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Car loan payoff options

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Results

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Paying off your car loan sooner

What the way you chose saves against keeping your payment as it is.

$369.69 less interest with $50 more a month, 5 months sooner

Keep paying $450.77 a month and the loan is paid off in 4 years, with $3,137.05 of interest still to pay. With this way, it is paid off in 3 years 7 months and $21,267.36 is left to pay in all.

As you are, and the way you chose

The loan	As you are	Extra
How you pay	$450.77 a month	$50 more a month
Paid off in	4 yr	3 yr 7 mo (better)
Interest	$3,137.05	$2,767.36 (better)
Total left to pay	$21,637.05	$21,267.36 (better)

Against as you are | Extra: $369.69 less

Highlights

5 mo sooner, the last payment

3 yr 7 mo of payments instead of 4 yr.

It takes $50 more a month. Check your contract for a prepayment penalty first

Ask your lender to put the extra toward principal.

Four ways to pay it off sooner

Each way against keeping your payment as it is, at the amounts entered.

The figures

Interest saved: $369.69

With $50 more a month, compared with keeping your payment as it is.

Paid off in: 3 years 7 months

With $50 more a month.

Time left as you are: 4 years

Paying $450.77 a month.

Interest left as you are: $3,137.05

All the interest still to pay at your payment.

Total left as you are: $21,637.05

Everything still to pay at your payment: the balance you owe plus that interest.

Each way, side by side

How you pay	Paid off in	Sooner	Interest saved	Total left
Keep paying as you are, $450.77 a month	4 yr	-	-	$21,637.05

How you pay	Paid off in	Sooner	Interest saved	Total left
Extra each month, $50 more a month (saves the most)	3 yr 7 mo	5 mo	$369.69	$21,267.36
One-time payment now, $1,000 paid now	3 yr 9 mo	3 mo	$361.15	$21,275.90
Round up the payment, $450.77 -> $500 (next $50)	3 yr 7 mo	5 mo	$364.71	$21,272.34
Half every two weeks, $225.39 every 2 weeks	3 yr 8 mo	4 mo	$324.23	$21,312.82

What you can do

The best way at your amounts, then plain tips for paying a car loan off sooner.

From your numbers

Extra each month saves the most: $369.69

$50 more a month. Paid off in 3 years 7 months, 5 months sooner, at the amounts entered.

A one-time payment needs $1,000.00 in cash now

The other ways spread the extra over the months instead.

Tips to pay it off sooner

Say where the extra goes. When you pay extra, ask your lender to put it toward the principal (the balance), and check your next statement to see that it did.

Check for a prepayment penalty. Read your loan contract before paying early. Some contracts charge a fee for paying off early; many do not.

Make it automatic. Rounding up and paying half every two weeks are easy habits once they are set up with your lender or your bank. Ask your lender how it applies a half payment: some hold it until the full payment arrives.

Use one-time money. A tax refund or a bonus paid on the loan lowers the balance right away, so less interest builds every month after.

Compare a refinance. If your credit score or rates have improved since you took the loan, a lower rate may cost less.

Ask about add-on refunds. If you bought GAP insurance or an extended service contract, you may be owed a prorated refund for the unused part when you pay the loan off early. Check your contract.

Paying ahead builds equity. Every extra dollar lowers what you owe, so you reach the point where the car is worth more than the loan sooner.

Estimates and general information only, not financial advice.

Your car loan

The loan as entered and the amount for each way.

Your car loan

Loan balance: $18,500.00

Interest rate: 7.900%

Monthly payment: $450.77

Time left: 48 months

The ways

Extra each month: $50 more a month
One-time payment now: $1,000 paid now
Round up the payment: $450.77 -> $500 (next $50)
Half every two weeks: $225.39 every 2 weeks

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Limits and next steps to keep the calculation in context.
Estimates. Each way is compared with keeping your payment as it is, using a month-by-month schedule with each payment in cents and the final payment adjusted. Half every two weeks assumes 26 half payments a year, applied as they are paid. Your lender's own schedule (daily interest, payment dates and how it applies extra payments) decides the real figures. Check your contract for a prepayment penalty before paying early.
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