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GRAPEVINE is happy to offer in this issue, circulated on or about October 1, 1962, the annual summary of state tax-fund appropriations for operating expenses of higher education in fifty states for the fiscal year 1962-63, at a time when only the first quarter of that fiscal year has passed.

Prompt reporting is GRAPEVINE'S chief reason for existence. It is necessarily accompanied by the hazards of haste; and the tabulations in this issue, though substantially correct, must be understood to be subject to some later verification and rectification.

Space does not permit footnoting the tables with detailed explanations of the numerous differences among state systems of higher education and the methods by which they are financed; but it should hardly be necessary to remind GRAPEVINE'S readers that comparisons of the gross figures can have only very limited meaning, and may produce misunderstandings unless the many differences among the states are studied and understood.

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ALASKA. Appropriations of state tax funds for operating expenses of higher education for fiscal year 1962-63 are reported as in Table 2.

Table 2. State tax-fund appropriations for operating expenses of higher education in Alaska, fiscal year 1962-63, in thousands of dollars.

Institution (1)	Sum appropriated (2)
U of Alaska	\$3,301
Total	3,301

The total represents a gain of 42% over the comparable figure for fiscal year 1960-61, two years ago.

The University of Alaska also reports that the sum of \$220,000 was appropriated for capital improvements, and in addition a state bond issue of \$5,950,000 will be on the ballot in the November election for approval or rejection by popular vote.

A supplemental appropriation of \$378,000 to equip new facilities for health, physical education and recreation is also reported. The university was also given authority to establish a nonprofit corporation to finance a new heating plant costing approximately \$3,900,000, and construction of this facility is now under way.

LOUISIANA. Appropriations of state tax funds for operating expenses of higher education for fiscal year 1962-63 are reported as in Table 3.

Table 3. State tax-fund appropriations for operating expense of higher education in Louisiana, for fiscal year 1962-63, in thousands of dollars.

Institutions (1)	Sums appropriated (2)
Louisiana State U	\$22,761
Southern University	4,520
U of Southwestern La	4,364
La Polytechnic Inst	3,418
Northwestern St Coll	2,588
Grambling Coll	2,365
Northeast La St Coll	2,067
Southeastern La Coll	1,944
McNeese State Coll	1,910
F T Nicholls St Coll	823
Totals	46,760

The total seems to represent a gain of only about 5% over the comparable figure for fiscal year 1960-61, two years ago; and it appears to show a loss of about 3 $\frac{1}{4}$ % from the total appropriated for the immediately preceding fiscal year, 1961-62, one year ago.

MASSACHUSETTS. Appropriations of state tax funds for operating expenses of higher education for fiscal year 1962-63 are reported as in Table 4.

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Table 4. State tax-fund appropriations for operating expenses of higher education in Massachusetts, for fiscal year 1962-63, in thousands of dollars.

Institutions	Sums appropriated
(1)	(2)
U of Massachusetts State colleges	\$9,199
Bridgewater	827
Boston	697
Fitchburg	574
Salem	363
Framingham	386
Worcester	470
Lowell	348
Westfield	324
Coll of Art	270
North Adams	250
Lowell Technol Inst	1,137
New Bedford Inst Tech	413
Bradford Durfee Coll	364
Maritime Academy	309
Community colleges*	
Massachusetts Bay	235
Berkshire	104
Northern Essex	56
Cape Cod	82
Upper Connecticut Valley	81
Springfield Area	15
Total	16,503

*The regional community colleges are state institutions.

An important note to this exhibit for Massachusetts is that GRAPEVINE'S reports for previous fiscal years have unintentionally included student fees and other institutional receipts which are transmitted to state custody and made a part of the state appropriations. Thus the net appropriations of state tax funds are actually smaller than as reported in previous GRAPEVINE tabulations.

The net total of \$16,503,000 for fiscal year 1962-63 appears to represent a gain of about 23½% over the comparable figure for fiscal year 1960-61, two years ago.

THE ANNUAL SUMMARY OF STATE APPROPRIATIONS OF TAX FUNDS FOR OPERATING EXPENSES OF HIGHER EDUCATION FOR FISCAL YEAR 1962-63

As forecast in the preceding issue (GRAPEVINE, page 308), the aggregate of state tax-fund appropriations for operating expenses of higher education for this current fiscal year appears to be in excess of \$1.8 billion. Our figure, shown on page 314, is \$1,807,747,000.

This is exclusive of the appropriations of state tax funds as grants-in-aid for operating expenses of public community-junior colleges primarily supported by local taxing districts. For these, our figure for the aggregate of twenty states (shown on page 312) is approximately \$81 million (\$80,876,000).

