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Tablecruncher

The Insider's Guide

Fast open-source CSV editor for Mac, Windows and Linux



Every plan, grade, refund rule and rival among spreadsheet and database tools, read from Tablecruncher's own pages.

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ToolGPA put this guide together from Tablecruncher's own pages, its app-store listings and our grades. Every fact in it is on Tablecruncher's page too, where it is kept up to date. Checked Nov 13, 2026.

Welcome

What it is, who it suits, its grades and the ten things to know first

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GPA, above 54 of the 63 other spreadsheet and database tools we grade

Tablecruncher is a desktop CSV editor written in C++ for large files. The site says it opens files over 2 GB and more than 15 million rows, detects the delimiter and encoding, and can run JavaScript macros against the cells. It became free and open source in April 2025, and a browser version is hosted at app.tablecruncher.com.

To get you started, here are **8 things to know about Tablecruncher**, taken from its own pages and our grades.

> **It edits CSV tables only, with no formulas or charts, and its own site says the interface doesn't look like a typical Mac app.**
>
> From our report card of Tablecruncher

1 **Best for editing large CSV files on Mac, Windows and Linux**

Tablecruncher is a free, open-source CSV editor for large files, with JavaScript macros and encoding detection.

2 **It is free**

Tablecruncher has no paid plan at all.

3 **It runs on 4 platforms**

macOS, Windows, Linux and Web.

4 **Large files**

The site says it opens files bigger than 2 GB with more than 15 million rows, and a 100 MB file of 500,000 lines in under 5 seconds on a dual-core MacBook Pro.

5 **JavaScript macros**

A simple API gives macros access to every cell, for edits and calculations.

6 **Format and encoding detection**

Detects most CSV formats and encodings, with manual override; handles UTF-8, UTF-16, Latin-1 and Windows 1252.

7 **A 3.0 GPA, above 54 of 63**

That is against the other spreadsheet and database tools we grade, on value, the free plan, features, ease of use and platforms.

8 **Keep it**

Tablecruncher is free, so making your own would save you nothing.

Tablecruncher at a glance

PRICING Free	FREE PLAN It is free
FREE TRIAL None stated	RUNS ON Web, macOS, Windows, Linux
MADE BY Tablecruncher	CATEGORY Spreadsheets & Databases
OUR GRADE 3.0 GPA, very good	

The report card

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TOOLGPA REPORT CARD

Tablecruncher

Graded Nov 13, 2026

SUBJECT	GRADE	COMMENT
Value for money	A	Free and open source since 25 April 2025, so a download costs nothing.
Free plan and trial	A	Free outright, with no cap and no paid tier on the listing.
Features	C	Large files, macros, find and replace, JSON export. It does the CSV job fully, and that is a smaller job than a spreadsheet.
Ease of use	B	Download and open a file with nothing to set up; no store rating is on record.
Platforms and integrations	C	Mac, Windows and Linux programs plus a web version, but no phone apps and no integrations.

Grade point average — Very good, out of 4.0 **3.0**

An A is worth 4 points, a B 3, a C 2, a D 1 and an F nothing. The GPA is the average of the five.

Who Tablecruncher is for

- ✓ Fits if you open CSV files too big for a normal spreadsheet
- ✓ Works for people who want to automate edits with JavaScript macros

Who it is not for

- ✗ Skip it if you need formulas or charts, as there are none on the pages read
- ✗ Tight if you want a native Mac look, since the site says it doesn't have one
- ✗ Watch out: Linux needs an x86_64 system and Windows needs version 10 or 11
- ✗ Watch out: the web version wasn't itself read for features

Good to know

Good for

- ✓ Opening and fixing CSV exports too large for a normal spreadsheet
- ✓ Users who want a small, fast desktop CSV tool with macros

Worth knowing

- ⓘ It edits CSV tables only; it has no formulas or charts on the pages read.
- ⓘ The site says the interface does not look like a typical Mac application.
- ⓘ The web version at app.tablecruncher.com was not itself read for features.
- ⓘ The Linux build needs an x86_64 system, and Windows needs version 10 or 11.

What it costs

Every plan, the free plan, ways to pay less and how prices have moved

Free

No paid plan at all

Tablecruncher is free to use.

