Undergraduate enrollment at Colorado for-profit colleges is:
- **54.7% low-income**, compared to 29.4% low-income for all nonprofit undergraduate institutions in the state.
- **21.9% African American**, compared to 4.6% African American for all nonprofit undergraduate institutions in the state.
- **63.9% female**, compared to 52.5% female for all nonprofit undergraduate institutions in the state.

**CO for-profit colleges disproportionately HARM:**
- LOW-INCOME FAMILIES
- AFRICAN AMERICANS
- WOMEN

**LESS LIKELY TO GRADUATE**

- Students at for-profit colleges are **LESS LIKELY TO GRADUATE**

- **COLORADO COMPLETION RATE (IN 6 YEARS)**
  - Public 4-Year: 46.6%
  - Private 4-Year: 58.5%
  - For-Profit 4-Year: 27.8%

**MORE LIKELY TO BORROW**

- Students at for-profit colleges are **MORE LIKELY to take out STUDENT LOANS**

- **COLORADO PERCENT OF STUDENTS BORROWING**
  - Public 4-Year: 47.4%
  - Private 4-Year: 50.5%
  - For-Profit 4-Year: 54.9%

**DEEPER IN DEBT**

- Graduates leave school **MORE INDEBTED**

- **COLORADO MEDIAN DEBT AT GRADUATION**
  - Public 4-Year: $21,453
  - Private 4-Year: $25,039
  - For-Profit 4-Year: $30,779

**MORE LIKELY TO DEFAULT**

- Students at for-profit colleges are **MORE LIKELY TO DEFAULT on their college debt, leading to economic instability**

- **COLORADO THREE-YEAR COHORT DEFAULT RATE**
  - Public 4-Year: 6.5%
  - Private 4-Year: 6.3%
  - For-Profit 4-Year: 12.9%

ALL CALCULATIONS CONTAINED IN THIS FACT SHEET are CRL’s using the September 2018 release of College Scorecard (U.S. Department of Education). Enrollment shares for low-income, African-American, and female students sum enrollment for all for-profit undergrad schools in the state and compare them to the combined sum of enrollment at public and private nonprofit undergrad schools for each of the three categories. Measures shown in each chart are unweighted averages for all institutions of a certain college type (Public 4-Year, Private 4-Year, For-Profit 4-Year), excluding undergrad institutions with fewer than 100 undergrads.

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