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# Illinois Trends Report Select Consumer Loan Products Through December 2015 

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## Illinois Trends Report - Select Consumer Loan Products

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## About the Information in this Report

This report is based on statistical information required under the Payday Loan Reform Act, 815 ILCS122.

The information contained in this report is based on loan data registered to the illinois PLRA Consumer Reporting Service ("Database") pursuant to the Act. The Act was effective on December 6, 2005, and the Database went into effect beginning in February 2006. The data presented in this report is for the period from February 2006 through December 2015.

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## Summary of APR: How it is Determined and the Effect it has

The Annual Percentage Rate ("APR") is the annual rate charged on a loan as characterized by a percentage rate that represents the annual cost of borrowing. Loans vary from lender to lender and are also based on consumer needs, product parameters, and market competition. APR is a useful tool in comparing credit products; however, it can also be misleading due to the factors involved. When entering into a credit product, some factors affecting APR include: Fees, Interest Charges and Loan Maturity.

It is important to note the inverse relationship between APR and Loan Maturity; if all other factors remain the same except for the term of the loan, the APR decreases as the time to repay the loan increases. For example, a one month loan of $\$ 1,000$ with a $5 \%$ fee has an APR of over $50 \%$, while a one year loan of $\$ 1,000$ with a $5 \%$ fee has an APR of $5 \%$.

## Implementation of HB 537

When reviewing the information contained in this report the reader will notice a significant increase in database activity beginning in 2011. This increased activity is a result of HB 537 which became effective on March 21, 2011. HB 537 amended the Payday Loan Reform Act (PLRA) to create Installment Payday Loans as well as amended the Consumer Installment Loan Act (CILA) to create Small Consumer Loans. Pursuant to PLRA and CILA, lenders are required to enter information regarding these new loan types into the database. The database became live on July 25, 2011.

## Select Consumer Loan Products

Products included in this report consist of Payday Loans (starting on February $1^{\text {st }}, 2006$ ), CILA Loans (starting on February $1^{\text {st }}, 2006$ and ending on March 20 ${ }^{\text {th }}$, 2011), Installment Payday Loans (starting on July $25^{\text {th }}$, 2011, with historical uploads from March $21^{\text {st }}$, 2011), Title Loans (starting on October $1^{\text {st }}, 2009$, with historical uploads from April $1^{\text {st }}, 2009$ ), and Small Consumer Loans (starting on July $25^{\text {th }}, 2011$, with uploads from March $21^{\text {st }}, 2011$ ).

## Examples of Consumer Credit Products Contained in this Report

A Payday Loan (PLRA) is a loan with a finance charge exceeding an annual percentage rate of $36 \%$ and with a term that does not exceed 120 days. No lender may charge more than $\$ 15.50$ per $\$ 100$ loaned except as otherwise allowed by the Payday Loan Reform Act. Licensees have been required to input PLRA loans into the database since 2006.

A Consumer Installment Loan (CILA) is any loan made to a consumer up to $\$ 40,000$ as permitted by the Consumer Installment Loan Act. Licensees have never been required to input this data into the system. Any information previously captured was voluntarily provided by licensees.

An Installment Payday Loan (IPL) is a loan with a finance charge exceeding an annual percentage rate of $36 \%$ and with a term no less than 112 days and no longer than 180 days. No lender may charge more than $\$ 15.50$ per $\$ 100$ loaned except as otherwise allowed by the Payday Loan Reform Act. Installment Payday Loans were created pursuant to the PLRA in 2011. Beginning in March of 2011, licensees were required to input IPL data into the database.

A Title Secured Loan (Title), pursuant to the Consumer Installment Loan Act, is a loan upon which interest is charged at an annual percentage rate exceeding $36 \%$, and, at commencement, the obligor provides to the licensee, as security for the loan, physical possession of the obligor's title to a motor vehicle.

A Small Consumer Installment Loan (SCL), pursuant to the Consumer Installment Loan Act, is a loan upon which interest is charged at an annual percentage rate exceeding $36 \%$ and with an amount financed of $\$ 4,000$ or less. SCL does not include a title-secured loan. Small Consumer Loans were created by CILA in 2011. Beginning in March of 2011, licensees were required to input SCL data into the database.

## Number of Consumers/Borrowers

During the period from February 2006 through December 2015 ("Reporting Period"), 1,156,973 consumers took out 7,470,995 loans, or an average of 6.5 loans per consumer.
The number of loan consumers (unique borrowers) in the Reporting Period is as follows:

Unique Consumers per Year
(Feb 2006 through Dec 2015)


The significant increase in unique consumers beginning in 2011 is a result of legislation requiring lenders to input information into the database for the new loan types. Prior to this time period, SCL and IPL did not exist in the database.

## Number of Consumers/Borrowers (continued)

| Year | Unique <br> Borrowers over <br> All Products ${ }^{\mathbf{2}}$ | Unique <br> Borrowers <br> using PLRA | Unique <br> Borrowers <br> using CILA | Unique <br> Borrowers <br> using IPL | Unique <br> Borrowers <br> using Title | Unique <br> Borrowers <br> using SCL |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 2006 | 150,595 | 119,643 | 47,380 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2007 | 118,817 | 92,303 | 34,054 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2008 | 101,395 | 79,399 | 25,594 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2009 | 125,048 | 57,042 | 25,582 | 0 | 49,045 | 0 |
| 2010 | 135,044 | 48,929 | 26,334 | 0 | 66,789 | 0 |
| 2011 | 388,496 | 55,383 | 10,012 | 178,872 | 79,357 | 157,878 |
| 2012 | 410,650 | 48,007 | 0 | 199,847 | 82,328 | 166,484 |
| 2013 | 423,199 | 48,300 | 0 | 203,442 | 86,941 | 171,022 |
| 2014 | 433,022 | 54,516 | 0 | 206,770 | 84,018 | 177,420 |
| 2015 | 438,541 | 64,968 | 0 | 199,798 | 74,903 | 188,107 |
|  | $\mathbf{1 , 1 5 6 , 9 7 3}$ | $\mathbf{3 6 5 , 9 6 6}$ | $\mathbf{9 7 , 7 9 6}$ | $\mathbf{5 3 1 , 5 3 9}$ | $\mathbf{3 4 6 , 2 5 1}$ | $\mathbf{3 8 6 , 0 2 8}$ |
| Since Inception |  |  |  |  | 0 | 0 |

