Federal Grants to State and Local Governments, 1968–69

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AID TO STATE AND LOCAL governments in the form of Federal grants amounted to \$19.8 billion during fiscal year 1968–69, an increase of about 9 percent over the Federal grants of 1967–68. About 70 percent of the grants—almost \$14 billion—were for programs of a social welfare nature. The \$10.1 billion of grants made by the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare represented more than half the total and nearly three-fourths of all social welfare grants.

The Federal grants-in-aid as a fiscal device for achieving program objectives through government channels has a history almost as long as the Nation's. The modern allocation-formula grant with matching requirements for the recipient State or local government, however, made its appearance only as recently as the period of World War I in the Federal Aid Road Act of 1916 and the Smith-Hughes (vocational education) Act of 1917. An even newer development, the project grant, began to receive increasing emphasis in the mid-fifties, and most of the more recently inaugurated grant programs have been project grants in which the money is channeled directly to the project being assisted.

Grants-in-aid are but one of the Federal fiscal aids to State and local governments, but quantitatively they are the most significant. Federal grants are also made to other types of recipients (individuals and institutions), but those made to the lower government levels are, again quantitatively, the most significant.

The grants data in the accompanying tables are confined to grants for cooperative Federal-State or Federal-local programs administered at the State and/or local level and to those programs in which the bulk of the funds is channeled through agencies of State and local governments. Emergency grants and the value of grants-in-kind, such as surplus foods distributed domestically or Braille materials for the blind, are included when they conform to these criteria. Shared

revenues and payments in lieu of taxes are excluded, as are programs in which the States or localities are acting solely as agents of the Federal Government.

In 1968-69 the Federal Government was operating about 110 different grants programs to assist the States and localities in financing specific activities. For presentation here, these grants programs have been consolidated according to purpose of subject-matter area into eight groups, which are sometimes further consolidated into six because of space limitations (tables 1 and 3). As far as possible the classification is in conformity with the Social Security Administration statistical series on social welfare expenditures. Specific variations were described in the 1969 annual review of Federal grants.

One additional variation between the two series has become necessary. Data on grants for child welfare services, until this year grouped with miscellaneous social welfare grants, is now of necessity incorporated in the health grants group. Grants for child welfare services, maternal and child health services, and services for crippled children are all allocation-formula grants originated under the Social Security Act of 1935, and all carry the same Federal appropriation symbol. Financial data on these three are now recorded and reported in combined form together with the two project grant programs of the former Children's Bureau: maternal and infant care and health services for children and youth. In previous years the data had been available separately for each of the five programs.

GRANTS IN FISCAL YEAR 1968-69

The 1968-69 Federal grants of \$19.8 billion represented more than twice their counterparts

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¹ See Alfred M. Skolnik and Sophie R. Dales, "Social Welfare Expenditures, 1968-69," Social Security Bulletin, December 1969.

² Sophie R. Dales, "Federal Grants to State and Local Governments, 1967-68," Social Security Bulletin, August 1969.

of 5 years earlier and more than triple those of a decade earlier. The 1968-69 grants were 9 percent more than those of the preceding year, which had topped the 1966-67 grants by 22 percent. Thus, for the time at least, the rise in total Federal expenditures through the grants mechanism has slowed its acceleration.

Although the total amount of grants rose in 1968-69, not all the grant groups shared in the rise. Education services and construction, within the social welfare category, were down 2 percent or \$55 million less than in the preceding year, and highway grants were down. All the other grant groups experienced increases, ranging from 5.2 percent for health services and construction to 30.8 percent for the urban affairs group.

In previous years, a decrease in the relative importance of one of the two largest grant categories—social welfare and highways—has resulted in a correspondingly increased proportion

of the total for the other. In 1968–69 a somewhat different situation obtained. Highway grants did go down, both in absolute dollar amount and in proportion of total grants (by 2.0 percentage points). Only a part of the difference (1.3 percentage points) went, however, to increase the relative magnitude of the grants for social welfare purposes. The remainder (0.7 percentage points) showed up as an increase in the relatively new grants group, urban affairs.³ Grants for urban affairs (table 2) increased nearly a third to \$852 million in fiscal year 1968–69, and the group was thus raised from 3.6 percent of all grants to 4.3 percent.

The social welfare grants are further subdi-

Table 1.—Federal grants: Total to State and local governments, by purpose, fiscal years 1929–30 to 1968–69
[Amounts in millions]

						Social	welfare							
Fiscal year	All grants 1	Total		Public assistance ²		Health ³		Education 4		Miscellaneous social welfare ⁵		Highways 6		All other 7
		Amount	Percent of all grants	Amount	Percent of all grants	Amount	Percent of all grants	Amount	Percent of all grants	Amount	Percent of all grants	Amount	Percent of all grants	
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³ Except for the sporadic grants for community facilities and defense community facilities that started in the mid-forties and ended in the late fifties, the urban affairs group began in 1952–53 with \$8 million of grants for slum clearance.

vided by purpose into the following groups of grants: Public assistance, health, education, and miscellaneous social welfare. Grants for public assistance include the Federal share of cash payments under the categorical assistance programs, \$2.9 billion; medical assistance payments, \$2.1 billion; and grants for administration, social services training, and demonstration projects, \$1.4 billion. The \$6.3 billion total for public assistance was 18 percent above the 1967-68 figure. Public assistance grants made up more than 45 percent of social welfare grants and almost 32 percent of all grants of 1968-69; the comparable proportions for the preceding fiscal year were 42 and 29 percent.

