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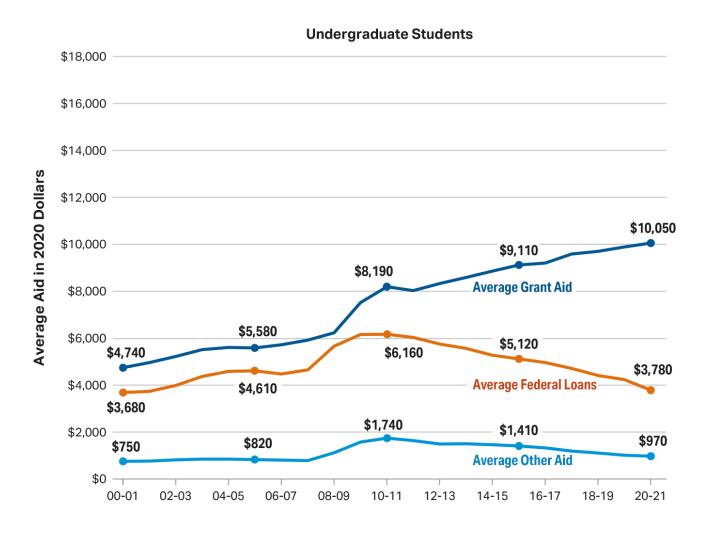


## Student Aid and Nonfederal Loans in 2020 Dollars (in Millions), Undergraduate and Graduate Students Combined, 1990-91 to 2020-21

	Academic Year										
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	90-91	00-01	10-11	15-16	16-17	17-18	18-19	19-20	20-21	% Change	% Change
Federal Aid											_
Grants											
Pell Grants	\$9,773	\$11,958	\$42,345	\$31,185	\$29,001	\$30,273	\$29,277	\$28,769	\$25,967	-39%	166%
FSEOG	\$907	\$933	\$899	\$801	\$791	\$774	\$866	\$850	\$865	-4%	-5%
LEAP	\$117	\$60	\$73	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Academic Competitiveness Grants	_	_	\$657	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
SMART Grants	_	_	\$514	_	_	_	_	_	_	–	_
Veterans' Benefits	\$1,347	\$1,970	\$11,667	\$13,788	\$12,988	\$12,322	\$12,302	\$11,610	\$11,262	-3%	736%
<b>Total Federal Grants</b>	\$12,143	\$14,921	\$56,154	\$45,774	\$42,780	\$43,369	\$42,445	\$41,230	\$38,094	-32%	214%
Loans											
Perkins Loans	\$1,724	\$1,720	\$1,017	\$1,141	\$956	\$666	_	_	_	_	_
Subsidized	\$17,342	\$24,623	\$48,202	\$25,066	\$23,350	\$22,075	\$20,424	\$19,075	\$16,278	-66%	-6%
Unsubsidized	_	\$19,700	\$56,000	\$55,387	\$53,828	\$51,495	\$49,389	\$48,210	\$45,776	-18%	_
Parent PLUS	\$1,632	\$5,548	\$12,571	\$13,062	\$13,552	\$13,459	\$13,181	\$12,506	\$9,999	-20%	513%
Grad PLUS	_	_	\$8,260	\$9,656	\$10,401	\$10,870	\$11,069	\$11,353	\$11,624	41%	_
Total Federal Loans	\$20,698	\$51,591	\$126,049	\$104,312	\$102,087	\$98,564	\$94,062	\$91,143	\$83,677	-34%	304%
Federal Work-Study	\$1,190	\$1,398	\$1,156	\$1,072	\$1,058	\$1,036	\$1,165	\$1,144	\$1,180	2%	-1%
Education Tax Benefits	\$0	\$6,930	\$25,490	\$18,750	\$17,250	\$15,380	\$13,850	\$12,550	\$11,440	-55%	_
Total Federal Aid	\$34,031	\$74,840	\$208,850	\$169,907	\$163,175	\$158,349	\$151,522	\$146,067	\$134,390	-36%	295%
State Grants	\$3,820	\$7,035	\$10,970	\$11,726	\$11,850	\$12,603	\$12,739	\$13,117	\$12,887	17%	237%
Institutional Grants	\$12,139	\$24,408	\$45,488	\$59,688	\$62,441	\$65,273	\$67,518	\$69,754	\$71,097	56%	486%
Private and Employer Grants	\$4,000	\$8,790	\$15,770	\$16,890	\$17,100	\$17,460	\$17,560	\$17,450	\$16,520	5%	313%
Total Federal, State, Institutional, and Other Aid	\$53,989	\$115,074	\$281,078	\$258,211	\$254,566	\$253,685	\$249,339	\$246,388	\$234,894	-16%	335%
Nonfederal Loans	_	\$7,700	\$9,100	\$11,700	\$12,200	\$12,600	\$13,500	\$14,600	\$12,200	34%	_
<b>Total Student Aid and Nonfederal Loans</b>	\$53,989	\$122,774	\$290,178	\$269,911	\$266,766	\$266,285	\$262,839	\$260,988	\$247,094	-15%	358%

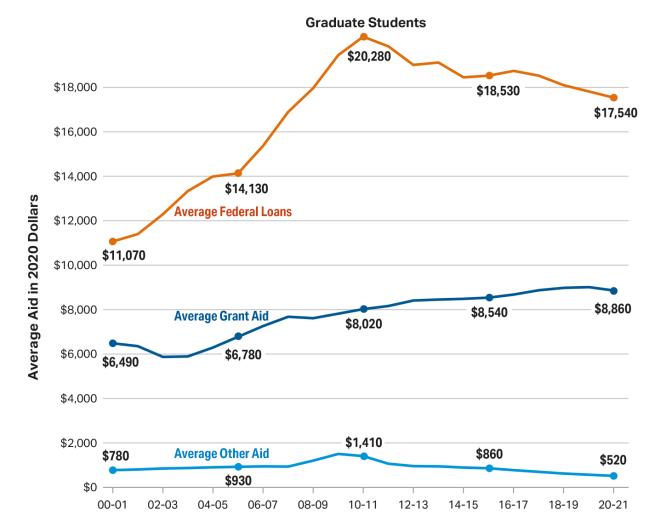


#### Average Aid per Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) Undergraduate Student in 2020 Dollars, 2000-01 to 2020-21