The average monthly gross income of Illinois consumers during the Reporting Period was $\$ 2,543.45$, or approximately $\$ 30,521$ per year.
For the Reporting Period:

- Approximately $63 \%$ of loan consumers earn $\$ 30,000$ or less per year.
- Approximately $14 \%$ of loan consumers earn more than $\$ 50,000$ per year.
- Approximately $5 \%$ of loan consumers earn more than $\$ 75,000$ per year.

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## Transaction Volume

Total transaction volume for the Reporting Period, including PLRA Loans, CILA Loans, Installment Payday Loans, Title Loans, and Small Consumer Loans was approximately 7,470,995 loans.

Transaction Volume per Month


Prior to implementation of HB 537, which created SCL and IPL loans, licensees had the option to voluntarily record CILA loans on the database, which a small amount of licensees did. Post implementation of HB 537 the inclusion of IPL and SCL loans became mandatory. This is why beginning after March of 2011 there is an increase in the amount of overall transactions while at the same time CILA loan activity has ceased.

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## Transaction Volume (continued)

Annual volume information for each year of the Reporting Period is presented in the following table.

| Year ${ }^{3}$ | PLRA Volume ${ }^{4}$ | CILA Volume | IPL Volume | Title Volume | SCL Volume | Total Volume | Change vs. Prior Year |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2006 | 485,024 | 91,712 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 576,736 |  |
| 2007 | 372,137 | 77,559 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 449,696 | -22.0\% |
| 2008 | 308,805 | 64,418 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 373,223 | -17.0\% |
| 2009 | 216,207 | 64,209 | 0 | 54,836 | 0 | 335,252 | -10.2\% |
| 2010 | 188,447 | 64,531 | 0 | 81,893 | 0 | 334,871 | -0.1\% |
| 2011 | 153,132 | 13,185 | 359,876 | 93,677 | 384,180 | 1,004,050 | 199.8\% |
| 2012 | 144,603 | 0 | 408,666 | 96,944 | 447,099 | 1,097,312 | 9.3\% |
| 2013 | 148,899 | 0 | 404,725 | 100,393 | 454,679 | 1,108,696 | 1.0\% |
| 2014 | 169,565 | 0 | 405,300 | 96,072 | 424,338 | 1,095,275 | -1.2\% |
| 2015 | 206,501 | 0 | 379,973 | 83,980 | 425,430 | 1,095,884 | 0.1\% |
| Total | 2,393,320 | 375,614 | 1,958,540 | 607,795 | 2,135,726 | 7,470,995 |  |

[^1]
## Inquiries to the Illinois Consumer Reporting Service

The number of inquiries and requests made to the Database ("Database Events") during the Reporting Period was approximately 21.3 million.

Database inquires and requests include the following events: check eligibility; opens; closes; reopens; cancels; temps; transfers; returns; renewals, refinances; repayment plans; repayment plan reversals; defaults; default reversals; write-offs; write-off reversals; vehicle repossessions; vehicle sales; and information updates.

Database Events per Month


Database Events per Year
(Feb 2006 through Dec 2015)


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## Declined Consumer Eligibility Checks ${ }^{5}$

Declined eligibility checks for PLRA, IPL, and Title products averaged approximately 35.6 percent of total transaction requests during the Reporting Period. ${ }^{6}$

## Declined Eligibility Checks \% of Total Transaction Requests (not including SCL)



Note: The cause of the abnormal increase in declined eligibility requests between March 2008 and September 2008 is due to multiple database events from a single licensee for a reason that may not be related to loan applications.

The increase in declined eligibility requests during the second half of 2009 is correlated to the implementation of Title Loan lending and the requirement for lenders to input data into the database.

Due to statute changes, licensees were unable to enter Payday Loan declines in the database from March 21st, 2011 through July 24th, 2011.

The following tables represent data from all registered users other than that single licensee.

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## Ineligibility for a Loan

The tables below provide annual information about the reasons for declined eligibility during the Reporting Period. ${ }^{7}$

Total Declined Eligibility Checks by Reason

| Year | Waiting <br> Period | Restricted by <br> Repayment <br> Plan | Restricted by <br> Consecutive <br> Days in Product | Over Dollar <br> Limit | Two Open <br> Transactions | Other | Total |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 2006 | 591 | 44 | 100,226 | 19,375 | 9,906 | 23,626 | 153,768 |
| 2007 | 318 | 40 | 68,288 | 15,138 | 3,719 | 11,532 | 99,035 |
| 2008 | 373 | 46 | 46,516 | 7,990 | 2,278 | 9,833 | 67,036 |
| 2009 | 1,551 | 46 | 28,549 | 10,084 | 4,940 | 10,131 | 55,301 |
| 2010 | 5,351 | 41 | 24,879 | 3,441 | 764 | 11,721 | 46,197 |
| 2011 | 20,336 | 721 | 59,420 | 36,941 | 40,461 | 17,028 | 174,907 |
| 2012 | 42,779 | 2,100 | 179,267 | 77,720 | 105,488 | 5,643 | 412,997 |
| 2013 | 30,107 | 1,678 | 198,482 | 42,454 | 113,151 | 6,761 | 392,633 |
| 2014 | 29,519 | 2,937 | 251,875 | 46,055 | 157,271 | 7,286 | 494,943 |
| 2015 | 25,149 | 2,992 | 380,225 | 49,822 | 225,604 | 6,269 | 690,061 |
| Total | 156,074 | 10,645 | $1,337,727$ | 309,020 | 663,582 | 109,830 | $2,586,878$ |

