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The existence of national benefits from graduate education argues not for fellowship programs that cover only a fraction of all graduate students. Rather, it argues persuasively for providing subsidies to graduate schools so that the charges to all graduate students will be less than the full cost of producing their graduate education. Tuition must not be so excessive as to discourage large numbers from enrolling in graduate school, thereby losing the social benefits that would accrue to the nation from their advanced education....

-- The National Board on Graduate Education, 2101 Constitution Avenue, N.W.
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Table 90. Appropriations of state tax funds for annual operating expenses of higher education (in thousands of dollars) in eight states newly reported for fiscal year 1974-75.

States	Year 1964-65	Year 1972-73	Year 1974-75	2-yr gain per cent	10-yr gain per cent
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Alaska	5,300	21,978	26,533	21	400 $\frac{1}{2}$
Arizona	29,742	112,712	152,549	35	413
Idaho	11,203	36,785	49,596	38	343
Maine	9,709	33,612	45,705	36	371
Nevada	6,518	20,656	29,720	44	356
South Dakota	12,338	22,736	32,221	42	160
Tennessee	31,892	128,175	169,833	32 $\frac{1}{2}$	432 $\frac{1}{2}$
Vermont	5,445	16,743	20,120	20	269 $\frac{1}{2}$
Totals	112,147	393,397	526,277		
Weighted average percentages of gain				34	369

Visualize the map of North America and observe how a line connecting the eight states most recently reported (in Table 90, above) would run from Alaska to Maine, from Vermont to Idaho, from Nevada to South Dakota, and from Tennessee to Arizona.

The 1974-75 total of \$526 million for the eight is slightly smaller than the 1973-74 total for Illinois, and slightly less than half of the 1973-74 total for California.

It will be remembered from recent issues of GRAPEVINE that thirteen states making appropriations in 1973 for fiscal year 1974-75 as the second year of a biennium showed a weighted average two-year gain of slightly over 18 per cent. Then another eight states appropriating and reporting early in 1974 produced a gain of 28 per cent. The rate of two-year gain for the additional eight states in Table 90 is 34 per cent. Is the progression (18-28-34) an indication of an upturn? Time will tell.

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ALASKA. Appropriations of state tax funds for operating expenses of higher education, fiscal year 1974-75:

Table 91. State tax-fund appropriations for operating expenses of higher education in Alaska, fiscal year 1974-75, in thousands of dollars.

Institutions (1)	Sums appropriated (2)
Northern Regional Ctr (Includes U of Alaska, Fairbanks & Tanana Valley Coll)	\$10,382
<u>Subtotal, NR - \$10,382</u>	
Southcentral Regional Ctr (Includes U of Alaska, Anchorage & Community colleges - Kodiak Kenai Peninsula Kuskokwim Matanuska-Susitna)	6,385
<u>Subtotal, ScR - \$6,385</u>	
Southeastern Regional Ctr (Includes U of Alaska, Juneau & Community colleges - Ketchikan Sitka)	1,202
<u>Subtotal, SeR - \$1,202</u>	
Organized Research statewide	4,109
Public Service statewide	1,349
Central governance	3,106
<u>Total</u>	<u>26,533</u>

The total for fiscal year 1974-75 appears to be a gain of 21 per cent over the comparable figure, two years earlier.

ARIZONA. Appropriations of state tax funds for operating expenses of higher education, fiscal year 1974-75:

Table 92. State tax-fund appropriations for operating expenses of higher education in Arizona, fiscal year 1974-75, in thousands of dollars.

Institutions (1)	Sums appropriated (2)
U of Arizona	\$54,478
College of medicine	8,925
University Hospital	9,329
<u>Subtotal, U of A - \$72,732</u>	

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ARIZONA (Continued from preceding column)

Arizona State U	42,100
Northern Arizona U	14,769
Board of Regents	422
WICHE	583
<u>Subtotal, s u's - \$57,874</u>	
State aid of community colleges	
Maricopa County*	10,791
Pima County	4,151
Pinal County	1,726
Graham County	1,315
Yuma County	1,183
Cochise County	1,063
Yavapai County	921
Mohave County	329
Navajo County	267
State Comm College Board	197
<u>Subtotal, c c's - \$21,943</u>	
<u>Total</u>	<u>152,549</u>

* Five campuses.

The total for fiscal year 1974-75 appears to be a gain of 35 per cent over the comparable figure two years earlier.

IDAHO. Appropriations of state tax funds for operating expenses of higher education, fiscal year 1974-75:

Table 93. State tax-fund appropriations for operating expenses of higher education in Idaho, fiscal year 1974-75, in thousands of dollars.