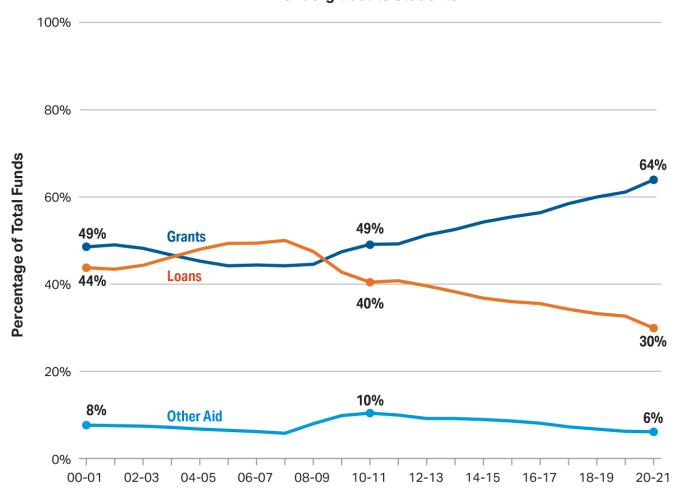


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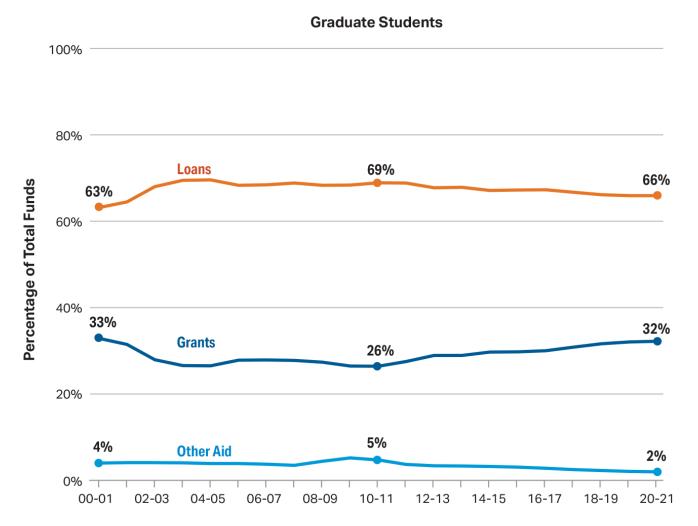
#### Composition of Total Aid and Nonfederal Loans, 2000-01 to 2020-21

#### **Undergraduate Students**

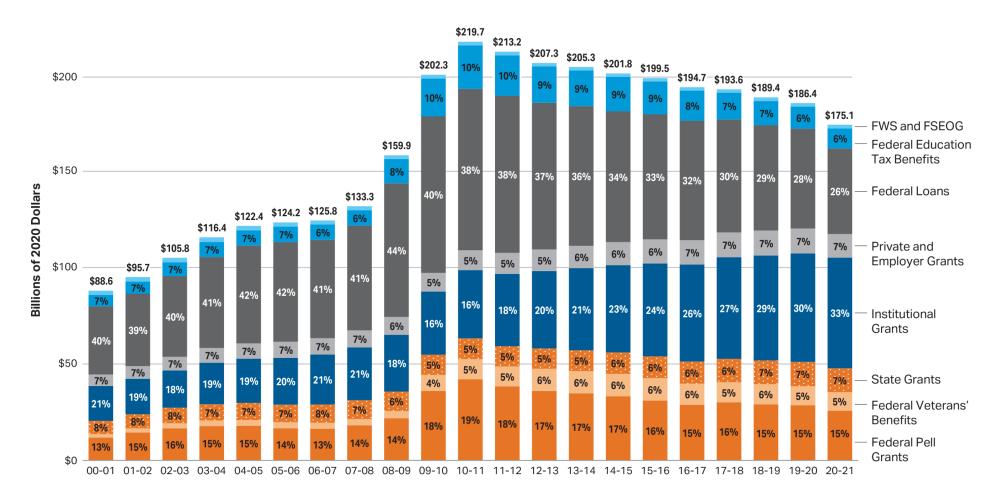




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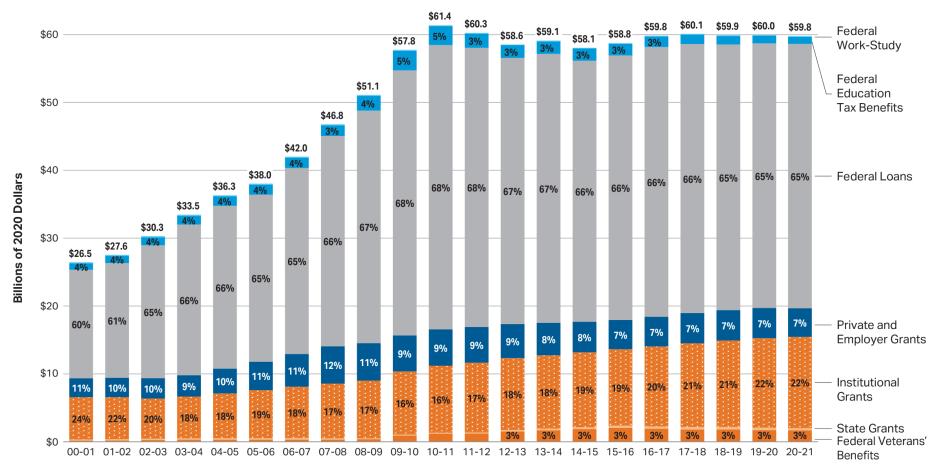