Percentage of Total Declined Eligibility Checks by Reason

| Year | Waiting <br> Period | Restricted by <br> Repayment <br> Plan | Restricted by <br> Consecutive <br> Days in Product | Over Dollar <br> Limit | Two Open <br> Transactions | Other | Total |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 2006 | $0.38 \%$ | $0.03 \%$ | $65.18 \%$ | $12.60 \%$ | $6.44 \%$ | $15.36 \%$ | $100.00 \%$ |
| 2007 | $0.32 \%$ | $0.04 \%$ | $68.95 \%$ | $15.29 \%$ | $3.76 \%$ | $11.64 \%$ | $100.00 \%$ |
| 2008 | $0.56 \%$ | $0.07 \%$ | $69.39 \%$ | $11.92 \%$ | $3.40 \%$ | $14.67 \%$ | $100.00 \%$ |
| 2009 | $2.80 \%$ | $0.08 \%$ | $51.62 \%$ | $18.23 \%$ | $8.93 \%$ | $18.32 \%$ | $100.00 \%$ |
| 2010 | $11.58 \%$ | $0.09 \%$ | $53.85 \%$ | $7.45 \%$ | $1.65 \%$ | $25.37 \%$ | $100.00 \%$ |
| 2011 | $11.63 \%$ | $0.41 \%$ | $33.97 \%$ | $21.12 \%$ | $23.13 \%$ | $9.74 \%$ | $100.00 \%$ |
| 2012 | $10.36 \%$ | $0.51 \%$ | $43.41 \%$ | $18.82 \%$ | $25.54 \%$ | $1.37 \%$ | $100.00 \%$ |
| 2013 | $7.67 \%$ | $0.43 \%$ | $50.55 \%$ | $10.81 \%$ | $28.82 \%$ | $1.72 \%$ | $100.00 \%$ |
| 2014 | $5.96 \%$ | $0.59 \%$ | $50.89 \%$ | $9.31 \%$ | $31.78 \%$ | $1.47 \%$ | $100.00 \%$ |
| 2015 | $3.64 \%$ | $0.43 \%$ | $55.10 \%$ | $7.22 \%$ | $32.69 \%$ | $0.91 \%$ | $100.00 \%$ |
| Total | $6.03 \%$ | $0.41 \%$ | $51.71 \%$ | $11.95 \%$ | $25.65 \%$ | $4.25 \%$ | $100.00 \%$ |

[^3]
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## Loan Loss

The chart below provides annual information about the estimated default rate of PLRA, IPL, Title, and SCL products during the Reporting Period. ${ }^{8}$

Loan Loss as a Percentage of Product Volume


Loan loss is estimated by counting loans in default, written off, closed with a payment method of "bad debt", or are currently open greater than 60 days past due (or 60 days past the end date of the repayment plan if the loan was put into a repayment plan).

Loan loss for small consumer loans is estimated by counting loans listed as "discharged by the lender" and loans "satisfied in full or in part by collateral being sold after default."

[^4]
## PLRA Loans

## PLRA Loan Consumers

During the period from February 2006 through December 2015 ("Reporting Period"), 365,966 PLRA Loan consumers took out 2,393,320 PLRA Loans, or an average of 6.5 loans per consumer.
The number of PLRA Loan consumers (unique borrowers) in the Reporting Period is as follows:

Unique PLRA Loan Consumers per Year
(Feb 2006 through Dec 2015)


The average monthly gross income of Illinois PLRA Loan consumers during the Reporting Period was $\$ 2,847.43$, or approximately $\$ 34,169$ per year.
For the Reporting Period:

- Approximately 54\% of PLRA Loan consumers earn $\$ 30,000$ or less per year.
- Approximately $18 \%$ of PLRA Loan consumers earn more than $\$ 50,000$ per year.
- Approximately 5\%, of PLRA Loan consumers earn more than \$75,000 per year.


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## PLRA Loan Transaction Volume

Total PLRA Loan transaction volume for the Reporting Period was approximately 2,393,320 loans. ${ }^{9}$

PLRA Volume per Month


PLRA Loan transaction volume has decreased at an average annual rate of 7.6 percent during the Reporting Period. Annual volume information for each year of the Reporting Period is presented in the following table.

| Year $^{10}$ | Transaction <br> Count $^{\mathbf{1 1}}$ | Change vs. <br> Prior Year |
| :---: | ---: | ---: |
| 2006 | 485,024 |  |
| 2007 | 372,137 | $-23.3 \%$ |
| 2008 | 308,805 | $-17.0 \%$ |
| 2009 | 216,207 | $-30.0 \%$ |
| 2010 | 188,447 | $-12.8 \%$ |
| 2011 | 153,132 | $-18.7 \%$ |
| 2012 | 144,603 | $-5.6 \%$ |
| 2013 | 148,899 | $3.0 \%$ |
| 2014 | 169,565 | $13.9 \%$ |
| 2015 | 206,501 | $21.8 \%$ |

