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## ABSTRACT

Expenses that health professions students incurred, sources of income to meet those expenditures, and indebtedness incurred by the students during the 1976-77 school year were studied. A questionnafre, which is appended, was mailed to a sample of students registered in schools of dentistry, optometry, osteopathic medicine, pharmacy, podiatry, public health, and veterinary medicine. Based on information provided by the respondents, estimates are made of the relevant sociodemographic characteristics and financial activities of all students reqistered in these health professions schools. Among the findings are the following: podiatry and osteopathy students reported the highest average annual expenditures of $\$ 11.720$ ard $\$ 11.070$ respectively. while pharmacy students reported the lowest of $\$ 6,740$ : in each health profession students attending private schools reported average school expenses that were about 150 percent areater than those reported in public schools: married students, especially those with children. reported that they spent more on food, lodging, and other items than did single stuients: most students financed their education with income obtained from nonrefundable sources: students most frequently reported that they received the largest proportion of their income from their own earnings and savings and from contributions made by their spouses and parents: approximately 40 percent of all health professions students reported that they were in debt prior to entering professional school, and the average debt reported by these was $\$ 7.000$; and of those students who reported prior indebtedness, most were in debt because of preprofessional school educational expenditures. (SW)

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## Introduction

This publication reports on a national survey of health professions students which was sponsored by the Bureau of Health Manpower and the Office of Health Resources Opportunity, Health Resources Administration. The purpose of the survey was to gather information on the expenses that health professions students incurred and the financial resources that they used to finance their education during school year 1976-77. Included in this survey were students in schools of dentistry, optometry, osteopathic medicine, pharmacy, podiatry, public health, and veterinary medicine. Students in schools of allopathic medicine were not included in the 1977 survey since they had been surveyed during the 1974-75 school year and were scheduled for a similar survey during school year 1977-78.

The 1977 survey of health professions students was conducted by Audits and Surveys, Inc., a private research organization, under contract to the Bureau of Health Manpower, in cooperation with the various professional schools, the American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine, the American Association of Dental Schools, the Association of Schools and Colleges of Optometry, the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy, the American Association of Colleges of Podiatric Medicine, the Association of Schools of Public Health, and the American Veterinary Medicine Association.

The last national survey of health professions students was conducted under contract by the Bureau of Health Manpower in 1971. At that time students of allopathic medicine were included in the survey but public
health students were not. The data from the 1971 survey were reported in the publication How Health Professions Students Finance Their Education (HRA) 74-13. Comparable data from the 1971 and 1977 surveys of health professions students will be reported in a later publication.

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The reader should be cautioned that the figures presented in this report were estimated from data reported by the students and may differ from other similar data reported by the health professions schools and other sources.

## I. Survey Procedures

## Survey Purpose

The purpose of surveying health professions students was to collect information on relevant educational expenditures, sources of income to meet those expenditures, and indebtedness incurred by the students for the school year 1976-77. In April 1977 a sample of students registered in school: dentistry, optometry, osteopathic medicine, pharmacy, podiatry, public health, and veterinary medicine received a mailed questionnaire. A copy of this questionnaire appears in Appendix A. The information Provided by the respondents afforded estimates of the relevant sociodemographic characteristics and financial activities of all students registered in these health professions schools.

## Selection Procedure

The students selected for the survey were chosen by using a two-stage selection procedure. In the first stage all schools were selected for each discipline except dentistry and pharmacy, where every third school was selected from a list of schools which had been grouped according to form of support, public or private, and second, according to size of enrollment. School support or control is defined as public if that institution is under Federal, State, State-related, local governmental, or State and local governmentic contral; as private if the institution is independent or affiliated with a religious group. Thus, in the first stage of selection there were 18 schools of dentistry, 24 schools of pharmacy, 12 schools of optometry, 9 schools of osteopathic
medicine, 5 schools of podiatry, 17 schools of public health, and 19 schools of veterinary medicine. The names of the schools participating in the survey are given in Appendix B.

The second-stage selection units were the students registered in the schools identified in the first stage of the sample. School registrars selected the students for the sample by choosing students from the school's roster which had been stratified by sex and by racial/ethnic minority group, i.e., students of American Indian or Alaskan Native, Asian or Pacific Islander, Black or Negro, and Hispanic Heritage. Women and minority students were oversampled to insure an adequate representation of these students. Therefore, the probability of selection which determined the sample weight for each selected student was different for minorities, females, and males.

## Response Rate

The students selected for the survey received a mailed questionnaire during the spring term of the 1976-77 academic year. Fifty-seven percent of the selected students returned the questionnaire. To determine if the distributions of certain characteristics of the weighted sample population were representative of the total population, a comparison was made between the survey respondents and the target population on the distribution of students by sex, year in program, and minority status. The comparison showed that both populations were similarly distributed according to year in program and minority classification, but
that slightly fewer women responded to the survey than would have been expected. However, the difference in the distribution of male/female students was not significant enough to affect the findings presented in this report.

## Study Modifications

As stated earlier, students enrolled in schools of allopathic medicine were not included in the $1976-77$ school year survey of health professions students. Medical students were surveyed during the 1974-75 and 1977-78 school years to determine the expenses they incurred in obtaining an education and the resources they used to finance their education. The results of these surveys are reported by the Bureau of Health Manpower in Survey of How Medical Students Finance Their Education 1974-75, (HRA) No. 76-94, and by the American Association of Medical Colleges (AAMC) in Studies of Medical Student Financing 1977-78. In addition the Bureau of tealth Manpower reported on the composition of allopathic medical student enrollment and its demographic characteristics during school year 1976-77 in Descriptive Study of Enrolled Medical Students 1976-77, (HRA) No. 78-80.

Most of the tables presented in this report include relatively comparable information from the above-cited publications on students enrolled in schools of allopathic medicine. Demographic information and enrollment characteristics for allopathic medical students were taken from the publication reporting on the 1976-77 school year, and financial information for 1976-77 was estimated from the 1974-75 and 1977-78 survey data. The method of estimation is described in Appendix $C$.

## II. Characteristics of Students

## Estimated Enrollment

This chapter presents information based on estimates from the 1977 survey data on the demographic and socioeconomic characteristics of the students enrolled in health professions schools during the 1976-77 academic year. Estimates of the total numbers of students described by this survey information are given in Table 1. The distributions of health professions students surveyed by year in program are given in Table 2. It should be noted that the information in Tables 1 and 2 was estimated from the 1977 survey data and differs slightly from actual enrollment figures.

Most students receive a degree after completing an undergraduate program and then 3 or 4 years of a professional program or, on the average, a total of 8 years of training. Some medical and dental schools offer a professional degree after an accelerated 4-year program which is completed in 3 years. Third year students attending these schools were considered as seniors in this report. Pharmacy students receive a degree after a total of 5 yeàrs of instruction. Pharmacy schools offer a 3-year, 4-year, or 5-year program. Schools with a 3-year program admit students after 2 years of undergraduate work; schools with a 4-year program admit students after 1 year of undergraduate work; and schools with a 5-year program admit students who have completed high school. Thus, only the last 3 years of pharmacy school are considered to be the professional training period. For this reason, only those pharmacy students who were in the last 3 years of their program were surveyed.


Table 1: Numbers of Health Professions Students Represented by the 1976-77 Survev

| Discipline | $\frac{\text { Number }}{28,000}$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| Allopathic Medicine1/ | 18,300 |
| Dentistry | 3,960 |
| Optometry | 3,010 |
| Osteopathic Medicine | 21,870 |
| Pharmacy | 2,140 |
| Podiatry | 5,590 |
| Puhlic Health | 6,210 |

1/ DHEW Publication No. (HRA) 78-80, Descriptive Study of Enrolled Medical Students, 1976-77

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Table ?: Percent Distribution of Health Professions Students Surveved hy Year in Program: School Year 1976-77

| Year of Program | Dental]/ | Optometry | Osteopathy | Podiatry | Puhlic Health | Veterinary Medicine |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| All Years | 100 | 100 | 2100 | 100 | 100 | ${ }^{8} 100$ |
| First Year | 33 | 28 | 33 | 31 | 57 | 31 |
| Second Year | 29 | 25 | 25 | 29 | 30 | 26 |
| Third Year | 16 | 25 | 24 | 2.1 | 7 | 23 |
| Last Years | 22 | 22 | 18 | 19 | 6 | 20 |
| Total \# Students | 18,300 | 3,960 | 3,010 | 2,140 | 5,590 | 6,210 |


| Pharmacy?! |  | Allopathic Medicine ${ }^{3 /}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Year of Program | Percent of Tcさal | Year of Program | Percent of Total |
| All Years | 100 | All Years | 100 |
| rd Yr. of Pro. | 37 | First Year | 27. |
| 4th Yr. of Pro.' | 32 | Intermediate Yrs. | 49 |
| Last Yr. of Pro. | 31 | Last Year | 24 |
| Total Students | 21,870 | Total Students | 58,000 |

1/ Four of the dental schools surveved offered an accelerated 4 -year program which could be completed in 3 vears. These third year students were considered with seniors in this report.
2/ Pharmacy schools offer a 3-, 4-, or 5 -year program. The last 3 years of pharmacy programs are considered to be the professional training period.
3/ Descriptive Study of Enrolled Medical Students 197i,-77, DHEW Publication (HRA) No. 78-80.

To develop a demographic profile of students enrolled in health professions schools, students were asked to supply information on their sex and age. The Bureau of the Census provides estimates of total U.S. enrollments in year 5 or more of colleges in the Current Population Reports. The distribution of health professions students and of all students enrolled in year 5 or more of college are given in Figure 1. Of students enrolled in the health professions schools, about 40 percent of the pharmacy and public health students were women, which was similar to the 1976-77 national enrollment figure for women. In the other health professions the proportion of female students was significantly less than the national enrollment figure for women.

The average age of the health pinf ssions students varied according to, among other things, the admissio. equirements of the health professions schools and according to the sex of the student. As can be seen in Figure 2, women students were ycunger than their male counterparts in optometry, pharmacy, podiatry, and public health. Public health students were older than students in the other health professions schools because most public health programs require that students have a baccalaureate degree and an average of 3 years of work experience before admission. Pharmacy students were generally younger than students in the other freath professions because, as noted earlier, students may be admitted upon graduation from high school or upon completion of 2 years of undergraduate work.

Figure 1: Distrihution of Health Professions Students by Sex
Compared to U.S. Enrollment in Year 5 or More of Cre:lege: School Year 1076-77

Percent

$1 /$ Current Population Reports, U.S. Bureau of the Census, series P-20, No. 318
$\overline{2}$ Descristive Study of Enrolled Medical Students 1976-77, OHEW Publication
(HRRT) No. 78880.
Legend:
Male : $\square$
Female-

Figure 2: Average Age of Health Professions Students by Sex: School Year 1976-77]/


1/ Data not available by sex for allopathic medical students. Average age of all medical sturfents is 24.5 , coiculated from grouped data given in DNEW Publication Ho. (HRA) 77-53.
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## Racial/Ethnic Background

Each student in the survey was asked to report his/her racial/ethnic background. Less than 1 percent of the students failed to report this in ormation. Only those students who reported their backgrounds as American Indian or Alaskan Native, Asian or Pacific Islander', Black or Negro, or Hispanic heritage were classified as minority. The representation of minority students in the various health professions ranged from about 20 percent in public health and pharmacy to 5 percent in veterinary medicine. Figure 3 shows the distribution of minority and nonminority students in the health professions schools. Figure 4 provides a further breakdown of the nonminority and minority identification by separating students of Hispanic heritage from the total misority group defined above. Also shown in this figure is the distribution of the representation of Hispanic, non-Hispanic minority, and nonminority groups in the total U.S. graduate school enrollment and in the U.S. population, 20 to 34 years old. A comparison of the distribution of health professions students and U.S. graduate students, by mir.ority identification, to that of the total U.S. resident population 20 to 34 years old, shows that schools of pharmacy and public health had . student populations most representative of the total U.S. resident population. The representation of Hispanics and non-Hispanic minorities in the U.S. graduate population and in schools of veterinary medicine, osteopathic medicine, podiatry, and optometry was lower than its proportionate representation in the total U.S. resident population 20 to 34 years old.

Figure 3: Distribution of Minority Health Professions Students: School Year 1976-1977!/


1/ Minority is defined as American Indian or Alaskan Native; Asian or Pacific Isiander; or Black or Negro; Hispanic. II Descriptive Study of Enrolled Medical Students 1996-77, OHEW Publication (HRA) Ho, 78.80.

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Figure 4: Distrihution of Health Professions Studeni "or School Year 1976-77 by Hispanic Minority, Non-Hispanic Minority, Non-Minority Identification: Conosred to 1076 U.S. Resident Population Age 20-34

## Percent



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$\square$ - Nom whority
B888-Non-HiSpanic Minority 5/'
I/ Total U.S. Resident Population age 20-34. U.S. Buredu of Census, Current Population Reperts, series P-20, No. 334.
If School enrollment in Year 5 or more of college. U.S. Bureau of the C.ensus, Current Population Reports, series P-20, No. 319.
$3 /$ Descriptive Study of Emrolled Medical Students 1976.77, DHEN Publication (HRT) No. 78-8.
4/ Spanish surname.
5/ American Indian, Alaskan Native, Asidr Pacific Islander, Black or Negro.
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## Marital Status

Students were asked to provide information on their marital status, their financial dependents, the size of their hometown, the amount of the ir parents' (guardians) income, the educational backgrounds of their parents, and the occupation(s) of their parents. These demographic and socioeconomic data are relevant in discussing the total expenses incurred by a student in obtaining an education and to the student's ability to finame that education. Proportionately more pharmacy students were single than were students in the other health professions. This may be explained by the facts that, on the average, pharmacy stidents were younger than the ir counterparts in the other health professions, and that younger students were less likely to be married than older ones. As can be seen in Table 3, in the first year of the programs between 20 and 40 percent of $t$ students were married and in the last years between 33 to 50 percent were married. This represent; a 30 percent change in marital status.

