

**Appropriations of State Tax Funds for Operating Expenses of Higher Education for Fiscal Years
1998-99 through 2008-09, with Percentage Change**

	1998-99	1999-00	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	10 Yr. Change	Rank	2 Yr. Change	Rank
Louisiana	859,036	882,798	880,064	997,813	1,055,455	1,208,995	1,243,910	1,242,769	1,420,236	1,656,927	1,715,878	99.7%	1	20.8%	2
North Carolina	2,149,972	2,270,323	2,398,489	2,442,690	2,449,659	2,474,733	2,665,876	2,962,113	3,373,636	3,745,630	3,920,102	82.3%	2	16.2%	5
Georgia	1,483,818	1,553,588	1,600,329	1,707,734	1,669,191	1,876,628	1,927,965	2,088,286	2,208,459	2,410,676	2,606,982	75.7%	3	18.0%	4
Maryland	942,748	1,042,836	1,174,820	1,282,883	1,216,837	1,140,033	1,175,709	1,268,850	1,436,393	1,573,339	1,646,880	74.7%	4	14.7%	6
Alabama	1,037,680	1,100,328	1,088,446	1,115,999	1,162,181	1,164,411	1,214,820	1,407,875	1,670,508	1,936,513	1,754,251	69.1%	5	5.0%	10
Texas	3,527,867	4,486,813	4,464,237	5,139,663	4,783,028	4,965,809	4,800,678	5,242,541	5,457,578	6,058,375	5,773,809	63.7%	6	5.8%	9
Arkansas	556,659	605,216	636,907	623,806	616,911	666,559	685,113	736,924	785,273	857,955	858,501	54.2%	7	9.3%	7
Delaware	164,115	175,621	185,840	186,398	188,192	190,289	203,478	216,168	233,226	243,130	242,868	48.0%	8	4.1%	11
Virginia	1,299,919	1,481,579	1,629,776	1,631,856	1,421,683	1,346,281	1,480,522	1,594,605	1,856,731	1,870,633	1,899,318	46.1%	9	2.3%	13
Kentucky	888,700	925,506	1,001,625	1,039,117	1,068,484	1,104,797	1,119,610	1,207,616	1,253,076	1,342,354	1,283,253	44.4%	10	2.4%	12
Mississippi	751,195	873,562	824,031	765,014	765,185	797,246	789,871	795,882	904,205	1,043,246	1,070,923	42.6%	11	18.4%	3
Oklahoma	725,450	740,544	789,155	796,312	750,656	739,651	765,829	840,072	956,464	1,015,150	1,025,024	41.3%	12	7.2%	8
Florida	2,501,857	2,639,021	2,833,242	2,664,200	2,890,594	2,808,468	3,140,120	3,297,571	3,525,639	3,766,280	3,344,365	33.7%	13	-5.1%	16
Tennessee	957,970	984,860	1,045,546	1,071,515	1,106,889	1,088,681	1,122,978	1,164,332	1,241,782	1,361,977	1,255,834	31.1%	14	1.1%	14
West Virginia	362,261	362,750	387,432	392,051	379,672	353,169	355,928	346,670	387,211	445,184	470,705	29.9%	15	21.6%	1
South Carolina	777,801	812,709	880,120	834,907	738,789	745,594	724,351	790,144	859,360	974,912	822,493	5.7%	16	-4.3%	15

Data in Thousands (000s) of dollars

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