

# Compounding Frequency

Money

How often interest is added, and how much difference it makes.

*£1,000 at a nominal 10% for one year.*

| Compounded    | Effective rate | Value     |
|---------------|----------------|-----------|
| Annually      | 10.00%         | £1,100.00 |
| Semi-annually | 10.25%         | £1,102.50 |
| Quarterly     | 10.38%         | £1,103.81 |
| Monthly       | 10.47%         | £1,104.71 |
| Daily         | 10.52%         | £1,105.16 |
| Continuously  | 10.52%         | £1,105.17 |

The gain from monthly to daily compounding is negligible. The rate matters enormously more than the frequency.