\$2 Billion a Year is Almost Here

There is every reason to expect that after 47 state legislatures, meeting in 1963, have made their appropriations for fiscal year 1963-64 or for the biennium 1963-65, as the case may be, it will be found that the annual input of state tax funds for these purposes will be substantially over \$2 billion.

This figure will be only about 6% of the annual revenue intake of the states. The percentage could easily be, and probably will be, doubled within eight to ten years. This would mean that the dollar amount would be more than doubled, probably to reach \$5 billion or more. (Some states can go up faster, some more slowly.)

One of the principal fruits of four years of GRAPEVINE experience is very convincing evidence that the American states can and will support public higher education on the unprecedented scale now required. We seem to have become aware that higher education is not only the most profitable investment of public funds, but also that we can not survive without it.

APPROPRIATIONS OF STATE TAX FUNDS AS STATE AID FOR OPERATING EXPENSES OF LOCAL PUBLIC COMMUNITY-JUNIOR COLLEGES FOR FISCAL YEAR 1962-63 AND THREE PRECEDING FISCAL YEARS (IN TWENTY STATES) IN THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS

It seems that for the fiscal year 1962-63 the aggregate of state aid for operating expenses of local public community-junior colleges has reached about \$81 million in the twenty states listed in Table 5 .

The figures do not include state aid for capital outlays. They represent only state tax funds appropriated as grants-in-aid to local taxing districts operating junior colleges.

Table 5 . State tax-fund appropriations for operating expenses of local public community-junior colleges (in 20 states), for fiscal years 1959-60 through 1962-63 inclusive, in thousands of dollars, with percentages of increase for 1962-63 over 1960-61 (representing change over a period of 2 years).

States	Year 1959-60	Year 1960-61	Year 1961-62	Year 1962-63	2-year gain	Percentage gain
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
California	\$26,539	\$26,280	\$33,189	\$33,900	\$7,620	29
Texas	5,178	5,178	7,000	7,000	1,822	35 $\frac{1}{4}$
New York	3,450	4,610	5,690	7,100	2,490	54
Florida	3,129	4,149	5,395	7,409	3,260	78 $\frac{1}{2}$
Washington	4,902	5,433	6,976	7,630	2,197	40
Michigan	3,620	3,820	4,382	5,677	1,857	49
Illinois	2,150	2,150	3,250	3,250	1,100	51
Mississippi	1,683	2,147	2,147	2,363	216	10
Colorado	475	1,050	1,050	1,339	289	27 $\frac{1}{2}$
Minnesota	605	670	878	966	296	44
Maryland	405	432	554	869	437	101
Oregon	NR	NR	426	840	840	97
North Carolina	150	234	409	462	228	97
Iowa	400	400	500	500	100	25
Missouri	NR	NR	350	350*	---	--
Kansas	0	0	325	385	---	--
Wyoming	200	200	317	317	117	58 $\frac{1}{2}$
Arizona	300	300	300	300	0	0
New Jersey	30	30	130	100	70	233
North Dakota	115	115	119	119	4	3 $\frac{1}{2}$
Totals	53,331	57,198	73,387	80,876	23,678	
Weighted average (approximate)	-	-	-	-	-	41 $\frac{1}{2}$

*A supplemental appropriation will be necessary to bring the amount up to the sum provided for in the statutory formula of \$200 for each 30 semester hours of credit completed during the preceding year.

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STATE TAX-FUND APPROPRIATIONS FOR OPERATING EXPENSES OF HIGHER EDUCATION IN 50 STATES

Table 6. Appropriations of state tax funds for operating expenses of higher education in 50 states for 4 successive fiscal years, 1959-60 through 1962-63, with dollar gains and percentage gains for 1962-63 over 1960-61, showing change over a period of 2 years, in thousands of dollars.

