

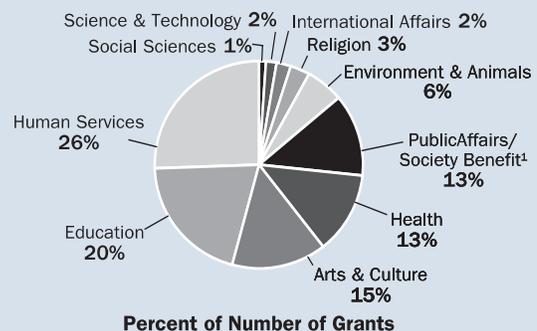
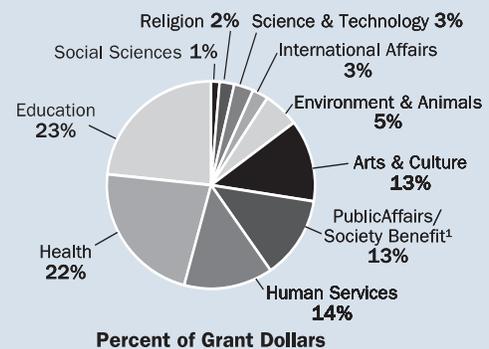
HIGHLIGHTS OF FOUNDATION GIVING TRENDS

FOUNDATION GIVING FOR MOST FIELDS UP IN 2004

Foundation funding for most major program areas rebounded in 2004, following a two-year decline in giving. Among the close to 1,200 larger private and community foundations included in the Foundation Center's annual grants sample, grant dollars rose 8.1 percent between 2003 and 2004 to \$15.5 billion. The number of grants awarded increased a more modest 4.8 percent, from 120,721 to 126,497.

Among major subject areas, science and health experienced the fastest growth. Health's share of overall giving reached a record 22.3 percent in the latest year, boosted by a \$750 million ten-year grant from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. Only three major subject fields failed to register increases in funding. Nonetheless, across all fields, growth in grant dollars continued to lag behind the dramatic gains realized in the late 1990s.

Education ranked first by share of foundation grant dollars in 2004; Human Services led by share of grants



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Source: The Foundation Center, *Foundation Giving Trends*, 2006. Based on a sample of 1,172 larger foundations.

¹Includes Civil Rights and Social Action, Community Improvement and Development, Philanthropy and Volunteering, and Public Affairs.

About Foundation Giving Trends

Foundation Giving Trends, 2006 Edition, documents the grantmaking patterns of a sample of the largest private and community foundations in 2004 and tracks changes in funding trends since 1995. The report examines giving (based on grant authorizations when available) by subject focus, recipient type, type of support, population group served, and geographic focus. It also details differences in funding trends by foundation size, region, and type, and includes brief reports on giving for social justice grantmaking, children's health, and arts education. *Foundation Giving Trends* is part of the *Foundations Today Series* of annual research reports on foundation growth and trends in foundation giving.

General Foundation Funding Patterns, 2004

Subject	Amount	%	No. of Grants	%
Arts and Culture	\$ 1,979,541	12.8	18,516	14.6
Education	3,625,448	23.4	25,689	20.3
Environment and Animals	813,320	5.3	7,374	5.8
Health	3,447,203	22.3	16,208	12.8
Human Services	2,146,396	13.9	32,294	25.5
International Affairs, Development, and Peace	419,965	2.7	2,796	2.2
Public Affairs/Society Benefit ¹	2,004,661	13.0	16,097	12.7
Science and Technology	454,848	2.9	2,214	1.8
Social Sciences	214,842	1.4	1,307	1.0
Religion	362,044	2.3	3,907	3.1
Other	9,329	0.1	95	0.1
Total	\$15,477,595	100.0	126,497	100.0

Source: The Foundation Center, *Foundation Giving Trends*, 2006. Based on a sample of 1,172 larger foundations. Dollar figures in thousands; due to rounding, figures may not add up.

