of Americans, surveyed in 2020, said too much **credit card debt** was their #1 financial mistake of the last decade.

Source: Lending Tree

23%

On average, extending a car loan's term by 12 months costs **\$1,000**in extra finance charges on the same exact car.

Source: AAA Insurance

In 2020, the average American household carried \$6,200 in credit card debt.

Source: LendingTree

Buy Now Pay Later (BNPL) services advertise a 47% increase in order volume to retailers compared to paying upfront. Who is paying for that?

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Source: Klarna

74% of people experience regret, conflicts with loved ones, or lack of funds after making impulse purchases.

Source: Finder.com

Nationwide, only **1 in 5** High School Students is **guaranteed** to take a personal finance course before graduation.

Source: Next Gen Personal Finance

In two separate 2020 trials, people who spent money **on experiences** (travel, meals, etc) **felt happier** than those who spent money **on things**.

Source: Journal of Social Psychology

In its 94 year history

the S&P 50

has never had a 10-year

period of negative returns.

Source: MacroTrends

of American adults cannot cover a \$400 emergency with cash, credit, savings or any other method.

Source: Federal Reserve

12%

of Americans over the age of 55 have saved **\$0** in retirement accounts.

-X%

Source: U.S. Government Accountability Office

In 2017 alone,

U.S. banks pocketed

\$34 billion

in fees for overdraft

"protection."



Source: CNBC

U.S. student debt surpassed \$1.7 trillion in 2021. Source: Forbes

The average 2018 college graduate left school with \$35,359 in student debt.

Source: StudentLoanHero

In 2019, the total amount of **student debt** in the U.S. was as large as the **entire economy of Australia**.

Source: World Population Review

of content creators on YouTube do not make enough money to rise above the U.S. poverty line.

96.5%

Source: FORTUNE

There are more payday loan shops than McDonalds restaurants in America.

Source: CNBC

76% of 18 & 19 year-olds say they wish their high school offered a class on how to manage their money.

Source: Experian

of parents say they don't feel comfortable talking to their children about finances.

Source: T. Rowe Price

50%

In 2021, **2.3 million** Americans over the age of 62 still owed payments on their student loans.

Source: Forbes

Americans who forgot to file their taxes in 2015 left **\$1.4 billion** unclaimed. The IRS is still holding this money.

Source: Federal Trade Commission

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Since 2009, it has been illegal for credit card companies to promote credit card offers within 1,000 feet of college campuses.

Source: Federal Trade Commission

Only 3% of teenagers file tax returns, even though 1 in 3 teens is entitled to a refund in an average year.

Source: H & R Block

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Someone with a FICO credit score of 650 pays **\$40,000 more** for the same \$300,000 house as someone with a score of 750.

Source: Bankrate Mortgage Calculator

Between 1989 and 2019, the average cost of college tuition grew

as fast as the average wage of college-educated American workers.

8x

Source: Forbes

In 2017 and 2018, students left \$2.3 billion and \$2.6 billion unclaimed by not submitting FAFSA each year, respectively.

Source: U.S. Department of Education

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