Grants for health services and construction rose \$42 million—more than 5 percent—to \$866 million in 1968-69. One program alone, comprehensive health planning and services, increased by \$64 million to \$119 million in its second year of operation, but changes in other programs cut the overall group increase down to the \$42 million. In both 1968-69 and the preceding fiscal year the health grants accounted for 6-7 percent of social welfare grants and about 4½ percent of all grants.

Grants for education services and construction, as mentioned, were \$55 million less in 1968-69 than in 1967-68, a decline of slightly less than 2 percent to \$2.7 billion. Here, too, the net change for the group resulted from increases in some programs and decreases in others. Assistance to schools in federally impacted areas and grants for school construction in those areas both declined. In 1967-68, grants of \$342.9 million had been made for construction of higher education facilities and grants of \$18.7 million for the support of institutions of higher education. In 1968-69 the emphasis was reversed: \$342 million of the higher education grants went for the regular "activities" program and less than half a million for facilities construction.4

4 It was learned from agency sources as the Bulletin was going to press that about \$314 million of higher education construction grants were incorporated in the \$342 million reported as higher education activities. The construction figure represents amounts paid out in 1968-69 from 1967 appropriations only.

Footnotes to table 1

¹ On checks-issued basis, or adjusted to that basis for most programs; includes small amounts to American Samoa, Canal Zone, Guam, and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.

² Old-age assistance, aid to families with dependent children, and aid to the blind, 1935–36 to date; aid to the permanently and totally disabled, 1950-51 to date; medical assistance for the aged, 1960-61 to date; aid to the aged, blind, or disabled, 1963-64 to date; and medical assistance, 1965-66 to date. All programs include administration. Beginning in 1968-69 same programs reported as maintenance payments medical assistance, public programs reported as maintenance payments, medical assistance, public assistance (administration), and social services and demonstration projects.

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Promotion of welfare and hygiene of maternity and infancy, 1929–30;
maternal and child health services, services for crippled children, and general
public health services, 1935–36 to date; venereal disease control, 1940–41 to
date; emergency maternity and infant care, 1942–43 to 1948–49 and 1950–51;
construction of community facilities, 1944–44 and 1935–54; to 1955–56; tuberculosis control, 1944–45 to date; mental health activities, cancer control, and
lessited to the control of the control hospital survey and construction, 1947-48 to date; heart disease control, and hospital survey and construction, 1947-48 to date; heart disease control, 1949-50 to date; construction of heart disease research facilities, and industrial waste studies, 1949-50 to 1952-53; construction of cancer research facilities, 1949-50 to 1953-54; emergency pollomyelitis vaccination, 1955-56 to 1960-61; water pollution control (sanitary engineering, environmental health activities), 1956-57 to 1965-66; research construction, 1956-57 to date; chronic diseases tles), 1906-57 to 1905-06; research construction, 1906-57 to date; chronic diseases and health of the aged, 1961-62 to date; radiological, urban, and industrial health, 1962-63 to date; vaccination assistance, 1963-64; dental services, 1964-65 to date; nursing services, 1965-66 to date; medical care services, 1966-67; comprehensive health planning and services, and regional medical services, 1967-68 to date; and child welfare services, 1968-69.

4 Colleges for agriculture and mechanic arts, vocational education, education of the description of the descriptio

*Colleges for agriculture and mechanic arts, vocational education, education of blind, cooperative State research services (agricultural experiment stations), agricultural extension work, State marine schools, 1929–30 to date; education emergency grants, 1935–36 to 1940–41; training of defense workers, 1940–41 to 1945–46; maintenance of schools, 1946–47 to date; veterans' education facilities, 1947–48 to 1949–50; survey and construction of schools, 1950–51 to date; White House Conference on Education, 1954–55; defense education, 1958–59 to date; education of handicapped, 1959–60 to date; education altelevision and adult education, 1964–65 to date; elementary, secondary, and higher education and equal education opportunity, 1965–66 to date; Teacher Corps, health manpower education and utilization, 1967–68 to date; manpower development classroom instruction, and educational broadcasting facilities construction, 1968–69.

facilities construction, 1968-69.

Vocational rehabilitation and State homes for disabled servicemen, 1929-30 to date; employment service administration, 1933-34 to 1942-43 and 1946-47 to date; child welfare services, 1935-36 to 1967-68; unemployment insurance administration and removal of surplus agricultural commodities, 1935-36 to date; school lunch and Federal annual contributions to public housing authorities, 1939-40 to date; community war-service day care, 1942-43; veterans' re-use housing, 1946-47 to 1950-51; administration of veterans' unemployment and self-employment allowances, 1947-48 to 1952-53; veterans' on-the-job training, 1947-48 to date; defense nublic housing, 1943-54; school Credit Corporation, 1949-59 to date; defense nublic housing, 1935-54; school Credit Corporation, 1949-59 to date; defense public housing, 1953-54; school

milk, 1954-55 to date; distribution to State accounts in unemployment milk, 1934-55 to date; distribution to State accounts in unemployment insurance trust fund of certain tax collections, 1955-56 to 1957-58; White House Conference on Aging, 1959-66 and 1960-61; Federal share of value of food stamps redeemed, 1961-62 to date; manpower development, 1962-65 date; housing demonstration, 1963-64 and 1964-65; economic opportunity programs; work experience, community action, and Neighborhood Youth Corps, 1964-65 to date; adult training and development, veterans' nursing homes, 1966-67 to date; mental retardation, and work incentive activities, 1968-69.