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Tahle 3: Percent Distribution of Marital Status of Health Professions Students ty Year in Progran: School Year 1976-77

| Yean of Program and Marital Status | All Health Professions | Dent.istry | Ootometry | Osteopathy | Pharmacy ? ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Podiatry | Public <br> Health | Veterinary <br> Medicine |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| All Students |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single | 57 | 58 | 6 ? | 50 | 76 | 52 | 56 | 59 |
| Married | 30 | 30 | 29 | 31 | 17 | 35 | 25 | 29 |
| Harried with children | 13 | $1 ?$ | 9 | 10 | 7 | 13 | 17 | 17 |

First Year of Procram

| Single | 67 | 71 | 74 |  | 65 | $\cdots$ | 64 | 59 | 67 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Married | 23 | 20 | 20 | $:$ | 25 | - | 27 | 24 | 26 |
| Married |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| with children | 10 | 9 | 6 | 10 | - | 9 | 17 | 7 |  |


| Second Year of Program |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Single | 58 | 58 | 68 | 49 | 84 | 5 | 55 | 62 |
| Married | 29 | 27 | 27 | 4 | 12 | 32 | 29 | 25 |
| Married with children | 13 | 15 | 5 | 17 | 4 | 11 | 16 | 12 |
| Third Year of Program |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single | 50 | 55 | 53 | 39 | 76 | 40 | 53 | 55 |
| Married | 37 | 35 | 35 | 35 | 17 | 47 | 27 | 32 |
| Married with children | 13 | 10 | 12 | 26 | 7 | 18 | 20 | 13 |
| Last Years of Program |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single | 44 | 42 | 49 | 35 | 66 | $3 \pi$ | 42 | 50 |
| Married | 38 | 45 | 38 | 35 | 25 | 46 | 33 | 31 |
| with children | 18 | 13 | 13 | 30 | 9 | 18 | 25 | 19 |

1/ Data not available for allopathic medical sturents by year in program. DHEN Publication No. (HRA) $76-94$ reports that in school year 1974-75, $62 \%$ of allopathic merical students were single, 29\% married, and $9 \%$ married with children.
2/ Pharmacy schools offer a 3-, 4-, or 5 -year program. The last 3 years of pharmacy programs are considered to be the professional training period.

## Sdcioeconomic Background

The distribution of health professions students and the total U.S resident population by size of hometown is presented in Table 4. The classification of the size of hometown is related to the Census Bureau definition of standard metropolitan statistical areas (SMSAs) which are cities of 50,000 or more inhabitants, the counties in which they are located, and neighboring counties that are closely associated with them by daily commuting ties. Central cities are those cities located within the SMSAs; outside central cities are the balance of the SMSAs; and nonmetropolitan includes cities of •less than 49,999 people, towns, farms, and rural or unincorporated areas.

The distribution of all health professions students by size of hometown is quite different from that of the total U.S. resident popdlation where the largest number of people live outside central cities. In 1976, the largest proportion of U.S. residents (nearty 40 percent) lived outside central cities. In comparison, the percentages of health professions students from that area ranged from 19 percent tc 29 percent. The largest proportion of podiatry and public health students came from cities of more than $50,000,47$ and 43 percent respectively. The largest proportion of students of dentistry, optometry, osteopathy, pharmacy, and veterinary medicine came from nonmetropolitan areas, between 39 and 60 percent.

Table 4: Percent Distribution of Health Professions Students by Size of Hometown Compared to All Persons in the United States: School Year 1976-1977II

| Location of Residence | United States?/ | Dentistry | Optometry | Osteopathy | Pharmacy | Podidtry | Public Health | Veterinary Medicine |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total Percent | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| In Central Cities 3 ! | 3. 29.2 | 36.6 | 28.4 | 31.7 | 33.0 | 47.0 | 42.6 | 21.0 |
| Outside Central Cities | 38.8 | 24.5 | 21.8 | 28.4 | 18.9 | 29.4 | 27.2 | 19.4 |
| Non-metropolitan aress 4 / | 32.0 | 38.9 | 49.8 | 39.9 | 48.1 | 23.6 | 30.2 | 59.6 |
| Total Number | 214,435,000 | 18,300 | 3,961 | 3,010 | 21,870 | 2,140 | 5,590 | 6,210 |

$\overrightarrow{0} \quad \frac{1 /}{2}$ US not available for allopathic medical students.
$\overline{2} /$ U.S. Resident Population.
3/ Cities of 50,000 or more people.
(1/ Includes cities less than 49,999 people, towns, farms, rural or unincorporated area.

Health professions students were generally from families who had incomes higher than that of the overall U.S. population. The distributions of family incomes of students in all health professions, except those in public health, did not differ significantly from one another. The median family incomes for health professions students differed significantly from the median family income for all U.S. families in 1976. The median family income of health professions students ranged from $\$ 16,940$ for pharmacy students to $\$ 19,700$ for dentistry students. The median income for all U.S. families in 1976 was $\$ 14,900$. On the average, students enrolled in health professions schools came from families whose median income was 20 percent higher than the median U.S. family income. It should be noted that this comparison may be biased toward the families of the health professions students. Their families were generally neaded by people over 40 years of age, whereas the Y.S. income distribution represents all families. (A family is defined by the U.S. Bureau of the Census as a group of two or more presons related by blood, marriage, or adoption and residing together in a household.) Table 5 shows the distribution of health professions students by the size of their parents' or family income and the distribution of family income for all families in the United States.

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Table 5: Median Family Income and Percent Distribution of Health Professions Students' Family Incone Compared to All Fanillies in the United States: 197 h

| Fimily <br> Income | All Families in U.S., 1976 $1 /$ | Allopathic Medicine? | Dentistry | Optometry | Osteopathy | Pharmacy | Podiatry | Plolic Health | Veterinary Medicine |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total Percent | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| Less Than 55,000 | 10 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 6 | 8 | 8 | 12 | 5 |
| \$5,000 - \$9,999 | 20 | 9 | 12 | 10 | 16 | 14 | 13 | 14 | 12 |
| \$10,000 - \$14,999 | 920 | 20 | 17 | 20 | 19 | 21 | 18 | 17 | 21 |
| \$15,000 - \$19,999 | 19 | 18 | 17 | 19 | 1.5 | 18 | 20 | 15 | 17 |
| \$20,000 - \$24,999 | 913 | 15 | 19 | 20 | 14 | 17 | 18 | 13 | 17 |
| \$25,000-\$49,999 | 18 | 22 | 22 | 20 | 19 | 18 | 17 | 21 | 21 |
| \$50,000 or more |  | $1 ?$ | 8 | 1 | 11 | 4 | 6 | 8 | 1 |
| Hedi an Incone | \$14,960 | \$19,700 | \$19,700 | \$19,200 | \$18,000 | \$15,940 | \$17,750 | \$17,330 | \$18,530 |

1/ U.S. Bureau of the Census, Current Population Reports, series P-50, No. 114.
2/ Studies of Medical Student Financing, 1977.78, Preliminary Reoort, Association of American Meacical Colleges.

In addition to a difference between the distribution of the health professions students' family income and that of all U.S. families, there was also a difference between the educational levels of the health professions students' parents and that of U.S. males and females over 40 years of age. The percent distributions of the health professions students' parents and of U.S. males and females over 40 by educational levels are given in Tables 6 and 7. More of the health professions students' parents than the U.S. population over 40 years of age had at least some college education. More than one-third of all health professions students' fathers had a college degree, whereas only 15 percent of all U.S. males over 40 years old had completed college. About 20 percent of the students' mothers had college degrees, whereas only 11 percent of all U.S. females over 40 years old did. The mothers of the health professions students generally had fewer years of education than the fathers did. Between 8 and 16 percent of the mothers reported having a graduate or professional degree, whereas 19 to 37 percent of the fathers had a graduate degree. A comparison of the educational attainment of the parents of health professions students shows that generally parents of students of allopathic medicine, dentistry, and veterinary medicine had more education than the parents of other students.
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| Total Percint | 1010 | 100 | 100 | 109 | $\ln$ | $10 n$ | 100 | 100 | 100 |
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| Grade Schonl | \% 6 | 6 | 6 | 5 | $\square$ | 10 | 8 | 17 | h |
| Some Hiah Schom | 16 | 5 | 7 | 0 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 9 | 7 |
| Completed Hiah <br> School and/ar Tech. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Some Colleqe | 11 | 13 | 16 | 15 | 13 | 17 | 15 | $1 ?$ | 17 |
| College | 8 | 70 | 11 | 15 | 17 | 15 | 13 | 14 | 1 |
| Graduate or |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Profes. School | 7 | 37 | 70 | 24 | 31 | 10 | 71 | 17 | 73 |

1/ U.S. Bureau of the Census, Current, Ponulation Reports, series P-70, No, 114.
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[^1]Ialle 7: Percent Distribut ion of Health Professions Students hy Mother's E.ducational Leval
Compared to All U.S. Fendes, 10 Years and Dver: Schnol Year 1076-1077


1 U.S. Bureau of the Census, Current Ponulation Prports, series P-20, No. 314.
?/ Descriptive Study of Enrolled Medical Sturfents Mo76-77), OHEW Puthlication /HRAI No. 7a.pon,

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In view of the educational and income levels of the parents of health professions students, it is reasonable to expect that a high proportion of their parents would have professional or managerial jobs. The data presented in Tables 8 and 9 confirm this expectation. These tables are arranged with two subheadings, "health professionals," and "other occupations." In the subdivision of "health professionals" there are eight categories--the seven individual health professions and an "any above" category. In each case the eighth category, "any above professions," represents a combination of the seven professions with the exception of the heal th profession for which the student is studying. That profession is presented separately because the proportion of students with parents employed in the itemized health professions is small, and the proportion with parents employed in the profession for which the student is studying is larger.

An examination of the proportions of students whose fathers were employed as health professionals shows that more students of allopathic and osteopathic medicine, 19 and 17 percent respectively, reported that their fathers were health professionals. The likelihood that a student would follow the health professional career of his/her father was highest for students of allopathic medicine, and then for students of optometry, pharmacy, and dentistry. Fewer of the veterinary students' fathers, 8 percent, were health professionals. Most mothers of health professional students, between 46 and 52 percent, were homemakers. If the mothers were employed, they were likely to work as health or other professional workers, or as clerical/office/sales workers.

Table 8: Percent Distribution of Health. Professions Students by Father's Occupation: School Year 1976-77

$\frac{1 /}{2}$ Descriptive Study of Enrolled Medical Students, 1976-77, DHEW Publication (HRA) No. 78-80.
Included in "Any Above Profession" for students
$3 /$ Includes students, other occupations, unemploved.

Table 9: Distribution of Health Professions Students by Mother's Occupation: School Year 1976-77

| Occupation | Allopathic Medicine ${ }^{1 /}$ | Dentistry | Optometry | Osteopathy | Pharmacy | Podiatry | Veterinary Medicine |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total Percent | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| Health Professions Sub-Total | 8 | 3 | 4 | 8 | 7 | 3 | 7 |
| Physician | 1 | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Dentist | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Optometrist | - | - | * | - | - | * | - |
| Osteopath | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Pharmac ist | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | - |
| Podiatrist | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - |
| Veterinarian | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2 |
| Any Above Profession | 7 | 3 | 4 | 8 | 6 | 2 | $5$ |

Other Occuparions Sub-Total

Other Health Wkr.
Professional Wkr. 14
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Owner, Mgr.,

| Proprictor <br> Clerical, Office, <br> Sales <br> Craftsman, Skilled | 4 | 4 | 4 | 3 | $?$ | 4 | 3 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Worker <br> Homemaker | 1 | 19 | 21 | 16 | 20 | 25 | 19 |
| Housewife <br> Inskilled | 52 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 3 |
| Laborer <br> Ocher3/ | 3 | 47 | 46 | 51 | 46 | 45 | 49 |
|  | 6 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 4 |

1/ Descriptive Study of Enrolled Medical Students, 1976-77, DHEW Pulication (HRA) No. 78-80. Included in "Any Above Profession ${ }^{\text {" }}$ for students of alTopathic medicine only. Includes students, farmers, farmworkers, unemployed.

## III. Expenses of Students

## Expenditures Reported

Students surveyed during the 1976-77 school year were asked to estimate, to the nearest single dollar, the total amount that they expected to spend on themselves and their dependents during the year beginning July 1, 1976, and ending June 30, 1977. They provided information on educational or school expenses, including expenditures on tuition and fees, books and supplies, instruments and equipment, and other educational items; on living expenses, including expenditures on lodging, maintenance of living quarters, and food; and on other expenditures such as clothing, health care, transportation, and spouse's education. The amounts reported by each health profession student for the various items were used to determine the average amount expended by all students of that health profession. The average annual amounts of total expenses, of school expenses, of board and lodging, and of all other expenses for each health profession are given in Table 10. Although students of allopathic medicine were not surveyed during the 1976-77 school year, estimates of their 1976-77 expenditures are included in the following tables. These estimates are based on expenditure data from 1974-75 and 1977-78 surveys of medical student financing. The method used to estimate expenditures by students of allopathic medicine is detailed in Appendix $C$.

