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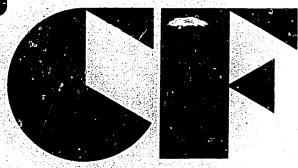
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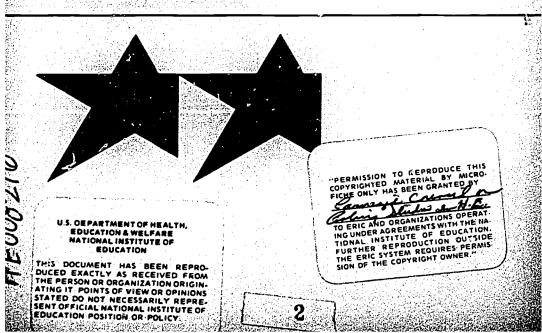
#### ABSTRACT

Interrelations between the states and higher education are examined, and a generally optimistic outlook is presented. Two major sections are given, one commentary, the other descriptive. The commentary has these major themes: (1) American higher education, with federal, state, and private funding, has been comparatively effective; (2) some surplus facilities exist as a result of the expansion of the 1960's, but the greater imbalance is in the deficiencies that remain; (3) the states will be in a better position to remedy their deficiencies than is commonly supposed, although their capacities vary greatly; and (4) problems ahead include maintaining dynamism without growth, avoiding parochialism, supporting the private sector while maintaining its independence, attaining accountability effectively, and balancing the public interest against the need for institutional autonomy. The roles of state, federal, and private support are discussed, along with surpluses, deficits, and special accomplishments. Diversity of patterns is also examined. (LBH)

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#### **Preface**

The states, and the colonies before them, have been involved in the development of higher education since the founding of Harvard in 1636. This involvement sometimes has been relatively passive and sometimes—as, for example, in the period after the Civil War with the development of the land-grant universities—relatively active. The current period is again one of relatively great activity, particularly with the increasing centralization of the governance of higher education under state auspices and with the greater assumption by the states of financial support for the private sector of higher education. Thus it is an appropriate time to reexamine the role of the states in higher education.

This report looks at the interrelations between the states and higher education 340 years after these relations first began in Massachusetts. This review takes place when higher education is in a phase of continuing but reduced growth; this phase lies between the enormous expansion of the "Golden Age" of the late 1950s and the early and middle 1960s, and the "steady state" that now looms ahead for the 1980s and most of the 1990s. That we see these relations between the several states and the many institutions of higher education as generally effective and productive is implied by our subtitle "A Proud Past and a Vital Future," but we also see many inadequacies and even some dangers as well.

This topic is not a new one to The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching. In the 1930s, for example,



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the Foundation sponsored several very influential studies of the states and higher education. Two of these studies were general in nature, as is this current one, and five were about individual states and Canadian provinces.<sup>1</sup>

In some ways, the 1930s and the 1970s are not so far apart:

• "The current financial stringency" was a problem 40 years ago; and so it is now.

• There then existed "a considerable tendency toward unification and singleness of control of state public higher education"; such a tendency also exists now, but in a greatly augmented fashion.

Some institutions then had been led "to increase their offerings without due regard to the possibility that at some time they might not be able to maintain so expanded a service"; while we speak here of "surpluses."

• Attention was then "called to the variations between the states in certain aspects of higher education" (with 24 tables to prove the point); in this commentary we set forth many "divergent" patterns (with more than 24 tables!).

The recommendations made then and now are sometimes parallel; for example, "the state's responsibility in the field of

<sup>1</sup>The two general studies are: F. J. Kelly and J. H. McNeely, *The State and Higher Education: Phases of Their Relationship* (New York: The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching in cooperation with the U.S. Office of Education, Department of the Interior, 1933). Quotations in text are from Howard Savage's introduction to this volume. D.S. Hill, *Control of Tax-Supported Higher Education in the United States* (New York: The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, 1934).

Studies on individual states and provinces include: Education in Vermont (published as Bulletin Number 7 of The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, 1914); Education in the Maritime Provinces of Canada (Bulletin Number 16, 1922); Local Provision for Higher Education in Saskatchewan (Bulletin Number 27, 1932); State Higher Education in California (Sacramento: California State Printing Office, 1932); and The Student and His Knowledge: Study of the Relations of Secondary and Higher Education in Pennsylvania (Bulletin Number 29, 1938).



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higher education pertains not only to publicly-supported institutions but to privately-supported institutions as well' (1933) is a view echoed in this report. But some recommendations are divergent; for example, this present report is highly critical of the tendency toward centralization, but the great theme then was "unified control." The problems are more similar than the preferred solutions are.

The report that follows is divided into two major sections. The first includes commentary; the second is almost wholly descriptive. The commentary has these major themes:

- Higher education in the United States, with its tripartite support based on state, federal, and private sources of funds, has been comparatively effective in both quantitative and qualitative terms.
- Some surplus facilities now exist as a result of the great expansion of the 1960s, but the greater imbalance is in the deficiencies that remain. We provide entirely new information on the deteriorating position, on a comparative basis, of research universities in a number of states.
- The states are, or will be, in a better position to remedy their deficiencies than is commonly supposed, although the capacity of the states varies greatly. We set forth, in this commentary, an entirely new index of the fiscal capacity of the several states.
- Several major problems lie ahead: (1) of how to maintain dynamism without growth, (2) of how to avoid parochialism as the individual states become a greater source of funds and policy, (3) of how to support the private sector while maintaining its independence, (4) of how to get accountability by higher education without stifling it with detailed regulation, and (5) of how to balance the public interest against the need for institutional autonomy in academic areas of decision-making—what should belong to Caesar and what to Minerva? We make suggestions in each of these areas.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Kelly and McNeely (1933, p. viii).

The second section is concerned with diversity. An appreciation of this diversity, in its several dimensions, is absolutely basic to an understanding of higher education in the United States. This explanation of diversity also serves as a "report card" on the conduct of the 50 states toward higher education—and not every state gets a passing grade in every subject.

A separate publication, available from the Carnegie Council on Policy Studies in Higher Education, will set forth data

that supplement the material in the basic report.

This report is concerned with the states. The Carnegie Council on Higher Education earlier rendered a report on federal action: The Federal Role in Postsecondary Education (1975), and plans a subsequent report on the private role. In total, these three reports will have looked at the three major sources of support for higher education. We should note that this report, even more than the one on the federal role, is concerned with traditional higher education and not with all forms of "postsecondary education."

As would be expected in a subject as full of controversy as "the states and higher education," there have been many disagreements in our discussions. This report sets forth the consensus that has emerged over a series of meetings. Some members, however, if they were preparing individual statements, would wish to take somewhat different positions, particularly on the form and amount of state aid to private institutions, and on the preferred mechanism for coordination and regulation of higher education. The positions taken in this report are thus, for some members, more "acceptable" for public policy than they are "best buys" from the point of view of more individual preferences.

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A Proud Past and a Vital Future

A COMMENTARY OF THE CARNEGIE FOUNDATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF TEACHING For state authorities... "quick to help and slow to interfere" should be their watchword.

Daniel Coit Gilman, upon his inauguration as president of the University of California, November 7, 1872

More universities have suffered from political indifference than have ever been upset by political interference.

Terry Sanford, 1967



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# Commentary— A Proud Past and a Vital Future

We look back on a past that includes many accomplishments and ahead to a future that can continue a long record of vitality.

- (1) The United States, with its tripartite method of support from state, from federal, and from private sources, has developed a system of higher education that compares favorably on an international basis. It provides relatively more student places than other nations (Figure 1)<sup>1</sup> and has supplied more of the new discoveries of high importance in the natural and social sciences (Figure 2). Both quantity and quality have been well served.
- (2) Higher education has gone through a period of great expansion, and there are some resulting excess facilities at the present time as measured in terms of the current level of effective demand (Section 3). These surpluses, so defined, have drawn a great deal of public comment. We find, however, no record of general mismanagement, but quite the contrary. The surpluses are in two areas: teacher-training and Ph.D. output. There were enormous demands for more teachers and more

All figures are positioned at the end of the various sections. Figures for Section 1 begin on page 22.



faculty members (and scientists) in the 1960s. In the course of meeting these demands, the capacity which was then created now exceeds the demands of the 1970s-and probably of the 1980s and much of the 1990s as well. These surpluses will be costly until such time as adjustments can be made (relatively quickly for teacher-training and relatively slowly for Ph.D. instruction), but these costs are probably in the range of under 5 percent of the total costs of higher education. (The hospital industry is operating at a load factor of about 80 percent.) The greater costs to American society would have been incurred if the teachers and the Ph.D.'s had not been trained in the 1960s; but because they were trained, the "tidal wave" of students was accommodated at all levels of the educational system, and the United States maintained and even increased its supremacy in research. Much was done well. The triumphant responses to the GI "baby boom" and to Sputnik-once grave national concerns -now have some relatively minor continuing costs.

(3) Much remains to be done. Sections 4, 5, and 6 note that many states still rank low in their provisions of student places, in support of their public institutions of higher education, and in provision of aid to their private institutions. They also show that some states have recently reduced their real levels of support in general and for their research universities in particular. In Section 3, we note some specific areas where deficits still exist—areas of great importance for social policy, particularly for provision of greater equality of opportunity and of better health care training.

Overcoming these deficiencies and deficits (and deficiencies and deficits in federal support levels as well) will be costly. The costs can be met, however, probably over the next decade and certainly over the remainder of this century, without any rise, and possibly even with a small decline, in the percentage of the gross national product (GNP) now being spent on higher education. This estimate assumes that the GNP rises at least 2.5 to 3.5 percent a year in real terms. (Since World War II it has risen at a rate of over 3.5 percent, and the federal administration is now predicting a roughly 6 percent rate for the next five years.) Enrollments will not rise much, if at all, over the

decades ahead, and thus leeway is created by a rising GNP to overcome deficiencies and deficits. As of 1974-75 current-funds expenditures of institutions of higher education were about 2.4 percent of GNP and could fall to 2.0 percent by the year 2000 even with enrollment on a "universal access projection basis." The difference between 2.0 and 2.4 creates possibilities for accommodating inprovements—if the national desire to do so exists.

(4) Both the capacity and the desire to undertake improvements are now in doubt. We shall comment here only on the capacity and desire at the state level, leaving aside the equally important federal and private areas of support.

Many states are now in financial difficulty. This results, among other things, from:

- The impact on their resources of the recession and then the depression of the first half-decade of the 1970s
- The rising costs, during the recession and the depression, of welfare
- The longer-term rise in expenses for health and welfare and for other social benefits
- The impact of fast-rising wage and salary and fringe benefit costs in public employment as compared with the private sector

The current crisis, however, will not necessarily continue into the indefinite future:

- The depression is lifting and this simultaneously increases revenues and reduces welfare costs.
- Rises in social welfare benefits seem to have reached something of a plateau, both because the most urgent needs have

<sup>2</sup>Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, More than Survival (San Francisco: Jossey-Bass, 1975). The actual projection in More than Survival was 1.8 percent, but final current-funds expenditures in 1974-75 turned out to be considerably higher than the projected expenditure figure of the U.S. National Center for Education Statistics, which was used in that earlier estimate.



often now been met and because of public resistance to further improvements.

- Rises in state personnel costs may also have reached a plateau, both because private levels have been matched (and in some cases exceeded, particularly when fringe benefits are taken into account) and public resistance has intensified.
- Enrollments in primary and secondary education are now stabilizing or even falling, and expenditures in these areas are, to some extent, competitive with higher education.
- The federal government has taken over some welfare costs (for aged, blind, disabled persons) and may take over more. It has also introduced revenue-sharing and may increase its contributions.

We recognize that the states may incur new costs for daycare centers, correction of pollution, prison improvement, equalization of expenditures in primary and secondary schools, and in other areas; and that tax cuts are more and more appealing politically. We recognize also that different states are in quite different fiscal conditions: some have serious problems of fiscal capacity while some are in a considerably more favorable position. We have compiled a new index of state fiscal capacity by combining, on an equal weighting basis, the influences of the level of per capita income, of level of unemployment, and of the degree to which tax resources have already been utilized (Figure 3). Calculated on this basis, Vermont (and certain other New England states) suffer substantial incapacity and North Dakota (and certain other western states) are in comparatively good shape.

The situation among the states is both very dynamic and very complex. However, the prevailing gloom of today does not necessarily presage doom tomorrow. We believe, on balance, that many, and perhaps most, states will have improved capacity to support higher education in the near future as compared with the current moment and the recent past. However, there can be no certainty about this.

Desire is another matter. We cannot estimate it for the future—personal and public priorities do, and even must, shift very substantially over time. We do note, however, that:



- State expenditures on higher education, in terms of percentage of personal income, have risen substantially historically during both good times and bad (Figure 9, Section 2).
- The percentage of state revenues spent on higher education has, on the average, remained quite steady through some very difficult years (Supplement, A-16).
- Enrollments have been maintained, even increased recently, when many analysts were predicting drastic declines. This indicates that social demand for higher education, while shifting in its composition, remains high and is not tied to returns in the labor market on anything like a one-to-one relationship. And state support historically has been enrollment-driven.
- Recent polls indicate that a high public valuation is placed on education<sup>3</sup> and this valuation presumably has some impact on the democratic political process.

#### Five Concerns

Dynamism. Higher education in the United States has grown throughout most of its 340 years. Now it faces a quarter of a century of little growth or no growth in enrollments for the first time in history. Yet most progress has come in periods of rapid growth. In two decades, 1870 to 1880 and again in 1960 to 1970, enrollments have doubled and also the greatest advances have been made.

From 1870 to 1880, the first large-scale study of the natural sciences, engineering, and agriculture was introduced into American higher education, and, in the process, a strong research component was introduced. Universities began to encourage service activities, utilizing the growing number of research



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> A study recently released by Gallup International, based on a survey in June 1975, shows the public's top priorities (for federal spending) to be "health care, public school education and law enforcement." (George Gallup, "Poll Tells What Public Wants Most," San Francisco Chronicle, February 5, 1976, p. 11.)

A Louis Harris poll taken in March 1976 indicates that higher education ranks second only to medicine in the public confidence in leadership of societal institutions, although confidence in all institutions has declined in recent years. (San Francisco Sunday Examiner & Chronicle, March 28, 1976, p. A-3.)

scientists. An ideal of academic freedom evolved, an ideal almost unknown to pre-Civil War colleges and universities. Higher education started moving toward broader access for students instead of the much more limited access prior to that time. This was also a period of great change in governance. Growth brought into positions of importance the presidents who became the giants of the period—Charles W. Eliot of Harvard, Andrew D. White of Cornell, James B. Angell of Michigan, and many others. That period also bred a new type of trustee, a person drawn from the community at large rather than from a religious institution, a person more aggressively committed to tying the university to the needs of an expanding society—a modern trustee. That was a decade of signal educational improvement in the course of a fantastic growth.