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Cooperative construction of rural post roads, 1929-30 to 1939-40; Federalaid highways (regular and emergency, prewar and postwar) and trust fund activities, restoration of roads and bridges, flood relief, secondary and feder roads, grade-crossing elimination, 1930-31 to date; National Industrial Recovery Act highway activities, 1933-34 to 1943-44, 1946-47 to 1948-49, and 1950-51; emergency relief activities, 1933-36 to 1943-44 and 1946-47 to 1951-52; access roads, flight strips, strategic highway network, 1941-42 to 1956-57 and 1958-59; public land highways, 1942-43 to date; payment of claims, 1945-46 to 1951-52; war damage in Hawaii, 1947-48 to 1955-56 reimbursement of D. highway fund, 1954-55 to 1957-58; forest highways, 1957-58 to date; Appalachia highways, 1965-66 to date; and beautification and control of outdoor advertising, highway safety, and landscaping and scenic enhancement, 1966-67 to date.
Forestry cooperation including watershed protection and flood preven-

1966-67 to date.

7 Forestry cooperation including watershed protection and flood prevention, 1929-30 to date; Civil Works Administration, 1933-34; Federal Emergency Relief Administration, 1933-34 to 1937-38; Federal Emergency Relief Administration, 1933-34 to 1937-38; Federal Emergency Relief Administration, 1933-34 to 1938-40; Reclamation Service (emergency), 1935-36; wildlife restoration, 1938-39 to date; war public works, 1941-42 to 1943-44; Public Works Administration, 1941-42 to 1949-50; farm labor supply, 1942-43 to 1948-49; community facilities and defense community facilities and defense community facilities and defense community facilities planning, 1946-47 to 1948-49; Federal airport program, 1947-48 to date; cooperative marketing project and disaster, drought, and other emergency relief, 1948-49 to date; civil defense, 1951-52 to date; slum clearance, 1952-53 to 1954-55; urban planning and renewal, 1955-56 to date; library services and waste-treatment works construction, 1956-57 to date; National Science Foundation installations, 1957-58; small business management research, 1958-59 to 1964-65; area redevelopment assistance and accelerated public works, 1962-63 to date; open space land, 1963-64 to date; urban and mass transportation, water resources research, commercial fisheries research, public works, 1962-63 to date; open space land, 1963-64 to date; urban and mass transportation, water resources research, commercial fisheries research, arts and humanities, law enforcement, State technical services of Commerce Department, and rural water and waste disposal, 1965-66 to date; economic development facilities, Appalachian assistance, technical and community assistance, and water pollution control, 1966-67 to date; model cities, meat inspection, and economic development planning, 1967-68; cropland adjustment and metropolitan development, 1968-69.

8 Promotion of welfare and hygiene of maternity and infancy.

Source: Annual Reports of the Secretary of the Treasury, Combined Statement of Receipts, Expenditures and Balances of the United States Government, and agency reports. Beginning with 1968-60 data: Department of the Treasury, Federal Aid to States, Fiscal Year 1969, 1970.

In previous years, all manpower development activities grants (which began in 1962-63) had been reported in combined form and were reported in this series as miscellaneous social welfare. In 1968-69, for the first time the classroom instruction costs of these programs were reported separately. The instruction grants were placed among the education grants, adding \$86 million to the group. The remaining manpower grants were placed, as usual, with the miscellaneous social welfare grants.

The \$402 million increase in grants for mis-

Table 2.—Federal grants to State and local governments, [Amounts in thousands]