Table 10: Avergge Annual Expenses of Heal th Professions Students:
School Year 1976-77

| Expense Item | Allopthic $1 /$ Medicine | Dentistry | Ootometry | Osteoodthy | Pharracy | Podiatry | Public Health | Veterinary Medicine |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| All Expenses | 58,530 | 59,890 | S8,960 | \$11,070 | 86,740 | 811,720 | \$10,470 | 17,030 |
| School Expenses? | 213,190 | 3,80 | 3,80 | 4,130 | 1,850 | 4,780 | 1,910. | 1,880 |
| Board \& Lodains ${ }^{\text {S }}$ | 313,060 | 3,070 | 2,870 | 3,390 | 2,450 | 3,57n | 4,020 | 2,480 |
| All Other Expenses ${ }^{4 /}$ | 2,880 | 3,40 | 2,810 | 3,550 | 2,440 | 3,370 | 4,540 | 2,660 |

1/ Estimated from data from 19, $4-75$ and 1977.78 Survey of Medical Student Financing, See Appendix $C$. It Figure includes estinated annual expenses for tuition and fees, books and supplies, equignent and uniforms. 3/ Figure includes estimated annual expenses for lodging and maintenance of living quarters and board. I/ Figure includes estimated anval expenses for such itens as personal maintenance, transportation, taxes, and insurance.

## Total and Categorical Expenditures

The expenditure data for the health professions students show that there was a wide range in the average annual expenditure of health professions students during the 1976-77 school year. The average annual total amount spent by health professions students in obtaining their education ranged from a high of $\$ 11,720$ by podiatry students to $\$ 6,740$ by pharmacy students. A major reason for the polar positions of these two health professirns is that all of the podiatry schools were privately owned and financed while only one-third of the pharmacy schools were private. Historically, private schools' educational costs are higher than public schcols' costs. Average school expenses for pharmacy, public health, and veterinary students were much lower than those of the other students. A major reason was that a majority of these students, between 70 and 90 percent; were enrolled in public chools. Students enrolled in schools of podiatry, which as noted above were all private schools, had the highest school expenses, \$4,780.

Differences among the various health professions in terms of expenditures on board, lodging, and other items can be re,lated to the proportion of the health professions students who were married. Married students, especially if they had children, reported that they spent more on board, lodging, and other items than did single students. Of all the health professions students, fewer (24 percent) of the pharmacy students were married and more of the osteopathy ( 50 percent), podiatry (52 percent), and public health students ( 56 percent) were married. Thus their expenditures on board, lodging, and other expenses were greater.

Pharmacy students spent the lowest amount, \$2,450, on board and lodging while osteopathy, podiatry, and public health students spent substantially more. Public health students, who on the average were older than students in the other disciplines, reported more cases of educational expenses for spouses and children. This item was a component of the "all other expenses" category.

## Expenses by School Control

The average expenses for students differed sharply according to whether they were enrolled in public or private schools during the 1976-77 school year, and school expenses accounted for nearly all of the difference. In each health profession, students attending private schools reported average school expenses which were about 150 percent greater than those reported by students in public schools. Of all students attending private schools, veterinary students reported the highest average annual expenditure of $\$ 5,420$ for school expenses, and public health students reported the lowest average amount of $\$ 3,430$ for the same item. Of all students attending public school, dental students reported the highest average annual expenditure of $\$ 3,050$ for school expenses, and pharmacy students reported spending $\$ 1,000-$ the lowest amount for school expenditures. Table 11 shows the average annual expenses of the health professions students during the $1976-77$ school year by school control.

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Tahle 11: Average Annual Expenses of Health Professions Students by School Control and Expense Item: School Year 1976-77

| chool Control Expense I tem | Allopathicel/ Medicine | Dentistry | Optometry | Osteopathy | Pharmacv | Porliatry | Public Health | Veterinary Medicine |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Average Annual Expense |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All schools.average expenses | \$8,530 | \$98890 | \$8,960 | \$11,070 | \$6,740 | \$11,720 | \$10,470 | \$7,030 |
| School Expenses 3/ | 3,190 | 3,780 | 3,280 | 4,030 | 1,850 | 4,780 | 1,910 | 1,890 |
| Lodging \& Maint. of living qtrs. | 1,850 | 1,830 | 1,710 | 1,980 1,410 | 1,440 | 2,240 1,330 | 2,460 1,560 | 1,440 1,040 |
| Board | 1,210 | 1,240 | 1,160 | 1,410 | 1,010 | 1,330 | 1,560 | 1,040 |
| expenses-4/ | 2,280 | 3,040 | 2,810 | 3,650 | 2,440 | 3,370 | 4,540 | 2,660 |
| 'ublic Schools average expenses | \$7,460 | \$9,060 | \$7,130 | \$9,540 | \$5,830 | \$. -1 | \$9,650 | \$6,860 |
| School Expenses ${ }^{3 /}$ | 2,130 | 3,050 | 1,750 | 2,670 | 1,000 | - | 1,315 | 1,725 |
| Lodging \& Maint. of living atrs. | 1,845 | 1,830 1,250 | 1,650 1,080 | 1,990 1,300 | 1,430 1,010 | - | 2,415 1,490 | 1,415 1,050 |
| All other expenses ${ }^{4 /}$ | 2,300 | 2,930 | 2,550 | 3,580 | 2,390 | - | 4,430 | 2,670 |
| Private Schools average expenses | 310,090 | \$11,430 | \$10,060 | \$11,400 | \$8,560 | \$11,720 | 812,590 | \$10,830 |
| School Expenses? | 4,750 | 5,150 | 4,200 | 4,325 | 3,5?5 | 4,780 | 3,430 | 5,420 |
| Lodging \& Mai :. of living :trs. | 1,850 | 1,830 | 1,740 | 1,985 | 1,480 | 2,240 | 2,580 | 1,900 |
| Board | 1,240 | 1,210 | 1,210 | 1,430 | 1,010 | 1,330 | 1,750 | 980 |
| All other expenses.:/ | 2,250 | 3,235 | 2,910 | 3,660 | 2,545 | 3,370 | 4,830 | 2,530 |

Estimate: from 1974-75 and 1977-78 Survey of Medical Student Financing. See Apoendix C.
There are no public schools of podiatry.
Figure includes estimated annual expenses for tuition and fees, books and supplies, equipment and uniforms.
I/ Figure includes estimated annual expenses for such items as personal maintenance, transportation, taxes, and insurance.

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## Expenses by Marital Status

With few exceptions, the average annual expenditure on all items was more for married students than for single students, and for married students with children than for married students without children. School expenses were similar for single and married students with the exception of married students, in each health profession, with two or more children in schools of allopathic medicine, osteopathy, pharmacy, and podiatry. Their school expenses were less than those of other students who were married. Although the reason for this difference is not readily apparent, it may be that married students with two or more children in the above-mentioned professions did not have the time to carry a full academic load; consequently, they experienced a reduction in credit-hour expenses (or school expenses). A larger proportion of married students with children reported that they were employed during the school year, and, on the average, they worked longer hours than other employed students of the same health profession. Table 12 is a presentation of the average annual expenses of the health professions students by marital status.

Generally, married students with children spent more each year on lodging, board, and other items than did childless married students who, in turn, spent more than single students on these same items. Differences in expenditures on lodging might be attributed to the student's choice of living quarters which varied according to the
student's marital status. A single student was more likely to live in a dormitory, a rooming house, or his/her family's home. Married students with and without children were more likely to live in school-owned apartments or privately owned apartments or houses.

In terms of the fourth category, other items, public health students who were married and had two or more children had an average annual expenditure on other items of $\$ 8,050$ in contrast to approximately $\$ 4,500$ spent on this category by other health professions students. This difference partly reflects the fact that public health students reported spending more money on their children's or spouse's education and on various insurance policies, such as car, house, and professional insurance than did any other group of students. This, in turn, may reflect the fact that they were older than most other health professions students and that they already had some degree. Eleven percent of public health students had professional degrees before enrolling in schools of public health. Less than 1 percent of students enrolled in the other health professions schools reported having other prior professional degrees.

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Tahle 1?: Average Annual Expenses of Health Professions Sturents hy Expense Item and Marital Status School Year 1976-77

|  <br> Marital Status | Allonathic/ Medicine | Dentistry | Optonetry | Osteopathy | Pharmacy | Potiatry | Public Health | Veterinary Mericine |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Totai Expenses Anerabe Annual Expenses |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| all students | \$8,530 | \$9,890 | 18,960 | \$11,070 |  |  | \$10,470 |  |
| Single | 6,970 | 7,900 | 7,000 | -8,680 | 5,420 | $\frac{9,190}{}$ | 7,730 | 5, |
| Married - 0 children | 10,770 | 11,930 | 11,720 | 12,500 | 9,820 | 13,690 | 13,520 | ¢, 360 |
| Married - I child | 11,170 | 12,100 | 12,100 | 13,160 | 9,290 | 14,840 | 12,890 | R,940 |
| Married - 7 or more children | 12,990 | 13,460 | 12,530 | 14,380 | 10,180 | 13,570 | 16,870 | 9,800 |
| School Expenses | 53,190 | 8,780 | \$3,280 | \$4,030 | \$1,850 | 14,780 | \$ 1,910 | \$1,890 |
| Sinqle | 3, 3 65 | -,910 | - 2,240 | 4, 4,770 | -1,900 | $\frac{1,750}{4,70}$ | -1,970 | $\frac{1,970}{1,90}$ |
| Married - 0 children | 3,060 | 3,580 | 3,260 | 4,9an | 1,850 | 4,760 | 1,780 | 1,800 |
| Married - I child | ?,850 | 3,750 | 3,300 | 4,070 | 1,580 | 5,000 | 1,640 | 1,650 |
| Married - ? or more chiltren | 2,770 | 4,900 | 3,450 | 3,960 | 1,510 | 4,840 | ?,130 | 1,80n |

Lodging \& Maint.
of Living Qtrs.
Single
Married - 0 children

| 5 1,850 | \$1,830 | \$ 1,710 | 51,980 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1.360 | T, 330 | T, ,280 | 1,470 |
| , ,490 | 2,340 | 2,270 | 2,350 |
| ?,710 | ?,350 | 2,520 | ?,410 |
| 3,200 | 2,690 | 2,350 | 2,540 |


| 8,440 |
| ---: |
| 1,100 |
| 2,180 |
| 3,160 |
| 2,410 |


| $\$ 2,240$ | $!2,450$ |
| ---: | ---: |
| 1,620 | 7,820 |
| 2,780 | 2,990 |
| 2,740 | 3,240 |
| 7,950 | 3,860 |

81,440
1,090
1,900
1,900
7,000

| Board | \$12210 | \$1,240 | \$ 1,160 | \$1,410 | \$1,010 | 11,390 | \$ 1,550 | \$1,100 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Single | 910 |  | हान | -1970 | -770 | - 040 | $-\frac{1}{1000}$ | 1750 |
| Married - 0 children | 1,600 | 1,400 | 1,640 | 1,520 | 1,880 | 1,590 | ? 0 | 1,350 |
| Married - ? child | 1,880 | 1,650 | 1,730 | 1,950 | 1,470 | 1,940 | (, il ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 1,550 |
| Married - ? or more children | 2,330 | ?,000 | 2,340 | 2.110 | 1,870 | 1,720 | 2,830 | 1,870 |
| Ail Other Expenses | \$2,280 | \$3,040 | \$ 2,810 | 53,650 | \$2,440 | \$3,370 | \$ 4,540 | \$2,660 |
| Single | 1,420 | -1,750 | 1,660 | - 7,36 | 1,650 | 1,880 | $\frac{2,440}{}$ | 1,620 |
| Married - 0 children | 3,520 | 4,570 | 4,550 | 4,970 | 4,300 | 4,560 | 6,870 | 4,110 |
| Married - I child | 3,730 | 4,447 | 4,350 | 1,720 | 4,980 | 5,200 | 5,890 | 3,840 |
| Married - 7 or $\qquad$ | 4,740 | 4,770 | 4,380 | 5,770 | 4,390 | 4,010 | 8,050 | 4,130 |

1/ Estimated from data from 1974-75 and 1977-79 Survey of Medical Student Financing. See Appendix C.

As can be seen in Table 13, students enrolled in the later years of their educational programs had higher expenditures than those in the earlier years. These increased expenditures were due partially to the fact that more upperclassmen were married than lower classmen, and, as mentioned earlier, married students reported higher expenditures than single students. The largest difference between first-year average total expenses and final-years average total expenses was reported by osteopathy and podiatry students. This difference was approximately $\$ 1,900$. The smallest increase in average total expenses between the first and last years, about $\$ 1,000$, was experienced by pharmacy and veterinary medicine students.

Unlike students in the other health professions, dental students did not follow the general pattern of increasing expenses over time. Students in the first 2 years of dental school reported higher total expenses than students in the last 2 years. This difference is because dental students, unlike other health professions students, initially have to buy expensive specialized instruments which they use throughout their educational program. First and second year students reported spending an average of $\$ 2,240$ and $\$ 1,370$, respectively, on instruments and equipment; students in the last 2 years spent only $\$ 510$ and $\$ 370$, respectively. It should be noted that expenditure data for second and third year students of allopathic medicine were the same, because the 1976-77 school year estimates were based on published data which reported information for students in the first year, intermediate year, and last year of the program.

