

# Adding a car to your mortgage.

The guide to avoid paying more for your next car.



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Many home owners believe that using their home equity to purchase a new car is a great solution because they don't have to apply for a car loan and their mortgage repayments often stay the same.

It's easy to think paying for your new car with a mortgage top up is cheaper than other car finance options, with home loan interest rates the lowest we've seen in years - there are a few things to consider before you make that call.

## The difference - Home loan vs car loan explained

If your new car costs \$30,000 and added to the mortgage at 4.99% over a 30 year term. When you take into account compound interest over the term as opposed to the longest car loan term of 5 years, it can increase your total payments to over \$29,000, even though the interest rate is a lot lower.



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### Reason #1

A car is not an appreciating asset unlike your property, so you will never get the

### Reason #2

The loan term really matters and banks want you to be in debt longer.

## Things to consider first.

**Length** Extended terms means extended payments, you'll be in debt longer

**Rate** Low interest rates are usually promotional and rates can increase

**Repayments** Lower repayments almost certainly means you'll pay more