As for the decade of the 1960s, it is sometimes said that no change took place, that higher education just doubled what it was already doing. That, of course, is not true. During the 1960s, the community college movement developed clear across the country, far beyond the earlier concentrations in Florida, California, and a few other states. That movement represented an enormous change and, overall, an enormous improvement in the provision of tertiary education for the American people. The sixties witnessed a great extension of science into entirely new areas; significant developments took place in the relatively new fields of biochemistry and biophysics, for example. It was also during this period of growth that higher education broke through the restrictive policies of the American Medical Association and the state medical associations, which sought to limit the numbers of medical students in individual classes. By breaking through these barriers, and by nearly doubling the number of medical doctors produced in the country, higher education largely overcame what had been a strong monopoly. In the sixties, there were new experiments in the development of cluster colleges throughout the country, including Michigan State University and the Santa Cruz and San Diego campuses of the University of California. In many states, teachers colleges were transformed into comprehensive colleges and universities. Another development of the sixties was the initiation of the



movement toward universal access—the United States was the first nation in the world to try to provide a place for every young person in the country who wanted to attend a third-level institution.

The next decade of substantial growth will be from 2000 to 2010. This will be a very special period for higher education, and those interested in innovation and improvement and dynamism might well wish that the intervening 25 years would disappear. In that first decade of the coming century, at least 40 percent of college and university faculties will be replaced. More than half of all present faculty members were hired in the 1960s, and they will be retiring mostly during the years 2000 to 2010; the opportunity of replacing 40 percent or more of all university faculty in one decade creates enormous possibilities for changing programs, introducing new disciplines, and setting new priorities.

Of all university building space existing today, 55 percent was constructed in the 1960s; it will be extremely difficult to create new plant until these buildings live out their 30- to 40-year period of usefulness. So, after the year 2000, about one-half of higher education facilities will have to be rebuilt or remodeled. This is not the year 2000, however, and we can only hope to make the best of the situation in which we find ourselves.

Just as most biological mutations are regressive, or at least nonviable, change is not always for the better; often it is for the worse. But the difficulty of change in higher education, as in the biological world, would reduce adaptability to new circumstances and the chances for improvement even if circumstances do not change. Thus it is important that opportunities for new developments be kept open even in a period when growth no longer provides an easy opening for their introduction. Many experiments will, of course, fail, as they should, but some will meet the tests of academic scrutiny and of budgetary review for cost effectiveness.

The preservation of dynamism is mostly up to the institutions themselves, but the policies of the states can help by:



- Providing state funds to support innovations, as is now done at the federal level through the Fund for the Improvement of Post-Secondary Education (FIPSE) and by some states (see Supplement, Section B, for a listing of state funds for innovation). The most popular program thus far encouraged by state support has been improvement of instruction.
- Encouraging institutions, in the course of the budget-making process, to set aside 1 to 3 percent of existing funds each year, by curtailing old activities, for use in new endeavors.
- Preserving the private segment of higher education, which historically has been the more open to innovation and the more responsive to new situations, as some private campuses are today. Some of the less prestigious of these institutions are currently showing the greater initiative in making changes. Changes now occur more on the periphery than at the core.
- Encouraging, with financial support, the introduction of the new technology in instruction.
- Avoiding undue rigidity in state formulas for financial support which impede or prevent new approaches of promise.
- Halting the spread of more and more detailed controls that discourage constructive leadership at the campus level.

Parochialism. An increasing tendency to advance the "new parochialism" concerns us. It shows up in many ways:

- Higher and higher out-of-state tuition charges as compared with in-state charges
- Restriction of state scholarships to use at in-state institutions
- Quotas on the number of out-of-state students that can be admitted, as in Michigan, Texas, Virginia, and Wisconsin, among other states
- Federal graduate fellowships distributed to individual institutions rather than to students who can take them where they choose
- Pressures to distribute federal research funds on the basis of geography rather than on merit alone
- The reduction of exchange provisions for students and faculty members going abroad or coming from abroad



• Setting professional examinations (as for the bar) so as to favor locally trained persons.

We oppose these tendencies. We favor freedom of choice for students and scholars that is unimpeded to the maximum extent reasonably possible by geographical boundaries. Such freedom adds to the competition among states, among scholars, and among institutions. It also adds to understanding of, and usually also to tolerance for, different areas, different institutions, different approaches. The life of the mind should be open to cosmopolitan influences.

Solutions are not easy to find. They rely on self-denial of parochial tendencies by the states (as by Pennsylvania in the award of scholarships), on regional compacts (as through the Southern Regional Education Board), on careful attention by the federal government to its own direct programs, and on federal encouragement of interstate mobility in its joint programs with the states. We particularly urge the federal government to require the states to allow some reasonable portability of grants under the State Student Incentive Grant (SSIG) program.

Preservation of the private sector. The private sector provides about one-fifth of all student places, about one-half of the highest quality graduate training and research, much of the diversity within higher education, and special opportunities for innovative experiments (Section 6).

More than three-fifths of its institutional support comes from private sources, as against one-fifth for public institutions (Figure 6). It also receives somewhat more federal funds than its proportion of total enrollments—42 percent of federal research and development funds and 33 percent of Supplementary Opportunity Grants going to nonprofit institutions of higher education. At the state level, however, it receives only about 4 percent as much money as public institutions. Were it not for substantial private and federal support, much of the private sector would be in severe difficulty; some of it is now, even with access to these sources of support.

The states are already aiding the private sector in many

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ways (Supplement, Section C). We believe it is in the interest of the states to assist the preservation of the private sector since it:

- Has special contributions to make within the total system of higher education
- Reduces the burdens on state funds<sup>4</sup>
- Increases the competitive pressure on public institutions for effective performance
- Suggests "free market" standards for salaries paid and for teaching loads

Assistance should be given to private institutions in such ways that:

- The public institutions are not neglected. This means caring first fast the basic needs of public institutions. We define basic needs, as a rough operational guide, as being no lower than current real support per student, except for very special circumstances.
- The additional fiscal burden in any one year is moderate. This
  means phasing in support for private institutions on a gradual
  basis.
- The private institutions remain private. We believe a "peril point" is reached when an average of one-half as much state subsidy, on a per student basis, is given directly or indirectly to support of institutional costs to a private as to a comparable public college. The closer a private institution gets to being supported on an equal basis with public institutions, the closer it gets to being made, de facto, a public institution, with all the controls that such a status entails (Supplement, Section D).
- The private institutions remain competitive with each other and with public institutions in the student market. This



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>States with 20 percent or more of their enrollments in private institutions spend, on the average, about 1.0 percent of personal income on higher education; states with 10 to 19 percent spend 1.25 percent; and states with less than 10 percent spend 1.40 percent.

favors support on an enrollment-driven basis, not on a lumpsum or "bail-out" basis. (Students, however, may need to be bailed out by keeping an institution going for the duration of an academic year or until all students have received degrees or are able to transfer elsewhere.) We particularly favor the granting of portable scholarships to students on the basis of comparative need.

 Private institutions get funds on as assured a long-term basis as possible. Otherwise they can be held "on the string" by political forces and potentially made even more dependent on political considerations than public institutions with their long tradition of state support. Favors easily given and easily withdrawn can lead to political dependency and loss of autonomy.

The basic rule for the future should be: The states make the best possible use they can of all higher education resources, both public and private.

Coordination and control. We note later (Section 7) the overall tendency toward centralization of authority over higher education—from the campus to the multicampus system, and from governing boards to state mechanisms. We regret this because:

- It reduces the influence of students and of faculty members and of campus administrators and of members of campus governing boards—all persons who know the most about institutions of higher education, and are the most directly involved in their operations. It also reduces their sense of responsibility. The governance of academic institutions should include an influential role for academics and for those in close relations with them.
- This centralization seems to have had no measurable direct impacts on policies or on practices. No provable case can thus far be made that higher education is in any way better because of the centralization, except, where it has taken place, in the one area of careful advance academic planning for higher education as a whole. It is, of course, not possible to



know, however, what would have happened in the absence of the centralization that did occur.

 The governance processes are worse. They are more costly, more cumbersome, more time-consuming, more frustrating, and place more power in the hands of those who are the furthest removed and who know the least.

This is not to say that higher education should be allowed to go its own way without restraints. It is subject to many restraints, particularly by the student market and by state budgetary controls (and by the judgment of private donors).

We believe that the best restraint is competition. It is for this reason, among others, that we strongly support continuation of the private sector of higher education to provide competition to the public sector.

The next best constraint is the state budget. We support basing budget actions on the best information, the best analyses, and the best judgment of highly qualified persons. Unfortunately, however, these criteria are often not met in practice. New methods of budget-making, such as performance budgeting, should be experimented with, but we caution that they have not yet proven their value.

These two (and other constraints, such as the operation of the law), however, are not fully adequate. Neither the market nor the budget is a good mechanism for long-range planning. They both respond to more immediate considerations. Consequently, we strongly favor a mechanism to prepare a long-range plan to inform and, hopefully, to improve the decisions made by budgetary authorities, by institutional boards, and by students in making their choices. We believe that advisory councils are the best mechanism for preparing such plans. Their memberships and staffs can be selected for this purpose. They are not tied down by or committed to operating decisions. They are not parties at interest as are consolidated boards and regulatory agencies. (For the distinctions among advisory councils, consolidated boards, and regulatory agencies, see Section 7.) Their success relies solely on the quality of their plans and their reputations for independence and integrity. And, in practice, they (along with some regulatory boards) have generally prepared the better plans. Some advisory councils, however, have been quite ineffective; and some of the best plans have been made by ad hoc, rather than continuing, agencies. The council, however, has an advantage over the ad hoc committee in that it can advise on the continuing implementation of the plan. A good plan should provide for diversity among institutions, which competition will not necessarily assure and may even tend to eliminate, and maintenance of diversity requires continuing scrutiny.

What is needed is good information, careful analysis of it, and thoughtful judgments about policy so that those with final authority can make better decisions if they wish. The final authority, in any event, for most, and perhaps even all, major actions lies with governors and legislators, with governing boards, and with students. In-between regulatory mechanisms cannot long exercise authority of importance strictly on their own. Thus they are driven either to the exercise of authority on minor matters or to acting as the agent of some more forceful authority that has its own power base. In the former case, weak authority over minor matters can be very intrusive; and, in the latter case, the mechanism becomes a means of politicizing higher education.

We place reliance, then, on an effective market, an effective budget-making mechanism, and an effective plan—and not on detailed regulation.

More specific comments follow:

- We favor the presence of lay boards, with substantial delegated powers, at the campus level within multicampus and consolidated systems, as in North Carolina and Utah. They provide better opportunities for lay board members, faculty members, and students to work together than can be provided at the multicampus level alone. Many decisions, in any event, are best made at the campus level. Also, campus-by-campus diversity is best preserved in the long run with separate local boards to help define and protect it.
- We believe it is unwise to have no planning mechanism at the state level for all of higher education, as is now the case in



- nine states (except for the thus far generally ineffective 1202 Commissions). Higher education in all states can benefit from plans that look at all of higher education together and at the longer run. From time to time, the entire system should be evaluated in depth in ways that neither market processes, nor budgeting decisions, nor legislative actions can do.
- If a state goes beyond an advisory mechanism, which we do not recommend, we believe it is better to develop a consolidated board than a regulatory agency. The consolidated board means that basic decisions are made inside, not outside, higher education, and that higher education has a spokesman to the state rather than just a spokesman from the state (the executive officer of a regulatory agency most often reflects the views of the governor-and may be a member of his cabinet—or of one or more forceful legislators, since these are the power bases of such officers). The president of a consolidated system has his own constituency of students, staff, alumni, and friends of the consolidated institution. The consolidated system can, if it wishes to do so, both make better use of funds, through avoidance of duplication of effort and insistence upon interinstitutional cooperation, and resolve competition and conflict among institutions and segments with less intrusion of external politics than any other of the major alternative mechanisms of governance. Such systems can be particularly effective during a period of retrenchment.
- Consolidated boards, however, present some inherent difficulties. Operating boards are not usually very successful at planning. In large states, a consolidated board has a wide span of authority to exercise and much complexity to accommodate. A large and complex consolidated system requires especially excellent administrative organization and leadership to make it work well. The consolidated board, in the long run, may yield to pressures to homogenize functions among institutions and to move costs upward. It may also be better public policy for a state to be able to relate to several competitive institutions or segments than to one single power bloc. Competition among segments has some of the advantages of competition among individual campuses. Additionally, estab-

lishment of a consolidated board tends to be a once-and-forall solution.

We do not in any case favor a regulatory agency with its own final authority. In practice, staffs of such boards tend more often than not to come from outside higher education. They create another level of bureaucracy between higher education and state authority, and thus serve to duplicate the work that other state agencies, particularly the budget office but also the staffs of the governor and of the legislative committees, already do. Bureaucracy, in any event, inherently seeks to concentrate on details and to protect the status quo. The state budget, made for the state as a whole, is, in the end, the major method of state constraint, and regulatory pressure beyond the budget is usually both unnecessary and unwise. Such regulatory agencies might serve as buffers between higher education and the state, but in practice, rather than heading off attacks against higher education, some have been red-hot pokers pointed at higher education. They also tend to politicize the governance of higher education since they mostly serve as instruments of elected officials.

We note that some states (North Carolina, South Carolina, and Texas) have, in practice, reduced certain powers of their agencies, but the general direction of movement has been strongly the other way. Regulatory agencies do, of course, vary greatly in the degree to which they regulate, and less regulation is better than more regulation.

• While the movement has been toward more and more regulation by more and more regulatory agencies, this may be reversed. There is much opposition to regulation generally and of higher education in particular. Also, there is an increasing tendency in some states for governors, legislative committees, state budget officers, and their staffs to take over the work of regulatory agencies or to go directly to higher education or to ignore the regulatory agency decisions. This is partly because of improved technical competence at the higher levels of state government, partly because of competition between governors and legislatures for influence and control, partly because of the ineffectiveness of some regulatory agencies, and



partly because of the tactics of institutions of higher education. In some states, also, faculty and student groups are making their own direct approaches to political authorities and the representation of higher education is becoming fragmented. It may turn out, in the course of history, that the regulatory phase of higher education was coincident with the transition from fast growth to steady state, and that a new phase involving more frontal contact and conflict between academic and political institutions is now emerging.

