



Consolidating Debts to Regain Control of Your Financial Position

Managing multiple debts can feel overwhelming, especially when they include tax obligations, credit cards, store cards, personal loans, car finance, and even utility bills. These financial burdens often spiral out of control, making it difficult to regain stability. Debt consolidation offers a practical solution to simplify repayments and create a manageable path forward.

Tax Debts: Why They Demand Immediate Attention

Tax debts, particularly those owed to the Australian Taxation Office (ATO), require urgent focus. The ATO has adopted a firmer stance on payment arrangements and is less inclined to remit interest and penalties. From 1 July 2025, general interest charges (GIC) and shortfall interest charges (SIC) will no longer be tax-deductible, increasing the cost of delaying payment. However, borrowing funds to pay business-related tax debts can still allow for tax-deductible interest, making professional advice essential in these situations.

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Top News

Interest Rates

Cash Rate: Held at 3.6% in November; RBA signals cautious stance on cuts.

Inflation:

- Headline CPI: 3.8% YoY (October data) & Trimmed Mean: 3.3% YoY
- Both remain above the RBA's 2–3% target band.

Employment:

- Unemployment: 4.3% (October)
- Participation Rate: 67%, indicating a resilient labour market.

Market Expectations:

- Rate cuts in H1 2026 now seen as unlikely; only ~15% probability priced in.
- Some analysts speculate next move could be a hike, not a cut.

Implications

- Persistent inflation and strong jobs data reduce scope for near-term easing.
- RBA likely to keep rates on hold well into 2026 unless growth slows sharply.



Other Debts and the Power of Consolidation

Beyond tax obligations, debts such as credit cards, store cards, personal loans, and car finance can accumulate quickly.

Consolidating these debts into a single loan reduces the number of repayments and often extends the repayment term, making the arrangement more affordable. This approach can significantly ease financial stress and help borrowers regain control.

Loan Options and Key Considerations

Debt consolidation can involve business loans, residential loans, or personal loans, depending on your circumstances and available security. It is crucial to choose the right solution for your needs, factoring in budgeting for repayments and ongoing living costs.

Professional guidance ensures that the chosen strategy aligns with your financial goals.

Joke of the Month.....

Always borrow money from a pessimist.

They'll never expect it back.



Important dates for December 2025:

- 01Dec2025 – Prepare early in lieu of holiday season closures & reduced work forces for any urgent matters or settlements.
- 25Dec2025 – Its Christmas!

Quote of the Month.....

Leonardo DiCaprio pays tribute to Jane Goodall at her funeral



"She reminded us that change begins with compassion, and that our humanity is our greatest tool."