



Present Value of an Ordinary Annuity

The present value of an annuity is the single sum of money needed to generate a specific number of payments. Specifically, how much money must be deposited today so that a set amount of money can be withdrawn at regular time intervals?

Objectives:

- Determine the amount of money that must be invested so that a set amount of money can be withdrawn at regular time intervals.
- Determine the cash price of an item when the monthly payment, the number of payments, and the interest rate are known.

Example 1:

What amount of money must be invested today at 6% compounded monthly so that payments of \$100 per month can be made from this fund for 5 years?

Method 1: Using the Finance Solver

1. Press **2nd** **on**, and select **New** to start a new document. Select **Add Calculator**.

Note: To round computations to two decimal places, change the Display Digits setting in the Documents Settings to **Fix 2**.

2. Press **Menu > Finance**. Select **Finance Solver**.

To move from row to row in the Finance Solver, press **tab**.

3. Enter $N = 60$, $I(\%) = 6$, $Pmt = 100$, $FV = 0$, $PpY = 12$, and $CpY = 12$.
4. Place the cursor in the Present Value (PV) row. Press **enter** to calculate the Present Value.

Note the presence of the rectangle around PV, which indicates that PV has been calculated for the given input values.

An amount of \$5,172.56 must be invested today.

Finance Solver	
N:	60
I(%):	6
PV:	-5172.5560751132
Pmt:	100
FV:	0
PpY:	12

Finance Solver info stored into
tvn.n, tvn.i, tvn.pv, tvn.pmt, ...

Method 2: Using the tvnPv function

1. Press **esc** to exit the Finance Solver. On the Calculator page, press **Menu > Finance**, and select **TVM Functions**.
2. Select **Present Value**.

This will paste the **tvnPv** function on the Calculator page.

The syntax for this function is **tvnPv(N, I, Pmt, FV, PpY, CpY)**.
3. For this particular exercise, enter **tvnPv(60,6,100,0,12,12)**. Press **enter**.

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tvnPv(60,6,100,0,12,12) -5172.56



Example 2:

The H Club has decided to hold a raffle. The prize is \$100 a month for 5 years. The club can invest at 6% compounded monthly. What does the club need to invest to pay the prize?

1. Press **2nd** **on**, and select **New** to start a new document. Select **Add Calculator**. Press **Menu > Finance**. Select **Finance Solver**.

2. Enter N = 60, I(%) = 6, Pmt = 100, FV = 0, PpY = 12, and CpY = 12.

Note: PMT is positive because the investment is viewed as producing \$100 per month.

3. Place the cursor in the Present Value (PV) row. Press **enter** to calculate the Present Value.

The present value PV is negative \$5,172.56 because that is what the club must pay to “buy” the prize.

If the Club takes in \$10,000, how much profit will it make on the raffle?

Method 1: Using the **PV** variable

The calculation is 10000 + PV because the PV is negative, an expenditure for the club.

1. Press **esc** to exit the Finance Solver.
2. On the Calculator page, enter 10000 **+**.
3. To locate the variable PV, press **var**, and select **tvm.pv**.
4. This will paste the variable PV on the Calculator page. Press **enter**.

The club will make \$4,827.44.

Note: Values entered and calculated in the Finance Solver are saved as variables and accessed by pressing the **var** key.

Method 2: Using the **tvmPV** function

1. On the Calculator page, enter 10000 **+**.
2. Press **Menu > Finance**, and select **TVM Functions**.
3. Select **Present Value**.

This will paste the **tvmPV** function on the Calculator page.

The syntax for this function is **tvmPV(N, I, Pmt, FV, PpY, CpY)**.

4. For this particular exercise, enter **tvmPV(60,6,100,0,12,12)**, and press **enter**.



Example 3:

Newlyweds purchased a television set for \$100 down and \$30 a month for 12 months. If the finance charge is 15% compounded monthly, find the cash price.

1. Press **on**, and select **New** to start a new document. Select **Add Calculator**. Press **Menu > Finance**. Select **Finance Solver**.

2. Enter the values shown. Move the cursor to PV and press **enter**.

PV is shown as a negative number, -332.38, because it is a payout. The total cash price is the sum of the present value and the \$100 down payment. Since the down payment is also a payout, it must be entered as a negative number. Thus the total cash price is $PV + (-100)$ or $PV - 100$.

Finance Solver	
N:	12
I(%):	15
PV:	-332.37935898111
Pmt:	30
FV:	0.00
PpY:	12

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tvn.n, tvn.i, tvn.pv, tvn.pmt, ...

3. Press **esc** to exit the Finance Solver.
4. On the Calculator page, enter PV. To locate the variable PV, press **var**, and select **tvm.pv**.
5. Press **-** 100 **enter**.

The total cash price is \$432.38. The newlyweds will pay $\$30 \times 12 + \$100 = \$460$ for the television using the installment option.

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tvm.pv-100 -432.38