- We believe that private institutions can relate to higher education more effectively through an advisory mechanism than through a consolidated board that does not consolidate them or through a regulatory agency that does not regulate them. In both of the latter situations, they are, to some extent, outsiders.
- Each state has a different history, a different structure, a different set of policies for financial support, and, thus, decisions about coordination will tend to be quite various, as in fact they are. What works well one place may not be satisfactory in another. Each situation has its own unique elements. No one pattern will work equally well everywhere. And some flexibility of arrangements for planning and implementation may be desirable to accommodate changes in situations and in the nature of problems to be solved. Occasional reexamination of mechanisms should be undertaken.
- We regret that much of the struggle over coordination is based on power considerations alone—over who gets the power—and not on which method of coordination will produce the best results for students, for scholarship, for society at large. Faculty members and local administrators favor power at the campus level; systemwide administrators at the system level; regulatory agencies at the statewide level; and governors and legislators in their offices or their committees.

We believe that the burden of proof should be on the centralizers and the regulators to demonstrate that something can be done better through centralization and regulation than under the constraints of an active market and of a well-made budget and of a wisely drawn long-range plan. The worst conclusion of current tendencies would be if institutions of higher education became addicted to regulation, as have many American industries. Many regulated industries have come to like regulation. They escape the rigors of competition. They pass tough decisions and harsh responsibilities up the line. They become lazy and irresponsible. Some of higher education is still fighting this possible fate.

No system of coordination will be fully satisfactory. The problems are too dynamic and the interest groups too diverse. As states search for a more perfect system, the attempted solution is too often directed toward more centralization rather than less. The better answer, however, might lie in a more active market, a more effective budget, a more wisely drawn basic plan, or a higher quality of staff. Each of these possibilities should be explored before further centralization, with its many attendant problems, is chosen as the one and only solution.

Overall, we caution that the external search for small efficiencies and improvements in the short run may kill the spirit of initiative, the self-reliance and the self-responsibility of higher education in the long run and thus, also, lead to major inefficiencies and to deterioration.

Institutional independence. The independence of institutions of higher education has been eroding rapidly, not just through the new centralization, but also through older mechanisms of control. This erosion, the fastest in history, is at the hands of both the states and the federal government. Our concern here is with the states. Higher education was set up to be an independent sector of our society. The Dartmouth College case (1819) protected the autonomy of private institutions. The states, also, have made special arrangements to protect the independence of public institutions:<sup>5</sup>



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>Carnegie Commission on Higher Education, The Capitol and the Campus: State Responsibility for Postsecondary Education (New York: McGraw-Hill, 1971).

- Twenty-three states give some form of constitutional recognition to higher education, whereas few state departments, other than constitutional offices, are so recognized.
- Forty states confer corporate powers on their highest educational boards (few other departments have them).
- Elections or appointments of board members are for a longer period than for most public offices, and it is often specified that selection of board members be on a nonpolitical basis.
- Many boards have been given direct borrowing power rarely given to state divisions.
- Many are given power to appoint treasurers and select their own depositories and disburse funds, especially institutional funds, directly—a condition very rare in other state agencies.
- Many higher education boards are given wide discretion and, in many instances, complete autonomy on policy matters, such as admissions requirements, graduation requirements, programs, courses, and degrees to be offered.
- Almost all states leave to their higher education boards full authority over all matters relating to academic and professional personnel.

This protection was given willingly, even gladly, for the sake of society, to protect academic life from political interference and from bureaucratic control. Higher education has performed well with this independence. It is ironic that after its period of greatest triumph in meeting the needs of American society for greater access and for better research, it should now be subject to greater control than ever before.

Guerilla warfare now goes on all across the nation over what belongs to the institution and what to the state. Independence erodes yearly in the face of the greater forces in the hands of the state, and frustration on both sides grows daily. We believe that all states should follow the example of the State of Washington<sup>6</sup> and seek to draw up a "treaty" openly and on the

<sup>6</sup>Council for Postsecondary Education, State of Washington, Planning and Policy Recommendations for Washington Postsecondary Education 1576-1982, Draft Report, August 1975, pp. 240-242.

The State of Wisconsin now has before it a budget bill (awaiting only the



basis of long-run considerations. There is a revulsion across the nation against needless and unwise controls. We believe this current period of reexamination of regulatory controls offers higher education an opportunity to obtain such treaties. We set forth in Supplement Section E some suggested guidelines for such treaties and we believe that the Education Commission of the States is a good mechanism for encouraging such treaties, along with the American Council on Education. (Supplement Section D sets forth common controls now exercised over private institutions as compared with controls exercised over public institutions, with the implied warning that what now applies to the public sector may some day, to one extent or another, apply to the private sector as well.)

The governor, in many states, is now the one dominant figure in higher education. We consider this to be an unwise long-term development. We suggest, as a check and balance, that governing boards be structured so that, first of all, governors not be members of them, and, second, that appointments to these boards be recommended through appropriate screening mechanisms and be subject to some form of legislative approval. The governor, with his control over budget and his power of final appointment, will still be a forceful figure but less dominant.<sup>8</sup>

The states with historically the greatest freedom for higher education have also been the states that have developed the most outstanding public institutions. The institutions of higher education in Michigan, in particular, in recent years have fought with great success to maintain their independence. They have



governor's signature as of April 1976), with amending language from Senate Bill 755, that would exclude from state audit such matters as: academic freedom, the control of academic programs, degree requirements, the approval of courses and curricula, and the conduct of instructional, research, and service activities.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> For an indication of the leadership currently being taken by the American Council on Education in this area, see the letter of January 6, 1976, to members from Roger W. Heyns, president.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup>For a discussion of these and related matters, see Carnegie Commission on Higher Education, Governance of Higher Education: Six Priority Problems (New York: McGraw-Hill, 1973).

gained in academic stature, rather than suffered, as a consequence. They began their fight from the base of responsible institutional conduct.

### **Concluding Note**

The role of the states in higher education has always been important. Today and for the near future, at least, the states are taking an even more central place. This is partly because the issues of today—such as creation of more open access places, correction of surpluses and deficits, support of private institutions, and development of effective coordination—are concentrated at the state level. It is partly, also, because the federal government, for the time being, is more engaged in reducing commitments or completing programs already undertaken than in starting major new initiatives. We do not suggest that this is desirable but only note that it is true.

Thus the future of higher education is more than usually dependent on the fiscal resources, on the interest of the people, and on the judgment of the elected officials of the several states. There have been many problems in the past that required solution at the state level and many good solutions were found. The current period has its own set of problems. We are convinced that good solutions can, and will, be found at the state level in the future as in the past. The future can be as vital as the past is proud.



Figure 1. Tertiary education: enrollments<sup>a</sup> per 1,000 population, 1971 (41 countries with the highest enrollment ratios)

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10.81 United Kingdom			
10.4 Costa Rica			
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<sup>a</sup>Enrollments in tertiary education in principle include students enredled in degree-granting and non-degree-granting institutions of higher education of all types (universities, teacher-training colleges, technical colleges, etc.), both public and private. As far as possible, these are total (headcount) enrollments of both full-time and part-time students. Because countries differ in their definitions of higher education, enrollment statistics are not always comparable across countries. (See the sources for additional information on discrepancies in the statistics.)

bData include students in evening and correspondence courses.

Data do not include part-time students in nonuniversity courses.

dData include universities and teacher-training colleges only and are for 1970.

eData are for 1969.

fData are for 1970.

Data include universities (for 1971) and grandes écoles (for 1969), but do not include all students in higher technical schools.

hData are for 1968.

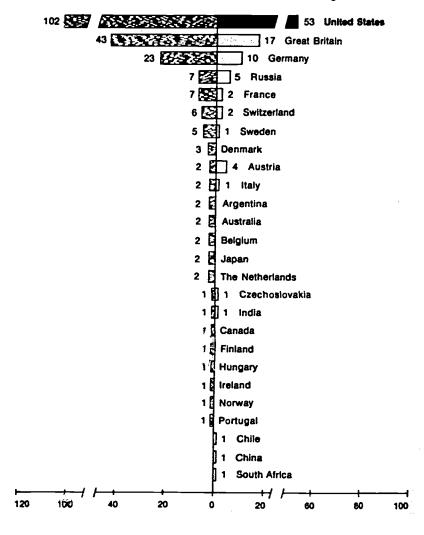
Enrollment data for England, Wales, and Northern Ireland are for 1970; enrollment data for Scotland are for 1969. Population data are for 1970.

Sources: UNESCO, Statistical Yearbook, 1971 (Louvain, Belgium: Unesco Press, 1972); UNESCO, Statistical Yearbook, 1973 (Louvain, Belgium: Unesco Press, 1974).



Figure 2. Research accomplishments in the natural and social sciences

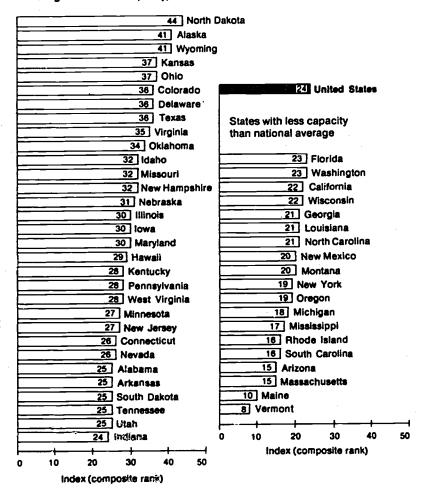
Nobel Prizes in natural sciences 1930-1975 Origins of social science breakthroughs



Source: For origins of social science breakthroughs: K. V. Deutsch, J. Platt, and D. Senghaas, "Conditions Favoring Major Advances in Social Science," Science, 1971, 171 (3970), 450-459.

Figure 3. Rank of states on fiscal capacity index (high rank reflects high per capita income, relatively large unutilized tax capacity, and low unemployment rate)

States with fiscal capacity greater than or equal to national average (arranged from greater to less capacity)



aSome states with high per capita income rank low on the index because of heavily utilized tax capacity and high unemployment.

Source: Derived from Supplement, A-1.



# Roles of State, Federal, and Private Support

- What is the financial role of the states in supporting higher education?
- How does it compare with that of the federal government and that of the private sector?
- · What changes have been taking place among these three roles?

The answers to these questions are important to an understanding of the current situation of higher education and also to any analysis of future possibilities.

Three great shifts have occurred in patterns of support for higher education over the more than four decades since 1929-30. We take 1929-30 as our base since it was the last "normal" year before the major impacts of the Great Depression were felt by the nation.

(1) A vast increase in total costs and in educational costs of institutions. Total costs, including subsistence costs of students, have risen (in terms of constant 1967 dollars) from about \$1.6 billion to over \$25 billion—an increase of 15 times over (Figure 4). (For calculations based on the forgone earnings of students rather than on subsistence costs, see Supplement, A-2.) In terms of the educational costs of institutions (their budgets for educational and general purposes, including re-



search), the increase was one of 23 times over (Figure 5). No such absolute increases in total costs or in educational costs had ever occurred before in our national history nor, in terms of percentage increases, are such augmentations likely to occur again in a similar period. This was, then, a unique period of development.

(2) A shift from private toward public sources of financial support. At the level of total costs (including subsistence of students), the private share dropped from 79 to 41 percent, and the public share rose from 21 to 59 percent (Figure 4). (For calculations on the basis of forgone earnings of students, see Supplement, A-2.) In terms of the educational costs of institutions, the shift was from 58 percent private and 42 percent public, to 32 percent private and 68 percent public (Figure 5). Institutions then (1929-30) were predominantly private in their sources of support; they are now (1973-74) predominantly public.

The private share, of course, has two major components: current gifts and endowment income, and expenditures by families and by students. The former constitutes about 20 percent of the combined total; the latter about 80 percent. When we speak later of "family" costs, we refer only to the latter figure. The public share, as set forth here, includes only expenditures from appropriations. If what are now called "tax expenditures" (taxes forgone by public entities) were added, public contributions would rise by about \$4 billion dollars, mostly from exemptions from property taxes and from income tax deductions. If this sum were added, it would, of course, substantially increase the public share. We have not included it, however, in our calculations.

The United States has always had a mixed system of higher education. The original colonial colleges were, in each case, partly private and partly public, some more private than public and others more public than private. Not until the nineteenth century could it be said, and was it said, that some colleges were "private" and others were "public." But mixtures, at least in terms of sources of support, continued. In 1929-30, the educa-



tional costs of public institutions were met about one-fifth from private sources, and that percentage continues into the current period. The hig change has been in the financing of private institutions. In our base year, private institutions were supported only 4 percent from public sources but today 37 percent—an increase exceeding nine times over (Figure 6). In this sense, public institutions, on the average, continue to be one-fifth private, and private institutions are by now more than one-third public.

(3) A shift of public support from state and local toward federal sources. In 1929-30 the federal government was a minor source of governmental appropriations (9 percent), and state and local sources carried the overwhelming share (91 percent). Today (1973-74), the distribution is roughly equalized—45 percent federal, and 55 percent state and local (Figure 7). Two levels of government now are of great significance to higher education where there was only one level before. This carries many implications concerning the sources of initiative for and the sources of control over the development of higher education.

## Characteristics of Support

(1) Comparative composition of support. If we divide support into three categories—support for institutions, support for research projects, and student aid—we find that our three major sources of stancing demonstrate quite different interests. The states (and localities) concentrate heavily on support of institutions, the sederal government on student assistance and on research projects, and private sources on student subsistence and, to a lesser extent, on support of institutions (Figure 8).

This current distribution of attention reflects two great new developments since 1929-30. The first is the enormous increase in expenditures on research through the universities, mostly from the federal government. The second is the vastly augmented public support of students from lower-income families as the nation has moved from selective to mass to universal access to higher education. Once again the federal government has been the main source of these additional funds. The states, by comparison, remain more concentrated in their financial

support on institutions as such, and private sources remain more concentrated on support of students by those families that can afford to support them.

(2) Constancy and volatility of support. State support (as a percentage of total personal income, which is a rough measure of "burden") has been largely enrollment-driven (Figure 9). It even rose at first during the Great Depression. Of course it fell during World War II. It has risen quite steadily since then. The recent record has been remarkable. The taxpayer "burden" ran upward right through the student unrest of the late 1960s, the recession of 1970, and even through the first year (1974-75) of the recent depression. The Carnegie Commission on Higher Education once said that state and local expenditures "will have to rise to approximately 1 percent of personal per capita income." The latest figure then available was for 1966-67 and was 0.7 percent. That 1 percent figure has now been exceeded—during a depression period. It now stands (1974-75) at 1.09.2 It was 1.03 in 1973-74 (Figure 22, Section 5).

Private support has also been enrollment-driven but has not risen nearly as fast as the state share in terms of percentage of personal income (see Figure 10).

Federal support, likewise in terms of percentage of personal income, has risen the fastest of all (Figure 11). It also appears in its totality to have followed a reasonably smooth course (except for the World War II period), but closer examination of its component parts shows great volatility (Figure 12).