> **Free outright, with no cap and no paid tier on the listing.**
>
> From our grade for free plan and trial

FREE

$0

Free and open source since 25 April 2025.

Read from tablecruncher.com on Nov 13, 2026.

PART 03 · FEATURES

What it does

Its main features, where it runs, what it works with and who makes it

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Places it runs: Web, macOS, Windows and Linux

Fast open-source CSV editor for Mac, Windows and Linux. Here is what it does, as its own site describes it, and what it covers: open source, spreadsheets.

> **Large files, macros, find and replace, JSON export.**

From our grade for features

Large files

The site says it opens files bigger than 2 GB with more than 15 million rows, and a 100 MB file of 500,000 lines in under 5 seconds on a dual-core MacBook Pro.

JavaScript macros

A simple API gives macros access to every cell, for edits and calculations.

Format and encoding detection

Detects most CSV formats and encodings, with manual override; handles UTF-8, UTF-16, Latin-1 and Windows 1252.

Find and Replace

Searches the table or a selection, with regular expressions following the ECMAScript 5 standard.

JSON export and row flagging

Exports table data to JSON, and flagged rows can be exported as a new CSV file.

Where it runs

Web · macOS · Windows · Linux

What it works with

Its own pages name no integrations.

Tablecruncher is made by Tablecruncher.

Where it stands

Its grades against its category, and whether to keep it or make your own

54/63

Other spreadsheet and database tools it is graded above

Tablecruncher's GPA of 3.0 is higher than 54 of the 63 other spreadsheet and database tools we grade, and level with 4.

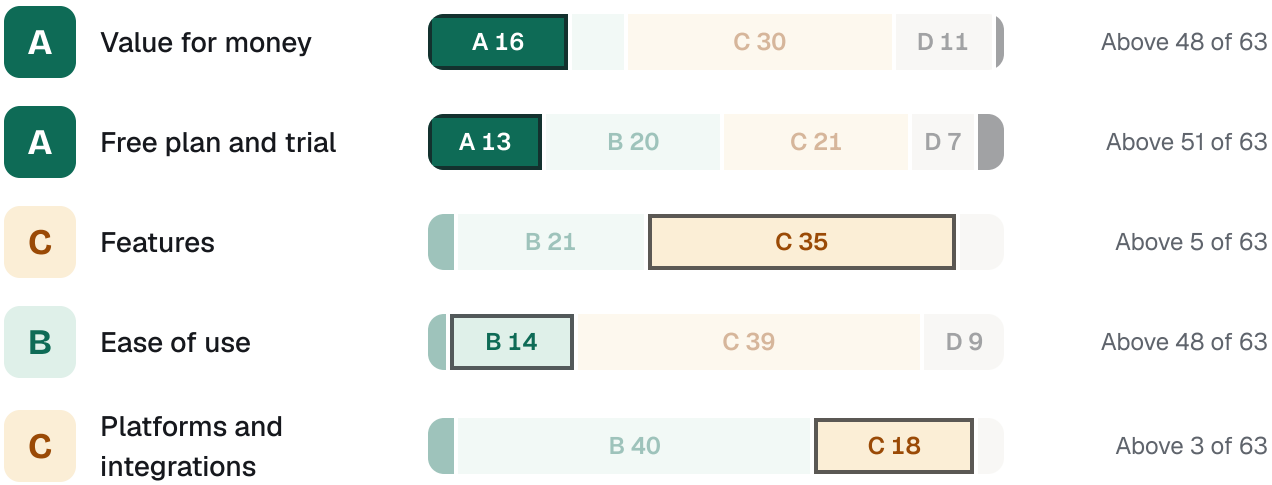
It stands best on free plan and trial (A, above 51 of 63) and worst on platforms and integrations (C, above 3).

Tablecruncher has no paid plan.

On features, ease of use and platforms it scores 2.3 out of 4. Nothing scores higher for less, though at least one tool matches that score at a lower price.

