Financial Management & Simulation Tool

A comprehensive personal finance tracking and planning application with 2-year projection capabilities.

Features

Core Functionality

- Dashboard: Real-time financial overview with alerts and status indicators
- Transaction Management: Add, edit, import, and auto-categorize transactions
- Budget Planning: 2-year budget planning (Aug 2025 Jul 2027) with templates
- Category Analysis: Deep spending insights with trends and patterns
- What-If Simulator: Scenario planning and impact analysis
- Reports: Multi-format export with professional reporting

Key Capabilities

- CSV/Excel import with intelligent auto-categorization
- Configurable alert thresholds (default 10%)
- 24-month planning horizon
- Multiple budget templates (Conservative, Moderate, Aggressive)
- Spending pattern analysis and anomaly detection
- V Data backup and recovery
- Professional charts and visualizations (optional)

Installation

Prerequisites

- Python 3.8 or higher
- Tkinter (usually included with Python)

Setup

1. Clone the repository:

bash

git clone https://github.com/yourusername/financial-management-tool.git cd financial-management-tool

2. Install dependencies:

```
bash
pip install -r requirements.txt
```

3. Run the application:

```
bash
python main.py
```

Project Structure

```
financial_management_tool/
                      # Application entry point
     — main.py
     config.py
                     # Configuration and constants
     – models/
                       # Data models
      - managers/
                       # Business logic
                  # User interface
      - gui/
                    # Main tab interfaces
      — tabs/
      — dialogs/
                    # Dialog windows
     – utils/
                    # Utility functions
     - data/
                     # Data storage (created at runtime)
```

Usage

First Time Setup

- 1. Launch the application
- 2. Navigate to Budget Planning tab
- 3. Apply a budget template or set custom budgets
- 4. Start adding transactions manually or import from CSV

Importing Bank Statements

- 1. Go to Transactions tab
- 2. Click "Import CSV"
- 3. Select your bank statement file
- 4. Review auto-categorization
- 5. Confirm import

Creating What-If Scenarios

- 1. Navigate to What-If Simulator tab
- 2. Click "Create New Scenario"
- 3. Define scenario parameters
- 4. Run simulation to see impact
- 5. Save scenario for future reference

Category Structure

Loans & EMIs

- Credit Card EMI 1 & 2
- Personal Loan EMI 1 & 2
- Home Loan EMI

Investments

- Mutual Fund SIP
- PPF, RD
- Ponmagan Policy
- Gold & Bitcoin Investment
- Baby Health & Education Policy

Lifestyle & Essentials

- OTT Subscriptions
- Hospital (Medical)
- Swiggy/Food
- Petrol
- General Expenses
- Shopping

Configuration

Alert Thresholds

Default alert threshold is 10%. Configure in Settings or per category.

Budget Templates

• Conservative: Lower spending, higher savings

• Moderate: Balanced approach

• Aggressive: Higher spending allowances

Data Management

Backup

- Automatic daily backups (last 7 days retained)
- Manual backup available anytime
- Restore from any backup point

Export Formats

- JSON: Complete data backup
- Excel: Formatted spreadsheets with charts
- CSV: Simple data format
- PDF: Professional reports

Keyboard Shortcuts

- (Ctrl+N): New transaction
- (Ctrl+I): Import transactions
- (Ctrl+S): Manual save
- (Ctrl+E): Export current view
- (F5): Refresh current tab
- (Ctrl+Tab): Switch tabs

Troubleshooting

Common Issues

- 1. **Application won't start**: Check Python version (3.8+)
- 2. Import errors: Ensure CSV has Date, Amount, Description columns
- 3. Charts not showing: Install matplotlib ((pip install matplotlib))
- 4. Data not saving: Check write permissions in application directory

Contributing

Pull requests are welcome. For major changes, please open an issue first.

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Support

For issues or questions, please create an issue on GitHub.

Version History

- v2.0.0 Complete rewrite with enhanced features
- v1.0.0 Initial release

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Built with Python and Tkinter for reliable desktop financial management