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Carnegie Commission on Higher Education, The Capitol and the Campus: State Responsibility for Postsecondary Education (New York: McGraw-Hill, 1971), p. 114.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>The Commission did say that the level would need to rise above 1.0 if the state share did not continue "the slight relative decline expected" vis-à-vis the federal share, but this slight decline did continue. We do not have a figure for 1975-76. It is possible that the level of support has gone down, reflecting the depression during the period in which appropriations were made. From fragmentary data, we conclude that higher education budgets may have been quite adversely affected in at least Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Maine, Michigan, New Jersey, New York, Rhode Island, Vermont, and Wisconsin.

Federal support is essentially problem-driven. It responded to the end of World War II and the Korean War and the Vietnam War with educational benefits to veterans; to Sputnik with more money for research; to the civil rights revolution with support for low-income students (which is still rising); and, after the initial response, the amount of money that was provided either declined or stabilized as the national concern for such problems either declined or stabilized. This topical approach is reflected in decisions taken by several congressional committees and in programs administered by several agencies—now one and now another committee and agency takes the initiative. There has been no overall, consistent concern for institutions of higher education.

(3) Shifting burden of support. If we exclude enrollment as a factor and concentrate on support per student, we see an interesting picture. The net cost of higher education per student to the family (for subsistence and tuition) has actually gone down in constant dollars by about 9 percent since 1929-30 (Figure 13). This is partly because so much of subsistence costs (and some tuition) is now being funded by Veterans' and Social Security benefits, by Basic Opportunity and other federal grants, and by state scholarship programs. Another reason is because more students were in higher-cost private institutions in 1929-30 and now are in lower cost public institutions; additionally, more students now come from lower-income families. During this period, per capita real income has nearly tripled. Thus the comparative burden, per student, on the average family with college students now, compared with the average family with college students then, has gone down by about two-thirds. The net cost for tuition, however, has risen significantly, but still much less than per capita real income—it has gone up only one-third as fast.

For the state taxpayer, the burden, per student, has risen, however, by more than three times over and even more than that



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Items on which expenditures have risen considerably more (tripled or more), rather than less, than income are: travel, health, communications (including radio and TV), entertainment, beverages, personal grooming, household appliances and owner-occupied housing. See, for example, C. Almon Jr., and others, 1985: Interindustry Forecasts of the American Economy (Lexington, Mass.: Lexington Books, 1974).

for the taxpayer at the federal level. The family is comparatively better off, and the taxpayer comparatively worse off. The taxpayer has been the bigger and bigger contributor viewed historically. This does not correspond with the common public impression that families have, over the years, been carrying heavier and heavier burdens, on the average, for the higher education of their children. It is the taxpayers who have done that —for children of their own and for the children of others.

This does not mean, of course, that the burden has not been heavy in recent years for upper-income families whose children do not qualify for student aid, and particularly when these children attend private institutions.

### Future Prospects

We do not expect that the next 40 to 50 years will duplicate the changes of the past 40 or 45 years. If they did, by the year 2015 or 2020, the educational costs of higher education would be over \$400 billion, or five times the present budget (1967 dollars) for national defense. The public share of institutional costs would have long since approached 100 percent and the private share zero percent; and the federal government would have long since taken over 100 percent of all public funding, leaving the states and localities with zero percent. While the future is obscure, we consider these results unlikely prospects however much some might wish them. We consider it more likely that:

- Total costs and educational costs of institutions will rise in accordance with two factors: rising enrollments to the extent they do rise<sup>4</sup> and rising costs per student which tend to rise in the long run (since 1930) at 2 or 2.5 percentage points per year faster than the general cost of living.<sup>5</sup>
- Some continuing shift will take place from private toward public sources of funds, but at a reduced rate.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>See our projections in The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, More than Survival: Prospects for Higher Education in a Period of Uncertainty (San Francisco: Jossey-Bass, 1975).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Carnegie Commission on Higher Education, The More Effective Use of Resources: An Imperative for Higher Education (New York: McGraw-Hill, 1972).

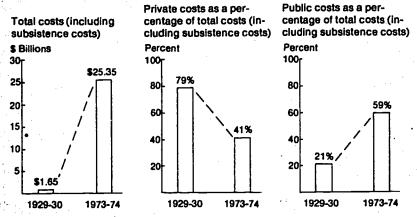
- Absolute increases will occur in both federal and state funds in terms of constant dollars (the federal government has much "unfinished business," and the states have educational deficits to overcome, as we shall indicate later); but we do not expect the current balance of 45 percent federal support/55 percent state and local support to be shifted drastically or perhaps even substantially. It might reach a 50-50 level, but it also might drop to 40-60.
- The current major emphases of the states on institutional support (adding more support for private institutions), and of the federal government on research and on subsidies for lowerincome students, and of private sources for support of students from medium- and higher-income families will be maintained as a rough division of labor.
- The greater volatility in the components of federal support than in the totality of state and of private support, which usually has only one or two components, will continue.
- There will be some modest furtherance of the historic tendency of families to shift burdens to taxpayers.
- All of this assumes that the economy will continue to recover from the recent depression; that the gross national product per capita will grow on the average at a slower rate than over the period since World War II but will still continue to grow; that the fiscal position of the states generally will not continue to deteriorate and may even improve; and that the total social demand for higher education will continue at about the current rate even though economic returns to graduates in the labor market decline from their high levels of the 1960s.

Overall, then, we see the states as an essential component of our pluralistic system, with particular historic responsibility for the support of institutions as such. We turn next to how they have, in their several ways, discharged their responsibilities. We note once again, however, that their performances, while central, are not exclusive in their impact on higher education. The states are one leg of the three-legged ladder on which higher education stands.

<sup>6</sup>Carnegie Council on Higher Education, The Federal Role in Postsecondary Education: Unfinished Business 1975-1980 (San Francisco: Jossey-Bass, 1975).

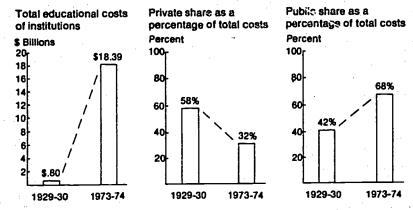


Figure 4. Changes in public and private shares of costs of higher education, including educational costs of institutions and subsistence costs of students, 1929-30 to 1973-74 (in constant 1967 dollars)



Source: Estimates developed from U.S. National Center for Education Statistics and U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics data. Estimated tuition and subsistence expenses met from public student aid are allocated to the public share; includes total research funds.

Figure 5. Changes in shares of educational costs of institutions of higher education from public and private sources, 1929-30 to 1973-74 (in constant 1967 dollars)<sup>a</sup>



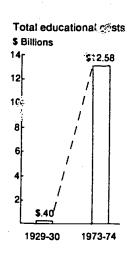
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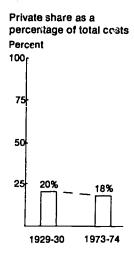
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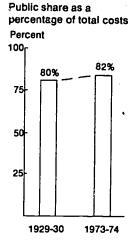


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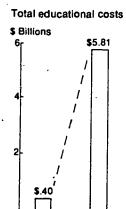






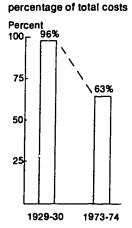
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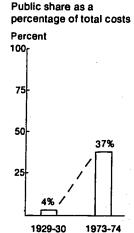
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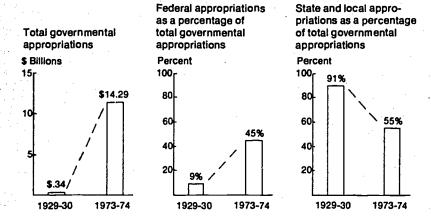


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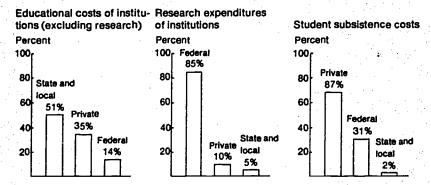
Figure 7. Changes in proportions of total governmental appropriations for higher education from (1) federal and (2) state and local sources, 1929-30 to 1973-74 (in constant 1967 dollars)<sup>a</sup>



<sup>a</sup>Includes revenue of institutions from public sources plus appropriations for student aid allocated directly to students, including state scholarships and, from federal sources, Basic Educational Opportunity Grants, Veterans' benefits, and Social Security benefits.

Source: Adapted from U.S. National Center for Education Statistics and other data.

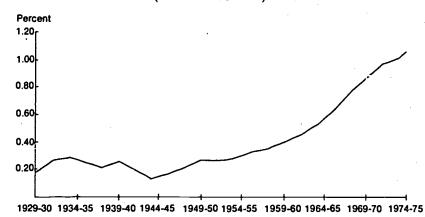
Figure 8. Shares of financial support for (1) educational costs of institutions, (2) research, and (3) student subsistence from federal, state and local, and private sources, 1974-75



Source: Estimated from U.S. National Center for Education Statistics and other data. Tuition income of institutions has been adjusted to allocate to public sources the estimated proportion of tuition paid from public student aid funds. Similarly, the proportion of student subsistence paid from public sources (including federal Veterans' benefits) has been estimated.



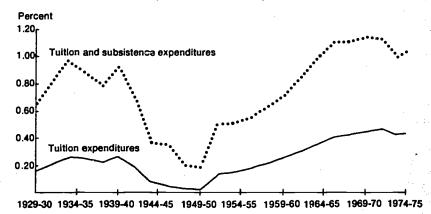
Figure 9. Expenditures of state and local governments on higher education as a percentage of total personal income, 1929-30 to 1974-75 (biennial to 1973-74)<sup>a</sup>



<sup>a</sup>Includes revenue of institutions from state and local governments plus state scholarship funds allocated directly to students. Data for 1974-75 are estimated.

Source: Adapted from U.S. National Center for Education Statistics and U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis data.

Figure 10. Tuition and subsistence expenditures of students and their families as a percentage of total personal income, 1929-30 to 1974-75 (biennial to 1973-74)<sup>a</sup>

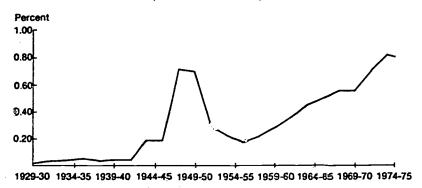


<sup>a</sup>Estimated student aid allocated to tuition and subsistence expenditures has been deducted, including student aid from all public and private sources.

Source: Adapted from U.S. National Center for Education Statistics, U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, and other data.



Figure 11. Expenditures of the federal government on higher education as a percentage of total personal income, 1929-30 to 1974-75 (biennial to 1973-74)<sup>a</sup>



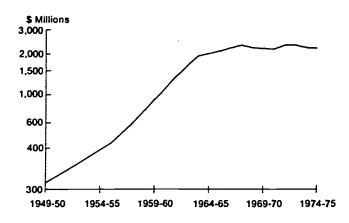
<sup>a</sup>Includes revenue of institutions from the federal government plus student aid allocated directly to students under the Basic Educational Opportunity Grant, Veterans' benefits, and Social Security benefits programs.

Source: Adapted from U.S. National Center for Education Statistics and U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis data, and from data in Carnegie Council on Higher Education, The Federal Role in Postsecondary Education: Unfinished Business 1975-1989 (San Francisco: Jossey-Bass, 1975).

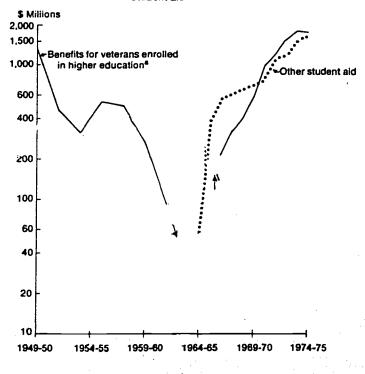


Figure 12. Changes in federal expenditures for higher education, selected items, 1949-50 to 1974-75 (in constant 1967 dollars)

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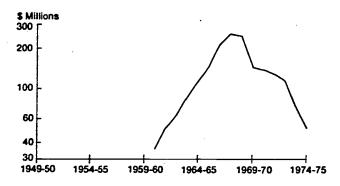
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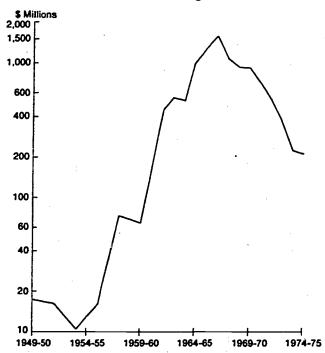
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#### Expenditures for graduate fellowships



#### Construction loans and grants<sup>b</sup>



<sup>a</sup>Veterans' benefits fell to \$25 million in 1963-64 and to zero in 1965-66.

bFor the years 1949-50 through 1959-60, data relate to plant-fund income of institutions from federal sources.

Sources: J. O'Neill, Sources of Funds to Colleges and Universities (Berkeley, Calif.: Carnegie Commission on Higher Education, 1973); Carnegie Commission on Higher Education, Higher Education: Who Pays? Who Benefits? Who Should Pay? (New York: McGraw-Hill, 1973); Carnegie Council on Higher Education, The Federal Role in Postsecondary Education: Unfinished Business 1975-1980 (San Francisco: Jossey-Bass, 1975); U.S. National Center for Education Statistics, Digest of Educational Statistics, 1974 (Washington, D.C.: U.S. Government Printing Office, 1975).



bEstimated student aid for subsistence costs from state and local sources was less than 0.05 percent of total subsistence costs Change in federal support per FTE student (1,441%) Sources: Adapted from U.S. National Cen-<sup>a</sup>Excludes 75 percent of federal research ter for Education Statistics and other data. Figure 13. Changes in per capita income, student costs, and in sources of financial support for educational and subsistence costs per full-time-equivalent student, 1929-30 to 1974-75 (in constant 1967 dollars) per FTE student in 1929-30. . 89. State and Local<sup>b</sup> Change in net cost (to student and family) for tuition and subsistence per FTE student (-9%) 1,400 Federal Private Change in net cost (to student and family) for tuition per FTE student (57%) 1,200 Change in state and local support per FTE student (251%) 1974-75 1929-30 1929-30 1974-75 5 8 옳 Sources of subsistence costs per FTE student Sources of educational costs per FTE student Change in per capita income (182%) Percent 8 \$ ଯ 8 8 58



# Surpluses, Deficits, and Special Accomplishments

Surplus capacity is inevitable in a period of suddenly reduced expectations and realizations after a time of vast expansion. Surplus capacity clearly now exists nationally in:

- Teacher-training
- · Production of Ph.D.'s

There is at least a potential surplus of:

- · Health Science Centers
- · Law Schools

The existence of surpluses has been caused by these general factors:

- The momentum of more than doubling enrollments in the 1960s—sometimes in an almost frantic way to accommodate the "tidal wave" of students—led to some overshooting of actual needs.
- · The sudden decline in the birthrate reduced the need for

<sup>1</sup>We define surplus as an excess of supply over currently effective demand. Demand could, of course, potentially be raised to match supply if social policy had this as a goal.



teachers—at first at the primary level, next at the secondary level, and subsequently at the college level.