							Soc	ial welfare					
		Total		Public assistance		Health			Education				
States ranked by 1968-68 average per capita personal income	All grants 1		Per-		Per-	Total				Total			6
		Amount	cent of all grants	Amount	cent of all grants	Amount	Per- cent of all grants	Services	Con- struction	Amount	Per- cent of all grants	Services	Con- struction
Total 2	\$19,764,625	\$13,862,358	70.1	\$6,280,335	31.8	\$865,602	4.4	\$484,105	\$381,497	\$2,726,373	13.8	\$2,699,937	\$26,436
United States 3	19,551,875	13,673,593	69.9	6,234,552	31.9	846,325	4.3	472,078	374,247	2,688,706	13.8	2,662,716	25,991
High-income group D.C. Conn. N.Y. Alaska. III. Calif. N.J. Nev. Del. Mass. Md. Mich. Wash. R.I. Hawaii. Ohio.	9, 382, 679 158, 919 262, 676 2, 045, 274 95, 589 895, 518 2, 189, 966 501, 525 58, 652 41, 844 574, 188 279, 233 672, 252 313, 951 104, 251 104, 251 85, 835 784, 276 318, 730	6, 630, 108 111, 635 158, 053 1, 673, 095 36, 767 563, 369 1, 721, 605 298, 368 28, 350 29, 600 390, 456 207, 535 471, 856 201, 880 70, 267 49, 678 467, 848	70.7 70.2 60.2 81.8 38.5 62.9 78.6 59.5 48.3 70.7 68.0 74.3 70.2 64.3 67.4 57.9 747.0	3,573,440 23,957 74,225 1,104,621 4,760 254,698 1,104,102 99,820 8,609 9,984 219,018 91,078 221,644 86,994 32,741 14,278 183,009 39,902	38.1 15.1 28.3 54.0 5.0 28.4 50.4 50.4 19.9 14.7 23.9 38.1 32.6 33.0 27.7 31.4 16.6 23.3 12.5	365, 830 12, 666 7, 322 57, 365 2,007 36, 613 68, 943 18, 821 2,628 3, 239 19, 772 18, 330 35, 533 15, 056 5, 050 5, 380 43, 307 13, 798	3.9 8.0 2.8 2.1 4.1 3.8 4.5 7.7 3.4 6.6 5.3 4.8 4.8 5.5 4.3	218,570 9,949 4,995 38,433 1,209 23,856 45,518 9,800 1,682 1,998 10,195 9,789 21,275 8,534 4,069 19,303 5,699	147, 260 2, 718 2, 327 18, 932 799 12, 757 23, 425 9, 021 9, 46 1, 241 9, 577 8, 540 14, 257 6, 522 2, 784 1, 311 24, 004 8, 099	1,002,241 10,223 26,816 148,296 17,486 90,286 24,904 58,611 7,743 55,200 49,373 94,823 42,703 11,136 14,406 101,934 42,790	10.7 6.4 10.2 7.3 18.3 10.1 10.3 11.7 9.4 18.5 9.6 17.7 14.1 13.6 10.7 16.8 13.0 13.4	992,198 9,996 26,817 148,081 17,342 90,092 221,132 58,042 5,351 7,704 48,811 94,795 42,368 11,042 11,919 101,532 42,032	10,040 227 -1 216 144 194 3,772 569 160 38 58 562 28 334 94 2,486 401 758
Middle-income group. Pa. Wis. Oreg. Iowa Minn Colo. Kans Nebr Mo N.H Wyo. Fla Vt. Va Tex Mont. Ariz	5, 306, 800 988, 441 311, 812 186, 414 221, 917 364, 758 242, 149 183, 477 124, 130 441, 839 60, 088 65, 599 426, 319 74, 947 367, 598 942, 177 108, 313 196, 822	3,557,775 640,515 245,126 113,617 147,573 237,983 160,681 119,107 85,276 326,174 31,317 19,575 326,698 36,140 211,037 684,280 47,879	67.0 64.8 78.6 60.9 66.5 65.2 66.4 64.9 68.7 73.8 52.1 29.8 76.6 48.2 57.4 44.2 63.4	1,407,737 285,889 122,385 38,562 57,304 104,183 65,746 51,640 31,241 148,345 9,803 4,451 113,380 17,239 36,587 281,497 12,894 26,591	26. 5 28. 9 39. 2 20. 7 25. 8 28. 6 27. 2 28. 1 25. 2 33. 6 16. 8 26. 6 23. 0 10. 0 29. 9 11. 9 13. 5	267, 594 51, 375 12, 615 7, 863 9, 705 16, 482 13, 714 6, 473 7, 428 25, 999 2, 476 2, 119 30, 138 3, 644 19, 083 47, 466 3, 003 8, 011	5.0 5.2 4.2 4.4 4.5 5.7 6.0 5.9 4.1 4.9 5.2 5.0 2.8 4.1	150,379 26,772 8,014 4,856 6,069 8,512 10,290 3,691 14,314 1,712 944 18,475 2,235 8,570 26,121 1,724 4,861	117, 213 24, 603 4, 601 3, 008 3, 636 7, 971 3, 423 2, 782 11, 685 764 1, 175 11, 662 1, 409 10, 512 21, 345 1, 279 3, 150	861,091 113,046 49,325 28,834 42,537 51,859 39,235 35,486 24,294 65,248 8,024 6,771 74,307 6,580 84,957 178,541 177,403 34,638	16. 2 11. 4 15. 8 15. 5 19. 2 14. 2 19. 3 19. 6 14. 8 13. 4 10. 3 17. 4 8. 8 23. 1 18. 9 16. 1 17. 6	853, 269 113, 025 49, 143 28, 768 42, 142 51, 857 37, 926 34, 946 64, 493 8, 022 6, 733 73, 804 6, 580 6, 580 177, 298 177, 361 32, 506	7,823 20 182 66 396 396 1,310 540 90 755 2 38 503
Low-income group Okla. Utah S. Dak Maine Ga. N. Dak Idaho N. Mex N. C La Ky Tenn W. Va S. C Ala Ark Miss	4,719,443 373,969 130,450 89,948 93,037 488,820 73,686 82,422 174,023 438,517 460,343 454,712 383,822 264,332 227,273 414,802 242,816 317,471	3,342,625 280,809 69,879 51,297 65,336 371,540 47,399 45,913 344,681 342,043 3296,454 254,477 144,838 175,940 310,000 177,681 251,535	70.8 75.1 53.6 57.0 70.2 64.3 55.7 64.8 72.9 65.2 66.3 54.8 77.4 77.2 79.2	1,253,363 154,283 24,900 18,236 26,814 156,486 17,162 14,057 40,465 94,899 180,869 124,632 84,210 48,513 37,119 110,108 66,898 54,722	26. 6 41. 2 19. 1 20. 3 28. 8 32. 0 23. 3 17. 1 23. 6 38. 5 27. 4 21. 9 18. 4 26. 5 27. 1 17. 2	205,035 10,844 7,856 3,161 3,813 20,962 2,853 7,150 28,538 13,676 16,133 21,340 9,235 15,065 16,294 11,117 13,376	4.39 6.00 3.51 4.13 4.9 3.55 4.1 6.59 3.56 5.66 3.9 4.6 4.2	103,126 5,713 4,751 1,154 2,303 6,317 2,321 1,943 3,959 11,418 7,998 8,773 11,554 4,338 8,761 8,729 6,769 6,325	101,907 5,131 3,105 2,007 1,510 14,644 1,301 910 3,190 17,120 5,678 7,360 9,786 4,897 6,303 7,566 4,348 7,051	817, 812 51, 988 17, 187 15, 905 16, 257 78, 371 13, 096 17, 148 32, 858 105, 592 59, 607 63, 883 64, 448 34, 490 59, 039 75, 320 46, 432 66, 192	17.3 13.9 13.2 17.7 17.5 16.0 17.8 20.8 18.9 24.1 12.7 14.0 16.8 13.0 26.0 18.2 19.1 20.8	809, 823 51,008 16,862 15,832 16,186 76,572 13,082 16,805 31,162 105,099 59,059 63,469 64,364 34,186 58,874 74,862 46,253 66,138	7,988 979 325 74 71 1,789 14 343 1,696 493 548 414 84 416 458 179 53
Outlying areas: P.R. V.I. Other	193,178 6,447 13,124	174,285 5,505 8,975	90.2 85.4 68.4	44,155 1,241 388	22.9 19.3 3.0	17,505 1,560 212	9.1 24.2 1.6	10,454 1,361 212	7,051 199	33,362 276 4,029	17.3 4.3 30.7	33,159 276 3,787	203