Toble 13: Average Annual Expenses of Health Professions Students
by School Class and Marital Status: School Year 1976-77

| School Class \& Marital Status | Allopathic?/ Medicine | Dentistry | Optometry | Osteopathy | Phamacy | Podiatry | Public Health | Veterinary Medicine |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Average Annual Expenses |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total Expenses |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| all classes | 18,530 | \$9,880 | \$8,960 | \$11,070 | \$6,740 | \$11,720 | \$10,470 | \$7,030 |
| Single | 6,970 | 7,510 | 6,790 | 8,520 | 4,970 | 8,730 | 6,830 | 5,300 |
| Harried - 0 children | 10,780 | 11,780 | 11,430 | 12,450 | 9,610 | 13,680 | 12,790 | 9,200 |
| Harried - I child | 11,180 | 11,950 | 11,890 | 12,860 | 9,070 | 14,450 | 12,700 | 8,880 |
| Married - 2 or more children | 12,990 | 12,890 | 12,780 | 14,150 | 9,560 | 13,520 | 15,770 | 10,120 |
| 1st Yr. of Program | \$7,920 | \$9,410 | \$8,030 | 110,000 | 1/ | \$10,630 | \$9,780 | \$6,590 |
| Single | 6,850 | 7,970 | 6,800 | 8,350 | - | 8,840 | 5,910 | 5,320 |
| Married - 0 children | 10,890 | 12,350 | 11,680 | 12,300 | - | 13,160 | 13,180 | 9,080 |
| Married - 1 child <br> Married - 2 or | 11,180 | 12,570 | 11,290 | 11,270 | . | 15,440 | 12,150 | 8,850 |
| Married - 2 or more children | 14,450 | 15,790 | 9,600 | 14,630 | - | 14,400 | 15,320 | 9,720 |
| 2nd Yr. of Program ${ }^{\text {3/ }}$ | \$8,610 | \$9,930 | \$8,180 | \$10,530 | \$5,560 | \$10,510 | \$ 9,670 | \$6,590 |
| Single Married - 0 children | 7,000 10,680 | 1,810 13,030 | 5,950 | 8,440 | 4,770 | 8,570 | 6,650 | 5,010 |
| Married - 0 children Married - 1 child | 10,680 | 13,030 | 11,270 | 11,850 | 9,620 | 13,040 | 12,040. | 8,940 |
| Married - 1 child Married - 2 or | 11,440 | 11,810 | 12,100 | 12,700 | 8,400 | 14,730 | 14,060 | 9,070 |
| Married - 2 or more chilren | 12;900 | 12,670 | 11,840 | 14,780 | 9,710 | 13,450 | 15,640 | 10,770 |
| 3 rd Yr, of Progran ${ }^{\text {l }}$ | \$8,610 | \$8,740 | \$9,330 | \$11,450 | 86,220 | \$11,600 | \$10,520 | \$7,280" |
|  | 1,000 | 6,540 | 7,130 | 8,910 | 5,130 | 8,440 | 6,950 | 5,370 |
| Married - 0 children Married - 1 child | 10,680 11400 | 11,330 | 11,530 | 12,600 | 9,950 | 14,100 | 13,620 | 9,740 |
| Married - 1 child <br> Married - ? or | 11,440 | 10,090 | 12,170 | 13,300 | 9,150 | 13,130 | 12,810 | 9,180 |
| Married - ? or | 12,900 | 12,140 | 13,090 | 13,840 | 8,660 | 13,350 | 17,890 | 9,360 |
| Last Years | \$9,160 | 19,240 | \$ 9,300 | \$11,930 | \$6,620 | \$12,540 | \$11,030 | \$7,400 |
| Single | 7,120 | 6,700 | 6,740 | 8,540 | 5,080 | 9,320 | 7,060 | 5,540 |
| Married - 0 children | 10,870 | 10,660 | 11,240 | 13,290 | 9,380 | 14,400 | 12,830 | 9,000 |
| Married - 1 child Married - or | 10,920 | 12,330 | 12,180 | 13,790 | 9,370 | 14,290 | 11,180 | 8,500 |
| Married - 2 or more children | 12,620 | 11,030 | 13,690 | 13,850 | 9,980 | 12,930 | 17,750 | 10,560 |

1/ Pharmacy schools have 3-, 4-, or 5-year programs. The last 3 years of pharnacy programs rearesent their professional training period. 71 Estimated from 1974-75 and 1977-78 Survey of Medical Student Financing. See Apperdix C.
3/ Data for allopathic medicine students avatlable for first year of program, internediate years and last years.

Additional factors contributing to differences among the health professions students' average annual total educational expenses were control or affiriation of the health profession school and the geographic division of the United States in which the school was located. Table 14 presents the average annual eipeases for health professions students by geographic region of the United States and school control. The geographic regions of the United States used here are those defined by the. Bureau of the Census. A comparison of average annual expenses by geographic region shows that, generally, the highest expenditures were reported by health professions students enrolled in schools located in the Northeast. This may reflect the fact that in 1977 the U.S. Department of Labor reported that the northeastern region had the highest cost of living for the entire United States. Since average total annual expenses for all students in each health profession by geographic region are a weighted average for expenses of students enrolled in both public and private schools; it is important to consider the proportionate representation of puilic or private students when comparing total annual expenses by geographic region. In all health professions, average annual expenses in each geographic region were higher for students in private schools than those in public schools. As stated earlier, higher tuitions charged by private schools contributed significantly to this difference.

Table 14: Number of Health Professions' Students and Average Annual Expenses by School Control and Geographic Region: School Year 1976-77


Total Expenses

| $\frac{\text { All Schools }}{\text { U.S. Possessions }}$ | \$8,530 | $\frac{\$ 9,890}{8,790}$ | \$8,950 | \$11,070 | $\frac{86,740}{5,530}$ | \$11,720 | \$10. | \$7,030 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Northeast | 9,570 | 9,790 | 9,410 | 10.810 | 5,530 |  |  |  |
| South | 8,080 | 9,280 | 9,860 | 10,840 9,770 | 9,560 | 11,980 | 11,330 | 9,340 |
| North Central | 8,260 | 10,140 | 7,870 | 11,460 | 6,650 | 11,350 | 10,380 | 6,970 |
| Hest | 8,030 | 10,380 | 9,140 | 析 | 7,120 | 12,440 | 9,390 | 6,910 |


| Total Expenses |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Public Schools \$ \$7,460 | \$9,060 | \$7,120 | \$9,540 |  | 1. 21 | \$9,650 | \$ 6, 860 |
| U.S. Possessions -10 | 8,730 |  |  | -5,430 | $\cdots$ | $\underline{-1}$ | $\underline{0}$ |
| Northeast 7,100 | 9,790 | 8,800 | - | , | . | 8,220 | 7,710 |
| South $\quad 7,520$ | 8,850 | 8,020 | 7,980 | 5,730 | . | 9,970 | 6,575 |
| $\begin{array}{ll} \text { North Central } \\ \text { Woct } \\ 7 \end{array}$ | 8,680 | 6,580 | 10,080 | 6,260 | . | 10,380 | 6,970 |
| Hest 7,590 | 9,100 | 6,930 | , | 5,900 | . | 9,190 | 6,910 |
| Total Experses |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\frac{\text { Private Schools }}{\\| S \text { Possesions }} \$ 10,090$ | \$6,390 | \$10,060 | \$2,475 | \$1,320 | \$11,720 | \$12,500 ${ }^{\prime}$ | \$10,830 |
| U.S. Possessions | - | - | $\cdots$ | - | $\underline{\sim}$ | -12,50 |  |
| Northeast $\quad 10,550$ | - | 9,510 | 10,840 | 9,550 | 11,980 | 13,210 | 11,350 |
| South $\quad 9,050$ | 9,890 | 10,900 | 10,470 | 8,160 | 1 | 12,210 | 8,010 |
| North Central $\quad 9,600$ Hest | 11,770 | 9,540 | 11,820 | 6,930 | 11,350 | , | , |
| Hest 10,130 | 13,400 | 10, 130 | , | 9,970 | 12,440 | 11,690 | - |

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## IV. Income of Students

## Sources of Income

Health professions students were asked to report how they financed their education during school year 1976-77 by giving the source(s) of income and the amounts obtained from each sourc:. These sources were classified as nonrefundable, that is, no repayment obligation to the student, and refundable, that is, repayment required. Nonrefundable sources are sources such as earnings, savings, family contributions, scholarships and military benefits; refundable sources are loans from students' families, the Federal and State Governments, banks, foundations, and other sources.

Table 15 presents the proportion of health professions students who reportec any income from a specific source. Not all students reported income from each of the sources listed as refundable or nonrefundable. The most frequently reported sources of nonrefundable income were the students' own earnings and savings, their narents, arid their spouses' contributions. With the exception of public health students, the most frequently :eported specific sources of ref:ndable income were Federal health professions direct síuden: loans and family loans. Students reported income from many other refundable sources but too infrequently to itemize them separately. These sources have been combined and presented as "other sources" in Table 15. It should be noted that income information for students of allopaithic medicine for school year 1976-77 was not available.

Tahle 15: Pronortion of Health Professions Students Who Reported Income From Various Sources: Schonl Year 1976-77!]
Source of Income Dentistry Ontometry Osteopathy Pharmacy Podiatry Puthlic Health Medicine

Percent reporting some income from source

## NonRefundahle Sources



## Refundable Sources

| Federal Health Professional Direct Student Loans | 25 | 26 | $? 1$ | 19 | 30 | $?$ | 27 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Office of Education Loans.5/ | 6 | 8 | 3 | 4 | 8 | 6 | 5 |
| Guaranteed School | ? | 081 | ? | 08. | - | $08 /$ | 5 |
| Private Bank Loans | 5 | 3 | 4 | ? | 4 | I |  |
| Guaranteed Student Bank Loans | 5 | 5 | ? | 3 | 5 | ? | 5 |
| Robert Wood Johnson Loans | 3 | $?$ | 3 | 7 | 4 | 1 | 12 |
| Family Loans | 18 | 14 | 15 | 13 | 18 |  | 16 |
| Private Source Loan' | 34 | 33 | 37 | 13 | 60 | 5 | 16 |
| Other Loans ${ }^{\text {I/ }}$ | 21 | 11 | 19 | 10 | 14 | 8 | 11 |

1/ Data not available for students of allopathic medicine.
$\frac{2}{3 /}$ Includes State government scholarships, State professional society scholarshios, foundation scholarshios. Includes Public Health Service scholarships and NIH/PHS supported fellowships, traineeshios, grants.
Includes gifts, National Medical Fellowship, and other nonrepayable income.
Includes National Hirect student loans/National Defense, and Office of Education student loans.
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## Proportionate Contribution of Income Sources

A health profession student may finance all or part of his/her education with funds from one or more of the various sources. The proportionate contributions of the various nonrefundable and refundable sources to the average health professions student's total income are given in Table 16. With the exception of public health students, there was a direct correlation between the size of students' total educational expenditures and the proportion of their total income from refundable sources. That is, the higher the students' expenditures, the more likely they were to borrow money. The highest average annual expenditures of $\$ 11,720$ were reported by podiatry students; they borrowed 31 percent of their total income. Pharmacy students, with total annual expenditures of only $\$ 6,740$, borrowed only 12 percent of their total income.

Generally, health professions students relied on their own earnings and savings and their spouses' and parents' contributions for the largest proportion of their total income. Public health students obtained. 11 percent of their income from Public Health Service scholarships whereas students in the other health professions, with the exception of osteopathy, obtained 1 percent of their income or less from this source. When obtaining funds from refundable sources, most health professions students utilized the Federal health professions direct student loan program or their own families. Of all the health professions, dentistry students obtained the highest proportion of their income from these sources and public health students the least. Loans from private financial sources provided ' 8 percent of podiatry students' and 8 percent of dentistry, optometry, and osteopathy students' total income.

Table 16: Percent of Health Professions Students' Income from Horrefundalile and Refundable Sources School Year 1956-77]


1/ Data not available for students of allopathic medic cine.
2/ Includes State government scholarships, State professional society scholarships, foundation scholarships.
$\overline{3} /$ Includes Public Health Service scholarships; NiH/PHS supported fellowships, traineeships, grants; and Federal health professions scholarships.
4/ Includes gifts, National Medical Fellowship and other nonrefundable funds.
$\overline{5} /$ Includes National direct student loans/Mational Defense, and Office of Education student loans.
6/ Includes school loans, professional foundation loans.

A comparison of the sources of income of students in the eight health professions indicates that public health students' sources were quite different from those of the others. The proportionate contribution of the sources of income to the public healta student's total income is quite different from that of the other students. Public health students borrowed only 4 perc.nt of their annual income because they were able to finance most of their education from nonrefundable sources. They obtained 62 percent of their total income from their own and their spouses' earnings and savings--the highest percentage of any group of health professions students. Public health students received only 4 percent of their income from their parents, whereas students in the other health professions obtained 13 to 19 percent of their income from this source. Of all the health professions students, public health students reported the highest average amounts of income from their own earnings ( $\$ 6,110$ ), from their spouses' earnings ( $\$ 11,710$ ), and from armed forces pay $(\$ 9,000)$. Th is may have occurred because many public health students enrolled in school after they had completed a professional degree and had worked for some time. In many cases, students who were employed in a health-related occupation or were in the military continued to draw all or part of their annual salary while they were enrolled in a school of public health.