#### Total Undergraduate Student Aid in 2020 Dollars by Source and Type (in Billions), 2000-01 to 2020-21



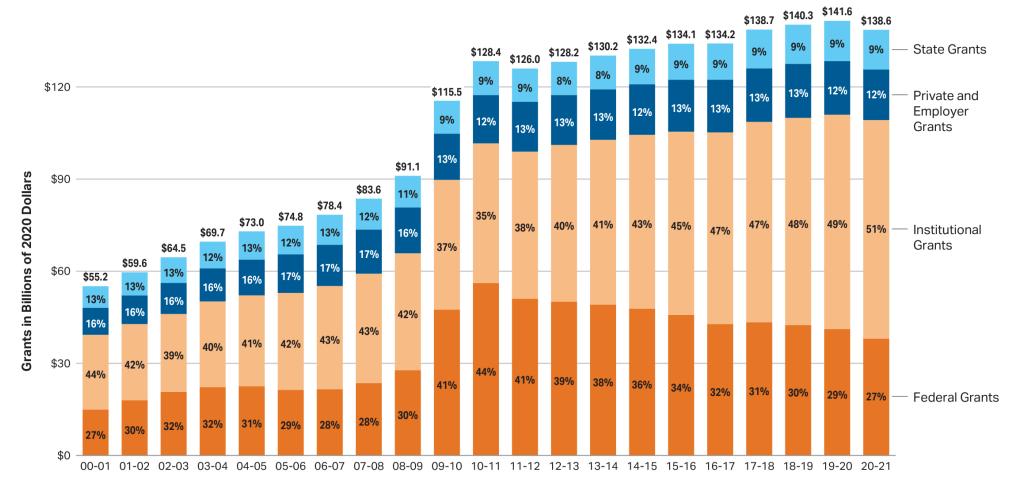


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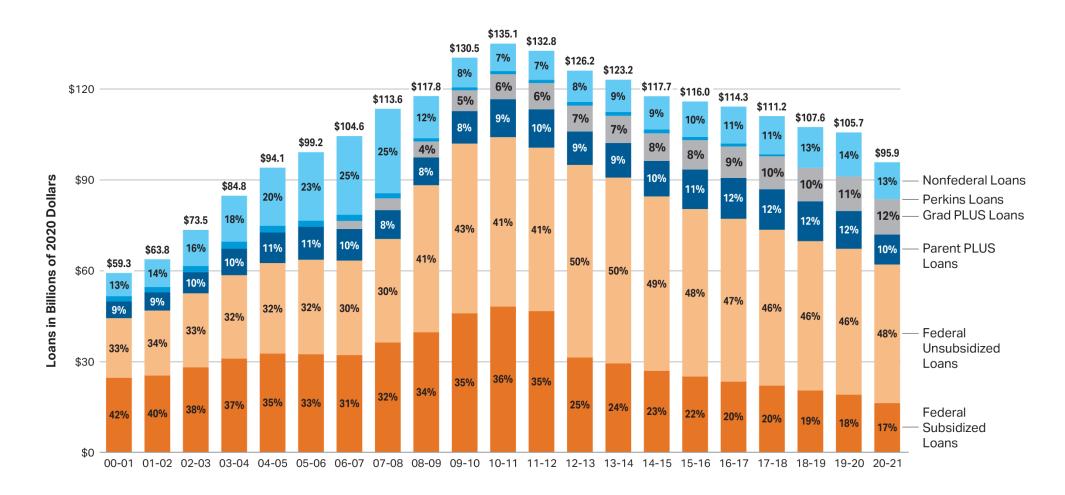


#### Total Grant Aid in 2020 Dollars by Source of Grant, 2000-01 to 2020-21



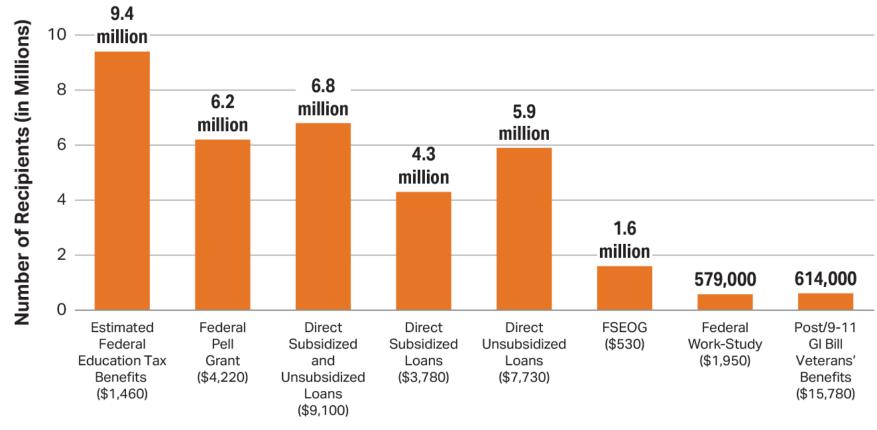


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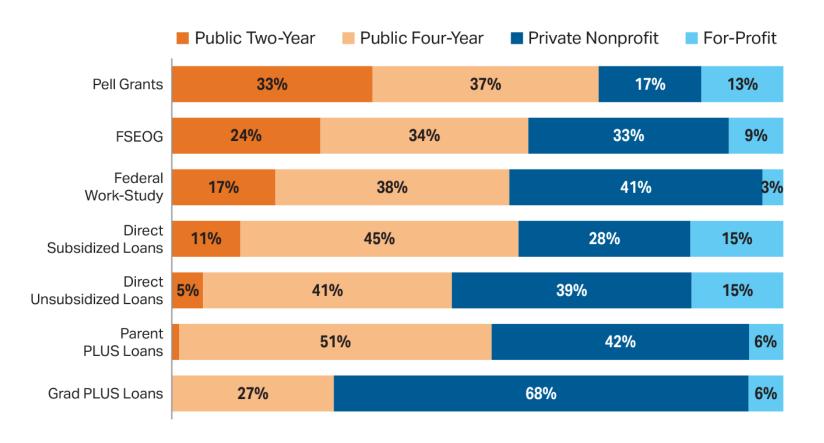


## Number of Recipients by Federal Aid Program (with Average Aid Received), 2020-21



Federal Aid Programs (with Average Aid per Recipient)

#### Percentage Distribution of Federal Aid Funds by Sector, 2019-20



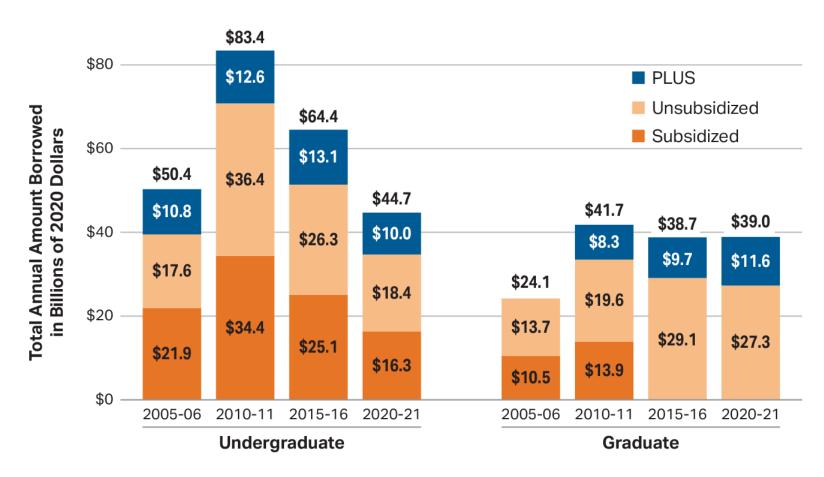
#### Distribution of Fall 2019 Enrollment by Sector

	FTE Undergraduate Students	All FTE Students
Public Two-Year	31%	26%
Public Four-Year	43%	44%
Private Nonprofit	20%	24%
For-Profit	6%	6%