listed, and grants under a few programs to American Samoa, the Canal Zone, and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.

See footnotes to table 1 for programs in each group of grants.
 Includes a small amount undistributed, grants to the outlying areas

cellaneous social welfare purposes raised the group by 11 percent to a \$4.0 billion total in 1968-69. The increase is composed of a 17-percent rise to \$2.5 billion in the subgroup that includes the various food distribution, stamp, and child nutrition programs, public housing contri-

butions, vocational rehabilitation, and employment security administration; and a 2-percent rise to \$1.5 billion in grants for economic opportunity programs. (It must be kept in mind that several of the economic opportunity programs the Job Corps and VISTA, for instance—are

amounts and percent of total grants, by purpose, fiscal year 1968-69

[Amounts in thousands]

	Social welfar	e—Continued		High	ways				
To	Total Amount Percent of all grants		Other	Amount	Percent of all grants	Urban affairs	Agriculture and natural resources	Miscellaneous	States ranked by 1966–68 average per capita personal income
\$3,990,048	20.2	\$1,451,327	\$2,538,722	\$4,161,790	21.1	\$852,218	\$162,032	\$726,227	Total.
3,904,011	20.0	1,425,397	2,478,614	4,155,432	21.3	843,652	160,937	718,261	United States.
1,688,595 64,788 49,690 362,813 12,515 181,772 323,655 121,116 38,633 96,466 448,755 119,856 57,127 21,339 15,613 139,598 53,256	18.0 40.8 18.9 17.7 13.1 20.3 14.8 24.1 19.8 20.6 6 16.8 17.5 17.8 18.2 20.5 18.2	664, 665 45, 175 19, 921 137, 347 6, 744 71, 932 138, 394 45, 959 5, 334 2, 419 38, 713 13, 525 40, 221 21, 238 6, 895 5, 609 48, 402 17, 837	1,023,931 19,613 29,770 225,466 5,771 109,840 185,262 75,157 7,269 6,214 57,763 35,229 79,635 35,889 14,444 10,004 91,196 35,419	1,893,461 31,950 60,498 238,801 42,281 230,410 307,046 119,035 27,004 9,652 106,694 49,869 153,448 83,318 21,023 29,097 241,534 141,801	20. 2 20. 1 23. 0 11. 7 44. 2 25. 7 14. 0 23. 7 46. 0 23. 1 18. 6 17. 9 22. 8 26. 5 20. 2 33. 8 44. 5	546, 517 12, 872 36, 609 71, 294 4, 638 70, 113 109, 097 65, 814 724 515 61, 238 10, 776 30, 247 10, 771 6, 165 2, 230 40, 146 13, 268	49,967 545 1,590 6,944 1,937 4,067 9,361 1,767 610 1,116 2,348 4,408 3,277 618 1,418 3,441 4,494	262,625 1,917 5,925 55,140 9,965 27,559 42,858 16,541 1,963 962 14,174 8,705 12,293 14,706 6,177 3,412 30,907 9,421	High-income group. District of Columbia. Connecticut. New York. Alaska. Illinois. California. New Jersey. Nevada. Delaware. Massachusetts. Maryland. Michigan. Washington. Rhode Island. Hawaii. Ohio. Indiana.
1,021,354 190,205 60,802 38,358 38,027 65,458 41,986 22,312 86,583 11,014 6,234 108,874 8,677 70,410 176,775 14,573 55,558	19. 2 19. 2 19. 5 20. 6 17. 1 17. 9 17. 3 18. 0 19. 6 18. 3 9. 5 25. 5 11. 6 19. 2 18. 8	362, 206 55, 947 18, 903 12, 633 10, 825 23, 305 18, 631 8, 120 8, 909 4, 229 1, 955 37, 072 2, 950 24, 181 63, 114 7, 190 32, 453	659, 149 134, 258 42, 109 25, 725 27, 201 42, 153 23, 354 17, 388 14, 214 53, 774 6, 785 4, 279 71, 802 5, 726 46, 229 113, 662 17, 384 23, 106	1,302,509 227,608 41,717 55,399 52,137 96,738 67,662 49,157 30,288 83,706 20,219 42,729 72,277 34,431 120,834 197,472 52,768 57,367	24. 5 23. 0 13. 4 29. 7 26. 5 27. 9 26. 8 24. 4 18. 9 33. 6 65. 1 17. 0 45. 9 32. 9 21. 0 48. 7 29. 1	184,766 66,872 9,462 4,909 10,447 13,688 3,839 6,888 2,115 15,089 2,988 10,461 692 8,976 19,923 1,030 6,398	55, 948 5, 179 3, 320 4, 091 2, 950 3, 220 2, 145 3, 718 2, 416 2, 674 11, 339 328 3, 637 943 3, 488 12, 991 1, 690 1, 819	205, 802 48, 266 12, 187 8, 399 8, 811 13, 130 7, 823 4, 607 4, 035 14, 196 4, 225 1, 977 13, 246 2, 740 23, 262 27, 512 4, 946 6, 440	Middle-income group. Pennsylvania. Wisconsin. Oregon. Iowa. Minnesota. Colorado. Kansas. Nebraska. Missouri. New Hampshire. Wyoming. Florida. Vermont. Virginia. Texas. Montana. Arizona.
1,066,405 63,694 19,936 13,995 18,452 115,722 13,519 11,855 32,330 115,652 87,891 91,806 84,479 52,600 64,718 108,277 54,234 117,245	22. 6 17. 0 15. 3 15. 6 19. 8 23. 7 18. 3 14. 4 18. 6 26. 4 18. 7 20. 2 22. 0 19. 9 28. 5 26. 9	398, 525 21, 586 6, 316 5, 727 7, 619 33, 250 5, 011 4, 439 14, 838 43, 007 30, 413 42, 951 29, 382 21, 737 35, 770 18, 565 56, 176	667,880 42,108 13,619 8,267 10,833 82,472 8,508 7,506 17,492 72,645 57,478 48,856 55,097 30,773 42,981 72,507 35,669 61,069	959, 461 51, 108 53, 469 33, 492 18, 968 74, 560 21, 374 31, 871 48, 343 53, 822 105, 972 101, 443 89, 635 78, 977 35, 165 73, 224 43, 070 45, 059	20.3 13.6 41.0 37.2 20.4 15.3 29.0 38.7 27.8 12.3 22.6 22.3 23.4 29.9 15.5 17.7 17.7	112, 681 21, 574 2, 025 513 2, 512 16, 741 589 540 3, 467 11, 812 6, 794 7, 980 12, 111 1, 418 4, 429 12, 166 6, 378 1, 631	55, 298 9, 169 1, 624 1, 037 1, 319 5, 791 1, 286 1, 261 1, 453 3, 602 3, 301 2, 944 2, 656 3, 529 1, 908 3, 539 4, 166 6, 722	249,377 22,399 3,453 3,609 4,902 20,187 3,038 2,837 7,957 24,600 11,234 45,890 24,943 35,570 9,831 15,881 11,521 12,525	Low-income group. Oklahoma. Utah. South Dakota. Maine. Georgia. North Dakota. Idaho. New Mexico. North Carolina. Louisiana. Kentucky. Tennessee. West Virginia. South Carolina. Alabama. Arkansas. Mississippi.
79,263 2,428 4,346	41.0 37.6 33.1	23,288 502 2,139	55,975 1,926 2,207	6,358	3.3	7,976 122 467	788 153 153	3,770 668 3,528	Outlying areas. Puerto Rico. Virgin Islands. Other.