The single largest source of nonrefundable income for the married student in each health profession was the student's spouse who contributed between $\$ 6,000$ and $\$ 12,000$. Scholarships were the next largest source of income for students in each of the professions. Each group of health professions students received different amounts from a particular scholarship fund. The average amount reported by scholarship students was related to the particular interest of that scholarship program. Public health students received an average amount of $\$ 13,350$ from the Robert Wood Johnson Scholarship program while other recipients received less than $\$ 1,000$ from that source. Students of dentistry and osteopathy received $\$ 5,470$ and $\$ 8,040$, respectively, from Public Health Service or National Institutes of Health scholarships, grants, or traineeships--more than any other health professions students received from those sources. Public health students received $\$ 9,025$ from the Armed Forces health professions scholarships, while macy students received less than $\$ 2,000$ from that source. The averaye ants of income which students received from nonrefundable sources are shown in Table 17.
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Table 17: Average Amount of Nonrefundahie Income of Health Professions Students Who Reported Income from Various Sources: School Year 1976~171/

| Source of Income | Dent istry | Optometry | Osteopathy | Pharmacy | Podiatry | Puhlic. Health | Veterinary Medicine |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - Nonrefundable |  |  |  | Average Amoun |  |  |  |
| Income | 88,?30 | \$7,540 | \$9,510 | \$6,260 | \$9,270 | \$13,300 | \$6,840 |
| Own Earnings 8 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Savings | \$ 2,260 | \$1,990 | \$ 2,380 | \$ 2,550 | 82,710 |  |  |
| Spouse's Contribution | 8,470 | 7,840 | 7,340 | 6,760 | 8,710 8,570 | \% 11,710 1,700 | 2,080 6,020 |
| 'Parent's Contribution | 3,240 3,270 | ?,760 | 3,420 | 2,270 | 3,550 | 1,790 | 2,110 |
| Federal Health Profes. sions Scholarship | 3,270 | 3, 160 | 3,710 | 3,430 | 1,940 | 10,660 | 3,980 |
|  | 1,380 | 1,190 | 1,530 | 760 | 1,530 | 3,270 | 750 |
| Scholarship | 610 | - | 460 | 300 | - | 13,350 | - |
| Other Scholarshios?/ | 4,680 | 3,460 | 6,950 | 5,280 | 3,670 | $\begin{array}{r}13,340 \\ \hline 7,480\end{array}$ | 5,800 |
| School Grants VA Benefits | 1,220 | 1,210 | 1,370 | 830 | 1,600 | 2,580 | 5,800 750 |
| VA Benefits PHS/NIH | 3,170 | 2,880 | 3,350 | 2,650 | 3,100 | 2,950 | 2,850 |
| SE Healarshing3/ | 5,480 | 1,480 | 8,040 | 530 | 1,180 | 4,010 | 2,990 |
| sions Scholarships | 6,310 | 5,480 | 「,990 |  |  |  |  |
| Other Income4/ | 1,890 | 1,720 | 2,490 | 1,200 | 5,650 3,550 | 9,020 3,770 | $\begin{aligned} & 4,500 \\ & 1,650 \end{aligned}$ |

1/ Data not available for students of allopathic medicine.
इ/ Includes State government scholarships, State professional society scholarships, foundation scholarships.
3/ Includes Public Health Service scholarships and NIH/PHS supported fellowships, traineeships, grants.
4/. Includes gifts, National Medical Fellowship, and other nonrepayahle income.

The various nonrefundable sources, which compositely represented 69 to 96 percent of the students' total income, were utilized quite differently by married and single students. Married students without children reported that their spouses contributed about 50 percent of their annual income, and married students with children reported that their spouses contributed between 20 and 40 percent of their total income. Single students relied more heavily on their parents for financial assistance than did married students. Single students reported that 25 percent of their total income came from their parents. Also, single students were more likely to rely on their own earnings and schelarships to finance their education than married students. The proportions of the health professions students' total income from nonrefundable sources by marital status are depicted in Table 18.

One of the major sources of funds used by the students to finance their education was earnings from current or past employment. Students were asked to report if they were employed during the school year and, if employed, the number of hours they worked. Generally, more upperclassmen than iower classmen reported that they were employed during the school year. Married students with two or more children worked from 12 to 19 hours more per week than did single students. In Chapter III it was reported that upperclassmen and married students had higher total expenditures; thus, it is not unusual to find that more of these students were employed and were working more hours. The proportions of students, by year in program and marital status, who reported that they were employed during school year 1976-77 together with the median number of hours they worked per week are given in Tables 19 and 20.


## l/ Onta not available for students of allopathic medicine.

2/ Includes Armed Forces Pay and AF health professions scholarships
3/ Includes State quvernment scholarships, State professional society scholarships, foundation scholarships.
I/ Inclunes gifts. Public Mealth Service Scholarships, NIH/PHS supported fellowships, and other nonrefundable fund sources.
5/ Less than 5 percent reported.

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Table 19: Median Hours Worked Per Week By Health Professions Students by Marital Status: School Year 1976-77]

| Marital Status | Dent istry | Optometry | Osteopathy | Pharmacy | Podiatry |  | Putioc Health | Veterinary Medicine |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Median Hours Worked |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All Students | 12 | 10 | 10 | 17 | 15 |  | 20 | 10 |
| Single | 12 | 9 | 9 | 15 | 15 |  | 19 | 10 |
| Married - 0 children | 12 | $\cdots$ | 9 | 20 | 15 | $\Psi$ | 20 | 9 |
| Married - I child | 10 | 1. | 12 | 20 | 18 | ¢ | $? 0$ | 10 |
| Married - ? or more children | 16 | 15 | $1 ?$ | 24 | 19 |  | 29 | 12 |

1/ Data not available for students of allopathic medicine by marital status. Median hours woried in $1974-75$ by these students was 10 hours, reported in OHEW Puhlication (IRA) 76-94.

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Table 20: Proportion of Health Professions Students Who Worked Durino School Year 1976-77 By Year in Proaram!/

Year in Program Dentistry Optometry Osteonathy Pharmacy? Podiatry Puhlic Health Meterinary | Medicine |
| :---: |

## Percent Who Horked

All Students
First Year of Program
Second Year of Program 28
Third Year of Program 34

Last Years of Program

26
19

28

34

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35
$2 ?$

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41
45

20
is
??
$2 ?$
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| 35 | 20 |
| :--- | :--- |
| 27 | 15 |
| 34 | $? ?$ |
| 41 | $? ?$ |
| 45 | 58 |

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48
44
51
59
60
19
$\frac{1 /}{2}$ Data not available for students of allopathic medicine.
2. Pharmacy schools have 3-, 4-, or 5 -year programs. Schools with 3 -year programs require 2 years of college for admissions; schools with 5 year programs admit sturtents af ter completing high school. The last 3 years of pharmacy program represent their professional training period.

## Refundable Sources of Income

Health professions students financed their education in part by obtaining loans from various sources. The most frequently reported refundable source of income was the Federal health professions direct student loan program which provided funds to 39 percent of the students who had loans. The second most frequently reported refundable source was family loans, which provided funds to approximately 23 percent of the students wror had loans. The average amount provided by the Federal health prof ssions loan program varied among the health professions. The smallest amount, $\$ 1,030$, was reported by pharmacy students and the largest amount, $\$ 2,170$, by dentistry students. Although fewer students borrowed money from their families than from the Federal health professions direct student loan program, the average amount they borrowed from their families was larger. The smallest average amount of family loans was $\$ 1,860$ reported by public health students, and the largest, $\$ 3,760$, was reported by dental students. The average amounts borrowed by the health professions students from the various refundable sources during the 1976-77 school year are shown in Table 21.

With the exception of public health and pharmacy students, more than half of the students had to obtain one or more loans to meet their 1976-77 school year expenses. Married students with children were more likely than others to finance their education with loans. Fewer public health and pharmacy students obtained loans probably because many of them received a large portion of their income from nonrefundable sources, in particular their own earnings and savings. The proportions of students by marital status who were obligated by any size loan during school year 1976-77 are given in Table 22.

Tahle 71: Average Amount of Refundahle Income of Health Professions Students Who Reported Income From Various Snurces: School Year 1976-77

| Soirce of Income | Dentistry | Optometry | Osteopathy | Pharmacy | Podiatry | Public Health | Veterinary Medicine |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Average Amoun |  |  |  |
| Refundable Income | 84,370 | \$3,20 | \$4.730 | \$1,080 | \$4,060 | \$2,490 | 82,680 |
| Federal Health Professional Direct Student Loanns | 8 2,170 | \$ 1,470 | \$1,400 | \$1,030 | \$ 1,290 | \$ 2,000 | 1,460 |
| Office of Education Loans?! | 2,530 | 1,810 | 2,020 | 1,330 | 1,830 | 1,580 | 1,580 |
| Guaranteed School Loan | 990 | 2,000 | 900 |  | - | 760 | - |
| Private Bank Loans | 1,850 | 1,230 | 1,770 | 1,100 | 2,070 | 670 | 1,650 |
| Guaranteed Student Bank Loans | 2,780 | 2,720 | 3,460 | 1,750 | 2,630 | 2,320 | 1,980 |
| Robert Wood Johnson Loans | 1,790 | 1,660 | 1,640 | 1,110 | 2,760 | 2,030 | 1,670 |
| Family Loans | 3,760 | ?,960 | 3,680 | 1,960 | 3,130 | 1,850 | 2,500 |
| Private Source Loan3/ | 2,480 | 2,140 | 2,440 | 1,720 | 3,730 | 1,940 | 1,970 |
| Other Loans ${ }^{\text {/ }}$ | 2,230 | 1,680 | ?,420 | 1,290 | 2,300 | 2,120 | 1,770 |

1/ Data for students of allopathic medicine not available.
v/ Includes National direct student loans/Mational Defense loans and Office of Education student loans.
3/ Includes loans from insurance companies and commercial loan companies.
I/ Includes school loans not guaranteed by government, professional foundation loans, personat loans, and others.
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I/ Data not availahle for students of allonothic medicine.

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More students who came from families with incomes less than $\$ 15,000$ reported that they had one or more loans than did students whose family incomes were over that amount. This is not surprising because families in the higher income levels were more likely to give financial assistance to their children than families in the lower income levels. For example, 96 percent of podiatry students whose family incomes were less than $\$ 5,000$ reported having loans while only 36 percent of those students with family incomes over $\$ 50,000$ reported having loans. Public health students were the only group whose family income level did not affect their indebtedness. Approximately one-fourth of public health students in each family income group reported having loans. Table 23 is a presentation of the distribution by parents' or family income of students who reported that they had one or more loans during the 1976-77 school year and of the students who had no loans.

As indicated earlier, health professions students enrolled in private schools reported that their annual total expenditures were between 20 and 50 percent higher ihan those of students in public schools. In addition, a higher propoition of students in private schools reported using refundable sources for tiseir income than did public school students. Between 50 and 80 percent of students in private health professions schools, other than pharmacy and public health, reported that they had loans during the 1976-77 school year. Fewer public health students in either public or private schools had loans, which can be attributed to the fact that they obtained a large part of their annual income from nonrefundable sources. The proportion of students in public and private schools who reported having loans during school year 1976-77 are given in Table 24.

Table 73: Percont Distribution of Health Professions Students With and Without Luans by Family Incone: School Year 1976-771/

| Health Profession | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Less Than } \\ & \$ 5,000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 55,000 \\ & 9,999 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 10, \text { noo - } \\ & 14,999 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { S15,000 - } \\ \text { 19,999 } \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} 520,000- \\ 74,999 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \$ 25,000 \\ 49,999 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 50,000 \\ & \text { or more } \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Percent of Income Group |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dentistry, |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| - With Loans | $6{ }^{6}$ | 80 | 80 | 71 | 75 | 56 | 38 |
| - Without Loans | 34 | 20 | 20 | 29 | 25 | 44 | 62 |
| Optometry, |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All Students | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| - With Loans | 83 | 79 | 76 | 73 | 59 | 41 | 32 |
| - Without Loans | 17 | 21 | 24 | 27 | 41 | 59 | 68 |
| Osteopathy, |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All Sturents | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| - With Loans | 80 | 8 C | 73 | 59 | 6) | 56 | 38 |
| - Without Loans | 20 | 20 | 27 | 41 | 33 | 44 | 62 |
| Pharmacy, |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All Students | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| - With Loans | 54 | 52 | 54 | 47 | 34 | 24 | 13 |
| - Without Loans | 45 | 43 | 45 | 53 | 66. | 76 | 87 |
| Podiatry, |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All Students | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| With Loans | 94 | 89 | क | 87 | 78 | 58 | 36 |
| - Without Loans | 6 | 11 | 10 | 13 | $2 ?$ | 32 | 64 |
| Public Health, |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All Students | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| - With Loans | 24 | 25 | 25 | 30 | 26 | 23 | 19 |
| - Without Loans | 76 | 75 | 75 | 70 | 74 | 77 | 81 |
| Veterinary Mer., |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All Students | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| - With Loans | 69 | 73 | 63 | 5 ? | 5 ? | 36 | 31 |
| - Without Loans | 31 | 27 | 37 | 48 | 48 | 64 | 69 |

1/ Data not available for students of allopathic medicine.

