



Louisiana: Parent PLUS Median Debt at Independent Colleges

College Scorecard Planning Screen | Debt Originated at the Reporting Institution

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This report uses College Scorecard Parent PLUS median-debt data to identify where parent borrowing has historically functioned as a multi-year financing tool at independent colleges in Louisiana. The principal planning marker is the new **\$65,000 Parent PLUS aggregate maximum**. Because these figures are medians, roughly half of measured completer borrower files are at or above the reported amount.

The primary measure is Parent PLUS debt originated at the reporting institution for students who completed. The figures reflect AY 2021-2023 public data and should be validated against current campus records before operational decisions.

Louisiana: Statewide Planning Information

Metric	Read	Metric	Read
New Parent PLUS aggregate maximum	\$65,000	Independent colleges represented	12
Reported completer medians	8	Median of reported medians	\$30,185
At or above \$65K	0	Near \$65K (\$55K-\$64,999)	0
Highest reported median	\$42,580	Highest institution	Xavier University of Louisiana

Independent Colleges

Rows are sorted by median Parent PLUS debt at the institution for completers. The completer median is the primary planning signal; the all-borrower median is included as secondary context. N/A indicates that a field was suppressed or not reported.

Institution	All Borrowers at Institution	Completers at Institution	Completer Files	Parent PLUS Share	Planning Signal
Xavier University of Louisiana	\$31,388	\$42,580	289	30-35%	Elevated
Tulane University of Louisiana	\$39,949	\$42,340	368	0-10%	Elevated
Loyola University New Orleans	\$25,674	\$34,750	253	10-15%	Monitor
Centenary College of Louisiana	\$24,450	\$33,370	42	15-20%	Monitor
Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady University	\$20,995	\$27,000	29	0-10%	Monitor
Dillard University	\$19,703	\$23,000	120	25-30%	Monitor
University of Holy Cross	\$11,750	\$12,530	27	5-10%	Lower signal
Louisiana Christian University	\$9,759	\$11,500	59	5-15%	Lower signal
Academy of Interactive Entertainment	\$12,363	N/A	17	20-30%	Suppressed
Bridges Christian College	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Suppressed
New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Suppressed
Saint Joseph Seminary College	N/A	N/A	N/A	0-5%	Suppressed

Public Comparison Schools

The three largest public bachelor's-or-higher institutions in Louisiana by undergraduate enrollment are included for reference and are not part of the independent-college distribution.

Institution	All Borrowers at Institution	Completers at Institution	Completer Files	Parent PLUS Share	Planning Signal
Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College	\$22,304	\$28,600	1,481	5-15%	Monitor
University of Louisiana at Lafayette	\$13,718	\$14,923	485	0-10%	Lower signal
Southeastern Louisiana University	\$10,000	\$10,664	284	0-10%	Lower signal

Source and Method Note

Universe: Main-campus, private nonprofit colleges with reported undergraduate enrollment, plus the three largest main-campus public bachelor's-or-higher institutions by undergraduate enrollment. **Data:** U.S. Department of Education College Scorecard Most Recent Cohorts Institution file uploaded for this project. **Primary field:** Parent PLUS debt at the institution for completers. **Timing:** Figures reflect AY 2021-2023 public data. N/A indicates that a field was suppressed or not reported.