⁸ Includes a small amount of undistributed sums.

Source: Department of the Treasury, Federal Aid to States, Fiscal Year 1969, 1970.

not financed through the grants mechanism and thus fall outside the purview of this article.)

At \$4.2 billion, total grants in the highway group were down \$35 million from their 1967-68 level. Construction grants from the highway trust fund and for forest and public-land roads were down \$32 million. A combination of a \$19 million decrease in grants for landscaping and beautification with a \$15 million increase in grants for highway safety made up the rest of the drop. As the nonconstruction grants, taken together, accounted for only \$39 million of the group total, the relative decrease for the entire group was only 0.9 percent.

A 30-percent rise in the urban affairs group brought these grants to \$852 million, the bulk of which (\$534 million) went for the urban renewal program. Grants under the model cities program rose from \$1.6 million to \$9.3 million in this program's second year.

Four new grants programs were incoporated in the series in 1968-69. The new programs, aggregating about \$33 million in their first year, are work incentive activities (classified as miscellaneous social welfare), mental retardation (also miscellaneous social welfare), cropland adjustment (agriculture and natural resources), and metropolitan development, training, and technical assistance (urban affairs).

RELATION TO OTHER INDICATORS

Table 3 shows grants per capita and grants in relation to personal income and to State and local revenues. Federal grants to States and localities in 1968–69 amounted to \$97.83 for every man, woman, and child in the United States. This represents an increase of \$7.83 per person from the national average of 1967–68 and of \$23.86 per person from that of 1966–67.

As in table 2, the States are classified in three income groups by ranking the per capita personal income received in each State. Within each income group the States vary widely in per capita receipt of Federal grants. States with low population density benefit from the minimum allotment provisions in certain of the grant formulas, particularly that for highway construction. And States that spend a great deal from their own resources for federally aided programs tend to

receive more than the national average, whatever their income level. This is particularly true for the public assistance grants program and other programs with formulas of Federal matching in relation to State expenditures.

States that receive the largest per capita public assistance grants include some with the highest per capita income in the country as well as some with the lowest. Nevertheless, as a result of the equalization feature written into many of the statutory allocation formulas, grants per capita received in the States would in general be expected to be larger in the low- than in the middle-income States and larger in the middle-income States than in the high-income group.