Table 24: Pronortion of Health Professions Students With Loans by School Control: School Year 1976-77!/

| Health Profession | Number of Students in Public Schools | Number of Students in Private Schools | Percent of Public School Students with Loans | Percent of Private School Students with Loans |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Dentistry | 11,910 | 6,390 | 64 | 72 |
| Optometry | 1,480 | 2,480 | 5 ? | 67 |
| Osteopathy | 535 | 2,475 | 61 | 63 |
| Pharmacy | 14,550 | 7,370 | 35 | 53 |
| Podiatry | - ? | 2,140 | - 21 | 79 |
| Public Health | 4,020 | 1,570 | 23 | 32 |
| Veterinary Medicine | 5,940 | 270 | 51 | 78 |

1/ Data not available for students of allopathic medicine.
2/ There are no public schools of podiatry.

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Of the health professions students who reported borrowing funds from any refundable source during the $1976-77$ school year, more than 80 percent received funds from only one or two sources. More students of dentistry, osteopathy, and podiatry reported borrowing funds from three or more refundable sources than did students in the remaining professions. The Federal health professions loan program, which was the most frequently reported source of refundable income, provided funds to approximately 39 percent of the students who borrowed money. Information on the proportion of students reporting loans and on the number of loans reported is given in Table 25.

Over three-fifths of the students who borrowed funds through the Federa? health professions loan program also used other sources of refundable funds. Table 26 is a presentation of the average amounts borrowed by the health professions students from a single source or from a combination of sources. If the student reported having multiple loans and if one of those loans was from the Federal health professions loan program, the average amount of the Federal health professions loan is given in Table 26 in parenthesis below the average total amount borrowed by students from the multiple sources. If the student did not use the Federal health professions loan program but had multiple loans, the average total amount borrowed is given in Table 26 as "all other combinations." The Federal health professions loan program provided similar amounts to students in all health professions whether they borrowed money from only the Federal health professions loan program or from that program and other sources. Pharmacy students borrowed the smallest average amount from the Federal health profess. : loan program, and dental students borrowed the largest amount.

Tahle 25: Percent Distribution of Haalth Professions Students hy Number of Loans: School Year 1976-77//

| Number of Loans | Dentistry | Ontometry | Dsteopathy | Pharmacy | Podiatry | Public Health | Veterinary Medicine |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total Percent | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| No Loans | 33 | 39 | 37 | 58 | 21 | 75 | 48 |
| One Lodn | $3 ?$ | 30 | 28 | 28 | 33 | 18 | 34 |
| Two Loans | 2.1 | 24 | $7 ?$ | 11 | 31 | 6 | $1 ?$ |
| Three Lodns | 10 | 6 | 9 | 2 | 13 | 1 | 4 |
| Four or More Loans | 4 | 1 | 4 | 1 | $?$ | - | $?$ |
| Total Number of Students | 18,300 | 3,960 | 3,019 | 21,870 | 7,140 | 5,590 | 6,210 |

I/ Data not available for sturdents of allopathic medicine.

Table 26: Number of Loans and Average Amount Borrowed From Each Source by Health Professions Students: School Year 1976-77

| Source(s) <br> of Loan(s) | Dentistry | Optometry | Osteopathy | Pharmacy | Podiatry | Public Health | Veter inars <br> Medicine |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Single Loan from |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| one of the below: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## Iwo Loans

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| direct student and one other |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (Amo'sact f FHP Loan) | (2,180) | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 3,330 \\ & 1,2001 \end{aligned}$ | \$4,030 | \$ 2,460 | \$5,630 | \$4,650 | \$3,340 |
| All other combinations | 5,140 | (1,290) | (1,200) | (950) | (1,180) | $(2,150)$ | (1,470) |
|  | 5, 14 | 4,230 | 4,900 | 2,850 | 5,530 | 3,310 | 2,990 |

## Three Loans

Federal Health Professions

| direct student and two others | $\$ 6,610$ | $\$ 5,120$ | $\$ 6,240$ | $\$ 3,850$ | $\$ 6,560$ | $\$ 4,900$ | $\$ 4,820$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (Amount of FHP Loan) | $(2,250)$ | $(1,425)$ | $(1,340)$ | $(1,130)$ | $(1,240)$ | $(1,800)$ | $110)$ |
| All other combinations | 7,610 | 4,980 | 6,170 | 3,770 | 5,730 | 4,000 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Five or More Loans
Federal health professions

| direct student and four others | $\$ 7,740$ | $\$ 3,780$ | $\$ 6,586$ | $\$ 9,590$ | $\$ 8,870$ | $\$$ | - |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (Amount of FHP Loan) | $(2,010)$ | $1660)$ | $(1,480)$ | $(1,080)$ | $1750)$ | - | $\$ 5,740$ |
| All other combinations | 10,100 | 9,600 | - | - | - | - | $(910)$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Data not available for students of allopathic medicine.

## V. Indebtedness of Students

## Definition of Debt

The expenses associated with obtaining an education frequently exceed a student's income, so a student may choose to finance all or part of that education with borrowed f.ads. To determine the average amount of indebtedness incurred by the health professions students, the students participating in the 1977 survey were asked to report the amount of debt they incurred prior to entering professional school, the total amount they owed as of June 1977, and to estimate the debts they expected to accrue by the time they graduated from professional schoot. Prior indebtedness included financial obligations for preprofessional school educational expenditures, for home mortgages, and for other items such as ith children's and/or spouse's education, automobile loans, and medical expenses. Current indebtedness as of June 1977 included the total of unpaid prior debts and of any debts incurred since entering profess onal school.

## Prior Debt

Approximately 40 percent of all health professions students reported being in debt prior to entering professionā school with an average debt of $\$ 7,000$. Of those students who reported prior indebtedness, most were in debt because of preprofessional school educational expenditures. A larger proportion of public health students than students of the other health professions reported indebtedness for a home mortgage.

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Tine proportion of health professions students who reported that they were in debt prior to entering professional school and the average total amount of that debt are shown in Figure 5. The proportions of health professions students reporting prior debt and the average amounts of that debt varied widely between disciplines. Before beginning professional school, only 32 percent of pharmacy students were indebted; on the other hand, 52 percent of public health students reported having prior debts. The average amount of prior debt was between $\$ 4,190$, reported by pharmacy students, and \$12,290, reported by public health students. in major part of the student's prior debt was educational expenditurss. The amount of prior educational debt reflected the health professiuns school's admission requirement. For example, pharmacy schools admit students after completing 2 years of undergraduate school, while public health schools require at least a baccalaureate degree for admission. It she ald also be noted that nearly one-third of indebted public health students had home mortgages averaging about $\$ 27,000$, and about one-half had an ave. age debt of $\$ 4,100$ for olier items such as car loans, spouse's and children's education.

Figure 5: P: portion (f Health Proisss uns Students Reporting andebtedriess Prior to Ertering Professiona: School and Ave: age Amount of Debt: School Year 1976-77]/

Percent


1/ ERIC lot available for students of allopathic in jicine.

## Current Debt

The proportions of health professins surlents indebted as of June 1977 and the average amount of that debt are given in Figure 6 . (Information qiven in "his table for allopathic mes: ine students is for 1977 and not for 1975.) A comparison of Figure 5 and Figure 6 reveals what happened to the students' indrotedness after they had attended professional school for some length of time. As could be expectfit, oenerally more students were indehted and for a higher average amount. Public health students were the exception. Although more of these stadents reported being in debt, the average arount of puhlic health stufents' deht decreased because new dehtors reported debts which were belrw the average dehts of students with prior debts.

Podiatry and dentistry students ckprienced similar increases in the werage amount of their cu: ent debt over their average prior debt, but a arger ronortion of podiatry studants than dentistry students became indehted during tiois period. Since podiatry students reported the highest. ararage annual total expenditires, it is not ourprising to find that pudiatry sturents changed their indehtotness status more than did students of any of ${ }^{2}$. hea?th professions.

The current indentedness status of health professions students was closoly correlated with the length of time in program and marital status. Upperclass en reported higher average amounts of current indebtedness than thos: reported by lower classmen, and more married students reported having current dehts than did single students. This can be seen in Tahles 27 anr! 28 which, rec ectively, mresert the proportions of health pofessions students currentiy indehted 3 of June 1077 and the average amount of deht by marital status and year in prograns.
 Averome Amount of Dont:



Tahla \%\%: Pronnetion of Health Professions Students Curantly Indehten and Averane Anount of Dert Liv Marital Status, Remorto ane Ia77!/

| Marital itatus | nentistry | Iptometry | Osternathy | Pharmacy | Porliatry | Fiblic Health | Veterinary Mericine |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Propartion Indehted |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All iturdents | 71 | 68 | 70 | 53 | 78 | 59 | 69 |
| Singis | 64 | 61 | 67 | 4 | $7 ?$ | 50 | 56 |
| Married - no children | 79 | 76 | 78 | 7 | 83 | 61 | 70 |
| Married - with children | 85 | 78 | 84 | 73 | 88 | 72 | 89 |
|  | Avergoe Amount of Deht |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All Sturents | \$10,580 | 18,840 | 850 | 81,570 | 810,780 | \$11,600 | \$:490 |
| Single | 8,710 | fr 790 | 8,650 | 3,540 | 8,750 | 5,430 | 5,830 |
| Married - no children | 11,590 | $\because \because, 10$ | 17.900 | 5,900 | 10,707 | 15,570 | 8,500 |
| Married - with childrericmer | 14.00 | 1,060 | 17, 100 | 8,630 | 13,110 | 18,190 | 10,400 |

I/ Data not wailable for students of allonathi mer cine.

Table 28: Proportion of Health Professions. Students Currently Indebted and Average Amount of Dent by Year in Program: School Year 1976-77]/


U/ Int vo r mailable for students of allopathic medicine. Preliminary report of 5 studies of Medical Student Finances, $1077-78$ report: that in . $\quad$ : 1088 the average current debt of medical students was $\$ 10,450$ for all 5 students, $\$ 6,5 \%$ for Frit year students, $\$ 10,570$ far in mediate year students, and $\$ 13,800$ for final year students.
?/ Only pho y students in last three yarns of program were surveyed.

## Anticipated Debt

As a final determination of indebtedness status, health professions students were asked to estimate the amount of debt they expected to accrue by the time they graduated from professiona? school. The proportions of students anticipating future indebterness and t' ir estimated debts are shown in Figure 7. Although only a small proportion of students in each health profession antiripated q.: :; from no current debts to some debts by the time they graduated, there was a significant difference between the average amounts of current and anticipated indebtedness. Eighty-seven percent of podiatry and 80 percent of osteopathy students projecter that they wuld have a debt of $\$ 18,000$ by the time they graduated from professional school. This was the highest debt projected by health p/ fessions students. The projected future indehtedness of watiatry and osteopathic students could reflect the fact that they also reported the highest average annual total expenc tur:s with approximately three-fourths of them reporting that they were already in debt as of June 1977.

Figure 7: Prowartion of Health Professions Student; who Anticipated Being in Bebi Upun Graduation and Average Amount of Dubbt Reported in chmei Year 1975-:?/

Percent



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Summary of Indebtedness
Most health professions students predicted that, on the average, by the tim. they had planned to complete their educatinn their debt would be bout $21 / 2$ times as large as the debt they had when they entered professional schoril. Public health sturents were the onl: groatp who did not foresee an increase in the amount of indebtedness. Itay reportw that, on lie average, their debts would actually starease by the time they completed professional school. This decrease in indebtedness reflects the fact tat new debtors projected a much low debt at gradua.ion than those students who were in debt prior to entering public health school. Another factor contributing to their lower debts might we the fact that most public health students finance their education with nonrefund bile funds.

A comparison of reported debts by students of public and private schools shows that both groups of students reported similar prior debts, but ney had very different current and anticipated debts. Health professions students attending private schools expected to owe lorger amonts than public school sudents. This could be expected since students attending private schools reported higher total annual expenditures and relied more heavily on refundabie sources for the income. Table 29 presents the average amount of prior dre tarrent debt, ant anticipated debt for heal'h professions students in s thot control.
 hy School Control, Reported June 1077]/


Average ninht
All Stutar: 6

| Prior Dehti.' | \$ $6,57 n$ | \$5,500 | \$7,080 | - 4,190 | 96,? 20 | 813.700 | \$ 5,760 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Current Deht ${ }^{1 /}$ | 10,580 | R,830 | 11,86is | 4,570 | 10, 980 | 11,550 | 7,40n |
| Anticipated Deht ${ }^{\text {a/ }}$ | 1?,300 | 14,300 | 10,700 | 6,400 | 18,330 | 11,610 | 10,600 |

Puhlic School Student

| Prior Deht | S 5.480 | S5, 1 | 55,920 | \$4,160 | \$ | - ? | 313,300 | ¢5,580 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Current. Deht. | ! $\quad$ M | 7,170 | 7,7810 | 4,170 |  | - | 11.710 | 7,100 |
| Anticinated Deht |  | 11,500 | 14,830 | 5.100 |  | - | 11,550 | 9,960 |

Private School Stidents

| Prior Deht. | \$ 5,500 | \$5, 9 Mn | \$ 1, 380 | \$ 1,326 | \$ 6,720 | \$12, 120 | \$9,40 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Current Deht | 11, 20 | 9,410 | 12,680 | 5,720 | 10,280 | 17,100 | 17.570 |
| Anticicipated Dent | (0), 16, | 15,800 | 20,790 | 7,960 | 18,330 | 11,700 | ? ${ }^{\text {, } 960}$ |

1/ Data not availatile for stutents of allopathic mert: ine.
?) There are no putlic schools of pontiatry.
 Total unoaid de: 's as of June 1977.
Estimate of tota: teht by graduation.