- The slowdown (and even decline for some categories, such as college-age majority males) in the percentage of the age co-hort attending college additionally reduced the expected need for college teachers. This slowdown resulted, in part, from recession and depression conditions of the early 1970s and also from the long-term catching up of supply with demand, which has tended to reduce economic returns in the labor market for a college education, compared to returns for a lower level of education. The rising costs of higher education and, for young men, the removal of the draft also played important roles.
- Some aspirations in the 1960s and early 1970s were excessive, and institutions tried to advance themselves—unwisely from a public point of view—by insisting on new medical schools and on new Ph.D. programs regardless of the prospective need for them. Short-term institutional ambition exceeded long-term public need.
- The declining population of many rural areas shifted the locations of need for student places.
- Enthusiasm at the federal level, as in expanding the demand for teacher-training through loan-forgiveness provisions for teachers and in encouraging Ph.D.-training through graduate fellowships and research assistantships and in the creation of new medical schools, greatly added to the impetus toward certain surpluses. The one greatest source of surpluses has been federal initiative.

Only one of the causes for surpluses, excessive ambition, can be laid at the doors of the colleges and universities, and that cause can be placed at the doors of a small minority of the 3,000 institutions—including perhaps 8 that started unnecessary medical centers (sometimes with strong external encouragement), plus most of the nearly 89 that started Ph.D. programs since 1960.

Teacher-training. Surplus capacity exists in many institutions that have concentrated on teacher-training and in nearly all

states. Enrollments in teacher-training programs have gone down by one-half (from 20 to 10 percent of all undergraduate enrollments) and are likely to stay down for a long time to come (for at least 20, and perhaps 25, years).<sup>2</sup> Excess capacity in colleges specializing in teacher-training seems to be particularly concentrated in the following states:<sup>3</sup>

Arkansas North Dakota California : Oklahoma Colorado Oregon Georgia South Dakota Kansas Texas Minnesota Washington Missouri West Virginia Montana Wisconsin Nebraska

Ph.D. programs. The nation now has the capacity to produce 30,000 or more Ph.D.'s a year—it did produce 33,000 in 1973-74 while still having substantial excess capacity, but the prospective need is more like 20,000 and mostly (80 or 90 percent) in fields that also supply industry and government.<sup>4</sup> About 230 institutions now offer the Ph.D. in one or more fields, although around 100, or at most 150, would be a sufficient number. Seventy-six additional institutions have added Ph.D.-degree programs since 1960—there were 158 institutions offering the Ph.D. in that earlier year.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>A recent survey by Alexander Astin shows that the percentage of freshmen students planning to become teachers has slipped from 21.7 percent in 1966 to 6.5 percent in 1975 (Chronicle of Higher Education, January 12, 1976, p. 3).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Estimated by finding substantial declines in enrollment in three or more institutions which have historically concentrated heavily on teacher-training.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Our estimate implies a potential surplus of 50 percent. A recent analysis predicts a much greater likely surplus of about 200 percent. New supply is estimated at 583,000 from 1972 to 1985 and openings at 187,000 ("Projected Demand for and Supply of Ph.D. Manpower, 1972-1975," Monthly Labor Review, December 1975.)

The following states, in particular, may wish to determine whether their offerings are now excessive:<sup>5</sup>

New York Alabama North Carolina Illinois North Dakota Indiana Louisiana Ohio Michigan South Dakota Tennessee Mississippi Missouri Texas New Mexico Virginia

Strong caution is very much in order at this point. Although there is an impending surplus of Ph.D.'s, there are serious deficiencies in the supply of members of minority groups with Ph.D.'s. There are also deficiencies in the supply of women in some fields. We believe that the drastic cutbacks that have occurred in federal fellowships programs are particularly disastrous in relation to these deficiencies—at a time when the federal government is putting pressure on universities and colleges to hire more minority and women faculty members.

It is also important to recognize that, when we speak of a surplus in the output of Ph.D.'s, we are referring primarily to the fact that too many doctoral-granting institutions were developed during the rapid expansion period of the 1960s. We are not recommending wholesale cutbacks in Ph.D. programs of institutions with long-established and high-quality doctoral programs. Not only is there a tendency for some forecasts to exaggerate the impending overall surplus of Ph.D.'s, but there is also a tendency for some commentators to ignore the fact that the future job market for Ph.D.'s will be much more favorable in some fields than in others.

Health Science Centers. In a report in 1970, the Carnegie Com-



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>Estimated by determining the number of new programs started since 1960 (the number depending on the size of the state) which have drawn very small numbers of students.

mission on Higher Education<sup>6</sup> recommended nine new medical schools, not on grounds that they were needed to meet national requirements for doctors (and other health care personnel) but for the sake of service to a neglected surrounding area. Five schools (two in one area) have been started in these locations. In addition, 13 other new schools have been started or are fully authorized-two of these are in Georgia, two in Ohio, and two in Texas. There is little evidence that the southern states (with the possible exception of Florida) need additional medical schools, yet schools have also been started in North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, and West Virginia (in addition to Georgia and Texas) beyond those found necessary for geographical reasons by the Carnegie Commission. The development in Ohio seems particularly excessive. We believe that the following states, in particular, may have developed or may be developing surplus facilities:7

> Georgia North Carolina Ohio

Tennessee Texas

io West Virginia

A number of new law schools (20 in total) have been started and accredited in recent years.<sup>8</sup> The total number of law school graduates given degrees each year more than doubled in the 1960s. Already, law school graduates are finding difficulty entering practice. However, law schools are less expensive than medical schools to build and to operate, and lawyers can enter many more endeavors that utilize their training than can doctors. Yet a caution is in order.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup>Higher Education and the Nation's Health: Policies for Medical and Dental Education (New York: McGraw-Hill, 1970).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup>Each of these states has developed, or is planning, one or more new medical schools in communities in which no new medical school was recommended by the Carnegie Commission. See the information on medical schools in "Medical Education in the United States, 1974-75," Journal of the American Medical Association, 1975, 234 (13), 1333 and 1408-1409.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup>Thirteen of these are in four states: California, New York, Ohio, and Texas.

#### Deficits-Essential to Correct

Deficits still exist, despite the surpluses resulting from past developments. This is inevitable in a dynamic situation. It is not inevitable, however, that they will be recognized and corrected within a reasonable period of time. In addition to low levels of provision of student places and of financial support set forth in Sections 4, 5 and 6, we find deficits in four special areas:

Open Access Places. A sufficiency of places now exists, and prospectively will exist at least until the middle 1990s, to take care of all students, except in the one category of open access places. These are defined as places open at low or no tuition to all high school graduates (with necessary skill requirements). They are best supplied by community colleges and by comprehensive colleges with two-year programs comparable to those in community colleges. We believe that the possibility of such deficits should be particularly examined in all large metropolitan areas and in the following states as a whole:

Delaware New Mexico
Idaho New York (SUNY)

Indiana North Dakota

IowaOhioKentuckyOregonMainePennsylvaniaMarylandRhode IslandMassachusettsSouth CarolinaMinnesotaSouth Dakota

Mississippi Utah
Nevada Vermont
New Hampshire West Virginia
New Jersey Wisconsin

(See Supplement, A-3 for large metropolitan areas which may, in particular, need more open access places.)



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup>Estimated by looking at tuition levels (above the average for all community colleges of \$250 per year), at admission requirements, and at the geographical spread of community colleges and two-year programs in comprehensive colleges.

State Scholarship Programs. The states have made impressive progress in developing student aid programs in recent years. Ten years ago, only about 15 states had such programs, and total expenditures were only \$72 million. By 1975-76, total appropriations by the states for comprehensive undergraduate student aid programs amounted to \$500 million, and 42 states were providing funds for such programs. Under the stimulus of the federal State Student Incentive Grant (SSIG) program, the number of states providing student aid increased particularly rapidly from 1972 on. By the fall of 1975, all of the states had taken steps to implement student aid programs that would qualify for federal SSIG grants, but seven states (and the District of Columbia) had not appropriated any funds, and Tennessee had discontinued appropriations pending settlement of a challenge to the constitutionality of its program in the courts.

Yet the variations in amounts made available under these programs are exceedingly wide. Only 14 states provided an average of more than \$50 per full-time-equivalent student enrolled in higher education in 1975-76, while there were 25 states in which average amounts appropriated were either less than \$10 or zero (Figure 14). Our estimates suggest that the cost of a fully funded tuition aid program would be about \$200 per full-time-equivalent student, of which the state share would be about \$135 (with the funds actually allocated, of course, to low-income students). Only three states—Illinois, New York, and Pennsylvania, provided more than an average of \$135 in 1975-76.

We call particular attention to the following states which have not yet begun support of state scholarship programs:

Alabama New Mexico

Alaska Tennessee (in abeyance Arizona pending court action)

Nevada Wyoming

New Hampshire

<sup>10</sup>See the estimates in Carnegie Council on Higher Education, The Federal Role in Postsecondary Education: Unfinished Business 1975-1980 (San Francisco: Jossey-Bass, 1975), pp. 34-35. The actual amounts would vary from state to state.



Area Health Education Centers. In 1970, the Carnegie Commission recommended the establishment of Area Health Education Centers in 48 of the 50 states. 11 The Health Manpower Act of 1971 made provision for federal assistance in their establishment. In 1975, there were 120 such centers or roughly similar centers providing some of the suggested services (the Commission had recommended 127 but many of them in locations not covered by the 120, and these omitted locations are in 32 states). North Carolina, in particular, has pioneered in this development and with substantial state support.

These centers serve the following functions:

- Advice to local hospitals
- Advice to community agencies in the planning and development of more effective health care delivery systems
- Continuing education for health care personnel, including at the physician level
- Conduct of residency programs (and many doctors undertake practice in the area of their residency)
- Provision of clinical experience for students in M.D., D.D.S., and allied health programs
- Guidance to colleges in developing and improving training programs for the allied health professions

These centers carry with them the prospect of better medical care in many areas where establishment of a health science center, with its medical school, is not warranted. In particular, they encourage doctors to enter into family and primary-care practice in areas now less adequately served.

The following states, in particular, where three or more recommended locations are not yet developed, may wish to examine their progress:<sup>12</sup>



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup>Higher Education and the Nation's Health: Policies for Medical and Dental Education (New York: McGraw-Hill, 1970).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup>Each of these states has at least three fewer area health education centers than were recommended in *Higher Education and the Nation's Health*. Alaska is included, although only two centers were recommended there, because Alaska has no medical school, and thus the need for centers is critical.

Alaska Mississippi
Arkansas New Jersey
Georgia Pennsylvania
Maryland Texas
Massachusetts Washington
Michigan

Health Science Centers. We continue to recommend, for geographical reasons only, new health science centers in Phoenix, Arizona (a large and growing population center); in Delaware (none now exists in the state); and possibly Orlando, Florida (a rapidly growing area).

These deficits are modest in total, but each constitutes an important failure to provide a well-rounded system of state-supported higher education. The removal of these deficits will contribute to greater equality of opportunity for our youth and to better health for all of our people.

# Accomplishments of Special Note

The existence of surpluses and deficits should not obscure the fact that much has been done very well. It is more common, in our current age of disillusionment and disenchantment, to concentrate on failures than on successes, but there have been many successful programs in many states. The listings that follow concentrate on the states at the top of our several scales of accomplishment, rather than on those at the bottom.

A number of states have made a particular effort to supply large numbers of places, compared with the size of their populations, for students in public institutions of higher education, and in particular: 13

Arizona Oregon California Washington

A substantial number of states have made a special effort



<sup>13</sup> Figure 18, Section 4.

to place community colleges within commuting distance of all or nearly all of their people, including:

Arizona New York 14
California North Carolina
Florida Oklahoma
Hawaii Oregon
Illinois Texas
Iowa Washington

A significant number of states have created public universities (and some colleges) that have drawn, in national competition, substantial federal research funds in total or in relation to the population of their states: 15

Alaska New Mexico
California Oregon
Colorado Texas
Hawaii Utah
Michigan Washington
Minnesota Wisconsin

Similarly, a large number of states have public universities (and colleges) whose graduate faculties have been rated as having elements of distinction, again in total or in relation to the population of the state. <sup>16</sup>

California Michigan
Colorado Minnesota
Illinois North Carolina
Indiana Oregon
Iowa Washington
Kansas Wisconsin



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup>We cite New York, however, as a deficit state for open access because of the relatively high tuition at the community colleges within SUNY (not CUNY).

<sup>15</sup> Figure 21, Section 4.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup>Supplement, A-6.

Half a dozen states spend a particularly large proportion of state personal income on public support of higher education: 17

Alaska Utah Arizona Wisconsin California Wyoming

And several states are outstanding in the absolute level of their expenditures per student in public institutions: 18

Alaska Wisconsin New York

A few states quite early and quite completely converted their teachers colleges into comprehensive colleges and universities. Among them are:<sup>19</sup>

> California Texas Michigan

Since 1971, several states have imposed a moratorium, for longer or shorter periods of time, on new doctoral programs:<sup>20</sup>

Florida New York
Idaho South Dakota
Louisiana Washington

One state has done especially well in the creation of Area Health Education Centers:<sup>21</sup>

#### North Carolina



<sup>17</sup> Figure 22, Section 5.

<sup>18</sup> Figure 23, Section 5.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup>Selection based on numerous sources relating to the history of state colleges.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup>Data developed from publications of the Education Commission of the States and other sources.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup>North Carolina has a particularly comprehensive network of nine AHEC's well distributed throughout the state and is one of the very few

An increasing number of states have developed effective state scholarship programs but particularly:<sup>22</sup>

Illinois New Jersey New York Pennsylvania Vermont

Several states, in recent times, have done especially well in increasing the support of their public research university or universities:<sup>23</sup>

Arizona Massachusetts
Arkansas Mississippi
Connecticut New Jersey
Georgia North Carolina
Hawaii Texas

A few states have done remarkably well in raising per student support in public institutions, including:<sup>24</sup>

Arkansas Mississippi Minnesota Wisconsin

Several states have prepared reasonably effective state plans for higher education that have had an impact on the development of higher education within their states and that have stood the test of time:<sup>25</sup>

states to allocate substantial state funds (augmenting federal funds) for the development of AHEC's.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup>Figure 14.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup>Expenditures per weighted FTE students in research universities from state funds increased by 40 percent or more from 1959-60 to 1974-75 in each of these states. These data are not shown for individual states, but are summarized for 35 states combined on the left side of Figure 25 and, for groups of states, in the third column of Supplement, A-17.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup>Supplement, A-15.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup>Based on a special analysis of the Carnegie Council, taking into account (1) the effectiveness of the planning process, (2) the quality of the product, and (3) the degree of impact on the development of the system of higher education.

