

Explain How To calculate WACC in financial management / Introduction.

Weighted Average cost of Capital - This is the average after-tax cost of a company's various capital sources, including common stock, preferred stock, bonds and long-term debt. \Rightarrow It can also be defined as the average rate a company expects to pay to finance its assets.

Formula

$$WACC = \left(\frac{E}{V} \times R_e \right) + \left(\frac{D}{V} \times R_d \times (1 - TC) \right)$$

Where:-

E - Market value of the firm's equity

D - Market value of the firm's debt

$$V = E + D$$

R_e - Cost of equity

R_d - Cost of debt

TC - Corporate Tax

How to calculate WACC

- It is calculated by multiplying the cost of each capital source (debt and equity) by its relevant weight, and then adding the products together to determine the value.

In the formula above, $\frac{E}{V}$ represents the proportion of equity based financing, while $\frac{D}{V}$ represents the proportion of debt-based financing.