[^5]
## PLRA Average Term, Advance Amount, and Finance Charge

The average term for PLRA Loans during the Reporting Period was 17.3 days.

|  | \% of Loans by Term Range |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Year | $\mathbf{1 3}$ to $\mathbf{2 0}$ days | $\mathbf{2 1}$ to $\mathbf{3 0}$ days | $\mathbf{3 0}$ to $\mathbf{4 5}$ days |
| 2006 | $87.0 \%$ | $12.5 \%$ | $0.5 \%$ |
| 2007 | $78.7 \%$ | $20.5 \%$ | $0.8 \%$ |
| 2008 | $75.2 \%$ | $23.7 \%$ | $1.1 \%$ |
| 2009 | $70.2 \%$ | $28.4 \%$ | $1.4 \%$ |
| 2010 | $69.5 \%$ | $29.1 \%$ | $1.4 \%$ |
| 2011 | $67.7 \%$ | $29.2 \%$ | $3.2 \%$ |
| 2012 | $68.6 \%$ | $30.0 \%$ | $1.4 \%$ |
| 2013 | $69.6 \%$ | $28.8 \%$ | $1.6 \%$ |
| 2014 | $68.2 \%$ | $30.0 \%$ | $1.8 \%$ |
| 2015 | $60.4 \%$ | $31.0 \%$ | $8.6 \%$ |

The average PLRA Loan transaction during the Reporting Period was for an advance amount of approximately $\$ 355.85$ with total fees of $\$ 54.64$, or $15.35 \%$ of the average advance amount ( $\$ 15.35$ per $\$ 100.00$ borrowed).
Most loan terms are between 13 and 20 days. However, if the same average total loan fees were annualized, the annual percentage rate (APR) would be $323 \%$.

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## Declined Consumer Eligibility Checks

Declined eligibility checks for PLRA Loans averaged approximately 29.7 percent of PLRA Loan transaction requests during the Reporting Period. ${ }^{12}$

Declined Eligibility Checks \% of PLRA Transaction Requests


Note: The cause of the abnormal increase in declined eligibility requests between March 2008 and September 2008 is due to multiple database events from a single licensee for a reason that may not be related to loan applications.
The increase in declined eligibility requests during the second half of 2009 is correlated to the implementation of Title Loan lending and the requirement for lenders to input data into the database.

Due to statute changes, licensees were unable to enter PLRA Loan declines in the database from March 21st, 2011 through July 24th, 2011.

The following tables represent data from all registered users other than that single licensee.

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## Ineligibility for a PLRA Loan

The chart and table below provides annual information about the reasons for declined eligibility during the Reporting Period.

Total Declined Eligibility Checks by Reason

| Year | Waiting <br> Period | Restricted by <br> Repayment <br> Plan | Restricted by <br> Consecutive <br> Days in Product | Over Dollar <br> Limit | Two Open <br> Transactions | Other | Total |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 2006 | 400 | 44 | 100,226 | 19,375 | 9,906 | 0 | 129,951 |
| 2007 | 223 | 40 | 68,288 | 15,138 | 3,719 | 0 | 87,408 |
| 2008 | 278 | 46 | 46,516 | 7,990 | 2,278 | 0 | 57,108 |
| 2009 | 340 | 46 | 28,549 | 10,084 | 4,940 | 0 | 43,959 |
| 2010 | 330 | 41 | 24,879 | 3,441 | 764 | 0 | 29,455 |
| 2011 | 1,824 | 96 | 13,775 | 4,259 | 8,338 | 0 | 28,292 |
| 2012 | 4,331 | 244 | 18,245 | 6,870 | 14,872 | 0 | 44,562 |
| 2013 | 4,977 | 257 | 22,169 | 7,549 | 17,967 | 0 | 52,919 |
| 2014 | 5,180 | 531 | 36,576 | 10,651 | 30,234 | 0 | 83,172 |
| 2015 | 4,977 | 950 | 118,808 | 13,975 | 60,389 | 0 | 199,099 |
| Total | 22,860 | 2,295 | 478,031 | 99,332 | 153,407 | 0 | 755,925 |

Percentage of Total Declined Eligibility Checks by Reason

| Year | Waiting <br> Period | Restricted by <br> Repayment <br> Plan | Restricted by <br> Consecutive <br> Days in Product | Over Dollar <br> Limit | Two Open <br> Transactions | Other | Total |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 2006 | $0.31 \%$ | $0.03 \%$ | $77.13 \%$ | $14.91 \%$ | $7.62 \%$ | $0.00 \%$ | $100.00 \%$ |
| 2007 | $0.26 \%$ | $0.05 \%$ | $78.13 \%$ | $17.32 \%$ | $4.25 \%$ | $0.00 \%$ | $100.00 \%$ |
| 2008 | $0.49 \%$ | $0.08 \%$ | $81.45 \%$ | $13.99 \%$ | $3.99 \%$ | $0.00 \%$ | $100.00 \%$ |
| 2009 | $0.77 \%$ | $0.10 \%$ | $64.94 \%$ | $22.94 \%$ | $11.24 \%$ | $0.00 \%$ | $100.00 \%$ |
| 2010 | $1.12 \%$ | $0.14 \%$ | $84.46 \%$ | $11.68 \%$ | $2.59 \%$ | $0.00 \%$ | $100.00 \%$ |
| 2011 | $6.45 \%$ | $0.34 \%$ | $48.69 \%$ | $15.05 \%$ | $29.47 \%$ | $0.00 \%$ | $100.00 \%$ |
| 2012 | $9.72 \%$ | $0.55 \%$ | $40.94 \%$ | $15.42 \%$ | $33.37 \%$ | $0.00 \%$ | $100.00 \%$ |
| 2013 | $9.40 \%$ | $0.49 \%$ | $41.89 \%$ | $14.27 \%$ | $33.95 \%$ | $0.00 \%$ | $100.00 \%$ |
| 2014 | $6.23 \%$ | $0.64 \%$ | $43.98 \%$ | $12.81 \%$ | $36.35 \%$ | $0.00 \%$ | $100.00 \%$ |
| 2015 | $2.50 \%$ | $0.48 \%$ | $59.67 \%$ | $7.02 \%$ | $30.33 \%$ | $0.00 \%$ | $100.00 \%$ |
| Total | $3.02 \%$ | $0.30 \%$ | $63.24 \%$ | $13.14 \%$ | $20.29 \%$ | $0.00 \%$ | $100.00 \%$ |