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California New York
Florida Oklahoma
Illinois Washington

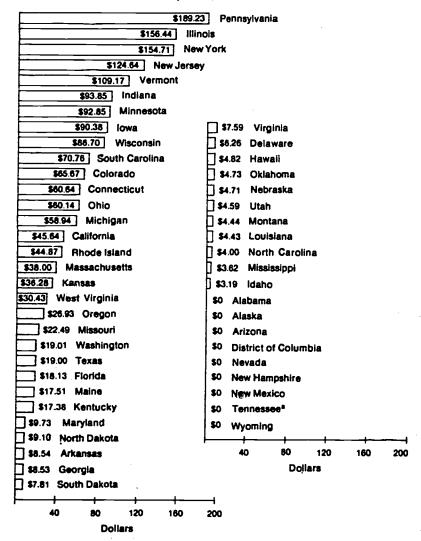
Several states have made an especially good start toward the support of their private colleges and universities:<sup>26</sup>

Alaska New York
Illinois Pennsylvania
Michigan South Carolina
New Jersey

These lists are not complete, but they are indications of many accomplishments of importance in many states.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup>Figure 29, Section 6.

Figure 14. Appropriations for comprehensive state undergraduate student aid programs per full-time-equivalent enrolled student, by state, 1975-76



<sup>a</sup>Program is being contested in the courts.

Sources: "State Scholarship Programs," Chronicle of Higher Education, November 17, 1975, pp. 6-7; U.S. National Center for Education Statistics, Opening Fall Enrollment, Fall 1975 (Higher Education) Preliminary Data (Washington, D.C.: U.S. Government Printing Office, 1975).



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### Diversity of Structures

Support for institutions of higher education is divided approximately as follows: 1

- State and local governments—43 percent
- Federal government—25 percent
- Private sources—32 percent

State support for institutions is heavily concentrated on public colleges and universities, although most states now provide some form of subsidy for the private sector as well. Federal support is spread more or less evenly over both public and private institutions, although concentrated somewhat more heavily on private institutions. Private support is comparatively more concentrated on private institutions. Consequently, when one is talking about the states, attention is directed more heavily toward the public sector of higher education than when one is talking about the federal government or about private sources of support.

Public institutions of higher education now constitute 48 percent of all institutions of higher education, provide 78 percent of all currently filled student places, and spend 68 percent of all funds (Figure 15). The states are best viewed, however,



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>All research funds are included in these data.

not as an entirety, in our tripartite support structure, but rather one at a time. When viewed in detail, each seems to constitute a separate case. It is important to understand this diversity for at least these reasons:

- It is essential to an understanding of higher education in the United States, which is marked by diversity to a greater extent than is almost any other nation of the world. Japan stands closest to the United States in this respect.
- It is helpful in understanding the United States—regional differences, different histories of the separate states, autonomy of the states in making educational policy, rise and fall of state populations, and changes in sources of employment among the states—in short, the great pluralism of American society.
- It explains why it is difficult to generalize about the states and to make recommendations which apply to them all equally—or even to some of them at all.
- It also explains why the federal government could not easily take over higher education and make it into a single national system, as is the case in most other nations; and why, in matters under state control (such as tuition policy),<sup>2</sup> it is hard for the federal government even to exercise much influence.

### Patterns. The diversity among the states is substantial:

- Some states have large systems; some small (Figure 16). A
  few have enrollments comparable to those of entire nations
  (Figure 17).
- Some provide comparatively many student places, some comparatively few (Figure 18).
- Some rely heavily on private institutions to care for their enrollment, one not at all (Figure 19).
- · Some, in their public sector, have comparatively heavy enroll-



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Carnegie Council on Higher Education, Low or No Tuition: The Feasibility of a National Policy for the First Two Years of College (San Francisco: Jossey-Bass, 1975).

ments in their universities, some in their comprehensive colleges and universities, and some in their community colleges (Figure 20).

• Some rely heavily on their public institutions and others on their private institutions for their highest-quality research efforts and graduate training (Figure 21, and Supplement, A-4 through A-8).

Observations. While each state has its own individual set of defining characteristics, some, more generalized observations can be made:

- The states with the highest ratio of enrollments to population (leaving aside the District of Columbia, which is a very special case of a single city) are in the West (Arizona, California, Oregon, Utah, and Washington) and in the Northeast, where strong private segments attract students on a nationwide basis (Connecticut, Massachusetts, New York, Rhode Island, and Vermont). Six of the seven lowest states are in the South; the seventh is Alaska.
- Among types of public institutions, it is generally the least-populous states that rely the most heavily on their universities to carry the larger share of enrollments. They tend to have few institutions and consequently to make them more all-purpose. The southern states tend to concentrate their enrollments most heavily in comprehensive colleges and universities, and the western (and some southern) states, in community colleges.
- Only one state (Massachusetts) has a majority of its enrollments in private institutions, and only five others have private enrollments at the 40 percent level or above (New Hampshire, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, and Vermont). All of these states are in the Northeast. All of the 11 states with 10 percent or less of enrollments in private institutions are located west of the Mississippi.
- A few states rank much higher in federal research and development dollars going to public institutions than they do in the population of the state. This is particularly true in:



Alaska Oregon
Colorado Utah
Hawaii Washington
New Mexico Wisconsin

This is often a commentary on the quality of their state institutions at the highest academic level, but on other things as well, such as unique locations like Alaska for arctic studies, Hawaii for tropical studies, and Colorado for high-altitude research; such as the comparative reliance of the state on public, compared with private, research universities (all of these states rely heavily on their public research universities); and such as the presence of a medical school with substantial federal funding in a state with a small population.

· States that rank low are:

Connecticut Missouri
Louisiana New Jersey
Maine South Carolina

Massachusetts

Four of these states are in the Northeast (and three of them have very strong private institutions), and three are in southern or border states. As the southern states become wealthier economically, it may be expected that they will spend more on their research universities and that these universities, in turn, will draw more federal research support by the quality of their faculties.

• In 11 states, more than half of the federal research and development funds received in higher education goes to private institutions. Eight of them are in the Northeast. The other three are Illinois, Missouri, and Tennessee. Each of these states has one or more academically strong private research universities (Supplement, A-4).

As is to be expected, the states doing best in relation to their population rank in receipt of federal research and development funds are those with distinctive locations or with strong public or strong private research universities. Alaska



illustrates the first category, Washington the second, and Connecticut the third (Supplement, A-5).

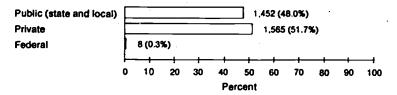
- The states with the greatest strength in their public university graduate faculties are California and Michigan. California and New York rank first based on all institutions, but a number of smaller states do exceptionally well compared to their population size. Generally the greatest academic strength at the graduate level is concentrated in the Northeast, the Middle West, and the West Coast (Supplement, A-6, A-7, and A-8).
- Overall, public institutions receive about 58 percent of all federal research and development funds (private, 42 percent) and have about 47 percent of all departmental graduate faculties rated as "distinguished" (private, 53 percent). Thus distinction at the level of attracting federal research funds and of graduate training is roughly 50-50 between public and private institutions throughout the nation, but with enormous variations from state to state.

The one simple statement about the states and higher education that is true is that no simple statement about them is true.

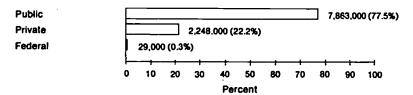


Figure 15. Higher education in its totality—number of institutions, size of enrollments, and total of current-funds expenditures, by state and local, private, and federal sectors

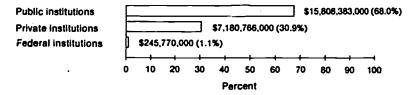
#### Number of institutions, 1974-75



#### Total enrollments, 1974-75



#### Current funds expenditures, 1973-74



Note: See Supplement, A-9 for state-by-state data.



1,400 1,600 Note: Numbers in parentheses Sources: "Opening Fall Enroll-ments, 1972, 1973, and 1974," Chronicle of Higher Education, December 16, 1974, p. 8; and data adapted from U.S. Nationpublic, and private institutions, denote the number of total, al Center for Education Statis-Figure 16. States ranked by total enrollment in higher education, 1974, with numbers of institutions by control of institution 800 1,000 1,200 respectively. Enrollment (in thousands) District of Columbia (11/1/10) South Carolina (50/29/21) New Hampshire (23/10/13) Oklahoma (41/27/14) West Virginia (25/15/10) Kentucky (40/21/19) Mississippi (42/26/16) 8 North Dakota (15/11/4) Rhode Island (9/3/6) New Mexico (16/13/3) Nebraska (26/14/12) South Dakota (14/6/8) Kansas (51/28/23) Arkansas (25/13/12) lowa (58/25/33) Vermont (21/6/15) Montana (11/8/3) Delaware (9/5/4) Wyoming (8/8/0) Utah (13/9/4) Hawali (13/9/4) Maine (18/7/11) ş Nevada (6/5/1) Alaska (8/6/2) (6/8/8) (applicable) 8 California (193/126/67) 1,400 1,600 New York (169/68/121) Pennsylvania (138/60/78) Enrollment (in thousands) 900 1,000 Texas (124/82/42) Illinois (113/59/54) Massachusetts (95/31/64) Michigan (78/47/31) North Carolina (112/71/41) Ohlo (111/59/52) New Jersey (52/27/25) Washington (44/32/12) Florida (63/37/26) Wisconsin (66/43/23) Connecticut (45/26/19) Tennessee (57/22/35) Minnesota (52/30/22) Virginia (66/39/27) Missouri (59/26/33) Manyland (42/28/14) Indiana (53/21/32) Alabama (51/31/20) Louisiana (27/18/9) Georgia (57/31/26) Colorado (31/24/7) 8 Oregon (34/19/15) Arizona (17/15/2) \$ 8 79

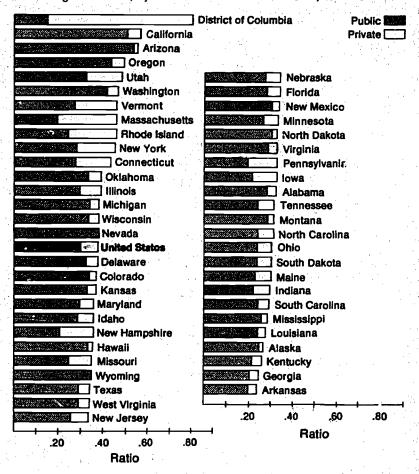


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Figure 18. Ratio of total enrollment in higher education to population aged 18 to 24, by state and control of institution, 1974-75



Note: See Supplement, A-10 for undergraduate degree-credit enrollment of persons aged 18 to 24 as a percentage of their age group.

Sources: "Opening Fall Enrollments, 1972, 1973, and 1974," Chronicle of Higher Education. December 16, 1974, p. 8; U.S. Bureau of the Census, "Projections of the Population of Voting Age, for States: November 1974," Current Population Reports, Series P-25, No. 526 (Washington, D.C.: U.S. Government Printing Office, 1974).



Figure 19. Enrollment in private institutions as a percentage of total enrollment in higher education, by state, 1974

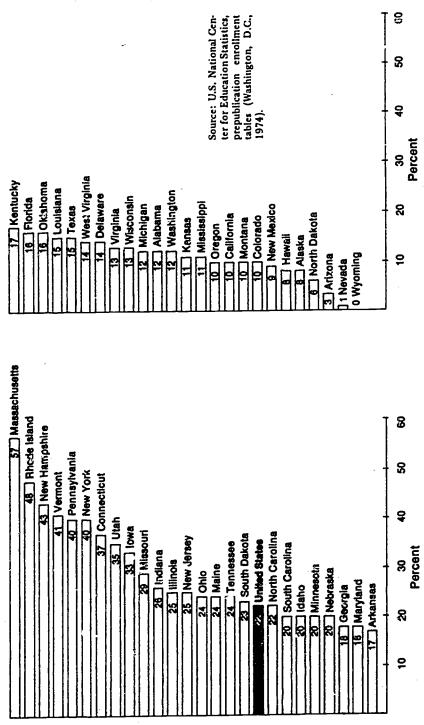
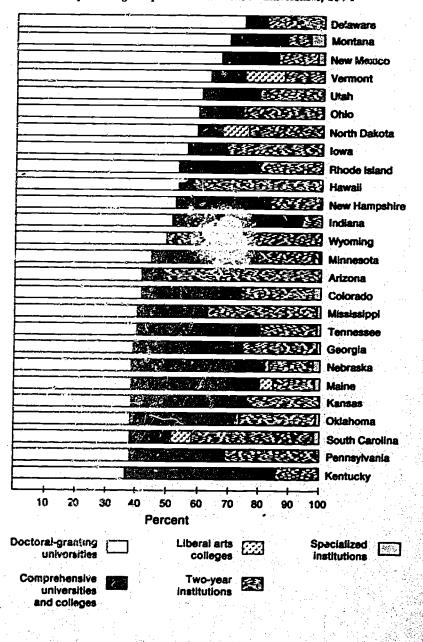




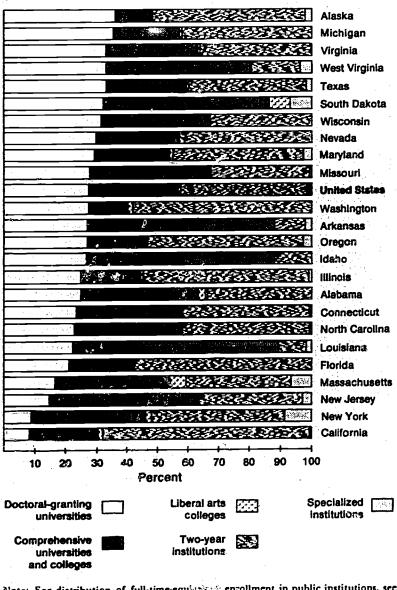
Figure 20. Distribution of excellment in public institutions of higher education in each state, by type of institution, with states ranked by percentage of public enrollment in universities, 1974





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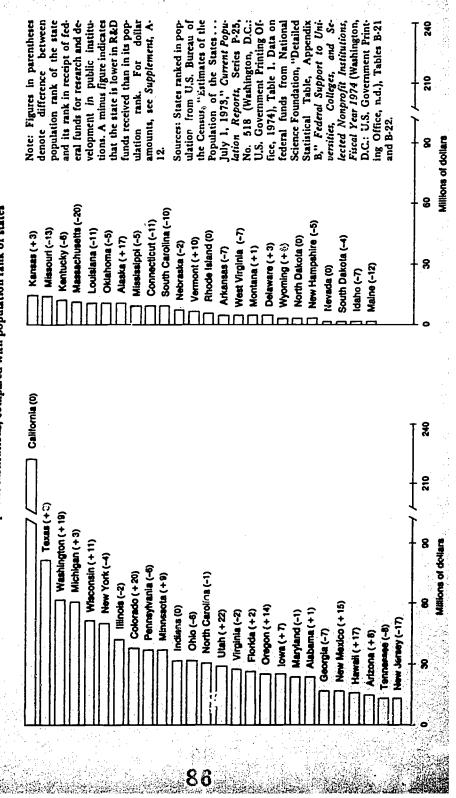


Note: For distribution of full-time-equivarial enrollment in public institutions, see Supplement. A-11.

