

OVERVIEW OF DIRECT LOAN AND FFEL PROGRAM REPAYMENT PLANS
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Repayment Plan	Eligible Loans	Monthly Payment and Time Frame	Quick Comparison
Standard Repayment Plan	Direct Subsidized and Unsubsidized Loans Subsidized and Unsubsidized Federal Stafford Loans all PLUS loans	Payments are a fixed amount of at least \$50 per month. Up to 10 years	You'll pay less interest for your loan over time under this plan than you would under other plans.
Graduated Repayment Plan	Direct Subsidized and Unsubsidized Loans Subsidized and Unsubsidized Federal Stafford Loans all PLUS loans	Payments are lower at first and then increase, usually every two years. Up to 10 years	You'll pay more for your loan over time than under the 10-year standard plan.
Extended Repayment Plan	Direct Subsidized and Unsubsidized Loans Subsidized and Unsubsidized Federal Stafford Loans all PLUS loans	Payments may be fixed or graduated. Up to 25 years	Your monthly payments would be lower than the 10-year standard plan. If you are a Direct Loan borrower, you must have more than \$30,000 in outstanding Direct Loans. FFEL borrower, you must have more than \$30,000 in outstanding FFEL Program loans. For example, if you have \$35,000 in outstanding FFEL Program loans, and \$10,000 in Direct Loans, you can use the extended repayment plan for your FFEL Program loans, but not for your Direct Loans. For both programs, you must also be a " new borrower " as of Oct. 7, 1998. You'll pay more for your loan over time than under the 10-year standard plan.
Income-Based Repayment (IBR)	Direct Subsidized and Unsubsidized Loans Subsidized and Unsubsidized Federal Stafford Loans all PLUS loans made to students Consolidation Loans (Direct or FFEL) that do not include Direct or FFEL PLUS loans made to parents	Your maximum monthly payments will be 15 percent of discretionary income , the difference between your adjusted gross income and 150 percent of the poverty guideline for your family size and state of residence (other conditions apply). Your payments change as your income changes. Up to 25 years	You must have a partial financial hardship . Your monthly payments will be lower than payments under the 10-year standard plan. You'll pay more for your loan over time than you would under the 10-year standard plan. If you have not repaid your loan in full after making the equivalent of 25 years of qualifying monthly payments, any outstanding balance on your loan will be forgiven. You may have to pay income tax on any amount that is forgiven.
Pay As You Earn	Direct Subsidized and Unsubsidized Loans	Your maximum monthly payments will be 10 percent of discretionary income, the difference between your adjusted gross income and 150	You must be a new borrower on or after Oct. 1, 2007, and must have received