Institutions (1)	Sums appropriated (2)
University of Idaho	\$15,725
Agricultural research	2,448
Coop extension services	1,525
<u>Subtotal, U of I - \$19,698</u>	
Idaho State University	11,243
Boise State University	9,353
Lewis-Clark State College	1,320
Forestry research	75
Short-term applied research	75
State aid to jr colleges	2,020
Vocational education	5,812
<u>Total</u>	<u>49,596</u>

The total for fiscal year 1974-75 appears to be a gain of 38 per cent over the comparable figure two years earlier.

MAINE. Appropriations of state tax funds for operating expenses of higher education, fiscal year 1974-75:

Table 94. State tax-fund appropriations for operating expenses of higher education in Maine, fiscal year 1974-75, in thousands of dollars.

Institutions (1)	Sums appropriated (2)
U of Maine (all campuses and university-wide services)*	\$38,369
Maine Public Broadcasting Network	883
Medical education program	100
6 vocational-tech insts	4,319
Maine Maritime Academy	1,382
1 school of prac nursing	91
New England H Edn Compact	491
Edn of orphans of veterans	70
Total	45,705

* Includes \$500,000 for fuel increase and \$633,000 as a special \$8.00 week or 5% classified wage increase.

The total for fiscal year 1974-75 appears to be a gain of 36 per cent over the comparable figure two years earlier.

A joint Resolution of the 1974 legislature summarily orders in Draconian terms "all departments and agencies of State Government and the University of Maine" to cooperate fully toward implementing the concept of a "program-oriented budget" for the next fiscal year.

Mandating adoption of the recommendations of a recent "Maine Management and Cost Survey", the resolution "respectfully directs" the state budget officer "to proceed forthwith with implementation of the procedures and systems necessary to provide for comprehensive review and evaluation of state programs and priorities."

While such a monitoring of state services can indeed be productive, it must be remembered that techniques of fiscal control devised for profit-oriented private business are applicable only in small degree, if at all,

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NEVADA. Appropriations of state tax funds for operating expenses of higher education, fiscal year 1974-75:

Table 95. State tax-fund appropriations for operating expenses of higher education, in Nevada, fiscal year 1974-75, in thousands of dollars.

Institutions (1)	Sums appropriated (2)
U of Nevada, Reno	\$11,382
Statewide programs, UNR	814
Ag experiment station	1,134
Coop extension service	936
Subtotal, UNR -	\$14,266
U of Nevada, Las Vegas	9,005
Statewide programs, UNLV	66
Subtotal, UNLV -	\$9,071
Community college division	
Clark County Community Coll	2,330
Western Nevada Community Coll	1,579
Northern Nevada Community Coll	463
CCD administration	192
Subtotal, c c's -	\$4,564
System computing center	738
Desert research institute	483
NDEA student loan program	75
System admin and press	523
Total	29,720

The total for fiscal year 1974-75 appears to be a gain of 44 per cent over the comparable figure for fiscal year 1973-74, two years earlier.

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MAINE (Continued from preceding column) to the public services, especially the University.

The difficulty is that there is obviously no dollar measure of the output of a university or any institution of higher education; and it is no less than foolish to talk as though such a figure could be found by any mathematical wizardry.

This does not preclude thoughtful study of all units and enterprises of the university. It does not lessen the desirability of a flow of public information about the uses, long-range aims, and current progress of public higher education.

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SOUTH DAKOTA. Appropriations of state tax funds for operating expenses of higher education, fiscal year 1974-75:

Table 96. State tax-fund appropriations for operating expenses of higher education in South Dakota, fiscal year 1974-75, in thousands of dollars.

Institutions (1)	Sums appropriated (2)	
U of South Dakota	7,084	\$9,518
Medical school	1,484	1,298
Dakota State College*	1,372	1,808
Springfield branch	1,590	1,861
Subtotal, USD - \$14,485		
South Dakota State U	8,296	11,096
Ag experiment sta**	2,805	2,588
Coop extension service**	1,990	1,877
Animal disease research & diagnostic laboratory**	391	351
Remote Sensing Institute**	83	77
State tech assistance through extension**	78	53
Natural sci field sta**	13	26
Subtotal, SDSU - \$16,068		
S D Sch of Mines & Tech	2,879	3,333
Atmospheric Sciences	87	81
Subtotal, SDSM&T - \$3,414		
Northern State College	2,794	3,652
Black Hills State College	2,084	2,832
Commissioner's Office	295	277
Health professions loans***	325	350
Dental school contracts	218	224
* Student loans and scholarships	131	131
Veterinary school contracts	87	48
Indian scholarships		40
LESS sources other than st taxes -9,300		
Total		32,221

* For administrative and budgeting purposes Dakota State College has been attached to U of South Dakota, as was Southern State College (Springfield branch) last year.