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## Declined Eligibility due to Waiting Period Restrictions

22,860 requests for a PLRA Loan were declined during the Reporting Period because of waiting period restrictions. These 22,860 declined eligibility requests represent approximately $3.0 \%$ of the 755,925 declined eligibility requests for the same period.
A Waiting Period is the period of time prescribed by the Payday Loan Act that a consumer is prohibited from receiving an additional Payday or Installment Payday Loan upon payment of the initial Payday or Installment Payday Loan. This time may vary from 2 to 14 days based on the type of loan and repayment, maturity or repayment plan issues.

## Declined Eligibility due to Over Dollar Limit

99,332 requests for a PLRA Loan were declined during the Reporting Period due to exceeding allowable outstanding dollar limits. These 99,332 declined eligibility requests represent approximately $13.1 \%$ of the 755,925 declined eligibility requests for the same period.
Over Dollar Limit indicates that the consumer has reached the maximum allowable monthly debt service for a payday loan(s). The maximum monthly debt service is the lesser of $\$ 1,000$ per month or $25 \%$ of Gross Income for Payday Loans and $22.5 \%$ of Gross Income for Installment Payday Loans. If the consumer has an existing Installment Payday Loan and is seeking an additional Payday Loan the maximum allowable monthly Debt Service is limited to the lesser of $\$ 1,000$ or $22.5 \%$ of Gross Monthly Income.

## Declined Eligibility due to Two Open Transactions

153,407 requests for a PLRA Loan were declined during the Reporting Period due to limits on the number of outstanding transactions. These 153,407 declined eligibility requests represent approximately $20.3 \%$ of the 755,925 declined eligibility requests for the same period.

A consumer is limited to having no more than two open Payday Loans (Payday, Installment Payday or a combination thereof) at any one time.

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## Restricted by Repayment Plan

2,295 requests for a PLRA Loan were declined during the Reporting Period because of repayment plan restrictions. These 2,295 declined eligibility requests represent approximately $0.3 \%$ of the 755,925 declined eligibility requests for the same period.
A lender may not make a payday loan to a consumer who has a payday loan outstanding under a repayment plan and for at least 14 days after the outstanding balance of the loan under the repayment plan and the outstanding balance of all other payday loans outstanding during the term of the repayment plan are paid in full.

## Restricted by Consecutive Days in Product

478,031 requests for a PLRA Loan were declined during the Reporting Period due to restrictions on consecutive days in the same product. These 478,031 declined eligibility requests represent approximately $63.2 \%$ of the 755,925 declined eligibility requests for the same period.
No payday loan may be made to a consumer if the loan would result in the consumer being indebted to one or more payday lenders for a period in excess of 45 consecutive days. If a consumer has or has had loans outstanding for a period in excess of 45 consecutive days, no payday lender may offer or make a loan to the consumer for at least 7 calendar days after the date on which the outstanding balance of all payday loans made during the 45 consecutive day period is paid in full.

## Repayment Plans

The total number of PLRA Loan repayment plans registered during the Reporting Period was approximately 19,415, representing approximately $0.81 \%$ of the total PLRA Loan transactions conducted during the Reporting Period.

Repayment Plan Volume per Year
(Feb 2006 through Dec 2015)


When a consumer has or has had one or more Payday Loans outstanding for 35 consecutive days, any Payday Loan outstanding on the $35^{\text {th }}$ consecutive day shall be payable under the terms of a Repayment Plan as provided for in the Act. A consumer has until 28 days after the default date of the loan to request a Repayment Plan. Within 48 hours after the request for a Repayment Plan is made, the lender must prepare the Repayment Plan agreement and both parties must execute the agreement.

## Installment Payday Loans

## Installment Payday Loan Consumers

During the period from March 2011 through December 2015 ("Reporting Period"), 531,539 Installment Payday Loan consumers took out 1,958,540 Installment Payday Loans, or an average of 3.7 loans per consumer. ${ }^{13}$
The number of Installment Payday Loan consumers (unique borrowers) in the Reporting Period is as follows:

Unique IPL Consumers per Year
(Mar 2011 through Dec 2015)


The average monthly gross income of Illinois Installment Payday Loan consumers during the Reporting Period was $\$ 2,744.24$, or approximately $\$ 32,931$ per year.
For the Reporting Period:

- Approximately 57\% of Installment Payday Loan consumers earn \$30,000 or less per year.
- Approximately 17\% of Installment Payday Loan consumers earn more than \$50,000 per year.
- Approximately 6\%, of Installment Payday Loan consumers earn more than $\$ 75,000$ per year.

