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Title Name-Demand, Quantity of Demand,
Law of Demand

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Meaning of Demand

Demand for a commodity refers to the quantity of a commodity that a consumer is willing to buy at a given price and at a given time.

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Demand refers to the different quantities of a commodity that a consumer is willing and able to purchase at various prices during a given period of time.

Elements of Demand- Demand have 5 elements without these we can not say demand because demand is effective desire.

1-Desire: A consumer's wish or need to get a product.

2-Ability to Pay: Having enough money or purchasing power to buy the product.

3-Willingness to Pay: ready to spend that money on the item.

4-Price: Demand is always tied to a specific price and a specific

5-Time: For demand time is necessary without time demand would be only imaginary.

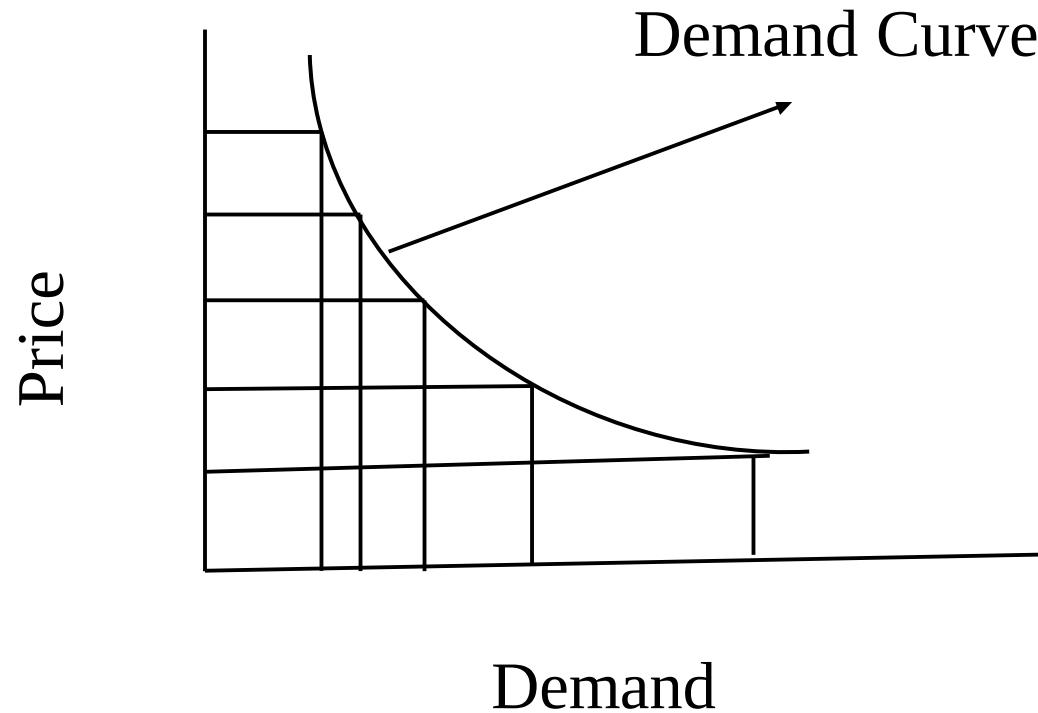
Demand Curve

Demand curve is made with help of demand schedule.

Demand Schedule-

Table 1

Sr. No.	Price	Demand
1	20	4
2	16	8
3	12	12
4	8	16
5	4	20



Quantity of Demand

Quantity of demanded: refers to the exact amount of a good or service consumers are willing and able to buy at a specific price point. It represents a single point on a demand curve.

Example: According to Table 1, at a price of 20, the quantity demanded of 4 units of the commodity is the quantity of demand.

Demand: The overall relationship between price and quantity across all possible price points. It represents the entire downward-sloping curve on a graph.

Demand Function

A demand function is the functional relationship between the demand for a commodity and the factors that affect demand.

Demand Function:

$$D_x = f(P_x, P_o, Y, T, E)$$

Where:

D_x = Demand for commodity X

P_x = Price of commodity X

P_o = Price of other related goods

Y = Consumer's income

T = Tastes and preferences

E = Consumer expectations (about future prices, income, etc.)

Demand Functions are two types:

1-Individual Demand Function

2-Market Demand Function

Individual Demand Function shows how the demand for a commodity by an individual consumer in the market depends on its various determinants.

Demand Function:

$$D_x = f(P_x, P_r, Y, T, E)$$

Where:

D_x = Demand for commodity X

P_x = Price of commodity X

P_r = Price of related goods

Y = Consumer's income

T = Tastes and preferences

E = Consumer's expectations

Factors Affecting Individual Demand

Own price of the commodity Price of related goods:

- (i) Substitute goods (Tea & Coffee)
- (ii) Complementary goods (Petrol & Car)

Income of the consumer: (i) Normal goods

- (ii) Inferior goods

Taste and preferences

Expectations

Market Demand Function

Market Demand: Market Demand refers to the sum total of the quantities demanded by all the individual households in the market at various prices in given time.

$$\text{Mkt. } D_x = f(P_x, P_r, Y, T, E, P, D)$$

Factors affecting Market Demand Function

Price of Commodity: When the price of commodity rises demand of commodity will decrease and vice-versa.

Price of other related commodity: Price of other commodity affect the demand of commodity in two ways:

Substitute Goods:- In the case of substitute goods, the demand for a commodity rises with a rise in the Price and fall with the fall in price.

Example- Tea and coffee

Complementary Goods:- In case of complementary goods, the demand for a commodity rises with fall in the Price and decreases with the rise in the price of complementary goods.

Example: Car and Petrol, Ink and Pen, Bread and Butter.

Income of Consumer:- When the Income of Consumer rises the demand of normal goods increases and if the income decreases the demand of normal good decreases.

In case of Inferior good the demand will decrease with rise in income and increase with decrease in income.

Taste and Preference: - If the taste and preference of consumer develop for a commodity the demand will rise.

Expectation: - If the consumer expects that price in future will rise the demand will rise and vice-versa

Population:- More population, more demand, less population less demand.

Climate: - The demand of commodity changes according to the climate.

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