Source: Adapted from U.S. National Center for Education Statistics data.



Figure 21. Federal funds for research and development, fiscal year 1974, to public institutions, compared with population rank of states





## Diversity of Support

State support for higher education follows no conforming patterns from state to state. Variations are the dominant theme.

Effort. The percentage of state personal income spent by state and local governments on higher education is a good indication of the taxpayer "effort" of each state. On this basis, some states, particularly Arizona, Wisconsin, and Wyoming, make over two and one-half times the effort of other states, particularly Massachusetts, New Hampshire, and Ohio (Figure 22). Generally, the highest-effort states are in the West, where there are fewer enrollments in private institutions (Wyoming has none), and lowest in the East, where private enrollments are more substantial. But there are many exceptions to this rule. Utah makes a substantial public effort even though it has substantial private enrollments; so does New York. Nevada, Oklahoma and South Dakota, on the other hand, make a comparatively small public effort even though they have relatively few private enrollments.

Concern. Expenditures per FTE student in public institutions may be said to reflect "concern." These expenditures may be relatively high if the state has high levels of per capita income and/or if public enrollments are low compared to population,



even though "effort" is low. Thus the District of Columbia, with low "effort," still evidences high "concern." Expenditures in the highest state, Alaska, regardless of reasons, are almost four times higher than in the lowest state, Oklahoma (Figure 23). Among the more populous states, New York ranks highest and Ohio lowest.

Competitive position of higher education. The "competitive position" of higher education as against other types of expenditures by the states is a third way of looking at comparative support. The average of state appropriations spent on higher education is about 15 percent of revenues, but the range is enormous: from over 36 percent in South Dakota to about 8 percent in Massachusetts and Rhode Island—a ratio of over 4 to 1 (Figure 24). Generally, the less-populous states with high percentages of public enrollments are at the top of the list; but the states at the bottom of the list have few, if any, common characteristics.

Viewed in these three different ways, the states line up frequently in quite odd patterns. Oklahoma, for example, is low in "effort," the lowest of all in "concern," but among the highest in "competitive position." Alaska, by contrast, is high on the first measure (effort), highest on the second (concern), and among the lowest on the third (competitive position). Overall, Wisconsin and Wyoming have the high at ratings, and New Hampshire the lowest.

Some spectacular changes have taken place in all three of these measures over recent years:

- · Some states, particularly Alaska, New York, North Carolina, and Wisconsin, greatly increased their "effort" between 1967-68 and 1973-74; others, including Hawaii, Louisiana, North Dakota, and South Dakota, greatly reduced theirs (Supplement, A-14).
- Some states improved upon their "concern," especially Arkansas, Minnesota, Mississippi, and Wisconsin; while others lowered theirs, including Louisiana, Nevada, South Dakota and Vermont (Supplement, A-15). A "normal" change over a six-year period, based on historical practice going back to



1930, would have been a rise of 12 to 15 percent—2 to 2.5 percent per year over and above the rise in the cost of living. Only Indiana and Wyoming were within this "normal" range. Some states increased the "competitive position" of higher

Some states increased the "competitive position" of higher education—Nebraska most motably; and others reduced it—North Dakota and Montana most drastically (Supplement, A-16). The latter two, along with South Dakota (noted twice just above) are states that have lost enrollments.

Comparative treatment of public research universities. Generally, the position of public research universities, as a further change, has deteriorated within the totality of state-supported higher education; and, within this category, Research Universities II more than Research Universities I2 over the 15 years from 1959-60 to 1974-75 (Figure 25). This was a period when former teachers colleges were becoming comprehensive colleges and universities and adding business and engineering programs, among others, and when community colleges were not only spreading rapidly but introducing more technical programs. Both of these developments might be expected to raise costs per student in these types of institutions on a comparative basis; and some of these other institutions started from a very low base of support. On the other hand, costs at research universities would be expected to rise relatively rapidly because of the expansion of very costly Ph.D. and medical-training programs.

<sup>1</sup>Carnegie Commission on Higher Education, The More Effective Use of Resources: An Internative for Higher Education (New York: McGraw-Hill, 1972).

In genural, The Carnegie Commission on Higher Education classified institutions at Research Universities 1 if they were among 50 leading universities in terms of federal financial support of academic science in at least two of the academic years between 1968 and 1971, provided they awarded at least 50 Ph.D. A. Research Universities II were on the list of the 100 leading institutions in terms of federal financial support in at least two of the academic years between 1968 and 1971 and awarded at least 50 Ph.D.'s, or were among the leading 50 institutions in terms of the total number of Ph.D.'s awarded between 1960 and 1970. For further information on the classifications see Carnegie Commission on Higher Education, A Classification of Institutions of Higher Education (Berkeley, Calif., 1973).



Regardless of short-run considerations, however, the relative decline in state expenditures per FTE student in research universities is a source of concern for the long run, even though federal research and development funds have greatly expanded. These universities, among the public institutions, are the major sources for the training of persons at the highest levels of professional skill and for research. Federal funds, while helpful, are mostly for research and training only in specific fields. States that have reduced their comparative expenditures the most cluster in the Middle States, including Kansas, Kentucky, Michigan, lissouri, Tennessee, and Wisconsin. Those that have increased expenditures on this basis are disproportionately in the South, including Arkansas, Georgia, Maryland, and Mississisppi.

Tuition policies. The states not only determine their own direct support of higher education, but they also either determine, or at least influence, the tuition charged to students. Here, patterns vary from the high of Vermont to the low of California in a range of 7.5 to 1 (Figure 26). Generally, higher tuition is charged in states with comparatively high private enrollments and lower tuition where private enrollments are low, although Massachusetts, with the highest private enrollment, has relatively low public tuition. Public tuition as a percentage of state expenditures also varies substantially (Supplement, A-19). One state, Vermont, is virtually on a 1 to 1 basis; another, New Hampshire, is 4 on public expenditures to 3 on tuition; and still another, Ohio, is 3 to 2. At the other extreme, California is 10 to 1, and others, including Alaska, Arizona, Hawaii, CUNY in New York, North Carolina, and Texas, are 5 or more to 1. Most states, however, are in the range of 4 to 1 or 3 to 1.

The income per student received by public institutions of higher education for instructional and general purposes depends on a combination of state and local expenditures along with tuition. States can be grouped by their policies on expenditures and tuition combined (Supplement, A-20). As is to be expected, states with high public expenditures and high tuition spend the most per student in total, and those with low expenditures and low tuition spend the least.



There are other explanations for high and low expenditures per student beyond those given above. In particular, they are (a) the faculty/student ratio and (b) the level of faculty salaries in each state. Regardless of anything else, taken together these two factors explain about one-quarter or one-third of the variations (Supplement, A-21). Behind these two factors, of course, lie many influencing and determining conditions.

Each state seems to listen to its own drummer or drummers—for some states appear to march in several directions at once.



Figure 22. State expenditures for higher education as a percentage of state personal income, 1973. 4

ome, 1973- 4	<sup>a</sup> lr:ludes revenue from state and local sources and state appropriations for undergraduate scholarship programs.	Sources: Revenue from state and local sources from U.S. National Center for Education Statistics, prepublication tables; state personal income from Survey of Current Business, August 1975.	30 1.40 1.50 1.60 1.70 1.80
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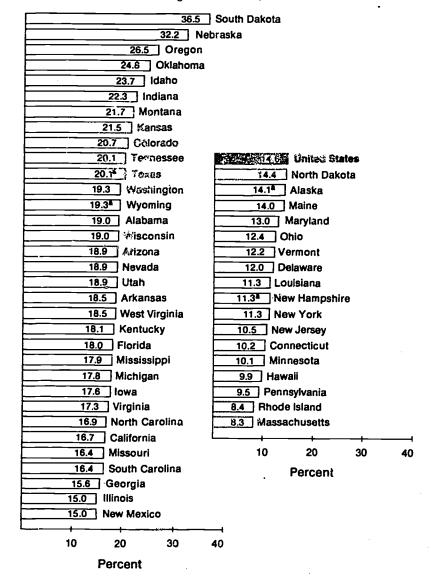
Figure 23. Expenditures per full-time-equivalent student from state and local sources in public institutions of higher education, 1973-74<sup>a</sup>

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\$1.771 North Carolina		
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\$1,727 Arkansas	\$1,361 Tennessee	
\$1,717 Kentucky	\$1,350 Alabama	
\$1,714 Rhode Island	\$1,346 Arizona	
\$1,681 New Jersey	\$1.295 Utah	
\$1,650 lowa	\$1,289 West Virginia	
\$1,642 California	\$1,286 Kansas	
\$1.627 South Carolina	\$1,267 Hawaii	
\$1.590 Georgia	\$1,257 Colorado	
\$1,583 Idaho	\$1,230 New Mexico	
\$1,548 United States	\$1,217 Virginia	
\$1,531 Connecticut	\$1,201 Louisiana	
\$1,515 Pennsylvania	\$1,155 Oregon	
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<sup>\*</sup>Postbaccalaureate students in universities are weighted 3 to 1 and postbaccalaureate students in four-year colleges are weighted 2 to 1, in comparison with undergraduates, in computing FTE enrollment.

Source: Adapted from U.S. National Center for Education Statistics data.

Figure 24. State appropriations for higher education as a percentage of state general revenue, 1974-75

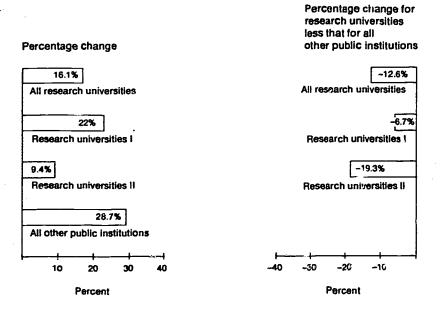


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Source: Data provided by Lyman Glenny and associates, Center for Research and Development in Higher Education, University of California, Berkeley, except for Texas, Wyoming, Alaska, and New Hampshire.



Figure 25. Percentage changes in expenditures per full-time-equivalent student<sup>a</sup> from state and local funds—public research university campuses compared with all other public institutions, 1959-60 to 1974-75 (in constant 1967 dollars)



Note: These percentages varied widely from state to state. When states are arranged in groups of six, ranging from Group I, with the least favorable experience for research universities to Group VI, with the most favorable experience for research universities, the groups include the following states:

Group I: Kausas, Kentucky, Michigan, Tennessee, West Virginia, and Wisconsin.

Group II: Colorado, Florida, Missouri, New Jersey, North Carolina, and Washington.

Group III: Alabama, California, Indiana, Minnesota, Ohio, and Oregon.

Group IV: Illinois, Louisiana, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Texas, and Virginia.

Group V: Arizona, Arkansas, Massachusetts, Mississippi, Pennsylvania, and Utah.

Group VI: Connecticut, C. reia, Hawaii, Iowa, and Maryland (only 5 states).

<sup>a</sup>In computing expenditures per FTE, postbaccalaureate students are weighted, as explained in Supplement, A·17, footne e.a.

Source: Supplement, A-17.



Source: Supplement, A-18. Figure 26. Average tuition and required fees in public institutions of higher education, by state, 1973-74 
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## Diversity of Relations to the Private Sector

The private sector is an essential part of higher education in the United States:

- It provides 22 percent of all student places.
- It includes 52 percent of all institutions.
- It spends 31 percent of all funds spent by colleges and universities for educational programs.
- It receives 42 percent of all federal research and development funds.
- It has 53 percent of all graduate departments with "distinguished" faculties, and 63 percent of the members of the National Academy of Sciences located in institutions of higher education. Of all Guggenheim fellowships (1964-1975) given to persons in institutions of higher education, 53 percent went to persons in private institutions (Supplement, A-13, A-22 and A-23).
- It supplies much of the diversity among all institutions of higher education (Figure 27).

The private sector is also a declining proportion of higher education (Figure 28). This decline in proportion is not due to a reduction of absolute numbers, which have quadrupled since 1929-30, but is, rather, the consequence of the great rise in



public enrollments. However, about one-quarter of private institutions have recently been found to be in "serious" fiscal distress and the tuition gap between public and private institutions is substantial. Usually, public tuition is about one-quarter of private tuition, with the dollar gap for universities and highly selective liberal arts colleges being about \$2,100 and for comprehensive institutions and less-selective colleges about \$1,400. Public tuition as a percent of private tuition for universities and highly selective colleges is lowest in Louisiana and highest in Utah, and for comprehensive institutions and less-selective colleges is lowest in California and highest in Arkansas and Pennsylvania (Supplement, A-25).

In any event, more and more states are now giving aid in one form or another to private institutions (Supplement, A-27). State appropriations that end up as basic income for private institutions as a percentage of appropriations for public institutions, averaged across the United States, are now approximately 4.3 percent (Supplement, A-28). On a per full-time student basis, the figure is 13.6 percent.<sup>2</sup>

Forms of support. Almost one-half of the states now give direct support to private institutions. Combining general aid to private institutions and aid to students attending private institutions, about two thirds of all states have programs of support. The highest state, when these two sources are combined and are calculated on a per student basis, is Alaska (Figure 29). When all programs of all sorts are put together, only seven states have no support in any form for private institutions and one of them, Wyoming, has no private institutions (Supplement, A-29). All of the remaining six have relatively low enrollments in private institutions.

There are many ways in which states can aid private institutions and the possible combinations among these methods are



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>H. R. Bowen and W. J. Minter, *Private Higher Education* (Washington, D.C.: Association of American Colleges, 1975).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Full-time-equivalent enrollments in private institutions are 32 percent of those in public institutions.

