

How to Install the Keystroke Tracker Extension

YOU HAVE THE INSTALLABLE FILE: `keystroke-tracker-2.0.3.vsix`

This is the actual extension file you can install in VSCode.

Installation Steps

1. Open VSCode
2. Go to Extensions view: Press Ctrl+Shift+X (Windows/Linux)
3. Click the three dots menu (...) at the top of the Extensions panel
4. Select "Install from VSIX..."
5. Browse to and select: `keystroke-tracker-2.0.3.vsix`
6. VSCode will install the extension.
7. Reload VSCode when prompted.
8. Restart VSCode if "Keystrokes: 0" doesn't appear in the bottom right corner.

Verify Installation

After installation, you should see: "Keystrokes: 0" in the bottom-right status bar

Start Using It

1. Open any code file (.c, .cpp, .py, .js, etc.)
2. Start typing
3. Watch the counter increase in the status bar
4. Press Ctrl+Shift+K to see statistics OR open the folder location where the code/text file is saved to locate the corresponding log file.
5. Click "Open Log" to view the log file
6. OR open the folder location where the code/text file is saved to locate the corresponding log file.

Where Are Log Files?

The extension creates log files in the same folder where the code/text is saved.

Example Log File Content

When you type "Hi there!" the log shows:

Keystroke Tracking Log - test1.py

Created: 12/25/2025, 10:35:03 PM

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Format: [Timestamp] | Line:Column | Character | File | Total Count

NOTE: This tracks only manual keystrokes. Auto-complete, paste, delete and auto-suggestions are excluded.

Starting count: 0

[10:35:03 PM] | 1:1 | "" | test1.py | Count: 1
[10:35:05 PM] | 1:2 | "H" | test1.py | Count: 2
[10:35:05 PM] | 1:3 | "i" | test1.py | Count: 3
[10:35:06 PM] | 1:4 | " " | test1.py | Count: 4
[10:35:08 PM] | 1:5 | "t" | test1.py | Count: 5
[10:35:08 PM] | 1:6 | "h" | test1.py | Count: 6
[10:35:08 PM] | 1:7 | "e" | test1.py | Count: 7
[10:35:08 PM] | 1:8 | "r" | test1.py | Count: 8
[10:35:08 PM] | 1:9 | "e" | test1.py | Count: 9
[10:35:09 PM] | 1:10 | "!" | test1.py | Count: 10
[10:35:14 PM] | 1:11 | "" | test1.py | Count: 11
[10:35:23 PM] | 1:12 | "\n" | test1.py | Count: 12