



The Rate Markup Decoder

Your rate is the Fed's rate plus a markup chain. Type two numbers and see your markup.

THE CHAIN Fed to bank to you

Banks borrow near the Fed's rate, then sell you the money with margin stacked on top.

THE MENU Risk sets the markup

Mortgage: secured by a house, small markup. Credit card: secured by a promise, 15+ points.

THE MOVE Shop the chain, not the sticker

Two lenders, same day, same borrower: quotes can sit a full point apart.

My rate (just the number, like 24) _____

The 10-year Treasury today (one search away) _____

My markup over the risk-free rate

= _____

I know exactly what secures this loan

Collateral is why two loans price differently.

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I have a second quote

The only negotiation tool that always works.

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The Fed sets the first price. You negotiate the last.

Know the chain and the markup stops being invisible.