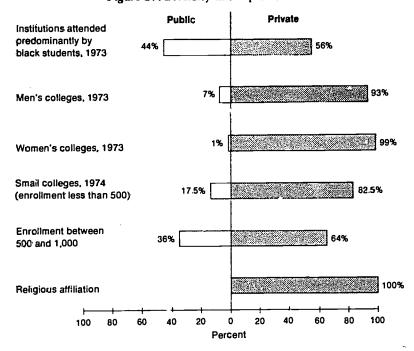
almost limitless (Suptisment, Section C). The major methods, however, are as follows:

- General-purpose grants to all qualifying institutions—on an enrollment basis, or on the basis of numbers of graduates, as in the case of the "Bundy" plan in New York.
- Grants to specifically identified institutions, such as to the University of Pennsylvania.
- Grants for specific programs, such as to the University of Miami medical school or to dental schools in Michigan.
- Aid to students, such as the scholarship programs in New York and California (open also to students attending public institutions).
- Aid with construction, such as the authority to issue taxexempt bonds (Michigan), loans for building renovation (New York), and facilities-construction grants (Maryland).
- Extension of tax-exempt privileges of public institutions to private institutions, such as the Pennsylvania exemption from sales and gasoline taxes.
- Limited credits for individuals and corporations for contributions to private colleges, as in Indiana,

The basic issue over state support for private institutions is no longer so much whether it should be undertaken at all, but, rather, how it should be supplied and to what degree. We have made suggestions on these matters in Section 1.



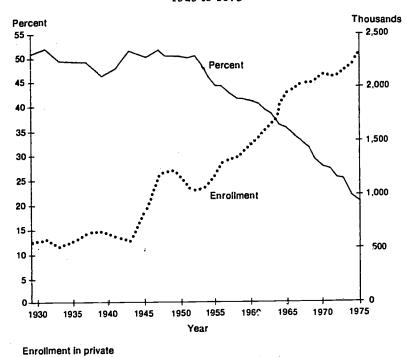
Figure 27. Diversity in the private sector



Source: Supplement, A-24.



Figure 28. Enrollment in private institutions and enrollment in private institutions as a percentage of total enrollment, fall enrollment, 1929 to 1975

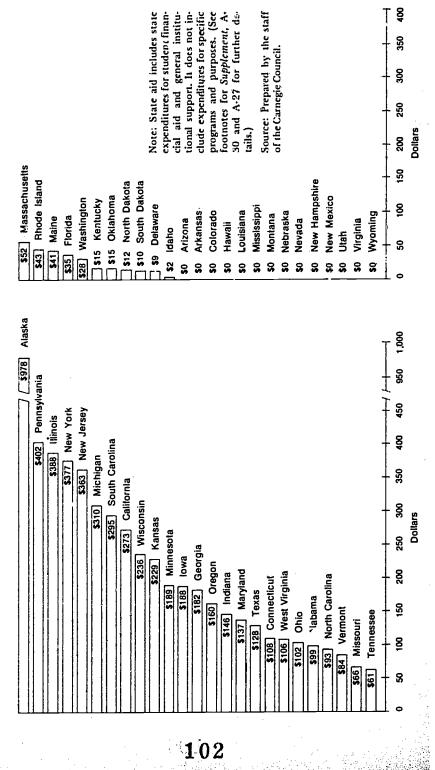


the United States, Colonial Times to 1957 (Washington, D.C.: U.S. Government Printing Office, 1961). Percent private: U.S. Office of Education, Biennial Survey of Education in the United States (Washington, D.C.: U.S. Government Printing Office, 1940, 1942, 1944, 1946). 1947-1973: Enrollment: National Center for Education Statistics, Digest of Educational Statistics, 1974 (Washington, D.C.: U.S. Government Printing Office, 1975), p. 75. 1974-75: Chronicle of Higher Education, December 16,

1974, and December 15, 1975.



Figure 29. State aid per full-time-equivalent student enrolled in private institutions, 1974.75 (includes aid to students in private institutions and general institutional support of private institutions, arrayed in descending order of aid)





# Diversity of Coordination and Regulation

Coordination, regulation, and consolidation of higher education have been increasing rapidly at the state level. The free-standing campus. uncoordinated and unregulated and unconsolidated with other institutions, once the standard model, is increasingly a rarity in the public sector of higher education.

In 1940, 33 states had no coordinating or planning or consolidating mechanisms covering the entire public sector; today, none are without them.

In 1940, there were only two coordinating agencies (one of them, in New York, was regulatory) over public higher education; today there are 28—of which 19 are regulatory.

In 1940, there were no commissions comparable to the present 1202 commissions (Supplement, Section F); today they exist in 46 states.

In 1940, 70 percent of public four-year campuses (other than teachers colleges) were governed by their own individual boards; today about 30 percent of all public four-year campuses are so governed.

In 1940, only one state (New York) had some form of planning or coordination or regulation that covered private colleges and universities; today 49 have such arrangements—the one exception is Wisconsin.

Many forces have been at work encouraging the growth of coordination and regulation beyond the campus level:



- Much more money is now spent on higher education and many more students are accommodated than was earlier the situation. Public interest, as a result, has been heightened.
- More intercampus rivalry exists—community colleges versus comprehensive colleges and universities versus research universities; public campuses versus private campuses. In earlier times, there were few community colleges, and the teachers colleges and the universities each had their clearly separate jurisdictions. Also, private colleges were not receiving public aid.
- Federal aid and interests have been added to state aid and interests, and the federal government has both encouraged and, in some cases, insisted upon, statewide mechanisms for distribution of federal funds and for planning purposes,
- Governors and legislatures have larger and more competent staffs now intent on exercising public authority over higher education.

Alternatives. As centralization progresses, three control issues arise:

- Campus governance. There are three clear-cut possibilities here for four-year institutions: (I) that each campus have its own board; (II) that each segment (for example, the university segment and the state college segment, or some other combination of campuses) have its own board; and (III) that all campuses and segments be covered by a single board. Only 5 states still follow the first pattern (campus boards); 8, the second (segmental or combination boards); and 22, the third (consolidated boards). There are also 15 states with mixtures of these three approaches, IV (Table 1).
- Coordination of all public institutions. There are four alternatives in current practice: (A) no coordination (9 states); (B) coordination by a consolidated board (13 states); (C) coordination by an advisory council (9 states); and (D) coordination by a regulatory agency (19 states) (Table 2).



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Community colleges are not included here. Their arrangements are exceedingly complex.

• Association of the private sector with public policy formation. There are five patterns: (1) only one state has no state planning mechanism in which the private sector participates; (2) in eight states, consolidated boards (all but one of which also act as state 1202 commissions) serve as the major channel for private sector concerns; (3) in another eight states, advisory coordinating councils, all of which also act as 1202 commissions, serve this function; (4) in 18 states, regulatory coordinating boards, all but three of which act as state 1202 commissions, serve as the major channel for the expression of views by the private sector; finally, (5) in 15 states, the state 1202 commissions are either the only statewide board, or are separate from any other statewide boards and serve as the principal contact with private institutions (Table 3).

The combinations and permutations out of the several possibilities in each of these three areas are almost endless. Thus New York is a II-D-4 state, Michigan a I-C-3 state, and Georgia a III-B-5 state. (For a listing of the 18 different combinations currently being used by the 50 states see Supplement, Section G. For some organizational charts of some selected states, see Supplement, Section H.)

Impacts. With all this experimentation by the 50 states, it cannot yet be shown that any one approach is superior to any other approach in its "impacts." There is seemingly no known quantifiable consequence for actual operating results that can be associated with one or another approach to centralization of authority—not on tuition policy, not on state funds for research, not on proportionate dependence on private institutions, not on composition of the public sector, not on any other thus far statistically tested results. There is one possible exception: the more money spent by the state per student, the more money spent on the bureaucracy that supervises the expenditures of the money.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>2</sup>H. Frost, Correlation Between Certain Characteristics of Statewide Agencies of Higher Education and Selected Indicators of Higher Education, prepared for the Carnegie Council on Policy Studies in Higher Education, preliminary draft, December 1975. Later data show some association but no



As another crude check of impacts, we matched our evaluations of current state performances in Section 3 with the methods of control operative both in 1965 and 1970 (to allow time for the different mechanisms to have some effect). We found no clear results. We observe, however, that the best state plans for higher education seem to derive out of advisory and regulatory mechanisms, and least of all out of consolidated boards, and that the quality of the plan is the most important factor in coordination.

The record on impacts is still totally inconclusive. The quality of the "process," however, is another test of the mechanisms—and perhaps an equally or more important one—and we have already expressed some opinions about that in Section 1.

The course of movement, in summary, has been in one direction: toward centralization of planning, of coordination, and of control. But the specific paths followed have been many, and the differential operating practices have apparently been largely unrelated to the paths pursued.

obvious causal relationships between certain "characteristics" and certain "indicators." For example, states with (1) low expenditure per student, or (2) lesser reliance on universities in their enrollment patterns, or (3) both, tend to have "relatively strong budgetary review capability" in their regulatory agencies (Letter from Ben Lawrence, Director, National Center for Higher Education Management Systems, April 1, 1976).

Table 1. Patterns of campus governance for senior public institutions

I Individual II campus Multicampus boards (5) boards (8)		II. Consolidated	IV Mixed pattern (15)	
Delaware Kentucky <sup>a</sup> Michigan <sup>b</sup> Missouri <sup>c</sup> Washington	California Connecticut <sup>d</sup> Illinois Louisiana Minnesota Nebraska New York Tennessee	Alaska Atizona Florida Georgia Hawaii Idaho Iowa Kansas Maine <sup>c</sup> Mississippi Montana Nevada New Hampshire North Carolina Forth Dakota	Oregon Rhode Island South Dakota Utah <sup>†</sup> West Virginia Wisconsin Wyoming <sup>g</sup>	Alabama Arkansas Colorado Indiana Maryland Massachusetts New Jersey New Mexico Ohio Oklahoma Pennsylvania South Carolina Texas Vermont Virginia

#### Definitions

I Individual board governs each public senior institution.

II Two or more multicampus boards govern all public senior institutions, e.g., separately for universities and for state colleges. (Note: sometimes these boards have jurisdiction over some two-year institutions as well.)

III All senior public institutions governed by a single consolidated board.

IV Mixed pattern with individual boards for some senior institutions and multicampus boards for others.

aWhile Kentucky does have separate boards for all senior institutions, the University of Kentucky board also governs 13 two-year colleges.

bMichigan is included in Category I because 13 of the 14 senior institutions have separate governing boards. The University of Michigan board, however, governs three campuses of that system.

<sup>c</sup>Missouri is included in Category I because 8 of the 9 senior institutions have reparate governing boards. The University of Missouri board, however, governs four campuses of that system.

<sup>d</sup>The University of Connecticut System board is a multicampus board, but it governs only one senior campus and five two-year campuses.

<sup>e</sup>The Maine Maritime Academy is governed by a separate individual board.

 $f_{\rm Each}$  campus in the multicampus system also has an individual board with powers largely delegated from the central board.

gThere is only one senior institution in the state.

Sources: N. M. Berve, "Survey of the Structure of State Coordinating Boards and Public Institutional and Multi-campus Governing Boards of Postsecondary Education—as of January 1, 1975," Higher Education in the States, 1975, 4 (10): J. L. Zwingle and M. E. Rogers, State Boards Responsible for Higher Education 1970 (Washington, D.C.: U.S. Government Printing Office, 1972); U.S. National Center for Education Statistics, Higher Education Directory, 1974-75 (Washington, D.C.: U.S. Government Printing Office, 1975).



Table 2. Patterns of state coordination of all public institutions of higher education

A No overall coordination (9)	B Coordination by consoli- dated board (13)	C Advisory coordination (9)	Regulatory	D coordination 19)
Arizona <sup>a</sup> Delaware Florida <sup>a</sup> Iowa <sup>a</sup> Kansas <sup>a</sup> Mississippi <sup>a</sup> Nebraska North Carolina <sup>a</sup>	Alaska Georgia Hawaii Idaho Maine Montana Nevada North Dakota Rhode Island South Dakota Utah West Virginia Wisconsin	Alabama Arkansas California Maryland Michigan Minnesota New Hampshire Washington Wyoming	Colorado Connecticut Indiana Illinois Kentucky Louisiana Massachusetts Missouri New Jersey New Mexico New York Ohio Oklahoma	Oregon Pennsylvania South Carolina Virginia Tennessee Texas

#### Definitions

- A No coordination over the entire public sector (1202 Commissions, as planning agencies, are treated in Table 3 and Supplement, Section D).
- B The consolidated board which governs the public sector also coordinates it.
- C Advisory coordinating board which gives advice to both state government and the institutions of higher education.
- D Regulatory coordinating board which has authority in its own right over one or more important aspects of the conduct of higher education, such as the right to approve or disapprove programs present a single consolidated budget for public higher education.

<sup>a</sup>While no statewide coordination exists in these states, the single governing board for senior institutions does, of course, coordinate them.

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Table 3. Patterns of associating the private sector in higher education to state public policy

1 No mecha- nism (1)	2 Consolidated board (8)	3 Advisory council (8)	4 Regulatory board (18)	5 Separate 1202 Commis- sion (15)
Wisconsin	Hawaii Idaho Montana North Carolina <sup>a</sup> North Dakota Rhode Island Utah West Virginia	Arkansas <sup>b</sup> California Maryland <sup>b</sup> Michigan Minnesota New Hampshire Washington Wyoming	Colorado Connecticut Illinois Indiana Louisiana Massachusetts <sup>b</sup> Missouri New Jersey <sup>b</sup> New Mexico New York <sup>c</sup> Ohio Oklahoma Oregon Pennsylvania <sup>b</sup> South Carolina <sup>b</sup> Tennessee Texas Virginia	Alabama Alaska Arizona Delaware Florida Georgia Iowa Kansas Kentucky Maine Mississippi Nebraska Nevada South Dakota Vermont

#### Definitions

- 1 No direct contacts with statewade planning (excludes specialized agencies such as scholarship commissions).
- 2 The consolidated governing which coordinates all public institutions in the state also acts as the channel for payate sector concerns, by acting with augmented membership (except Idaho) as the 1202 Commission.
- Advisory coordinating board also serves as 1202 Commission, and is the channel for private sector concerns.
- 4 Regulatory coordinating board serves as a major channel for private sector concerns, and, except in Texas where the 1202 Commission is separate and in Colorado and Tennessee which have no 1202 Commissions, the coordinating board also serves as the 1202 Commission.
- 5 State 1202 Commission acts as a major channel for voicing private sector concerns. In this category the 1202 Commission is either separate from any other statewide board or is the only statewide board.

aNorth Carolina requires two qualifications to fit this category: there is no 1202 Commission and the governing board covers only all public senior institutions. But this board has been given statutory jurisdiction to consider private sector concerns.

bBoard is augmented in membership to serve as 1202 Commission.

The New York State Board of Regents by state law has authority over private higher education which goes far beyond the normal regulatory coordinating board or 1202 Commission relationship.

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