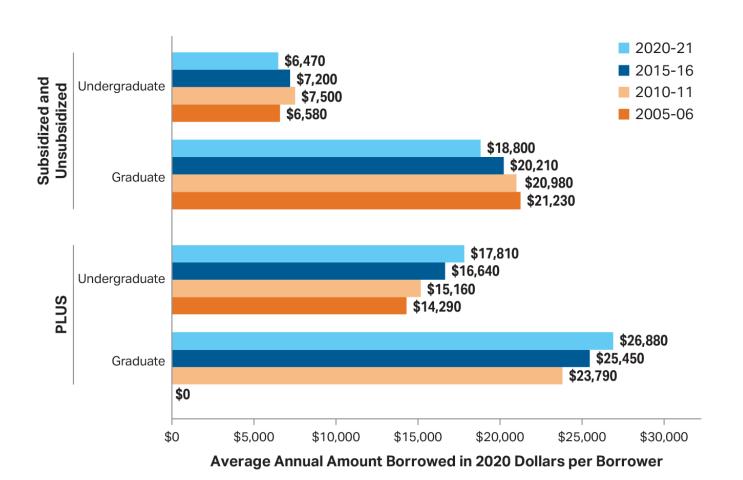
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#### Total Annual Amount Borrowed from Federal Subsidized, Unsubsidized, and PLUS Loans in Billions of 2020 Dollars, 2005-06 to 2020-21, Selected Years



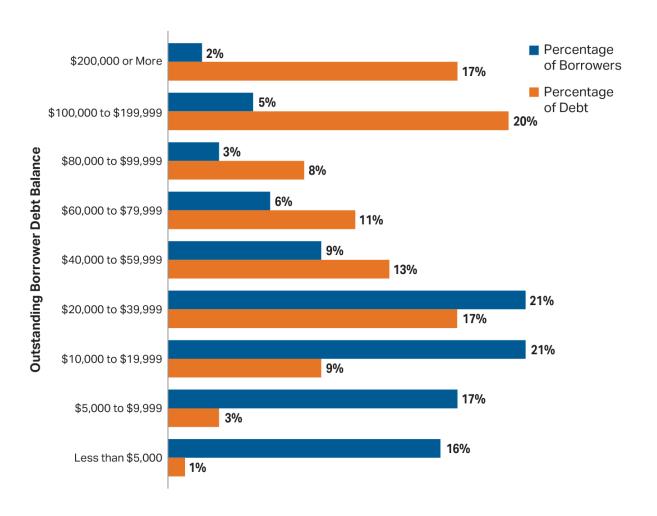
#### Average Annual Amount Borrowed in Federal Subsidized, Unsubsidized, and PLUS Loans in 2020 Dollars, 2005-06 to 2020-21, Selected Years



#### Number of Borrowers (in Thousands), 2005-06 to 2020-21, Selected Years

		2005-06	2010-11	2015-16	2020-21
Subsidized and Unsubsidized	Undergraduate	6,017	9,438	7,131	5,367
	Graduate	1,135	1,593	1,439	1,454
	Total	7,152	11,031	8,570	6,821
PLUS	Undergraduate	759	829	785	561
	Graduate	_	347	379	432
	Total	759	1,177	1,165	994

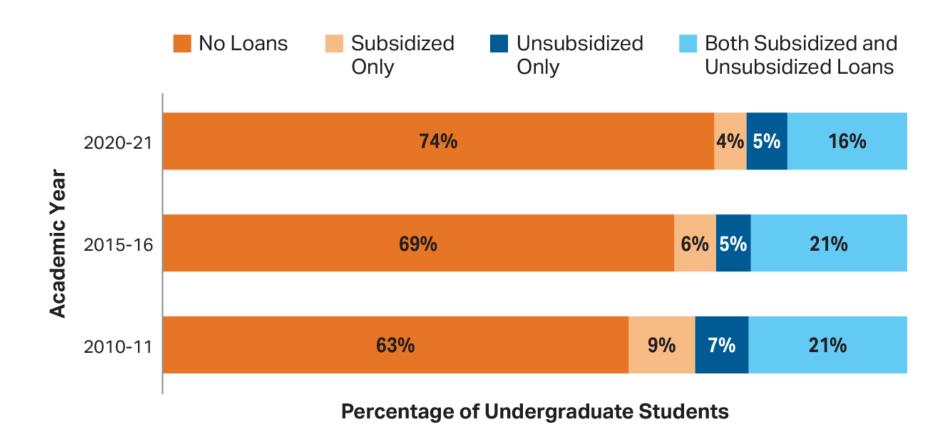
#### Distribution of Borrowers and Debt by Outstanding Balance, Second Quarter of FY2021



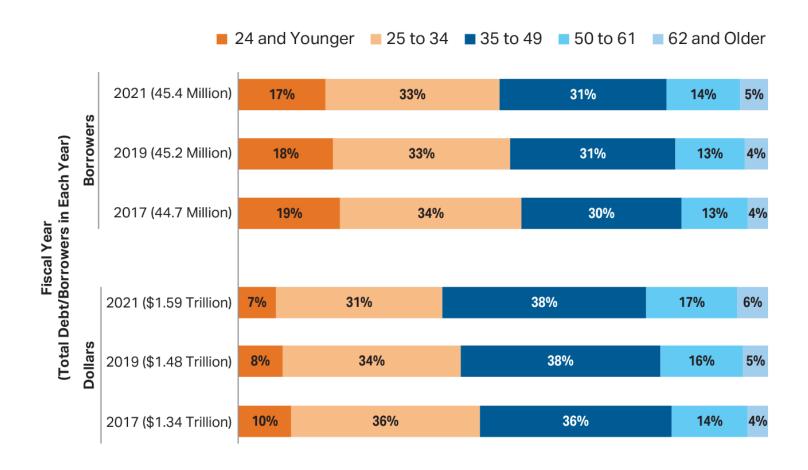
#### Federal Loan Balance by Debt Size, Second Quarter of FY2021

	Total Balance (in Billions)	Number of Borrowers (in Millions)	Average Balance
\$200,000 or More	\$271.3	0.9	\$301,400
\$100,000 to \$199,999	\$324.2	2.4	\$135,100
\$80,000 to \$99,999	\$125.3	1.4	\$89,500
\$60,000 to \$79,999	\$179.9	2.6	\$69,200
\$40,000 to \$59,999	\$208.7	4.3	\$48,500
\$20,000 to \$39,999	\$274.2	9.6	\$28,600
\$10,000 to \$19,999	\$136.4	9.4	\$14,500
\$5,000 to \$9,999	\$54.4	7.5	\$7,300
Less than \$5,000	\$19.4	7.3	\$2,700
Total	\$1,593.8	45.4	\$35,100