[^7]Installment Payday Loan Transaction Volume
Total Installment Payday Loan volume for the Reporting Period was approximately 1,958,540 loans. ${ }^{14}$

IPL Volume per Month


Installment Payday Loan volume increased at an average annual rate of 1.6 percent during the Reporting Period. Annual volume information for each year of the Reporting Period is presented in the following table.

| Year ${ }^{15}$ | Transaction <br> Count $^{16}$ | Change vs. <br> Prior Year |
| :---: | ---: | ---: |
| 2011 | 359,876 |  |
| 2012 | 408,666 | $13.6 \%$ |
| 2013 | 404,725 | $-1.0 \%$ |
| 2014 | 405,300 | $0.1 \%$ |
| 2015 | 379,973 | $-6.2 \%$ |

[^8]
## IPL Average Term, Advance Amount, and Finance Charge

The average term for Installment Payday Loans during the Reporting Period was 162.9 days.

As can be seen in the table below, the majority of consumers had a loan with a term between 160 to 180 days.

|  | \% of Loans by Term Range |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Year | 112 to $\mathbf{1 4 0}$ days | $\mathbf{1 4 0}$ to $\mathbf{1 6 0}$ days | $\mathbf{1 6 0}$ to $\mathbf{1 8 0}$ days |
| 2011 | $10.9 \%$ | $13.5 \%$ | $75.6 \%$ |
| 2012 | $13.4 \%$ | $13.9 \%$ | $72.8 \%$ |
| 2013 | $12.1 \%$ | $14.3 \%$ | $73.6 \%$ |
| 2014 | $11.1 \%$ | $14.5 \%$ | $74.3 \%$ |
| 2015 | $10.4 \%$ | $14.7 \%$ | $74.9 \%$ |

The average Installment Payday Loan during the Reporting Period was for an advance amount of approximately $\$ 658.65$ with total fees of $\$ 669.53$.
As noted above, most loan terms are between 160 and 180 days. However, if the same average Installment Payday Loan total fee were annualized, the annual percentage rate (APR) would be $228 \%$.

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## Declined Consumer Eligibility Checks

Declined eligibility checks for Installment Payday Loans averaged approximately 47.6 percent of Installment Payday Loan transaction requests during the Reporting Period. ${ }^{17}$

Declined Eligibility Checks \% of IPL Transaction Requests


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## Ineligibility for an Installment Payday Loan

The chart and table below provides annual information about the reasons for declined eligibility during the Reporting Period.

Total Declined Eligibility Checks by Reason

| Year | Waiting <br> Period | Restricted by <br> Repayment <br> Plan | Restricted by <br> Consecutive <br> Days in Product | Over Dollar <br> Limit | Two Open <br> Transactions | Other | Total |
| :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 2011 | 7,775 | 625 | 45,645 | 32,683 | 32,123 | 0 | 118,851 |
| 2012 | 20,323 | 2,042 | 175,569 | 72,731 | 98,570 | 0 | 369,235 |
| 2013 | 21,379 | 1,709 | 200,529 | 38,415 | 109,156 | 0 | 371,188 |
| 2014 | 20,814 | 2,544 | 228,482 | 37,114 | 134,551 | 0 | 423,505 |
| 2015 | 16,950 | 2,087 | 269,695 | 36,857 | 169,844 | 0 | 495,433 |
| Total | 87,241 | 9,007 | 919,920 | 217,800 | 544,244 | 0 | $1,778,212$ |

Percentage of Total Declined Eligibility Checks by Reason

| Year | Waiting <br> Period | Restricted by <br> Repayment <br> Plan | Restricted by <br> Consecutive <br> Days in Product | Over Dollar <br> Limit | Two Open <br> Transactions | Other | Total |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 2011 | $6.54 \%$ | $0.53 \%$ | $38.41 \%$ | $27.50 \%$ | $27.03 \%$ | $0.00 \%$ | $100.00 \%$ |
| 2012 | $5.50 \%$ | $0.55 \%$ | $47.55 \%$ | $19.70 \%$ | $26.70 \%$ | $0.00 \%$ | $100.00 \%$ |
| 2013 | $5.76 \%$ | $0.46 \%$ | $54.02 \%$ | $10.35 \%$ | $29.41 \%$ | $0.00 \%$ | $100.00 \%$ |
| 2014 | $4.91 \%$ | $0.60 \%$ | $53.95 \%$ | $8.76 \%$ | $31.77 \%$ | $0.00 \%$ | $100.00 \%$ |
| 2015 | $3.42 \%$ | $0.42 \%$ | $54.44 \%$ | $7.44 \%$ | $34.28 \%$ | $0.00 \%$ | $100.00 \%$ |
| Total | $4.91 \%$ | $0.51 \%$ | $51.73 \%$ | $12.25 \%$ | $30.61 \%$ | $0.00 \%$ | $100.00 \%$ |

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## Declined Eligibility due to Waiting Period Restrictions

87,241 requests for an Installment Payday Loan were declined during the Reporting Period because of waiting period restrictions. These 87,241 declined eligibility requests represent approximately $4.9 \%$ of the 1,778,212 declined eligibility requests for the same period.
A Waiting Period is the period of time prescribed by the Payday Loan Act that a consumer is prohibited from receiving an additional Payday or Installment Payday Loan upon payment of the initial Payday or Installment Payday Loan. This time may vary from 2 to 14 days based on the type of loan and repayment, maturity or repayment plan issues.

## Declined Eligibility due to Over Dollar Limit

217,800 requests for an Installment Payday Loan were declined during the Reporting Period due to exceeding allowable outstanding dollar limits. These 217,800 declined eligibility requests represent approximately $12.3 \%$ of the $1,778,212$ declined eligibility requests for the same period.