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CHANGE IN GIVING, 2004

- ◆ Giving by sampled foundations rose 8.1 percent to \$15.5 billion
- ◆ Number of grants increased 4.8 percent to 126,497
- ◆ Total value of grants of \$10 million or more jumped 33 percent

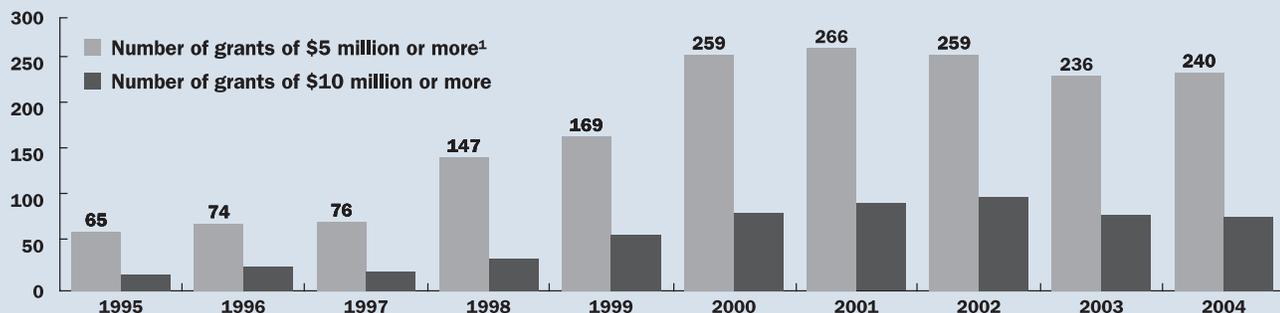
GIVING BY SUBJECT FOCUS

- ◆ All but three major fields experienced increases in grant dollars in 2004
- ◆ Science and Technology, Health, and International Affairs showed largest gains in funding
- ◆ Education and Health benefited from largest shares of grant dollars
- ◆ Human Services led by share of number of grants

GIVING BY RECIPIENT ORGANIZATION TYPE

- ◆ Grants in the 2004 sample benefited 52,122 unique recipient organizations
- ◆ Largest share of funding targeted educational institutions
- ◆ Human service agencies ranked second by grant dollars

Foundations awarded 240 grants of \$5 million+ in 2004, well below the 266 reported in 2001



Source: The Foundation Center, *Foundation Giving Trends*, 2006. Based on a sample of over 1,000 larger foundations.

¹Figures include grants of \$10 million or more.

GIVING BY TYPES OF SUPPORT

- ◆ General support reached a record \$3.2 billion in 2004
- ◆ Program support's share of grant dollars rose to 46.8 percent
- ◆ Share of grant dollars for capital support fell to lowest recorded level

GIVING FOR SPECIAL POPULATIONS

- ◆ Children and youth accounted for largest share of grant dollars in 2004
- ◆ Funding for the economically disadvantaged rose to a record \$3.1 billion
- ◆ Among beneficiary groups, gays and lesbians and People with AIDS experienced fastest growth in giving

INTERNATIONAL GIVING

- ◆ International giving rose to a record \$2.8 billion in 2004
- ◆ Majority of international funding supported U.S.-based recipients
- ◆ Foundation giving for overseas recipients increased to \$821.6 million

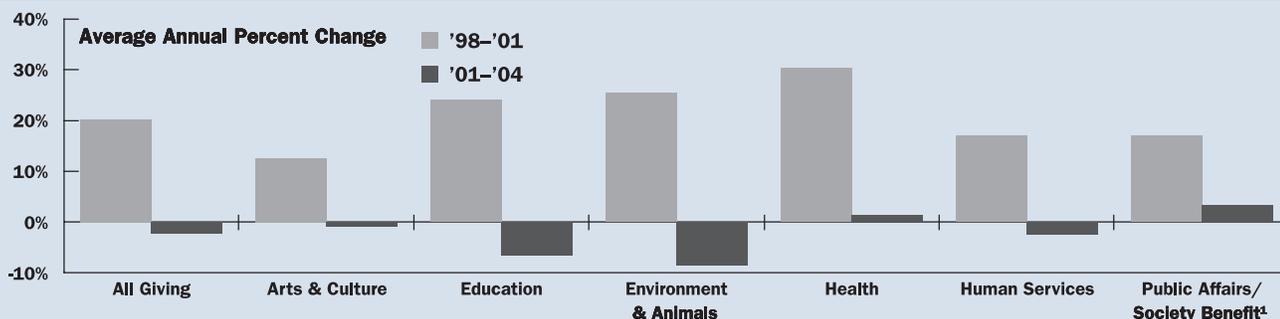
GIVING BY THE 100 LARGEST FOUNDATIONS

- ◆ Health, International Affairs, and the Social Sciences received bigger shares of 2004 grant dollars from the largest foundations
- ◆ Smaller funders targeted greater shares of support for Education, Human Services, Arts and Culture, and Religion

