# Regional Household Debt and Credit Snapshot



# **BUFFALO METRO AREA**

he New York Fed's Regional Household Debt and Credit Snapshots provide an overview of trends in borrowing and indebtedness at the state and local level. This snapshot includes data about mortgages, student loans, credit cards, auto loans, home equity lines of credit (HELOC) and delinquencies in the Buffalo Metro Area.

#### Who's included?

Individuals with a credit file and a social security number\*.

#### What information is reported?

Consumer debt and delinquency information. Borrowing that is not reported to a credit bureau (such as loans from family or friends or non-traditional credit providers like payday lenders) is not captured.

#### What time period is covered?

Data are as of Q4 2018. There is additional time trend information for select indicators.

**Data source:** New York Fed Consumer Credit Panel, a representative sample of detailed Equifax credit reports.

**Measuring debt:** Borrowers are individuals with a positive balance, by loan type. We distinguish between the following types of loans: mortgage accounts, revolving home equity lines of credit (HELOC), auto loans, credit cards, and student loans.

**Measuring delinquency:** A borrower is considered seriously delinquent if they have at least some debt that is 90 or more days late, by loan type. Overall Consumer Distress includes consumer finance, retail, and other loans, though we do not break these out separately.



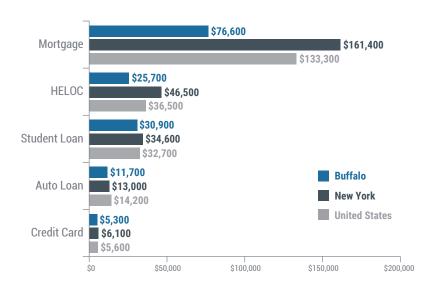
### **Borrower Rates by Loan Type**

What percent of consumers\* had a mortgage, HELOC, student loan, auto loan, or credit card in Q4 2018?

Q4 2018	Buffalo	New York	United States
Mortgage	23.1%	20.2%	25.3%
HELOC	7.8%	4.8%	4.3%
Student Loan	19.2%	17.5%	16.5%
Auto Loan	37.4%	28.5%	33.0%
Credit Card	57.6%	63.4%	57.2%

## **Average Borrower Balance**

Of borrowers with each loan type, what was the average balance in Q4 2018?



Counties: Erie, Niagara

Source: New York Fed Consumer Credit Panel/Equifax



<sup>\*</sup>Consumers are individuals with a credit report and a social security number. The share of population with a credit report and a social security number may vary by geography.



### **Overall Consumer Distress**

What percent of consumers\* were 90 or more days late on any loan type in Q4 2018 and/or had a third party collections balance within the last 12 months?

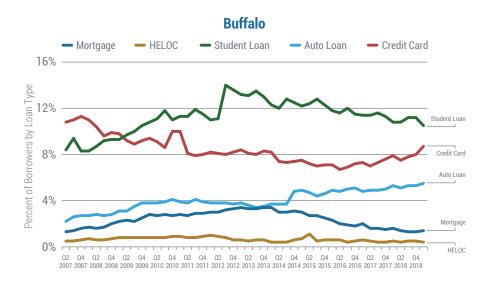
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## Percent of Borrowers Seriously Delinquent by Loan Type

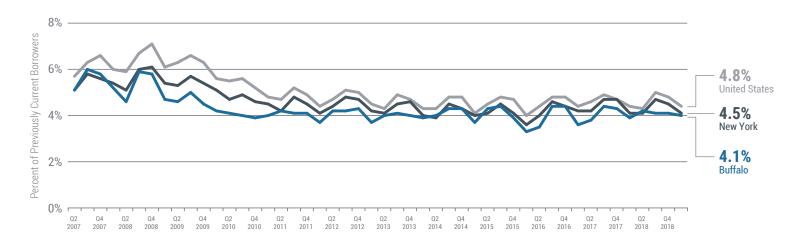
Of borrowers with each loan type, what percent were 90+ days late on their payment?



Q4 2018	Buffalo	NY	US
Mortgage	1.3%	1.8%	1.3%
HELOC	0.5%	1.1%	0.9%
Student Loan	11.2%	11.6%	15.6%
Auto Loan	5.3%	5.5%	7.8%
Credit Card	8.0%	8.9%	9.2%

## **Newly Delinquent Borrowers**

What percent of previously current borrowers became 30+ days late since the previous quarter?\*\*



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Source: New York Fed Consumer Credit Panel/Equifax



<sup>\*\*</sup>Borrowers who became delinquent since the previous quarter, expressed as a percent of borrowers who were current on their debt(s) at the end of the previous quarter.