States	Year 1959-60	Year 1960-61	Year 1961-62	Year 1962-63	2-year gain	Percentage gain
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
Alabama**	\$21,823	\$22,397	\$20,535	\$22,051	-\$346	-1 $\frac{1}{2}$
Alaska*	2,111	2,323	3,023	3,301	978	42
Arizona*	13,742	15,818	17,852	20,422	4,604	29
Arkansas**	13,551	13,551	16,599	16,599	3,048	22 $\frac{1}{2}$
California*	162,065	195,312	213,983	243,808	48,496	25
Colorado*	16,796	23,282	26,099	29,916	6,634	28 $\frac{1}{4}$
Connecticut**	12,273	13,080	14,855	15,948	2,868	22
Delaware*	3,731	3,734	4,368	5,094	1,360	36 $\frac{1}{2}$
Florida**	37,263	37,263	46,043	46,043	8,780	23 $\frac{1}{2}$
Georgia**	24,058	26,605	29,046	31,084	4,479	17
Hawaii*	6,277	7,374	9,185	10,778	3,404	46
Idaho**	8,799	8,800	10,137	10,137	1,337	15 $\frac{1}{4}$
Illinois**	88,139	88,140	113,043	13,043	24,903	28 $\frac{1}{4}$
Indiana**	45,463	50,163	55,316	62,709	12,546	25
Iowa**	34,230	34,230	38,914	38,914	4,684	13 $\frac{1}{2}$
Kansas*	25,036	27,939	29,847	35,038	7,099	25 $\frac{1}{2}$
Kentucky***	14,954	19,672	24,491	29,573	9,901	50 $\frac{1}{4}$
Louisiana*	40,062	44,557	48,316	46,760	2,203	5
Maine**	3,356	5,599	7,238	7,429	1,830	32 $\frac{1}{2}$
Maryland*	23,413	26,088	26,654	29,809	3,721	14 $\frac{1}{4}$
Massachusetts*	12,167	13,361	15,281	16,503	3,142	23 $\frac{1}{2}$
Michigan*	91,979	98,016	98,434	104,082	6,066	6
Minnesota**	35,568	38,250	43,030	44,058	5,808	15 $\frac{1}{4}$
Mississippi***	13,480	16,200	16,200	17,500	1,311	8
Missouri**	24,744	25,641	28,901	33,253	7,612	29 $\frac{1}{2}$

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*Appropriations made annually.

**Appropriations made biennially in odd-numbered years.

***Appropriations made biennially in even-numbered years.

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Table 6 (continued). Appropriations of state tax funds for operating expenses of higher education in 50 states for 4 successive fiscal years, 1959-60 thru 1962-63, with dollar gains and percentage gains for 1962-63 over 1960-61, showing change over a period of 2 years, in thousands of dollars.

States	Year 1959-60	Year 1960-61	Year 1961-62	Year 1962-63	2-year gain	Percentage gain
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
Montana**	11,230	11,231	11,160	11,161	-70	$-\frac{1}{8}$
Nebraska**	15,217	15,218	17,077	17,078	1,860	$12\frac{1}{4}$
Nevada**	3,682	4,107	4,863	5,299	1,192	29
New Hampshire**	3,973	4,106	4,717	4,733	627	$15\frac{1}{4}$
New Jersey*	21,952	24,427	28,291	34,079	9,652	$39\frac{1}{2}$
New Mexico**	11,165	11,239	13,002	14,372	3,133	28
New York*	75,096	89,505	111,189	156,556	67,051	75
North Carolina**	28,269	30,340	35,678	36,532	6,192	$20\frac{1}{2}$
North Dakota**	9,253	9,253	10,386	10,386	1,133	$12\frac{1}{4}$
Ohio**	43,331	45,326	52,014	55,620	10,294	$22\frac{1}{2}$
Oklahoma**	27,014	27,020	30,014	30,020	3,000	11
Oregon**	28,719	28,719	34,370	33,423	4,704	$16\frac{1}{4}$
Pennsylvania*	43,471	43,472	46,431	56,187	12,715	$29\frac{1}{2}$
Rhode Island*	4,477	5,271	5,826	7,697	2,426	46
South Carolina*	12,113	13,141	14,449	15,440	2,299	$17\frac{1}{2}$
South Dakota**	8,078	8,128	8,675	8,702	574	7
Tennessee**	17,022	17,023	21,522	22,359	5,336	$31\frac{1}{4}$
Texas**	65,843	66,955	77,873	83,282	16,327	$24\frac{1}{2}$
Utah**	13,139	13,139	15,580	15,580	2,441	$18\frac{1}{2}$
Vermont**	3,264	3,399	3,759	3,750	351	$10\frac{1}{4}$
Virginia***	19,943	23,187	23,983	28,859	5,672	$24\frac{1}{2}$
Washington**	42,007	42,008	51,757	51,757	9,749	$23\frac{1}{4}$
West Virginia*	14,791	16,919	19,938	20,743	3,824	$22\frac{1}{2}$
Wisconsin**	34,834	37,417	40,895	44,670	7,253	$19\frac{1}{2}$
Wyoming**	4,735	4,735	5,599	5,599	864	$18\frac{1}{4}$
Totals	1,342,698	1,452,680	1,646,438	1,807,747	355,067	
Weighted average (approximate)						$24\frac{1}{2}$

The nationwide total of approximately \$1,808 million for the fiscal year 1962-63 is approximately \$355 million greater than the total for 1960-61, representing a gain of about $24\frac{1}{2}\%$ over a period of two years.

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