2004 Sampling Base

The Foundation Center's circa 2004 grants database includes all grants of \$10,000 or more awarded by 1,172 leading foundations—including the ten largest funders in each state—and reported to the Center between June 2003 and July 2004. Grants were awarded primarily in 2004 or 2003. These grants totaled \$15.5 billion and represented roughly half of total grant dollars awarded by all U.S. independent, corporate, community, and grantmaking operating foundations. See Appendix A in *Foundation Giving Trends, 2006 Edition*, for more detailed sampling information.

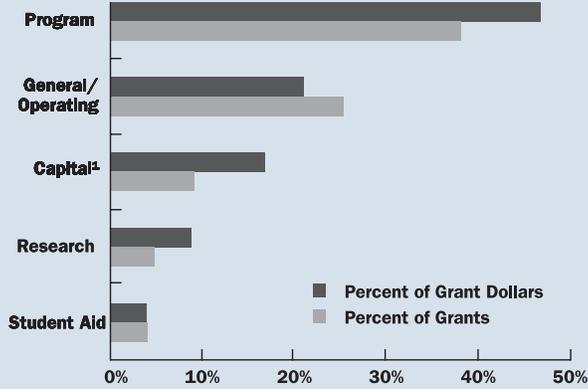
Public Affairs/Society Benefit and Health showed positive annual rates of growth between 2001 and 2004



Source: The Foundation Center, *Foundation Giving Trends, 2006*. Based on a sample of 1,172 larger foundations. Includes subject areas accounting for at least 5 percent of grant dollars or grants.

¹Includes Civil Rights and Social Action, Community Improvement and Development, Philanthropy and Voluntarism, and Public Affairs.

Program support accounted for the largest share of foundation grant dollars in 2004



Source: The Foundation Center, *Foundation Giving Trends*, 2006. Based on a sample of 1,172 larger foundations.
¹Includes endowment funds.

GIVING BY FOUNDATION TYPE

- ◆ Independent foundations allocated their largest shares for Health, Environment and Animals, and International Affairs
- ◆ Corporate foundations provided their biggest shares of giving for Education and Public Affairs/Society Benefit, including federated funds
- ◆ Community foundations gave proportionately more to Human Services than other types of funders

GIVING BY FOUNDATION REGION

- ◆ Northeastern foundations provided largest share of grant dollars in 2004 sample; the Northeast region also accounted for biggest share of dollars received
- ◆ Northeastern, Midwestern, and Southern grantmakers favored support for Education; Western foundations awarded largest share of their grant dollars for Health

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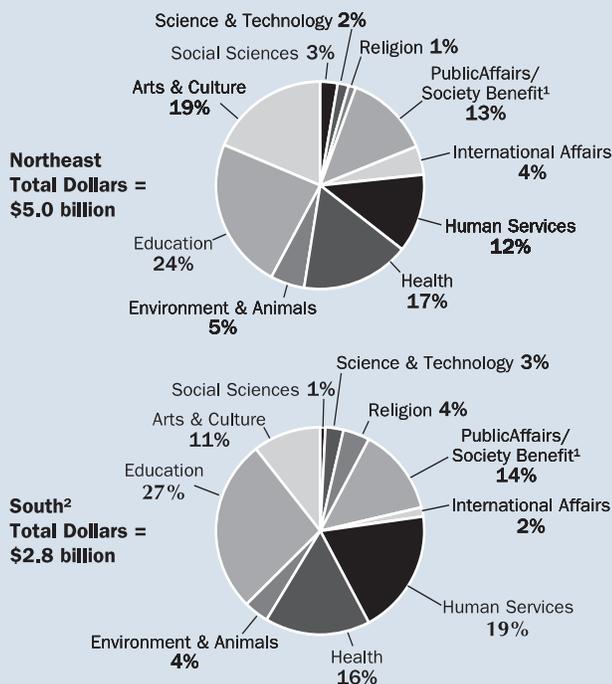
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Foundations in the Northeast, Midwest, and South favored Education in 2004; funders in the West prioritized Health



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²Figures for the South exclude the District of Columbia. The 19 DC-based foundations in the sample awarded 3,160 grants totaling \$226.1 million.