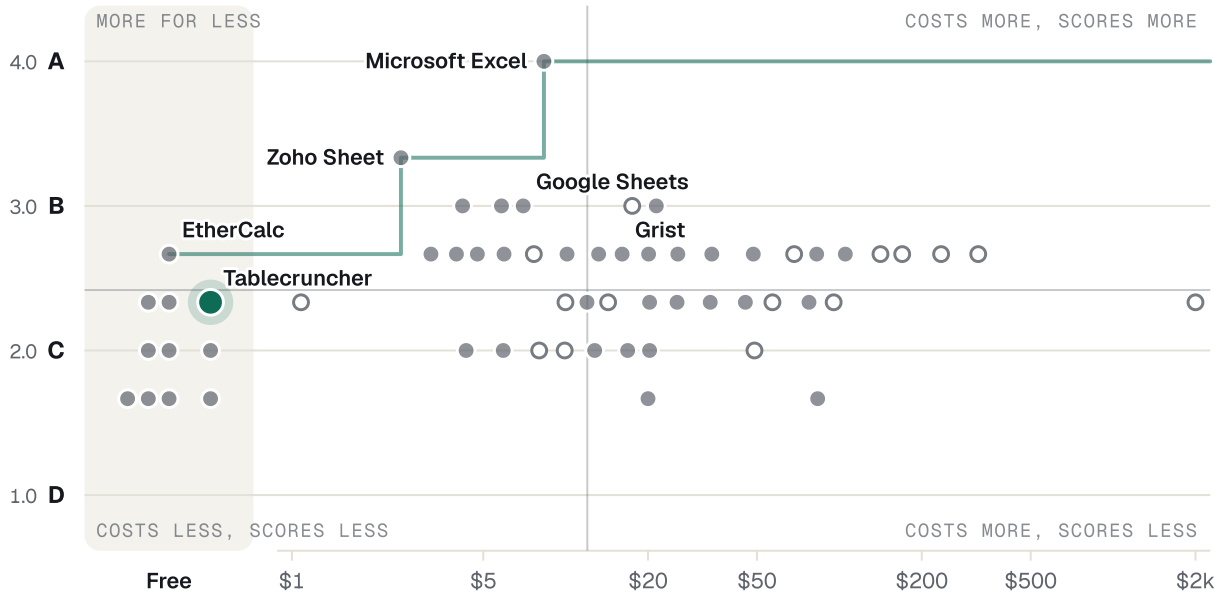
Each grade against the category

Every bar is all 64 spreadsheet and database tools we grade, cut by the letter each got. Tablecruncher's own letter is outlined.



Price against what you get

Each dot is one of 59 spreadsheet and database tools. Further left costs less; higher up scores better on features, ease of use and platforms. Tablecruncher is the marked dot.



What paid plans start at, a month (each step along is roughly double)

Keep it, or make your own?

Whether this is something you could build for yourself with an AI app builder, and what you would give up.

Keep it

Tablecruncher is free, so making your own would save you nothing.

And it is not the kind of software a weekend replaces. It is one of the better ones too: its GPA of 3.0 is higher than 54 of the 63 other spreadsheet and database tools we grade.

What you could not

- ✕ A spreadsheet engine with its formulas.
- ✕ Apps for macOS, Windows and Linux that stay in step with each other.

What this rests on. Tablecruncher's listing: what it does, where it runs, what it plugs into and what it costs. It is a judgement about the kind of software this is. We have not built a replacement for it, and making your own means looking after it too. How we decide, and every tool's verdict.

The alternatives

The tools it is most often weighed against, side by side



Modern CSV, EditCSV (editCSVonline), VisiData and OpenRefine

The 4 tools Tablecruncher is most often weighed against, with where each one differs from it.

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Modern CSV

Free plan · from $39 one-time

Desktop CSV editor and viewer for Windows, Mac and Linux.

- Only Tablecruncher lists a web app.
- Tablecruncher is open source, according to its own site.
- Modern CSV can be bought with a one-time purchase.

Tablecruncher and Modern CSV compared in full

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EditCSV (editCSVonline)

Free

Free in-browser CSV editor with an Excel-like grid, no account.

- Only Tablecruncher lists macOS, Windows and Linux apps.
- Tablecruncher is open source, according to its own site.

Tablecruncher and EditCSV (editCSVonline) compared in full



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VisiData

Free

Terminal spreadsheet-style tool for exploring tabular data.

