

STUDENT LOAN REPAYMENT PLANS

	Standard		Graduated		Income Sensitive		Extended	
	First Payment	Last Payment	First Payment	Last Payment	First Payment	Last Payment	First Payment	Last Payment
Loan Payment per \$1,000	11.51	11.51	5.67	13.53	5.67	11.51	6.94	6.94
	10 Year Term		First 24 Payments	Next 96 Payments	First 24 Payments	Next 120 Payments	25-year term (minimum loan amount of \$30,000)	
Number of total payments	120		120		144		300	
Total Repaid per \$1,000 borrowed	\$1,381		\$1,435		\$1,517		\$2,082	

*All loan payments and total repaid amounts assume 6.80% interest.

HOW TO USE THIS CHART

To Determine Your Monthly Payment Amount: Multiply the payment amount by the number of \$1,000's closest to your level of indebtedness. For example, for \$11,000 total indebtedness, and calculating the Standard repayment plan, take the monthly payment amount of \$11.51 x 11 (for 11 \$1,000's) to equal \$126.61 per month payment amount.

To Determine Total Repayment Amount: Similarly, multiply the Total Repaid amount by the number of \$1,000's closes to your level of indebtedness to determine the total repayment amount including principal and interest. For example, for \$11,000 total indebtedness, and calculating the Standard repayment plan, take the total repayment amount of \$1,381 x 11 to equal \$15,191.

To Determine the Amount of Interest: Simply subtract the principal amount from the total amount repaid. In the example above, \$15,191-\$11,000 = \$4,191 in interest paid.

- NOTE: The Income Based Repayment Plan is not listed on the chart. Because your monthly payment amount will be based on your income during any period when you have a partial financial hardship, it cannot be plotted on a chart. Contact your loan holder/servicer for more information on this plan. Similarly, the Income-Contingent Repayment Plan (for Direct Loans and Direct PLUS ••Loans): is based on your annual income (and that of your spouse, if married), your family size, and the total amount of your Direct Loans and cannot be plotted on a chart. Contact the Direct Loan Servicing Center for more information on this payment plan.

Visit www.ed.gov/offices/OSFAP/directloan/calc.html to plug your loan information into an interactive repayment calculator. Choose the repayment plan that best meets your needs.

Always contact your loan holder/servicer for details regarding repayment plans and or repayment amounts.

Repayment Options

Regardless of the payment plan you choose, you have the right to prepay each loan without penalty and to pay on a shorter schedule. You can also change repayment plans as needed. Unless you contact your lender and request a different plan, you will begin payment in the Standard Repayment Plan.

- **Standard Repayment Plan:** You generally pay a fixed amount each month for up to 10 years. Your payment must be at least \$50 a month.
- **Graduated Repayment Plan:** Your payments start out low at first and then will increase, usually every two years. You must repay your loan in full within 10 years. At a minimum, your payments must cover the interest that accumulates on your loans between payments. This plan is tailored to individuals with relatively low current incomes (e.g., recent college graduates) who expect their incomes to increase in the future. However, you'll ultimately pay more for your loan than you would under the Standard Plan, because more interest accumulates in the early years of the plan when your outstanding loan balance is higher.
- **Extended Repayment Plan:** If you're a FFEL borrower, you must have more than \$30,000 in outstanding FFEL Program loans. If you're a Direct Loan borrower, you must have more than \$30,000 in outstanding Direct Loans. This means, for example, that if you have \$35,000 in outstanding FFEL Program loans and \$10,000 in outstanding Direct Loans, you can choose the extended repayment plan for your FFEL Program loans, but not for your Direct Loans.

Your fixed monthly payment is lower than it would be under the Standard Plan, but you'll ultimately pay more for your loan because of the interest that accumulates during the longer repayment period.

- **Income-Sensitive Repayment Plan (for FFEL Loans only):** With an income-sensitive plan, your monthly loan payment is based on your annual income. As your income increases or decreases, so do your payments. The maximum repayment period is 10 years.
- **Income-Contingent Repayment Plan (for Direct Loans and Direct PLUS ••Loans):** Your monthly payments will be based on your annual income (and that of your spouse, if married), your family size, and the total amount of your Direct Loans. Borrowers have 25 years to repay under this plan, the unpaid portion will be forgiven. However, you may have to pay income tax on the amount that is forgiven.
- **Income-Based Repayment (IBR):** Under this plan, your required monthly payment amount will be based on your income during any period when you have a partial financial hardship. Your monthly payment amount may be adjusted annually. The maximum repayment period under this plan may exceed 10 years. If you repay under this plan and meet certain other requirements over a specified period of time, you may qualify for cancellation of any outstanding balance on your loans. Contact the Direct Loan Servicing Center (for Direct Loans) or your FFEL lender (for FFEL Program loans) for more information about the Income-Based Repayment Plan.