

Tax Scanner v2 - User Guide

Comprehensive User Guide for Restaurant Owners

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Overview

Tax Scanner v2 is a comprehensive sales tax lookup tool designed specifically for restaurant owners and managers. Our application provides accurate, up-to-date sales tax rates for locations across Texas.

Key Features:

- **GPS Location Detection:** Automatically detect your current location
- **Manual Selection:** Browse by state, county, and city
- **Real-time Tax Rates:** Access to 3,628+ official tax rates
- **Mobile Responsive:** Works perfectly on phones and tablets
- **Government Data:** Sourced directly from Texas Comptroller's office



Application Screenshots



Homepage - Main Interface

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Location Detection Button

Location Detection Button



Manual Selection Dropdowns

Manual Selection Dropdowns



Tax Results Display

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Mobile View

Mobile View



Getting Started

Tax Scanner v2 is accessible through any modern web browser. No installation required!

1

Access the Application

Open your web browser and navigate to: **<https://taxscanner.vercel.app>**

2

Choose Your Method

You have two options to find tax rates:

- **GPS Detection:** Click "Use My Current Location" for automatic detection
- **Manual Selection:** Choose state, county, and city from dropdown menus

3

View Results

Once you've selected a location, click "Get Tax Rates" to see detailed tax information including state, county, and city rates.

Using Location Detection

The GPS location detection feature provides the fastest way to find tax rates for your current location.

1

Enable Location Access

Click the "Use My Current Location" button. Your browser will ask for permission to access your location.

2

Grant Permission

Click "Allow" when prompted. This enables the app to detect your GPS coordinates.

3

Automatic Form Population

The app will automatically fill in the state, county, and city dropdowns based on your detected location.

4

Get Tax Rates

Click "Get Tax Rates" to see the complete tax breakdown for your location.



Manual Location Selection

For precise control or when GPS isn't available, use the manual selection dropdowns.

1

Select State

Choose your state from the first dropdown. Currently, Texas is supported with comprehensive coverage.

2

Choose County

After selecting a state, the county dropdown will populate with all available counties. Select your county.

3

Pick City

Finally, choose your city from the third dropdown. This will show all cities within the selected county.

4

Submit

Click "Get Tax Rates" to retrieve the tax information for your selected location.

Understanding Tax Results

Tax Scanner provides a comprehensive breakdown of all applicable sales tax rates.

Tax Components:

- **State Tax:** Texas state sales tax rate
- **County Tax:** Additional county-level tax
- **City Tax:** Municipal tax rates (if applicable)
- **Total Tax Rate:** Combined rate for easy calculation
- **Last Updated:** When the data was last refreshed

Mobile Usage

Tax Scanner v2 is fully optimized for mobile devices, allowing you to check tax rates on the go.

- **Responsive Design:** Adapts to any screen size
- **Touch-Friendly:** Large buttons and easy navigation
- **Fast Loading:** Optimized for mobile networks
- **GPS Integration:** Works seamlessly with mobile location services

Troubleshooting

Location Detection Issues

- **Permission Denied:** Make sure you clicked "Allow" for location access
- **Inaccurate Location:** GPS may take a moment to get precise coordinates
- **Indoor Usage:** GPS works better near windows or outdoors

Dropdown Issues

- **Counties Not Loading:** Make sure you selected a state first
- **Cities Not Showing:** Ensure both state and county are selected
- **Slow Loading:** Check your internet connection

General Issues

- **Page Not Loading:** Refresh your browser or check internet connection
- **Old Data:** Clear your browser cache and reload
- **Button Not Working:** Make sure JavaScript is enabled

Support & Contact

Need help with Tax Scanner v2? We're here to assist!

Support Resources:

- **Application URL:** <https://taxscanner.vercel.app>
- **Data Source:** Official Texas Comptroller EDI files
- **Update Frequency:** Quarterly updates from government sources
- **Version:** 0.1.4

Important: Tax rates should be verified for compliance. This tool provides reference information based on official government data.

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