

CreditCards.com Weekly Credit Card Rate Report: Credit card interest rates hold steady at 14.96 percent

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Austin, Texas – Interest rates on new credit card offers remained flat this week, according to the CreditCards.com Weekly Credit Card Rate Report.

The average is comprised of 100 of the most popular credit cards in the country, including cards from dozens of leading U.S. issuers and representing every card category. Introductory (teaser) rates are not included in the calculation.

Rates for card categories tracked by CreditCards.com are listed below:

Credit Card Averages

	Avg. APR	Last week	6 months ago
National Average	14.96%	14.96%	14.96%
<u>Low Interest</u>	10.37%	10.37%	10.40%
Balance Transfer	12.39%	12.39%	12.62%
<u>Business</u>	12.98%	12.98%	13.13%
Student	13.16%	13.16%	13.31%
Cash Back	14.85%	14.85%	14.30%
<u>Airline</u>	14.63%	14.63%	14.63%
Reward	14.79%	14.79%	14.80%
Instant Approval	28.00%	28.00%	15.49%
Bad Credit	23.64%	23.64%	23.64%

Source: <u>CreditCards.com</u> Updated: 7-05-2013

The national average annual percentage rate (APR) remained at 14.96 percent Wednesday for a second week.

Most credit card issuers left interest rates and promotional terms, such as 0 percent balance transfer offers, alone this week.

One issuer -- the sporting goods store Cabela's – raised the maximum available APR on its credit card for club members by 3 percentage points. The rate hike didn't affect the

national average, however, because CreditCards.com considers only a card's lowest available rate when calculating average interest rates.

Cabela's increased the maximum APR on the Cabela's Club Visa card from 18.18 percent to 21.19 percent. Cabela's left the card's minimum rate of 9.99 percent alone.

The CreditCards.com credit card rate survey (permalink:

<u>http://www.creditcards.com/rate-report</u>) is conducted weekly, using offer data from the leading U.S. card issuers' websites. Introductory offer periods and regular interest rates will vary with applicants' credit quality and issuer risk-based pricing policies.

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