** These agencies are apparently separately budgeted but are placed here in conjunction with SDSU in order to make it comparable to institutions of similar types in other states.

*** To provide financial assistance to students in health professions who attend out-of-state schools.

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The total for fiscal year 1974-75 appears to be a gain of 42 per cent over the comparable figure two years earlier.

VERMONT. Appropriations of state tax funds for operating expenses of higher education, fiscal year 1974-75:

Table 97. State tax-fund appropriations for operating expenses of higher education in Vermont, fiscal year 1974-75, in thousands of dollars.

Institutions (1)	Sums appropriated (2)
University of Vermont	\$11,542
Educational TV*	611
Subtotal, U of V - \$12,153	
State colleges**	4,816
Community College of Vt	175
Vt Student Assistance Corp	2,842
Senatorial scholarships	90
New Eng Higher Ed Compact	26
Ed Commission of the States	8
Nat Guard Enlisted Men's Scholarshp	10
Total	20,120

* Approximately 60% for elementary and secondary instructional programs.

** Allocations to individual colleges not yet made.

The total for fiscal year 1975-75 appears to be a gain of 20 per cent over the comparable figure two years earlier.

Although Vermont's two-year gain of 20 per cent seems to be the lowest among the eight states reported in this issue of GRAPEVINE, a correspondent on the scene writes that "This year's Legislature seemed considerably more friendly toward higher education than previous sessions in recent years. The Legislature appropriated slightly more than the Governor recommended for the Vermont State Colleges and the University of Vermont..."

"The House Appropriations Committee gained a much greater appreciation of the problems of the Vermont State Col-

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TENNESSEE. Appropriations of state tax funds for operating expenses of higher education, fiscal year 1974-75:

Table 98. State tax-fund appropriations for operating expenses of higher education in Tennessee, fiscal year 1974-75, in thousands of dollars.

Institutions (1)	Sums appropriated (2)
U of Tennessee, Knoxville	\$40,030
Medical units	17,653
Ag experiment station	2,800
Ag extension service	4,088
Veterinary planning*	425
Urban and public affairs	1,060
Continuing education	543
Municipal tech ad service	288
County tech assistance	254
U of T, Martin	6,430
U of T, Chattanooga	5,547
U of T, Nashville	4,005
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Subtotal, U of T -	\$83,123
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Board of Regents' Universities	
Memphis State U	22,808
Middle Tenn State U	11,147
East Tennessee State U	10,619
Medical college**	500
Tenn Technological U	8,821
Tennessee State U	6,179
Austin Peay State U	4,597
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Subtotal, BRU -	\$64,671
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State community colleges -	
Shelby	2,544
Cleveland	2,024
Chattanooga	1,650
Volunteer	1,611
Jackson	1,464
Walters	1,424
Columbia	1,338
Roane	1,101
Motlow	1,040
Dyersburg	894
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Subtotal, s c c's -	\$15,090
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Tenn Higher Ed Comm	534
Board of Regents' Admin	796
U of Tenn System Admin	846
Contract education***	833
Tuition grant program	3,400
Education loan account+	540
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Total	169,833

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- *Planning monies for new veterinary college.
- **\$400,00 is for planning for new medical college; contingent on V.A. approval of site as eligible for Teague-Cranston funding.
\$100,000 for family practice medical residencies.
- ***Includes SREB and other contract education programs administered by Higher Education Commission.
- +Medical loan/scholarships for students agreeing to practice in physician scarcity areas.

The total for fiscal year 1974-75 appears to be a gain of 32 1/2 per cent over the comparable figure two years earlier.

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leges through a summer long study which included visits to each of the four state campuses and a joint meeting with the Vermont State Colleges Board of Trustees."

It is noteworthy that the endless escalation of tuition fees in public institutions of higher education has been halted in Vermont. The 1974 legislature enacted a measure forbidding any raising of tuition fees for residents of the state, at either the University or at any of the state colleges.

The Trustees of State Colleges, recognizing that some stepping-up of charges for board and room would have to be made because of inexorable inflation, then determined to reduce their tuition fees by \$100 a year, so that there would be no increase in the over-all cost to the student for attending any of the state colleges.

Thus the ceaseless raising of tuition fees at public institutions is not only halted, but reversed, so far as the four Vermont state colleges are concerned.