

Banking Terminology

Term	Description
Access to cancelled checks	Checks that have been processed by the bank and whose amounts have been deducted from your account
Automatic debit	Funds are withdrawn automatically from your account by another institution
Balance	The amount of money you have in your bank account
Cashier's check	A special check issued directly by the bank cashier from your account. It can be used when a personal check is not accepted.
Charge-back fee	A processing fee charged to customers who deposit a check not backed by sufficient funds
Check cashing	Withdrawal of funds from your account by writing a check in exchange for cash
Checkbook	A booklet that contains checks, deposit tickets, and a check register or ledger.
Checking reserve	Ensures that there will always be funds in your account to prevent overdrafts
Credit	A deposit of funds to a bank account
Credit reference	A statement provided by the bank to give a third-party information about your credit history
Credit union	An institution that provides banking services to its members
Draft	Like a money order, however, money is deducted from your account instead of paying by cash
Debit	A withdrawal of funds from a bank
Debit card	A plastic card used in place of cash, checks, or credit cards to pay for goods and services
Direct deposit	Electronic deposit of funds into your account (such as your employer)