- Only Tablecruncher lists a web app.
- Only Tablecruncher lists a Windows app.

Tablecruncher and VisiData compared in full



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OpenRefine

Free

Free open-source desktop tool for cleaning and transforming messy data.

- Only Tablecruncher lists a web app.

Tablecruncher and OpenRefine compared in full

PART 06 · QUESTIONS

Quick answers

The questions people ask about it, each answered in a line or two

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Questions, each answered in a line or two

The short version of everything above, for when you only need the answer. Each one is told in full in its part of the guide.

Is Tablecruncher free?

Yes. Tablecruncher is free to use.

How much does Tablecruncher cost?

Tablecruncher lists one plan. Free: $0.

What platforms does Tablecruncher work on?

Tablecruncher is available on macOS, Windows, Linux and Web.

Does Tablecruncher have an Android app?

No Android app was listed when its pages were read on Nov 13, 2026. Tablecruncher is listed for macOS, Windows, Linux and Web.

Does Tablecruncher have an iPhone app?

No iPhone app was listed when its pages were read on Nov 13, 2026. Tablecruncher is listed for macOS, Windows, Linux and Web.

Is Tablecruncher open source?

Yes. Tablecruncher is open source, according to its own site.

Who makes Tablecruncher?

Tablecruncher is made by a company of the same name.

What are the alternatives to Tablecruncher?

The closest alternatives to Tablecruncher in our directory are Modern CSV, EditCSV (editCSVonline), VisiData and OpenRefine.

How does Tablecruncher compare with other spreadsheet and database tools?

Tablecruncher's GPA of 3.0 is higher than 54 of the 63 other spreadsheet and database tools we grade, and level with 4.

Is Tablecruncher good value for money?

ToolGPA grades Tablecruncher A for value for money. Tablecruncher has no paid plan.

Could I make my own version of Tablecruncher?

Tablecruncher is free, so making your own would save you nothing. And it is not the kind of software a weekend replaces.

Where this guide comes from

The prices, plans, platforms and features were read from Tablecruncher's own pages on Nov 13, 2026, and the grades were given on Nov 13, 2026. Graded from this listing, whose facts were read from Tablecruncher's own pages on 13 November 2026. Not based on using the product, and shorter than our full reviews.

Every tool we list gets five grades, A to F, each with its reason, and a GPA that averages them. How each is decided is at toolgpa.com/grades. This guide is ToolGPA's own work; it is not made, paid for or approved by Tablecruncher. Prices change, so check tablecruncher.com before you buy.

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PART 07 · ABOUT

About ToolGPA

Who made this guide, what else is on the site, and how to cite it

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Tools graded, in 95 categories

ToolGPA grades software the way a school report grades a pupil: five subjects, a letter for each with the reason written beside it, and a GPA that averages them. Prices, plans and platforms are read from each maker's own pages and dated, so you always know how fresh a figure is.

Every grade, review and ranking on ToolGPA is our own judgement. No company can pay for a grade or change one. Every tool on the site has a guide like this one, free to download and pass on. It all lives at **toolgpa.com**.

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tools graded	categories	price changes on record	apps priced in 12 countries

What else is on toolgpa.com

Tablecruncher, kept up to date

Everything in this guide, with prices and grades as they are today

toolgpa.com/tools/tablecruncher

How grades are given

The rules behind every letter and every GPA

toolgpa.com/grades

Value charts

What each tool costs against what it scores, for every category

toolgpa.com/charts

Compare

Any two tools side by side, plan by plan

toolgpa.com/compare

Price changes

Every price rise and cut on record, each with its source

toolgpa.com/price-changes

Prices by country

What apps cost on the App Store in 12 countries

toolgpa.com/prices-by-country

Pay less

Every public discount: yearly billing, students, nonprofits

toolgpa.com/save

Keep or make

Which tools are worth paying for, and which you could build yourself

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Spreadsheets & Databases Insider's Guide

Every one of the 64 spreadsheet and database tools we grade, compared

Zoho Sheet Insider's Guide

Collaborative online spreadsheet with a free version

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Browser-based spreadsheet, free with a Google Account

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Microsoft Excel Insider's Guide

Spreadsheet app sold with Microsoft 365, free in the browser

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