Until recently these expectations have proved true, but now a divergence has occurred with respect to the relative position of the middle-income and high-income States. Starting with 1967-68, per capita grants received in the middleincome range of States fell below those in the high-income States and fell even further below in 1968-69. (See the accompanying chart.) In the last 2 years, then, the "top" and "bottom" grant receiver groups are no longer the low- and high-income States but have become the low- and the middle-income States. The spread or gap between grants per capita received in the top and the bottom groups has widened in absolute but not in relative terms as the inset panels in the chart show.

A comparison of the relationship of the 1967–68 and 1968–69 Federal grants to State and local revenues discloses only fractional differences, as follows:

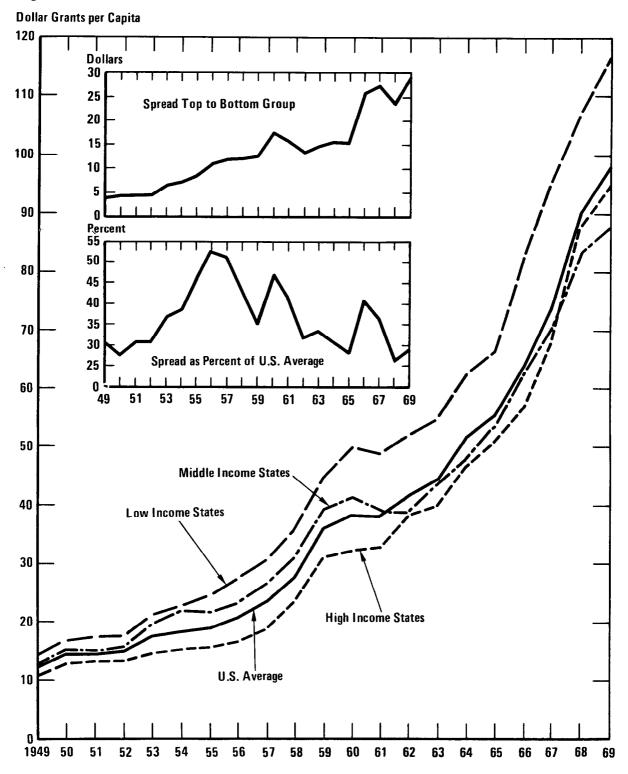
	Total grants as percent of—								
Income group of States	Total Sta general re		State-local direct general revenues ²						
	1967-68	1968-69	1967-68	1968-69					
United States High Middle Low	19. 4 16. 9 19. 4 27. 8	19.3 16.6 19.0 28.0	23. 4 19. 9 23. 3 36. 1	23.0 19.6 22.9 36.3					

¹ From all sources.

Grants for social welfare purposes represented 11.4 percent of the total (preliminary) social welfare expenditures during 1968-69 by all governments in the United States. They accounted for more than 20 percent of all Federal social welfare expenditures and were the equivalent of

26 percent of all State and local government social welfare expenditures from their own sources.

Grants per capita: National average and average of high-, middle-, and low-income States, fiscal years 1948-49 through 1968-69



The proportion of all social welfare expenditures provided through Federal grants for social welfare purposes declined slightly from the fiscal year 1967-68 to 1968-69. However, though the grants role was somewhat smaller than it had been in the preceding fiscal year, the continuing growth in the part played by Federal grants in the longer range is apparent in the health and education areas and in the totality of social welfare expenditures. Federal grants have formed half or more of all public assistance expenditures for a great many years.

Table 3.—1968-69 Federal grants in relation to personal income, to State and local general revenues and direct general revenues, and to population, by State