#### Percentage of Undergraduate Students Borrowing Federal Subsidized and Unsubsidized Student Loans, 2010-11, 2015-16, and 2020-21

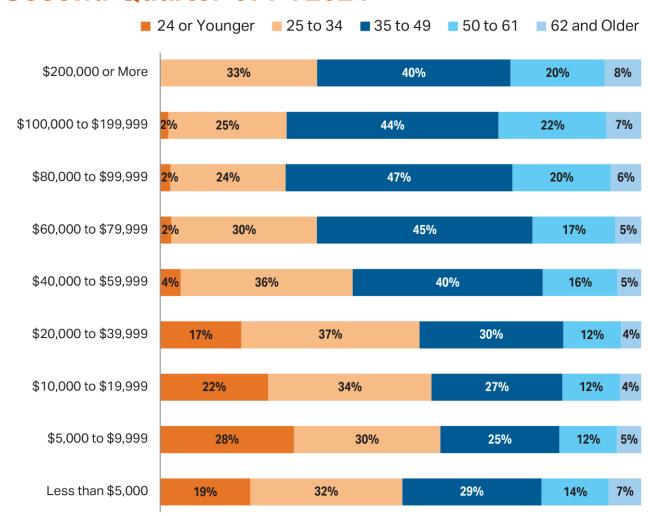


#### Distribution of Outstanding Federal Loan Dollars and Borrowers by Borrower Age, Second Quarter of FY2017, FY2019, and FY2021





## Distribution of Borrowers by Outstanding Balance and Age, Second Quarter of FY2021



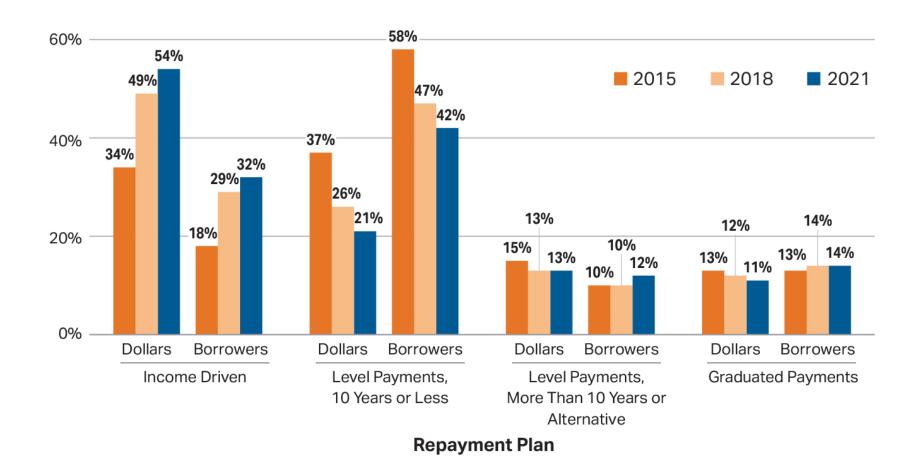
#### Federal Loan Balance by Borrower Age, Second Quarter of FY2021

	Total Balance (in Billions)	Number of Borrowers (in Millions)	Average Balance
24 and Younger	\$113.7	7.5	\$15,200
25 to 34	\$500.6	14.9	\$33,600
35 to 49	\$613.0	14.3	\$42,900
50 to 61	\$273.7	6.3	\$43,400
62 and Older	\$92.7	2.4	\$38,600

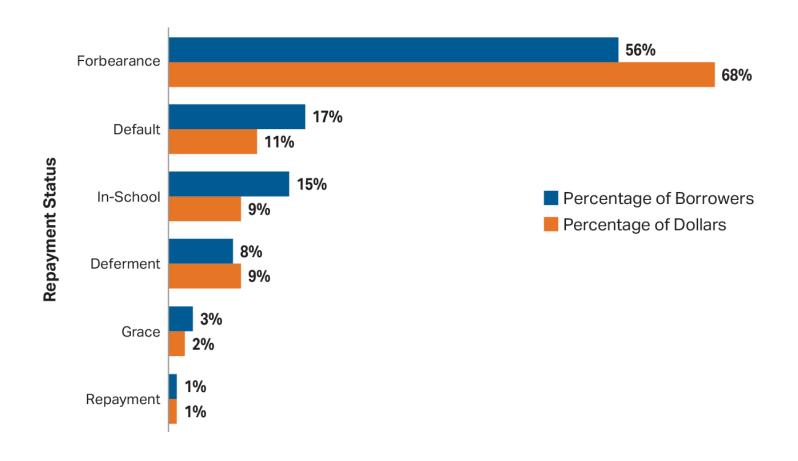


**Outstanding Borrower Debt Balance** 

#### Distribution of Outstanding Federal Direct Loan Dollars and Borrowers by Repayment Plan, Second Quarter of FY2015, FY2018, and FY2021



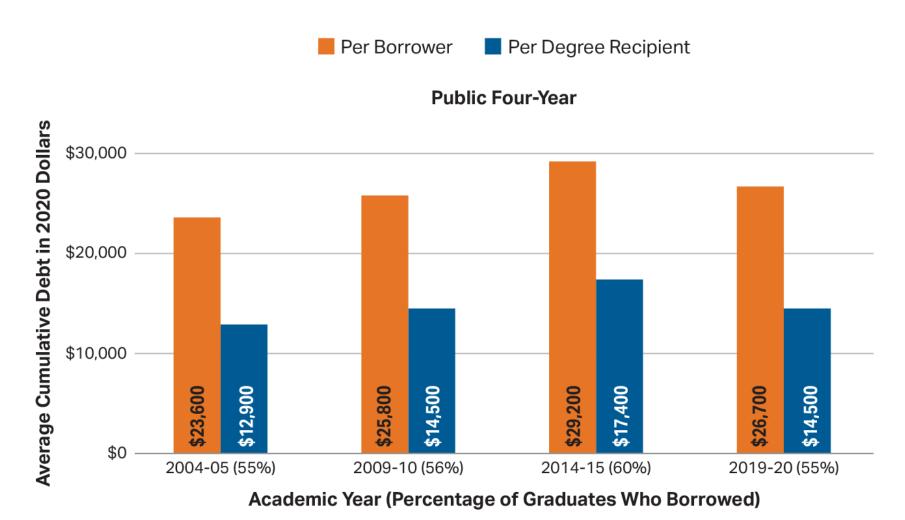
#### Repayment Status of Federal Education Loan Portfolio, Second Quarter of FY2021