Over Dollar Limit indicates that the consumer has reached the maximum allowable monthly debt service for a payday loan(s). The maximum monthly debt service is the lesser of $\$ 1,000$ per month or $25 \%$ of Gross Income for Payday Loans and $22.5 \%$ of Gross Income for Installment Payday Loans. If the consumer has an existing Installment Payday Loan and is seeking an additional Payday Loan the maximum allowable monthly Debt Service is limited to the lesser of $\$ 1,000$ or $22.5 \%$ of Gross Monthly Income.

## Declined Eligibility due to Two Open Transactions

544,244 requests for an Installment Payday Loan were declined during the Reporting Period due to limits on the number of outstanding transactions. These 544,244 declined eligibility requests represent approximately $30.6 \%$ of the 1,778,212 declined eligibility requests for the same period.

A consumer is limited to having no more than two open Payday Loans (Payday, Installment Payday or a combination thereof) at any one time.

## Restricted by Repayment Plan

9,007 requests for an Installment Payday Loan were declined during the Reporting Period because of repayment plan restrictions. These 9,007 declined eligibility requests represent approximately $0.51 \%$ of the $1,778,212$ declined eligibility requests for the same period.
A lender may not make a payday loan to a consumer who has a payday loan outstanding under a repayment plan and for at least 14 days after the outstanding balance of the loan under the repayment plan and the outstanding balance of all other payday loans outstanding during the term of the repayment plan are paid in full.

## Restricted by Consecutive Days in Product

919,920 requests for an Installment Payday Loan were declined during the Reporting Period due to restrictions on consecutive days in the same product. These 919,920 declined eligibility requests represent approximately $51.73 \%$ of the 1,778,212 declined eligibility requests for the same period.
No Installment Payday Loan may be made to a consumer if the loan would result in the consumer being indebted to one or more payday lenders for a period in excess of 180 consecutive days.

## Title Loans

## Title Loan Consumers

During the period from April 2009 through December 2015 ("Reporting Period"), 346,251 Title Loan consumers took out 607,795 Title Loans, or an average of 1.8 loans per consumer. ${ }^{18}$

The number of Title Loan consumers (unique borrowers) in the Reporting Period is as follows:

Unique Title Loan Consumers per Year
(Apr 2009 through Dec 2015)


The average monthly gross income of Illinois Title Loan consumers during the Reporting Period was $\$ 2,143.65$, or approximately $\$ 25,724$ per year.
For the Reporting Period:

- Approximately $73 \%$ of Title Loan consumers earn $\$ 30,000$ or less per year.
- Approximately $10 \%$ of Title Loan consumers earn more than $\$ 50,000$ per year.
- Approximately 3\%, of Title Loan consumers earn more than $\$ 75,000$ per year.

[^10]
## Title Loan Transaction Volume

Total Title Loan volume for the Reporting Period was approximately 607,795 loans. ${ }^{19}$

Title Loan Volume per Month


Title Loan transaction volume increased at an average annual rate of 9.0 percent during the Reporting Period. Annual volume information for each year of the Reporting Period is presented in the following table.

| Year ${ }^{\mathbf{2 0}}$ | Transaction <br> Count $^{\mathbf{2 1}}$ | Change vs. <br> Prior Year |
| :---: | ---: | ---: |
| 2009 | 54,836 |  |
| 2010 | 81,893 | $49.3 \%$ |
| 2011 | 93,677 | $14.4 \%$ |
| 2012 | 96,944 | $3.5 \%$ |
| 2013 | 100,393 | $3.6 \%$ |
| 2014 | 96,072 | $-4.3 \%$ |
| 2015 | 83,980 | $-12.6 \%$ |

[^11]Title Loan Average Term, Advance Amount, and Finance Charge
The average term for Title Loans during the Reporting Period was 490.0 days.

|  | \% of Loans by Term Range |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Year | 1 to $\mathbf{3 6 0}$ days | $\mathbf{3 6 0}$ to $\mathbf{7 2 0}$ days | 720+ days |
| 2009 | $33.6 \%$ | $58.3 \%$ | $8.1 \%$ |
| 2010 | $40.6 \%$ | $49.8 \%$ | $9.7 \%$ |
| 2011 | $22.2 \%$ | $50.0 \%$ | $27.8 \%$ |
| 2012 | $18.2 \%$ | $41.2 \%$ | $40.6 \%$ |
| 2013 | $10.6 \%$ | $30.5 \%$ | $58.9 \%$ |
| 2014 | $6.5 \%$ | $29.8 \%$ | $63.7 \%$ |
| 2015 | $6.8 \%$ | $27.0 \%$ | $66.2 \%$ |

The average Title Loan during the Reporting Period was for an advance amount of approximately $\$ 1,011.47$ with total fees of $\$ 2,571.37$.
The average Title Loan total fee is calculated as an annual percentage rate (APR) of $189 \%$.

## Small Consumer Loans

## Small Consumer Loan Consumers

During the period from March 2011 through December 2015 ("Reporting Period"), 386,028 Small Consumer Loan consumers took out 2,135,726 Small Consumer Loans, or an average of 5.5 loans per consumer.
The number of Small Consumer Loan consumers (unique borrowers) in the Reporting Period is as follows:

Unique SCL Consumers per Year
(Mar 2011 through Dec 2015)


The average monthly gross income of llinois Small Consumer Loan consumers during the Reporting Period was $\$ 2,487.41$, or approximately $\$ 29,849$ per year.
For the Reporting Period:

- Approximately $65 \%$ of Small Consumer Loan consumers earn $\$ 30,000$ or less per year.
- Approximately $14 \%$ of Small Consumer Loan consumers earn more than $\$ 50,000$ per year.
- Approximately 5\%, of Small Consumer Loan consumers earn more than $\$ 75,000$ per year.


