Average Loan Debt Information Cohorts Graduating 2020-2021

Average loan debt is measured in four separate and distinct cohorts:

All students graduating in a given year who began at USF as a freshman

All students graduating in a given year who began as a Transfer student

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All students graduating in a given year who was in a Adult Degree Completion program

Freshman Cohort n=130/176 (74% of total graduating cohort borrowed)

Loan Type	# Borrowers / %Cohort	Average Debt
Federal Student Loans	130/74%	\$29,452
Federal Parent Loans	48/27%	\$43,470
Alternative Loans	24/14%	\$30,643

Transfer Cohort n=193/248 (78% of total graduating cohort borrowed)

Loan Type	# Borrowers / %Cohort	Average Debt*
Federal Student Loans	193/78%	\$23.895
Federal Parent Loans	60/24%	\$28,083
Alternative Loans	50/20%	\$27,313

<u>Should I borrow or not borrow?</u> Qdxkqwun{."kh"{qw"fqpøv jcxg"vq."fqpøv"dqttq y ô vjcv" y qwnfpøv" o cmg" o wej" sense. If you have to borrow though, there are some facts to be taken into consideration:

Unemployment rates for individuals 25 and over: +

Without a high school diploma: 8.0% With a high school diploma: 5.4% With an Associate Degree: 3.8% Ykvj"c"Dcejgnqtøu"Fgitgg"qt"jkijgt<"40: '

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Investment	Amount	Rate of Return
Dcejgnqtøu"Fgitgg"	\$102,000	15.2% per year
Stock Market	\$102,000	6.8%
Corporate Bonds	\$102,000	2.9%
Gold	\$102,000	2.3%