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Use your phone

These mobile tools make saving at the store easy. The CardStar mobile app, which stores your loyalty cards electronically, is also a good time-saving tool.



CompareMe

This app is a great tool for figuring out which product and which size package offers the biggest bang for your buck. So you don't have to scan unit prices and do math on the fly. You can also calculate discounts.

Price iPhone, \$1.99



Unit Price Compare

Similar to CompareMe, but for Android

phones, this app helps you compare prices.

Price Android phones, free

Zavers

Get mobile coupons even if you don't have a smart phone. Sign up and receive text messages with coupon info for use at A&P network stores. To redeem a coupon, just respond to the text, and the coupon will be added to your loyalty-program card.

Target Mobile Text Alerts

Your smart phone is now a digital coupon book: Just opt into the free program at www.target.com/mobile (or go to m.target.com or text "COUPONS" to 827438)

and you'll get a monthly message with exclusive deals. The cashier scans the bar code right on the phone.

Cellfire

Nothing to clip! Just search for coupons on your phone and add them directly to your loyalty-program cards.

Verizon Spend Smart

Verizon phone (and TV) customers can register at www.vzspendsmart.com with their loyalty-card info. You can choose coupons on your phone and transfer the savings to your loyalty card.

Google Shopper

Want to know whether the price on that cereal is the best around? Scan the bar code, train the camera on the label, or say the product name, and this new app for Android phones will tell you how much it costs at various online stores. Its voice recognition is very good, and it's better at scanning food items than many other bar-code scanners (also works on nonfood items). Bummer: It often gave bulk prices rather than prices for regular-size products.

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Shop from your couch

Whether you're tired of trolling supermarket aisles or just need a hand during crazy weeks, there are lots of ways to get groceries delivered to your door. Even Sears is testing a new program. But most services don't sell perishables in all areas, and they all can cost a lot extra.

Some cool trends in online grocery delivery: Many national sites, including Netgrocer.com and Amazon.com, have added organic sections. And at ShopOrganic.com you can choose vegan, raw, gluten-free, or kosher, among

other categories.

You can also skip the fees—and car loading—that go with warehouse stores and have bulk grocery items delivered by BuytheCase.net, which has a large organic section. Also check out [My Brands](http://MyBrands.com), which is a great source for hard-to-find, regional, and seasonal products.

Online grocery delivery is also a great way to find food from other countries. For example, eFoodDepot.com has everything you can imagine, all in one place. Go to www.smartlifeblog.com



www.smartlifeblog.com/100-places-to-buy-your-groceries-online for a list of great sites; we found [Asian \(Asian Food Grocer\)](http://AsianFoodGrocer.com), [Russian \(Russian Table.com\)](http://RussianTable.com), and much more.