## Small Consumer Loan Transaction Volume

Total Small Consumer Loan volume for the Reporting Period was approximately 2,135,726 loans.

SCL Volume per Month


Small Consumer Loan volume increased at an average annual rate of 2.9 percent during the Reporting Period. Annual volume information for each year of the Reporting Period is presented in the following table.

| Year $^{22}$ | Transaction <br> Count $^{23}$ | Change vs. <br> Prior Year |
| :---: | ---: | ---: |
| 2011 | 384,180 |  |
| 2012 | 447,099 | $16.4 \%$ |
| 2013 | 454,679 | $1.7 \%$ |
| 2014 | 424,338 | $-6.7 \%$ |
| 2015 | 425,430 | $0.3 \%$ |

[^12]
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## Small Consumer Loan Average Term, Advance Amount, and Finance Charge

The average term for Small Consumer Loans during the Reporting Period was 316.8 days.

|  | \% of Loans by Term Range |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Year | 1 to $\mathbf{3 6 0}$ days | $\mathbf{3 6 0}$ to $\mathbf{7 2 0}$ days | $\mathbf{7 2 0 + \text { days }}$ |
| 2011 | $78.2 \%$ | $20.2 \%$ | $1.7 \%$ |
| 2012 | $76.6 \%$ | $21.5 \%$ | $1.9 \%$ |
| 2013 | $74.4 \%$ | $22.4 \%$ | $3.2 \%$ |
| 2014 | $72.9 \%$ | $22.3 \%$ | $4.8 \%$ |
| 2015 | $71.7 \%$ | $23.5 \%$ | $4.7 \%$ |

The average Small Consumer Loan during the Reporting Period was for an advance amount of approximately $\$ 844.08$ with total fees of $\$ 245.25$.

The average Small Consumer Loan total fee is calculated as an annual percentage rate (APR) of $33 \%$.


[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ Individual borrowers may utilize multiple products, so the total number of unique borrowers may be less than the sum of all columns for individual products.
    ${ }^{2}$ Due to the dynamic nature of the database, data shown may differ from previous reports.

[^1]:    ${ }^{3}$ Loan volume data outside of the reporting period (before February $1^{\text {st }}, 2006$ ) is not included.
    ${ }^{4}$ Due to the dynamic nature of the database, data shown may differ from previous reports.

[^2]:    ${ }^{5}$ Transactions and declines for Small Consumer Loans are not included in this section because declines for Small Consumer Loans are not recorded by the database.
    ${ }^{6}$ Assumes that declined consumer intended to open and represents the number of opened transactions plus the number of declined eligibility checks. Data includes multiple declined eligibility checks for the same consumer.

[^3]:    ${ }^{7}$ A consumer may be ineligible for a loan for a number of reasons, including but not limited to: repayment plan restrictions; waiting period; restricted by consecutive days in product; over the dollar limit; and two open transactions. Definitions for ineligibility reasons for specific products are provided on pages 18-19 and 26-27.

[^4]:    ${ }^{8}$ Due to the method used for loan loss calculation and due to the dynamic nature of the database, loan loss rates shown may differ from the rates presented in previous reports.

[^5]:    ${ }^{9}$ Due to statute changes, licensees were unable to enter PLRA Loans in the database from March $21^{\text {st }}, 2011$ through July $24^{\text {th }}, 2011$. PLRA Loans with agreement dates from March $21^{\text {stt }}$, 2011 through July $24^{\text {th }}, 2011$ were historically uploaded.
    ${ }^{10}$ PLRA Loan volume data outside of the reporting period (before February $1^{\text {st }}, 2006$ ) is not included.
    ${ }^{11}$ Due to the dynamic nature of the database, data shown may differ from previous reports.

[^6]:    ${ }^{12}$ Assumes that declined consumer intended to open a loan. PLRA Transaction Requests represents the number of opened transactions plus the number of declined eligibility checks. Data includes multiple declined eligibility checks for the same consumer.

[^7]:    ${ }^{13}$ Installment Payday Loans with agreement dates prior to July 25 th , 2011 were historically uploaded.

[^8]:    ${ }^{14}$ Installment Payday Loans with agreement dates prior to July $25^{\text {th }}$, 2011 were historically uploaded.
    ${ }^{15}$ Annual data does not include Installment Payday Loans opened before March 21st, 2011. Installment Payday Loans opened before July $25^{\text {th }}$, 2011 were historically uploaded.
    ${ }^{16}$ Due to the dynamic nature of the database, data shown may differ from previous reports.

[^9]:    ${ }^{17}$ Assumes that declined consumer intended to open a loan. Installment Payday Loan Transaction Requests represents the number of opened transactions plus the number of declined eligibility checks. Data includes multiple declined eligibility checks for the same consumer.

[^10]:    ${ }^{18}$ Title Loans with agreement dates prior to October $1^{\text {st }}, 2009$ were historically uploaded.

[^11]:    ${ }^{19}$ Title Loans with agreement dates prior to October $1^{\text {st }}, 2009$ were historically uploaded.
    ${ }^{20}$ Annual data does not include Title Loans opened before April $1^{\text {st }}$, 2009. Title Loans opened before October $1^{\text {st }}, 2009$ were historically uploaded.
    ${ }^{21}$ Due to the dynamic nature of the database, data shown may differ from previous reports.

[^12]:    ${ }^{22}$ Annual data does not include Small Consumer Loans opened before March 21st, 2011.
    ${ }^{23}$ Due to the dynamic nature of the database, data shown may differ from previous reports.

