

UNDERSTANDING YOUR CREDIT

Good Credit Rating

Maintain 5 lines of credit

- House
- Car
- 3 Credit Cards



Debt Ration should only be 36% of your income

Credit Raters: Experian, Equifax, Trans Union

FICO Score:

800 A+ rating 13% of Americans

700 + A rating - Excellent Score. (best interest rates)
Few or no late payments. 45 % of Americans

600 + B rating - Good Credit. (good interest, not the lowest)
A few late loan payments. 27% of Americans

500 + C rating (You will pay at least 2% higher interest)
Unsecured debt, late payments. 13% of Americans

499 – D rating (you will pay 4% higher interest)
There may be liens against your credit. 1% of Americans

New Scoring System - Vantage Score 500-999

Improve credit rating and score by:

- Pay credit obligations on time.
- Keep credit card balances at 50% - **DON'T MAX OUT ACCOUNTS**
- Satisfy any judgments.
- Don't open any new unnecessary accounts.
- Don't close old established accounts.
- Correct errors

Utah has more credit card debt (21% compared to 17%)