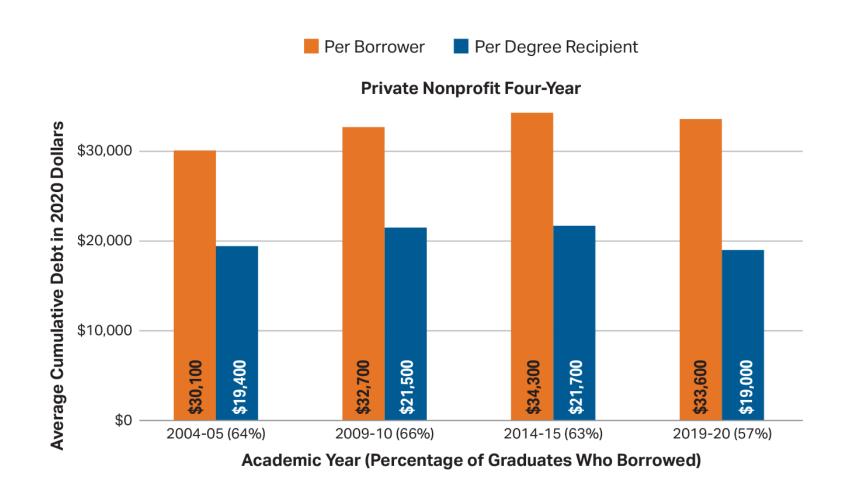
Average Federal Loan Balance, Number of Borrowers, and Total Balance by Repayment Status, Second Quarter 2021

	Total Balance (in Billions)	Number of Borrowers (in Millions)	Average Balance
Forbearance	\$977.3	23.9	\$40,900
Default	\$158.5	7.3	\$21,700
In-School	\$125.9	6.4	\$19,700
Deferment	\$122.6	3.3	\$37,200
Grace	\$22.3	1.2	\$18,600
Repayment	\$17.7	0.5	\$35,400
Other	\$9.0	0.2	\$45,000
Total	\$1,433.3	42.8	\$33,500

#### Average Cumulative Debt Levels in 2020 Dollars: Bachelor's Degree Recipients at Public Four-Year Institutions, 2004-05 to 2019-20, Selected Years



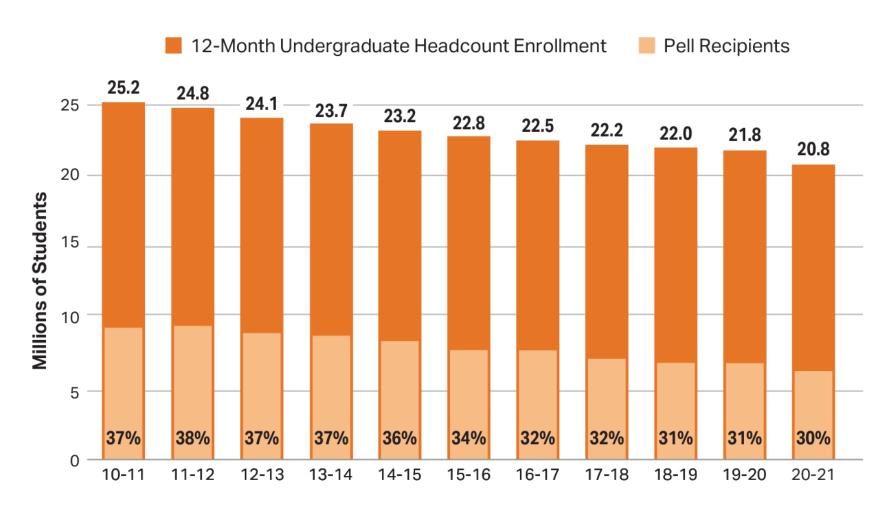
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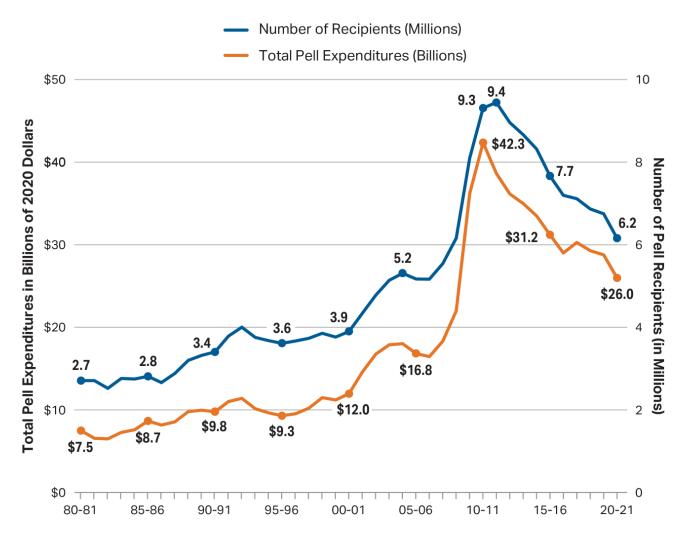
## Average Cumulative Debt in 2020 Dollars: Bachelor's Degree Recipients at Public and Private Nonprofit Four-Year Institutions, 2004-05 to 2019-20, Selected Years

	Percentage with Debt	Average Debt per Borrower	Average Debt per Graduate
2004-05	58%	\$25,900	\$15,000
2009-10	59%	\$28,000	\$16,400
2014-15	61%	\$30,700	\$18,600
2019-20	55%	\$28,400	\$15,600

