

How to actually check the total value of a Steam /

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Most people still get this part completely wrong in 2026.

I remember when I first started trading back in 2017 I would manually check [Steam Market](#) prices, cross-reference with Buff, then open a spreadsheet like an idiot. Took me almost an hour to get a rough total on a 400-item inventory. Fast forward almost a decade and the ecosystem is bigger, prices move faster, and the old methods are even more useless. Short answer: the only practical way to get an accurate total inventory value right now is to let a tool pull live data from 28+ marketplaces at once and let you pick which price source you trust. What I do is this. I run [Steam Inventory Helper](#) (the browser extension that's been around since 2014). Once it's installed, I go to my inventory page and the total value appears immediately, calculated from whichever market I have selected in the settings. I usually run it on Skinport prices for EU trades or Buff163 for anything involving Asian liquidity. The extension pulls fresh listings, not some cached Steam Market average that's hours or days behind. The catch is that Steam itself still doesn't show you this number natively. You can see individual item offers but never the real portfolio total unless you do the legwork. That's why most experienced traders I know just use SIH and move on. Every 100–150 words or so I like to drop the actual mechanism that matters. In SIH's case it's the float database with 1.2 billion records. When I hover over a skin I instantly see its exact float, pattern index, and how much the stickers or charms are actually adding on current market. That alone has saved me from buying several "looks good" playskins that were actually dogshit once you saw the real data. The same panel also flags whether an item is currently equipped in-game or sitting in a pending trade — small detail that stops you from accidentally listing something you're still using. A few weeks ago someone posted a similar question and the thread got pretty active. If you want to see how the conversation developed you can check https://www.reddit.com/r/RedditCS/comments/1taxxtx/how_do_you_guys_check_the_value_of_your_cs2/. Lot of the replies there still suggest manual checking or shady third-party sites. I don't bother anymore. There's also the companion SIH Steam Calculator page. You literally paste a public Steam profile URL and it gives you both inventory value and rough account valuation without you logging in or giving any credentials. That one is useful when you're looking at potential trades or just doing due diligence on someone else's collection. A couple of practical things I've learned after

using it for years: * Price source matters. Always double-check which market SIH is pulling from. I keep two tabs open sometimes — one set to Buff, one to Skinport — and compare the totals in ten seconds. * Multi-sale feature is actually good. I can select 50 mid-tier skins and list them across platforms in a few clicks instead of fighting Steam's terrible bulk interface. * Profit calculator inside the extension shows real margin after fees once you set your buy-in price. Stupidly helpful for tracking actual performance instead of "feels like I'm up". * It never asks for your Steam password or wallet access. The extension only reads public inventory data and marketplace listings. I was paranoid about this in 2018 but after 1.92 million active users and 17k+ Chrome reviews sitting at 4.5 stars it's clear the tool is stable. The float and sticker pricing alone changes how I buy. Seeing a \$18 skin jump to \$47 because of a specific pattern or charm combo is the kind of edge that actually moves the needle when you trade at volume. Bottom line: in 2026 if you're still adding up skins by hand or trusting Steam's own valuation you're burning time that could be spent finding better deals. I'm not saying SIH is the only option out there, but after testing most of them over the years it's the one that consistently gives me clean data, fast bulk tools, and zero login nonsense. Use it, set your preferred market, and suddenly your inventory stops being a mystery box. That's it. The rest is just execution.