

# JOBMARGIN

## Markup & Margin Quick Reference

### The two percentages use different bases

Margin = profit / selling price | Markup = profit / cost

Price for target margin = total cost / (1 - target margin)

| TARGET PROFIT MARGIN | REQUIRED MARKUP |
|----------------------|-----------------|
| 5%                   | 5.3%            |
| 10%                  | 11.1%           |
| 15%                  | 17.6%           |
| 20%                  | 25.0%           |
| 25%                  | 33.3%           |
| 30%                  | 42.9%           |
| 35%                  | 53.8%           |
| 40%                  | 66.7%           |
| 45%                  | 81.8%           |
| 50%                  | 100.0%          |

### EXAMPLE

Cost: \$6,200  
Target margin: 25%  
Price: \$8,266.67  
Profit: \$2,066.67  
Markup: 33.3%

### Safe-use reminder

- Start from complete job cost, including burdened labor and allocated overhead.
- Taxes, permits, bonds, retainage, financing, and contract-specific limits are not automatic.
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