	Total g	rants as perc	ent of-			P	er capita grai	r capita grants					
States ranked by 1966-68 average per capita personal income	Personal income, 1968	Total State-local general revenues, 1967–68 ²	State-local direct general revenues, 1967–68 ³	Total	Public assistance	Health	Education	Mis- cellaneous social welfare	Highways	All other			
Total				\$97.45	\$30.97	\$4.27	\$13.44	\$19.67	\$20.52	\$8.5			
United States	2.9	19.3	23.0	97.83	31.20	4.23	13.45	19.54	20.79	8.6			
High-income group District of Columbia Connecticut New York Alaska Illinois California New Jersey Nevada Delaware Massachusetts Maryland Michigan Washington Rhode Island Hawaii Ohio Indiana	2.4 4.4 2.1 2.7 8.4 2.9 1.8 3.3 2.1 1.9 2.6 3.2 2.1 1.8	16.6 29.3 17.7 16.6 31.8 17.4 16.0 15.0 18.5 13.7 19.8 14.6 16.1 23.2 16.8 17.9 14.1	19. 6 45. 3 21. 1 18. 8 55. 3 20. 8 19. 4 17. 1 22. 7 16. 2 23. 1 17. 1 16. 7 19. 3 29. 4 21. 0 16. 3	94. 87 198. 15 88. 71 112. 46 346. 34 81. 72 114. 19 70. 94 130. 63 78. 51 105. 59 75. 14 77. 51 95. 25 114. 81 110. 75 73. 92 62. 93	36. 13 29. 87 25. 07 60. 74 17. 24 57. 57 14. 12 19. 17 18. 73 40. 28 24. 51 25. 56 26. 39 36. 06 18. 42 17. 25 7. 88	3.70 15.79 2.47 3.15 7.27 3.359 2.66 5.85 6.08 3.64 4.93 4.10 4.57 5.56 6.94 4.08 2.72	10, 13 12, 75 9, 06 8, 15 63, 35 8, 24 11, 73 8, 29 12, 27 14, 53 10, 15 13, 29 10, 93 12, 96 12, 26 18, 59 9, 61	17. 08 80. 78 16. 78 19. 95 45. 34 16. 59 16. 88 17. 13 25. 84 16. 20 17. 74 13. 12 13. 82 17. 33 23. 50 20. 15 13. 16 10. 51	19. 14 39. 84 20. 43 13. 13 153. 19 21. 03 16. 01 16. 84 60. 14 18. 11 19. 62 13. 42 17. 69 25. 28 22. 75 22. 76 28. 00	8.7 19.1 14.9 7.3 59.9 9.2 8.4 11.9 7.3 4.8 5.4 8.7 14.1 7.0 5.8			
Middle-income group Pennsylvania. Wisconsin Oregon Iowa Minnesota Colorado Kansas Nebraska Missouri New Hampshire Wyomling Florida Vermont Virginia Texas Montana Arizona	2.7 2.5 2.2 2.8 2.4 3.05 2.4 2.7 2.9 2.65 6.22 5.7 2.8 3.9	19.0 19.7 13.7 17.1 15.2 16.7 21.2 16.6 17.3 23.1 20.8 26.2 15.5 30.7 19.8 21.4 27.7	22. 9 23. 5 15. 8 21. 6 18. 0 20. 1 19. 6 20. 7 28. 5 25. 7 37. 3 18. 0 42. 2 23. 9 26. 6 35. 8 27. 8	87. 77 84. 12 74. 05 93. 02 79. 97 99. 58 117. 15 80. 09 85. 43 95. 84 85. 47 203. 72 68. 65 174. 70 79. 84 85. 55 175. 62 118. 07	23. 29 24. 33 29. 06 19. 24 20. 65 28. 44 31. 81 22. 54 21. 50 32. 18 13. 82 18. 26 40. 18 7. 95 26. 56 18. 53 15. 95	4. 43 4. 37 3. 00 3. 92 3. 50 6. 63 2. 83 5. 11 5. 64 3. 52 6. 58 4. 85 4. 84 4. 14 4. 31 4. 31 4. 32 4. 81	14. 24 9. 62 11. 71 14. 39 15. 33 14. 16 18. 98 15. 49 16. 72 14. 15 11. 41 21. 03 11. 97 15. 34 18. 45 16. 21 20. 78	16. 88 16. 19 14. 44 19. 14 13. 70 17. 87 20. 31 11. 13 15. 36 18. 78 15. 67 19. 36 17. 53 20. 23 20. 23 16. 05 20. 94	21. 55 19. 37 9. 91 27. 64 18. 79 26. 41 32. 73 21. 46 20. 85 18. 16 28. 76 132. 70 11. 64 80. 26 26. 25 17. 93 75. 82 34. 41	7.3 10.2 5.9 8.6 8.0 8.2 6.6 6.9 6.9 12.1 10.2 4.4 10.2 7.7 5.4 11.0			
Low-income group Oklahoma Utah South Dakota Maine Georgia North Dakota Idaho North Dakota Idaho North Carolina Louisiana Kentucky Tennessee West Virginia South Carolina Alabama Alabama Arkansas Mississippi	4.5 5.2 4.8 3.4 3.8 4.3 4.3 4.4 6.5 3.2 4.8 3.7 5.6 5.0 6.5	28.0 29.4 23.7 25.1 23.7 25.5 19.6 23.4 29.1 23.5 26.2 34.2 25.9 34.1 25.9 34.1 37.3	36.3 39.8 31.8 32.7 29.1 32.1 24.3 29.2 41.1 28.6 33.0 46.6 33.3 46.3 32.1 41.4 47.8 49.7	116. 57 147. 12 126. 53 135. 26 95. 13 106. 75 118. 09 116. 25 175. 07 85. 46 126. 51 141. 04 97. 12 85. 15 117. 122. 45	30. 95 60. 69 24. 15 27. 42 27. 42 34. 17 27. 50 19. 83 40. 71 18. 50 48. 75 38. 66 21. 31 26. 67 13. 91 31. 23 32. 33	5.06 4.27 7.62 4.75 3.90 4.58 5.80 4.02 7.19 5.56 3.69 5.00 5.40 5.64 4.63 5.64 5.61 5.69	20. 21 20. 45 16. 67 23. 92 16. 62 17. 12 20. 99 24. 19 33. 06 20. 58 16. 07 19. 81 16. 31 18. 96 22. 12 21. 39 23. 42 28. 18	26. 33 25. 06 19. 34 21. 04 18. 87 25. 27 21. 67 21. 67 22. 54 23. 69 28. 48 21. 38 28. 92 24. 25 30. 74 27. 35 49. 91	23. 69 20. 07 51. 86 50. 36 19. 39 16. 28 34. 25 44. 95 48. 63 10. 49 28. 56 31. 47 22. 68 43. 42 13. 18 20. 79 21. 72	10.3 16.5 6.8 7.7 8.9 9.3 7.8 6.5 12.9 7.8 5.7 17.6 10.0 22.2 6.0 8.9 9.1.1			
Outlying areas: Puerto RicoVirgin IslandsOther	-			70.94 115.96	16. 22 22. 33	6.43 28.05	12.25 4.96	29.11 43.67	2.33	4. 6 16. 9			

See the appropriate footnote to table 1 for the programs in each group of grants and for components of total and United States lines.
 Revenues (except trust revenues) from all sources.
 Revenues (except trust revenues) from own sources.

Source: State and local revenues data from Government Finances in 1967-68

of the Bureau of the Census. Per capita data are based on estimates of the Bureau of the Census for the total population, excluding the Armed Forces overseas, as of July 1, 1968. Personal income data are for calendar years and are from the Survey of Current Business, August 1969.