## VI. Conclusion

The costs of obtaining a health profession education varied wittly anong the seven health professions which were surveyed during the 1976-77 school year. The health professions schools which participated in the survey were dentistry, optometry, osteopathy, pharmacy, porfiatry, public health, and veterinary medicine. Although students of allopathic medicine were not included in the 1977 survey, estimates of their 1976.77 school year expenditures were included in the analysis plusation in this publication. Of all health prnfessions 3 ants who were surveyed, podiatry and osteopathy !s highest average annual expenditures of $\$ 11,720$ ant \$11, 0\%. ectivy. On the other hand, pharmacy students reported civiag ralal expenditures of $\$ 6,740$ which was the lowest average ......r mported by all students.

Relevant factors explaining the differences in annual expenditures hy the health professions students were control or affiliation of the school attended by the students, i.e., public or orivate, and the marital status of the student. In each health profession, students attending private schools reported averaqe school exper es which were about. 150 percent greater than those reported by students in puhlic schools. Of all students attending private ands, ferinary students reported the hiqhest averao arme 3 schoul expenses, $\$ 5,420$, and public health students reported the lowest av:rige amount, $\$ 3,430$. nf all students attending public mons, dental students reported the hiahest. average annual school
expenses; $\$ 3,050$, and pharmacy students reported spending the lowest amount, $\$ 1,000$. As expected, married and single students in each health profession reported spending similar amounts on school expenses; but married students, especially those with children, reported that they spent more on food, lodging, and other items than did single students. Of all the health professions students, less than one-fourth of the pharmacy students were married and over half of the, osteopathy, podiatry, and public health students were married. Thus their expenditures on food, lodging, and other items were greater.

Most students financed their education with income obtained from nonrefundable sources. Students most frequently reported that they received the largest proportion of their income from their own earnings and savings and from contributions made by their spouses and parents. Of all the heaith professions students, more of the pharmacy and public health students were employed, 49 and 48 percent respectively; and they worked more hours per week, 17 and 20 hours, respectively, than students of the other health professions. Public health students were least likely of any group of students to rely on refundable sources for their income. On the average, they financed only 4 percent of their educational costs with funds obtained through loans. In contrast, students of podiatry and dentistry financed 31 percent and 27 percent, respectively, of their education with funds obtained through loans.

Approximately 40 percent of all health professions students reported that they were in debt prior to entering professional school. The average debt reported by these students was \$7,000. Of those students who reported prior indebtedness, most were in debt because of preprofessional school educational expenditures. About 67 percent of all students reported having debts at the time of the survey, with the average current debt being $\$ 9,500$. Upperclassmen reported higher average amounts of current indebtedness than lowerclassmen; more married students, both with and without children, reported having current debts than did single students. Most health professions students predicted that by the time they graduated their debt would be $21 / 2$ times as large as the debt they had upon entering professional school.

## Appendix A

1976-77 Survey, Instrument Study of Health Professions Student Financing

This appendix contains copies of the cover letter and questionnaire sent to the health professions students who participated in the survey. Two first pages of the questionnaire are given in this appendix because the first page of the questionnaire sent to pharmacy students differed from that sent to other health professions students. Pharmacy schools have a unique academic schedule. Pharmacy schools offer a 3-year, 4-year, or 5-year program. Students are admitted to the 3-year program after completing 2 years of undergraduate school; to the 4 -year program after completing 1 year of undergraduate school; and to the 5-year program after completing high school. The last 3 years of, pharmacy programs are considered to be the professional training period; therefore, only students enrolled in the last 3 years of their training were surveyed.


This study is being conducted by Audits \& Surveys, Inc., under the sponsorship of the Bureau of Health Manpower (BHM), of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare (DHEW). The infcrmation derived from this study will be used by BHM in preparing recommendations designed to further implement new programs and policies and to provide evaluation of current programs in the area of Federal financial assistance to students in the heal th professions. It is, therefore, important to the well-being of current, as well as future health profession students, that you provide the information requested as fully and as accurately as possible.

Your responses to this questionnaire are voluntary: and you need not respond to any questions you may object to. The data is for statistical purposes only and your responses will be kept confidential. The findings will be aggregated so that it will not be possible to identify individual respondents. No names or addresses will be put onto computer tape or related to the data in any fashion. The data the Government will receive will not contain individual names.

This front sheet containing your name will be removed to insure that your responses will remain completely confidential and anonymous. Your name appears only to aid the project staff in checking in returned questionnaires and to forward additional questionnaires when needed.

When you have completed the questionnaire, please return it in the enclosed envelope. No postage is necessary. Also, mail the enclosed pre-addressed post card indicating that you have returned your compl eted questionnaire.

We thank you in advance for your cooperation. If you have any questions concerning how to answer the questionnaire, please call Mr. James Dutka, collect, at (212) 689-9400 on extension 311. Mr. Dutka will help answer any question you may have.

## PHARMACY

> INSTRUCTIONS: Please place an "X" in the appropriate answer, boxes or fill in the space with the appropriate answer. Please answer all questions as fully and as accurately as possible.

1. What degree(s) do you expect to receive from the professional program in which you are
2. $\qquad$ 7. currently enrolled?
3. $\qquad$ 8-
4. $\qquad$ 9-
5. What academic degree(s), if any, do you currently have?
6. $\qquad$ 10-
7. $\qquad$ $11-$
8. $\qquad$ 12None

9. In what academic year of your present program are you now enrolled?

10. How old were you on your last birthday?

Years $\qquad$ (15-16) SKIP COL. 14
5. What is your sex?

Male17-1

Female$-2$

INSTRUCTION:: Please place an "X" in the appropriate answer boxes or fill in the space with the appropriate answer. Please answer all questions as fully and as accurately as possible.

1. What degree(s) do you expect to receive from the professional program in which you are currently enrolled?
2. What academic degree(s), if any, do you currently have?

3. $\qquad$ 10-
4. 

 11-
3. $\qquad$ 12-

None12-0

3a. What is the length, in academic years, of the complete professional school program in which you are currently enrolled? (An academic year is defined as starting on July 1 of a year and ending on June 30 of the following year.)

3b. In what academic year of this program are you now enrolled?
4. How old were you on your last birthday?

Years $\qquad$


| Une academic year | $\square$ | $13-1$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Two academic years | $\square$ | -2 |
| Three academic years | $\square$ | -3 |
| Four academic years | $\square$ | -4 |
| Five academic years | $\square$ | -5 |
| Six acacenic years | $\square$ | -6 |


| First academic year | $\square$ | $14-1$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Second academic year |  |  |
| Third academic year | -2 |  |
| Fourth ademic year | -3 |  |
| Fifth academic year | -4 |  |
| Sixth academic year | -5 |  |

5. What is your sex?

Male

6a. What is your racial background?
Do you consider yourself to be...

| American Indian or Alaskan <br> Native <br> Asian or Pacific Is lander <br> Chinese <br> Japanese <br> Other (SPECIFY) | $\square$ |
| :--- | :--- |
|  | $\square$ |
| Black/Negro <br> Caucasian/White | $\square$ |

6b. Is your ethnic heritage Hispanic?

| Yes | $\square 19-1$ | ANSWER Q.6c |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| No | $\square-2$ | COTOQ. 7 |

IF "YES" TO Q. 6b, ANSWER Q. $6 c$
6c. Of what Hispanic group are you a member?

Cuban
Mexican
Puerto Rican South American Other (SPECIFY)
7. What is your marital status? Single (never married)

- Married

Widowed, Divorced, Separated

8a. Excluding yourself, how many financial dependents do you, yourself have?
\# ___ (22) IF "ONE OR MORE", ANSWER Q. 8b AND Q.8c. IF "NONE", CO TO Q. 9

IF "ONE OR MORE" IN Q. 8a, ANSWER Q'S $8 b$ AND 8c
8 b . How many of these dependents are
less than 18 years of age?
Number
(23)

8c. How many of these dependents are 18 years of age or older?

Number $\qquad$ (24)
9. What is your citizenship status?

United States Citizen
Not a U.S. Citizen


10a.: In what country have you lived the longest?

| United States |  |
| :--- | :---: |
| U $26-1$ | IF "U.S.", ANSWER |
| Other (SPECIFY. | Q.10b |
| COUNTRY) | IF "OTHER", GO TO |
| O.11 |  |

$(26-27)$

IF LIVED IN "UNITED STATES" THE LONGEST, ANSWER Q. 100
lob. Did you live the longest in a ...
Large City (population 500,000 or more)
28-1
City of Moderate Size (population 50,000$499,999)$
Suburb of a Moderately Sized City
Small rity (10,000-49,999 population)
Town (population less than 10,000 )
Farm, Rural or Unincorporated area


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Q'S 11-14 REFER TO YOUR PARENTS. IF YOUR PARENTS ARE NOT CURRENTLY
MARRIED, ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE PEOPLE WITH WHOM YOU LIVED
THE LONGEST.
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11. What is the highest grade of school completed by your father, your mother, aird if you are currently married, your spouse (answer even if your parents are deceased)?

|  | YOUR FATHER | YOUR MOTHER | YOUR SPOUSE <br> (IF CURRENTLY <br> MARRIED) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Completed Grade School or less | ] 29-1 | $\square 30-1$ | $\square 31-1$ |
| Some High School | $\square \quad-2$ | $\square$-2 | $\square-2$ |
| Completed High School | $\square \quad-3$ | $\square \quad-3$ | -3 |
| Specialized Business or Technical . Training | $\square \quad-4$ | $\Gamma]-4$ | $\square \quad-4$ |
| Some College | $\square-5$ | $\square-5$ | $\square-5$ |
| Completed College | $\square \quad-6$ | $\square-6$ | -6 |
| Some Graduate or Professional School | $\square \quad-7$ | $\square \quad-7$ | $\square \cdot-7$ |
| Completed Graduate or Professional School | $\square \quad-8$ | $\square \quad-8$ | $1] \quad-8$ |
| Other (PLEASE SPECIFY) |  |  |  |
|  | $\square 29-$ | $1] 30-$ | $\square 31-$ |

12. What is the occupation of your father, your mother and, if you are currently married, your spouse? If either of your parents or your spouse are Retired or Deceased, mark in the space provided and indicate their last major occupation.

|  | FATHER | MOTHER | YOUR SPOUSE (IF CURRENTLY MARRIED) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Retired | $\square 32-1$ | - 38-1 | [44-1 |
| Deceased | -2 | $\square^{38}-2$ | $\bigcirc-2$ |
| Physician |  | -3 | -3 |
| Osteopath |  | -4 | -4 |
| Dentist |  | -5 | -5 |
| Optometrist | -6 | -6 | -6 |
| Pharmacist | -7 | -7 | $\square-7$ |
| Podiatrist | -8 | -8 | - 8 |
| Veterinarian | -9 | -9 | -9 |
| Registered Nurse <br> Public Health Worker (SPECIFY) | $\square-0$ | - -0 | -0 |
| Other Health Worker (SPECIFY) | _33- | 39 | $45-$ |
|  | -34- | - 40- | 46 |
| Other Professional Worker (SPECIFY) (e.g., Clergyman, Engineer, etc.) | 35- | 41- | 47- |
| Owner; Manager, Proprietor | 1] 36-1 | 「] 42-1 | ]8-1 |
| Clerical/Office/Sales Worker | $\square \quad-2$ | $\square \quad-2$ | $\square-2$ |
| Craftsman, Skilled Worker, Foreman | -3 | ] -3 | $\square \quad-3$ |
| Unskilled Worker ! | -4 | -4 | $\square-4$ |
| Farmer, Farm Worker | $\square-5$ | - -5 | $\square \quad-5$ |
| Homemaker/Housewi fe | $\square$-6 | - -6 | - -6 |
| Other Occupation (SPECIFY) |  |  |  |

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IF BQTH PARENTS ARE DECEASED, GO TO Q. 15
13. Excluding your parents themselves, how many persons are dependent on your parents for at least one-half of their financial support?

Number of persons $\qquad$ (50)
14. What is your best estimate of your parents total personal annual income for calendar year 1976 (before taxes)?

| Less than $\$ 5,000$ | $\square 51-1$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| $\$ 5,000-\$ 9,999$ | $\square$ |
| $\$ 10,000-\$ 14,999$ | - |
| $\$ 15,000-\$ 19,999$ | - |
| $\$ 20,000-\$ 24,999$ | -4 |
| $\$ 25,000-\$ 49,999$ | -5 |
| $\$ 50,000$ or more | $\square$ |

15. How many brothers, half-" brothers, sisters and half-sisters do you have?

# Number of Brothers and Half. Brothers 

# Number of Sisters and Half Sisters 

16a. Are you employed for pay during the current school term?


IF "YES" TO Q. 16a, ANSWER Q. $16 b$
16b. On the average, how many hours per week are you employed?