#### Undergraduate Enrollment and Percentage of Undergraduate Students Receiving Pell Grants, 2010-11 to 2020-21

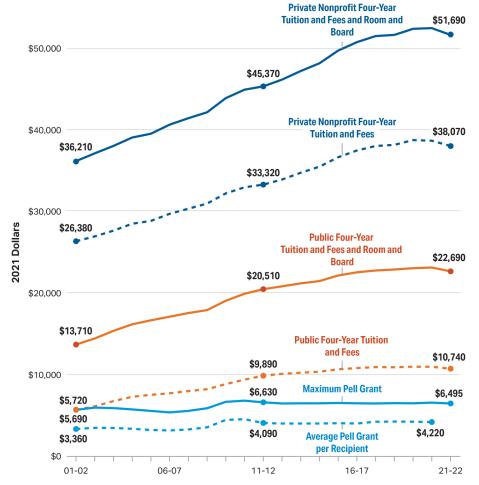


#### Total Pell Grant Expenditures and Number of Recipients, 1980-81 to 2020-21





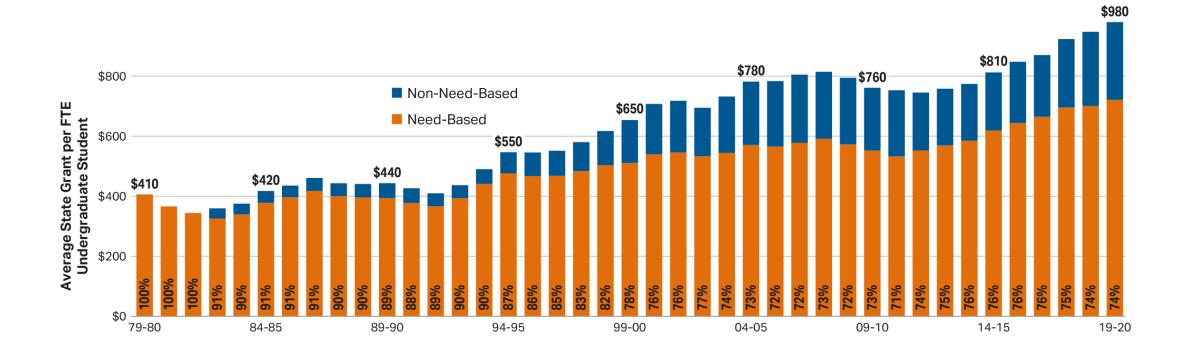
# Inflation-Adjusted Maximum and Average Pell Grant and Published Prices at Public and Private Nonprofit Four-Year Institutions in 2021 Dollars, 2001-02 to 2021-22



Maximum Pell Grant as a Percentage of Published Prices in 2021 Dollars, 2001-02 to 2021-22, Selected Years

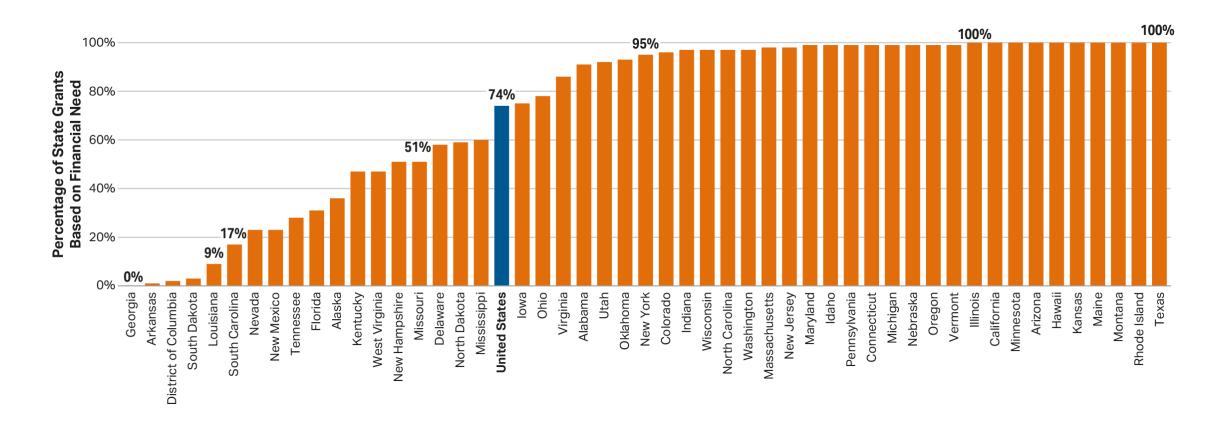
	Public F	Four-Year	Private Nonprofit Four-Year		
	In-State Tuition and Fees	Tuition and Fees and Room and Board	Tuition and Fees	Tuition and Fees and Room and Board	
2001-02	99%	42%	22%	16%	
2006-07	70%	32%	18%	13%	
2011-12	67%	32%	20%	15%	
2016-17	60%	29%	17%	13%	
2021-22	60%	29%	17%	13%	

## Need-Based and Non-Need-Based State Grants per Full-Time Equivalent Undergraduate Student in 2019 Dollars, 1979-80 to 2019-20

