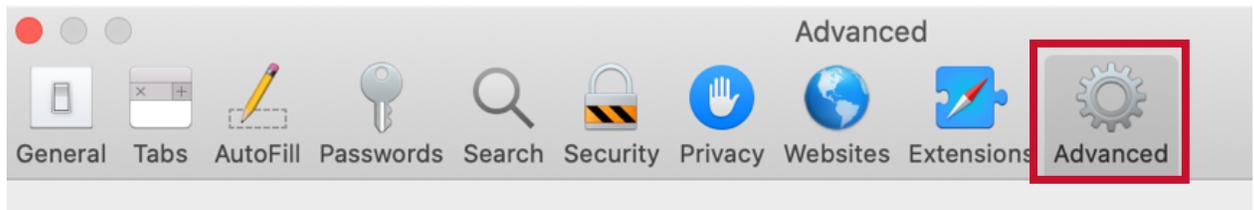
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## 3. Clearing Your Cache in Safari

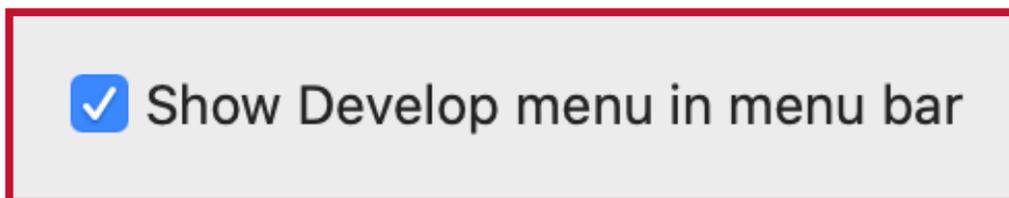
1. First, click on the Safari drop-down menu and select **Preferences**.



2. Next, click the **Advanced** tab.

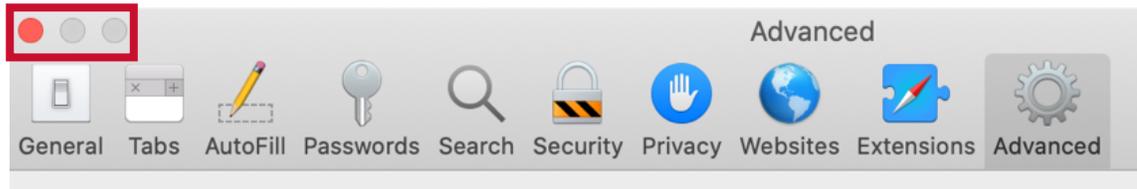


3. Then, select the **Show Develop menu in menu bar** checkbox.

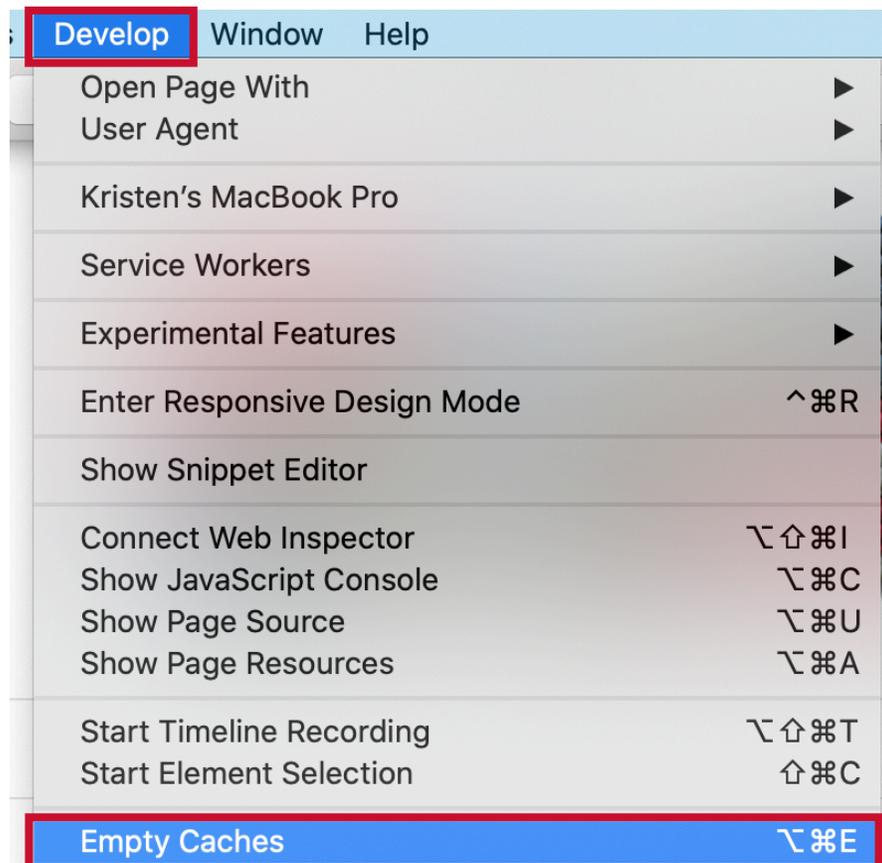


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4. Next, close the Preferences window.



