

**Table 345.—Voluntary support for degree-granting institutions, by source and purpose of support:  
1959–60 to 1997–98**  
[In millions]

Source and purpose of support	1959–60	1965–66	1970–71	1975–76	1980–81	1985–86	1989–90	1990–91	1991–92	1992–93	1993–94	1994–95	1995–96	1996–97	1997–98
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
<b>Total voluntary support</b> <sup>1</sup> .....	<b>\$815</b>	<b>\$1,440</b>	<b>\$1,860</b>	<b>\$2,410</b>	<b>\$4,230</b>	<b>\$7,400</b>	<b>\$9,800</b>	<b>\$10,200</b>	<b>\$10,700</b>	<b>\$11,200</b>	<b>\$12,350</b>	<b>\$12,750</b>	<b>\$14,250</b>	<b>\$16,000</b>	<b>\$18,400</b>
<b>Sources</b>															
Alumni .....	191	310	458	588	1,049	1,825	2,540	2,680	2,840	2,980	3,410	3,600	4,040	4,650	5,500
Nonalumni individuals ...	194	350	495	569	1,007	1,781	2,230	2,310	2,500	2,530	2,800	2,940	3,400	3,850	4,500
Corporations .....	130	230	259	379	778	1,702	2,170	2,230	2,260	2,400	2,510	2,560	2,800	3,050	3,250
Foundations .....	163	357	418	549	922	1,363	1,920	2,030	2,090	2,200	2,540	2,460	2,815	3,200	3,800
Religious organizations	80	108	104	130	140	211	240	240	240	250	240	250	255	250	300
Other .....	57	85	126	195	334	518	700	710	770	840	850	940	940	1,000	1,050
<b>Purpose</b>															
Current operations .....	385	675	1,050	1,480	2,590	4,022	5,440	5,830	6,100	6,300	6,710	7,230	7,850	8,500	9,000
Capital purposes .....	430	765	810	930	1,640	3,378	4,360	4,370	4,600	4,900	5,640	5,520	6,400	7,500	9,400
<b>Voluntary support as a percent of total expenditures</b> <sup>2</sup> .....	<b>11.4</b>	<b>9.2</b>	<b>6.8</b>	<b>5.5</b>	<b>6.0</b>	<b>6.9</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>6.2</b>	<b>6.2</b>	<b>6.2</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>6.3</b>	<b>6.7</b>	<b>7.2</b>	<b>7.8</b>

<sup>1</sup> Data are based on sample surveys of institutions of higher education.

<sup>2</sup> Total expenditures include current-fund expenditures and additions to plant value.

SOURCE: Council for Aid to Education, Research Report, "Contributions to Colleges Drop for First Time Since 1975;" and "Voluntary Support of Education," various years. (This table was prepared August 1999.)