

# Adding Files to a Local Git Repository

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After a Git repository for a project is [initialized](#), you need to add the project data to it.

If you have specified Git as the version control system for your project in the **Settings** dialog box, tab [Version Control](#), IntelliJ IDEA suggests to put each new file under Git control during the file creation.

To have Git ignore some types of files, [configure files to ignore](#).

In this section:

- [Adding all currently unversioned files to Git control](#)
- [Adding specific file\(s\) to a local Git repository](#)

## To add all currently unversioned files to Git control

1. Switch to the [Changes](#) tool window.
2. Navigate to the **Unversioned Files** node and choose **Add to VCS** from the context menu or press **Ctrl+Alt+A**.

## To add specific file(s) to a local Git repository, do one of the following:

- Switch to the [Changes](#) tool window, expand the **Unversioned Files** node, and select the files to be added. From the context menu, choose **Add to VCS**, or press **Ctrl+Alt+A**.
- Switch to the [Project](#) tool window and select the files to be added. From the context menu, choose **Git | Add** or press **Ctrl+Alt+A**.

## See Also

Concepts:

- [Version Control with IntelliJ IDEA](#)

Procedures:

- [Version Control with IntelliJ IDEA](#)
- [Adding Files to Version Control](#)

Reference:

- [Version Control Reference](#)

Web Resources:

- [Developer Community](#) 