Hours Per Week $\qquad$ (55-56)
17. Where will you live for the major part of your time in school during the current academic year (July 1976 to June 1977)?

| School Dormitory | 57-1 |
| :---: | :---: |
| School-owned or Controlled Apartment | -2 |
| Other Apartment or House | 3 |
| Club, Fraternity, or Sorority House | $\square-4$ |
| Room in Private Home, Rooming or Boarding House | $\square-5$ |
| Parents' or Relatives' Home Other (SPECIFY) | $\square-6$ |


|  | 58- |
| :---: | :---: |
| g. | Yes $\square$ 59-1 |
|  | . No $\square$-2 |

18a. Did you apply for financial aid (e.g. Yes 59-1 grant, scholarship, loan or any repayable or non-repayable financial No -2. help) for the current school year through your professional school?

18b. Did you apply for financial aid for
Yes60-1 the current school year through sources other than your professional

No $\square \quad-2$ school?

19a. Are you aware of the availability
Yes6.1-1 ANSWER Q.19b of financial assistance from the Federal Health Professions No $\qquad$ Student Loan and Scholarship programs?

IF "YES" TO Q.19a, ANSWER Q. $19 b$

| 196. When did you become aware of the Federal Health Professions |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Student Loan and Scholarship programs? Was it... |  |
| Before applying for admission to a health pro- |  |
| $\vdots$ | fusional school? |
| $\vdots$ | After applying for admission to a health pro- |
| fusional school? |  |

19c. Please indicate in the appropriate space below whether or not you applied for financial assistance this school year (1976-77) from any of the sources listed. For each source to which you did apply, indicate. the present status of your application. i,

SOURCE
Basic Educational Opportunity
Grant
Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant

College Work-Study Program
Federal Health Professions Scholarship

Federal Health Professions Loan

Guaranteed Student Loan (where the bank is the authorized lender)

Guaranteed Student Loan (where the school is the authorized lender)

National Direct Student Lo ain

DID NOT APPLIED
APPLY ACCEPTED REJECTED PENDING
$1]$ 63-1 $\quad \square-2 \quad \square-3 \quad 1-4$
$\square$ 64-1 $\square-2 \quad \square-3 \quad \square-4$65-1 D-2


- -4

66-1 $\square-2 \quad \square-3 \quad \Gamma-4$67-1
$-3$
To
$\square 68-1 \quad \square-2$

$1--4$
69-1
「]-2

$-4$
$1] 70-1 \quad \square-2 \quad \square$ $\square$
$-3$
T: 4

20a. Questions 20a-24 ask for many kinds of personal assets you have and expenses you might incur or have incurred while a student in this professional school. Information in this section, as indicated to you earlier, will be used only to summarize the resources which are currently available to health professions students for education and living expenses. Because your answers regarding resources, expenses and indebtedness are critical to the validity of this survey, please estimate as accurately as you can the cmounts of money you receive or expect to receive from any source duming the current year (July 1, 1976 to June 30, 1977). You may want to consult bills, receipts, diaries, files, ledgers, bank stavements, check stubs, income tax forms, stocks, savings accounts and any other written necord of your assets and expenses that is available. Again, let us assure you that this information will be treated in confidence and no personal data will be revealed.

Show below the amounts of money which have become or will be available to you to meet your expenses in the year beginning July l, 1976 and ending June 30, 1977. Please indicate in whole dollars. No source should be indicated more than once. If you find a more appropriate category than one you have already written in, cross the wrong one out and rewrite the amount of money in the correct space: The list continues through questions 20b, 20c and 20 d .

Earnings, Income and 'Gifts Before Taxes
(July 1, 1976 to June 30, 1977)
Your earnings from employment
Armed Forces active duty or reserve pay
$\qquad$

Spouse's earnings/income
Income from savings, trusts", stocks, bonds, investments (Yours and Spouse's)


Gifts
\$ $\qquad$
Parents' and relatives' contributions
\$ $\qquad$
Spouse's parents' and/or relatives' contributions \$ $\qquad$
Other gift's (SPECIFY SOURCE).


20b. Scholarships; Grants and Other Non-Repayable Funds
(July 1, 1976 to June 30, 1977)
Federal Health Professions Scholarship Program
Robert Wood Johnson Scholarship
Other Foundation Scholarships (SPECIFY)
$\qquad$
Grant(s) from school funds (including tuition remission or waiver)
Veterans Benefits
Public Health Service Scholarship
Physicians Shortage Area Scholarship
Armed Forces Health Professions Scholarship Program

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| $\$$ | .00 |
| :--- | :--- |
| $\$$ | $(36-38)$ |

NIH/PHS supported research fellowship or traineeship, research grant, clinical fellowship, etc.
State Government Scholarship
State Professional Society Scholarship
National Medical Fellowship
Other (SPECIFY SOURCE) 76-

20c. Loans and Other Repayable Funds
(July 1, 1976 to June 30,1977 )
Federal HealthiProfessions Direct Student Loan
National Direct Students Loan/National Defense
Office of Education Student Loan
Robert Wood Johnson Loan
Guaranteed School Loan (where the school'is the authorized lender)
School Loan (not guaranteed by State or Federal Government)
Private Bank Loan (not guaranteed by State or Federal Government)

Guarantéed (insured) student bank loan
Loan From Private Financial Source (e.g., insurance company)
Other Professional Foundation Loan
Family Loan
Personal Loan (from an individual other than family)

| $\$$ | .00 | $(7-9)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\$$ | .00 | $(10-12)$ |
| $\$$ | .00 | $(13-15)$ |
| $\$$ | .00 | $(16-18)$ |


| $\$$ | .00 |
| :--- | ---: |
| $\$$ | $(61-63)$ |
| $\$$ | .00 |
|  | $(64-66)$ |
| $\$$ | .00 |
|  | $(67-69)$ |
| $\$$ | .00 |

$\begin{array}{lrl}\$ & .00 & (46-48) \\ \$ & .00 & (49-51) \\ \$ & .00 & (52-54) \\ \$ & .00 & (55-57) \\ \$ & .00 & (58-60)\end{array}$
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 $6-3$

20d. Other Resources
(July 1, 1976 to June 30, 1977)
Any other resources you have available for meeting professional school expenses for the 1976-1977 school year. (SPECIFY SOURCE)_ 51- \$

$\$$| $.00(53-55)$ |
| ---: |
| $\$$ |
| $.00(56-58)$ |
| $6-4$ |

Please estimate as accurately as you can, the total amcunt (in whole dollars) that you have spent and expect to spend for yourself and your dependents during the year beginning July 1,1976 and ending June $30,1977$.

21a. Education Expenses (Your Own)
Tuition and Fees
Books and Supplies
Instruments and Equipment
Other Educational Expenses
e.g. Clinical Clerkship (SPECIFY)
$\qquad$
21b. Other Expenses (Yours and Dependents)
Lodging (rent, house payment, home maintenance, etc.)

Food (in home, out of home)
Clothing
Heal th Care
Insurance (car, household, life, medical)

Transportation (including expenses for auto operation)
Major Purchases from July I, 1976 to June 30, 1977 ONLY. If any of these have been financed include only the amount you will pay for during the academic year July 1, 1976 June 30, 1977. (e.g. auto, furniture etc.).

Spouse's Education Expenses
Other Expenses (daycare, pocket money, taxes, vacations, entertainment, general leisure time expenses, repayment of loans for items other than above).


TOTAL YEARLY EXPENDITURE
July 1, 1976-June 30, 1977

$\$$

$\$$
$\$$
$\$$
$\$ \ldots \quad .00(32-34)$
\$
$\$ \ldots \quad .00(35-37)$
$\$ \quad(38-40)$
$\$+.00(41-43)$
$\$ \ldots .00(44-46)$

Please estimate as accurately as you can your total indebtedness.
22. Total Indebtedness Upon Entrance to Professional School
A. Indebtedness for prior Educational Expenses
B. Home Loan Mortgage
C. Indebtedness for Other Expenses .
$\qquad$ (47-49)
$\$ \ldots \quad .00(50-52)$
$\$$
(53-55)
\$ $\qquad$
23. Current Indebteaness (as of July 1, 1976) (Total owed prior to professional school and during
_ professional schoolincluding auto loans, school loans, mortgage, etc.)
$\$ \ldots \quad .00(59-61)$
24. Anticipated indebtedness you expect to owe by graduation based on current school and other expenses.
\$ $\qquad$
25. Please write any comments or ideas you have about methods and programs for financing the education of heal th professionals in the space below.
$\qquad$
$\qquad$
$\qquad$
$\qquad$
$\qquad$
$\qquad$

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.

PLEASE WRITE IN THE NAME OF THE UNIVFRSITY YOU ARE ATTENDING (SAME AS PAGE 1)
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## Appendix B

Health Professions Schools Participating in 1976-77 Survey by State
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| OPTOMETRY |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| State | School |
| Alabama | University of Alabama |
| California | Southern California College University of California at Berkeley |
| Illinois | Illinois College |
| Indiana | Indiana University |
| Mass achusetts | New Engl'and College |
| New York | State University of New York |
| Ohio | Ohio State University |
| Oregon | Pacific University |
| Pennsylvania | Pennsylvania College |
| Tennessee | Southern College of Optometry |
| Texas | University of Houston |
| OSTEOPAFIHY |  |
| State | School |
| Illino is | Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine |
| Kansas | Kansas City College of Osteopathic Medicine |
| Michigan | Michigan State University |
| Missouri | Kirksville College of Osteopathy |
| Ohio | Ohio University |
| Ok 1 ahoma | Oklahoma State University |
| Pennsylvania | Philade phia College of Osteopathy Medicine |
| Texas | Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine |
| West Virginia | West Virginia School of Osteopathy. |



| PODIATRY |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| State |  |
| California |  |
| Illinois | School <br> New York <br> Medicine College of Podiatric |
| Ohio |  |
| Pennsylvania |  |
| PUBLIC HEALTH |  |$\quad$| New York College of Podiatric Medicine |
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## VETERINARY MEDICINE

State
Alabama

- California

Colorado
Florida
Georgia
Illino is
Indiana
Iowa
Kansas
Louisiana
Minnesota
New York
Ohio
Okl ahoma
Pennsylvania
T.ennessee

Texas
Washington

## School

Auburn University Tuskegee Institute

University of California at Davis
Colorado State U'niversity
University of Florida
University of Georgia
University of Illinois
Purdue University
Iowa State University
Kansas State University
Louisiana State University
University of Minnesota
Cornell Úniversity
Ohio State University
Oklahoma Ștate University

- University of Pennsylvania

University of Tennessee
Texas A \& M University
Washington State University

# Appendix C <br> Procedure for Estimating Expenditure Data by Students of Allopathic Medicine for School Year 1976-77 

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The Association of American Medical Schools surveyed students of aliopathic medicine in 1975 and in 1978 to gather information on related costs of obtaining their education and resources used to finance that education. The results of the 1975 survey were published in a series of four reports, Studies of Medical Student Financing, I/ by the Bureau of Health Manpower, Health Resources Administration, Department of Health, Education, and Welfare. The results of the 1978 survey have not been published, but in October. 1979 the Association of American Medical Colleges, Department of Academic Affairs, Division of Student Studies, prepared a brief preliminary cursory report ${ }^{2 /}$ on medical siudents' expenses, income, and indebtedness. The 1975 and 1978 surveys provided financial information before and after school year 1976-77, the year in which all other health professions students were surveyed. Therefore, school year 1976-77 expenditure data had to be estimated for allopathic students to afford comparison with the other health professions.

The procedure used to estimate 1976-77 expenditure data by students of allopathic medicine was a four-step process. First, the 1975 and 1978 survey data were deflated to constant dollars. Since the data were for expenditures during school years 1974-75 and 1977-78, the consumer price

1/ Studies in Series of Medical Student Financing are: Survey of How $:$ Medical Students Finance Their Education, 1974-75 (HRA) 76-94, Medical Student Indebtedness /and Career Plans, 1974-75 (HRA) 77-21, Medical Student Finances and Personal Characteristics, 1974-75 (HRA) 77.-53, Medical Student Financing and Institutional Characteristics, 1974-75 (HRA) 77-54.

2/ Studi.es of Medical Student Financing, 1977-78, preliminary report of October 1978, Association of American Medical Colleges, Washington, D.C.
index for all items (CPIA) for the years 1974 and 1977 were used to express the survey data in real te; $;$. Second, a compound annual growth rate was computed for the increase in expenditures between 1974 and 1977. Third, the growth rate computed in step two was applied to expenditures in the base year to estimate real expenditures in 1976. Fourth, the estimated real expenditures for 1976 were converted to current dollars by allowing for inflation occurring between 1974 and 1976.

The table appearing below presents the various reported expenditures by medical. students in constant 1974 dollars for the years 1974-75 and 1977-78. Also given in this table are the annual growth rates which were computed in step two of the above estimation process. These growth rates were applied to expenditure data for all students, for all students by . marital status, year in program, and geographic division.

Expenditures By Medical Students For School Years 1974-75 and 1977-78 in Constant Dollars, Base Year 1974, and Annual Growth Rate

|  | 1974-75 <br> Expenditures | 1977-78 <br> Expenditures | Annual Growth . Rate |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | \$7,536 | 1.021 |
| Total Expenses School | $\$ 7,085$ 12,360 | + 2 ,995 | 1.082 |
| Board | ก,089 | 1,000 | . 98 |
| Lodging | 1,619 | 1,589 | . 995 |
| Other | 2,017 | 1,952. | . 99 |


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[^2]:    $1 /$ Est imated from data from 1974.75 and $1977-78$ Survey of Medical Student Financing. See Appendix C. 2. There are no public schools of podiatry.