5. Select the **Develop** drop-down menu and click **Empty Caches**.

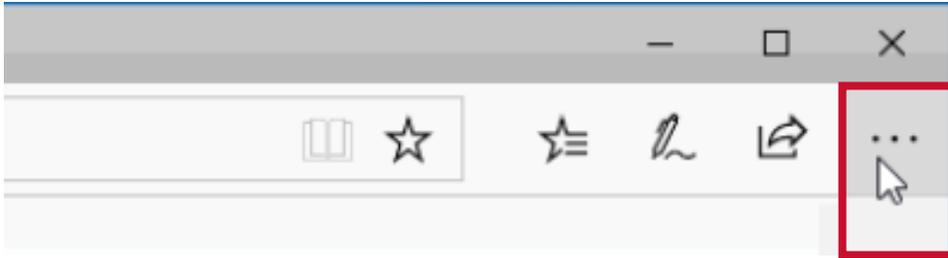


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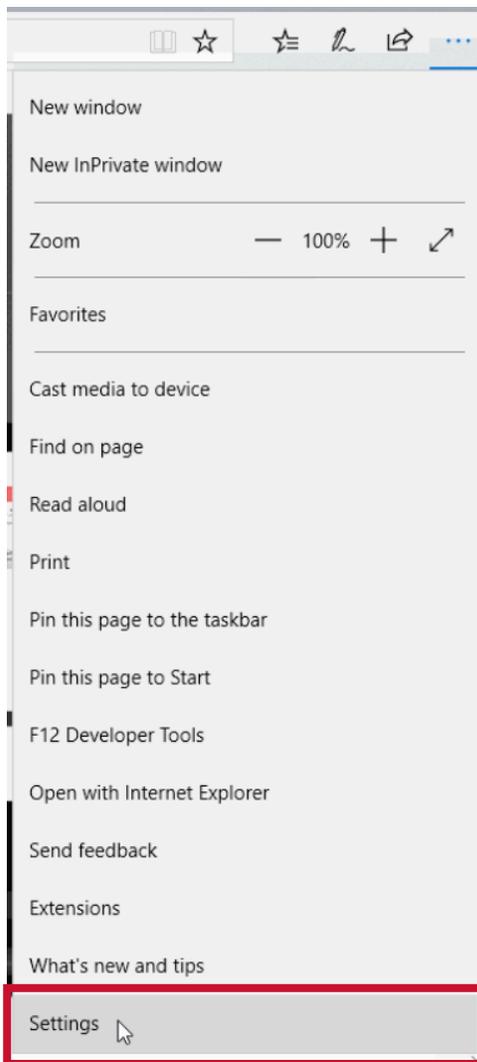
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## 4. Clearing Your Cache in Microsoft Edge

1. First, click on the three horizontal dots in the top right corner of the browser.

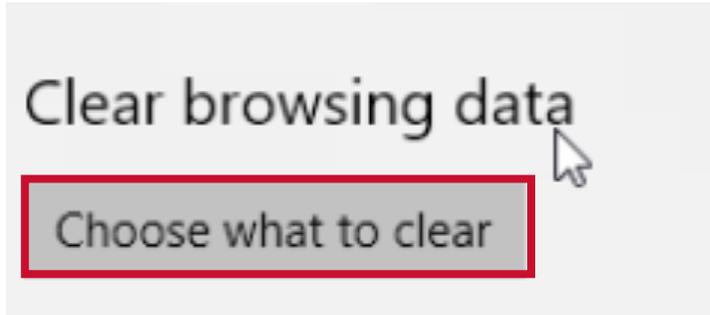


2. Next, click **Settings**.

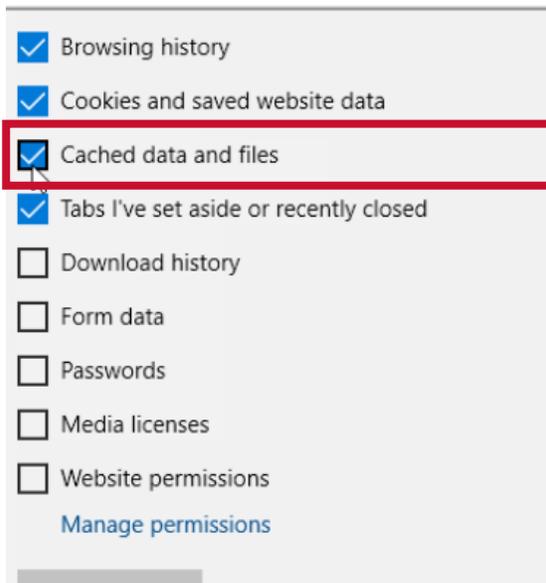


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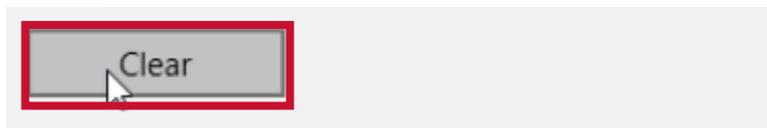
3. Then, under Clear Browsing Data select **Choose what to clear**.



4. Click **Cached data and files**.



5. Finally, click **Clear** to remove the data.



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