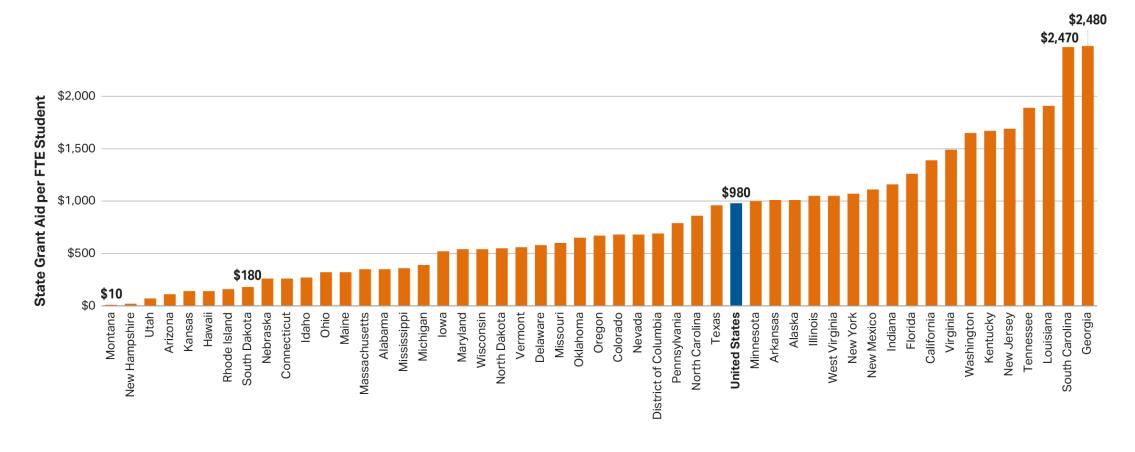




## Need-Based State Grant Aid as a Percentage of Total Undergraduate State Grant Aid by State, 2019-20

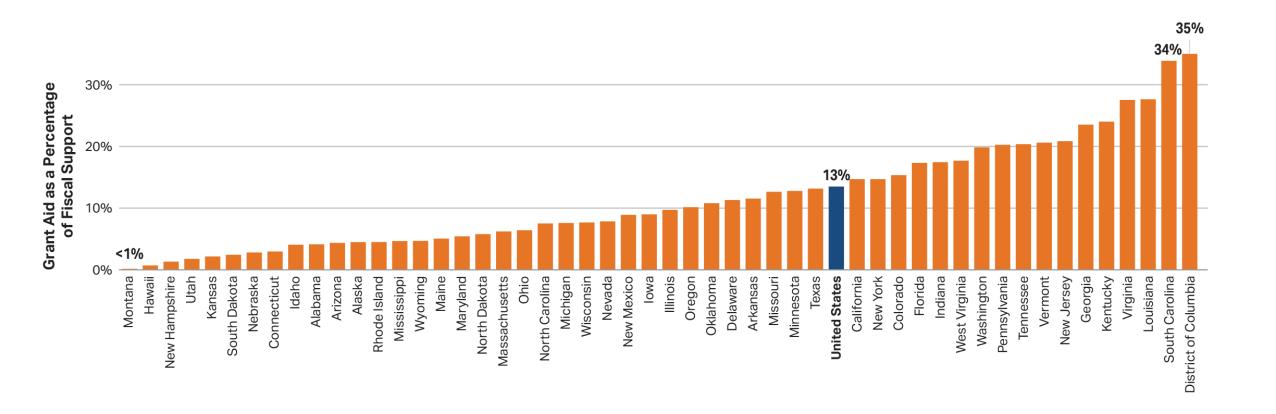


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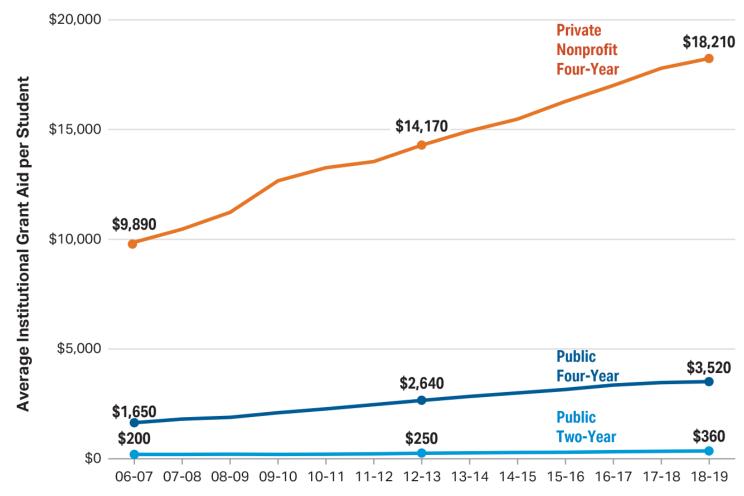




#### State Grant Expenditures as a Percentage of Total State Support for Higher Education by State, 2019-20

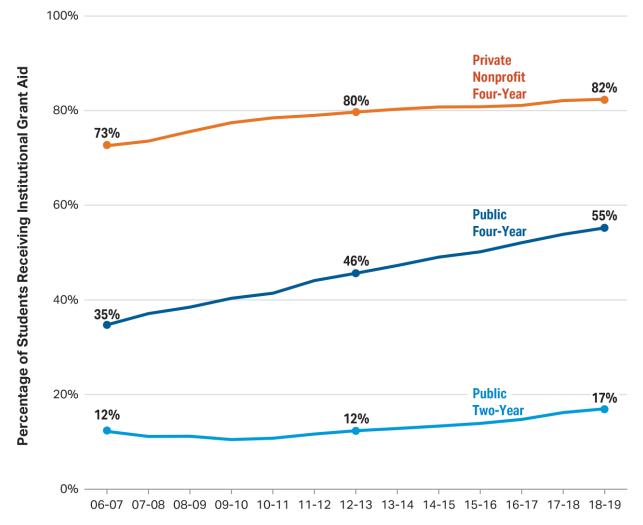


#### Average Institutional Grant Aid in 2018 Dollars, First-Time Full-Time Undergraduate Students, 2006-07 to 2018-19



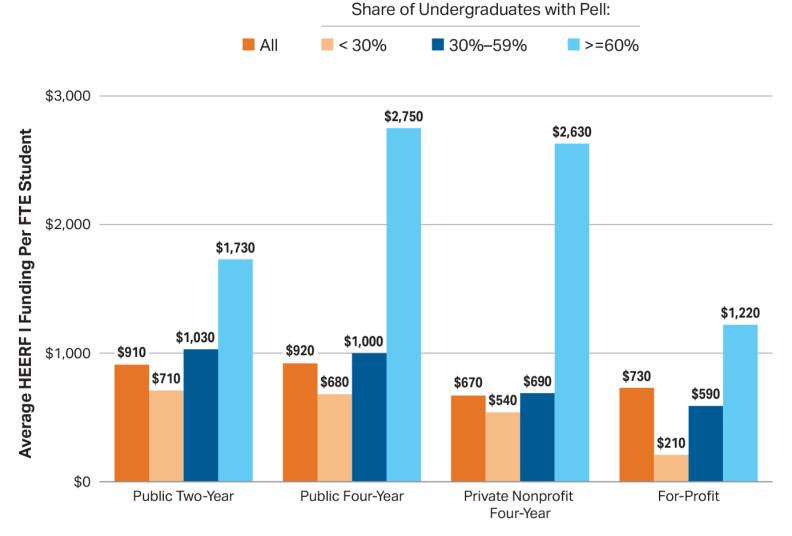


#### Percentage of First-Time Full-Time Undergraduate Students Receiving Institutional Grant Aid, 2006-07 to 2018-19

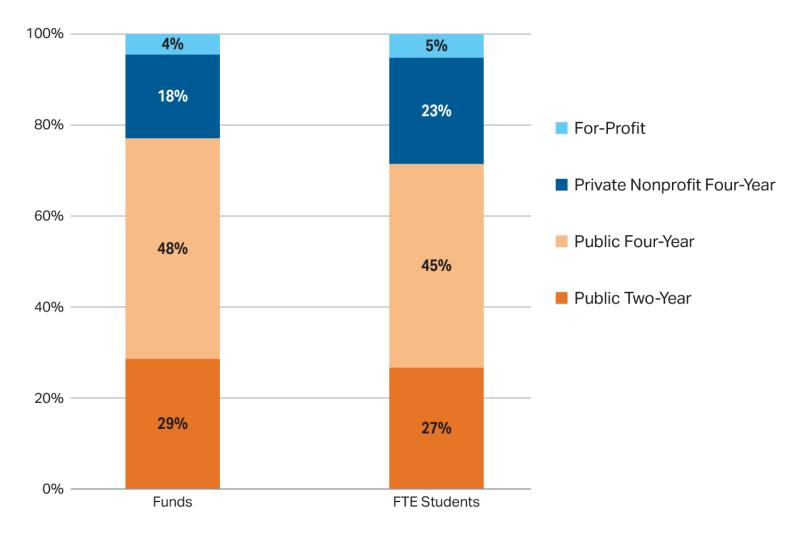




## Average HEERF I Funding Per FTE Student, by Share of Pell Enrollees and by Sector



#### Distribution of HEERF I Funding and Full-Time Equivalent Students By Sector





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