

# Funding for Many Texas Financial Aid Programs Increased in 2014-2015 Biennium

**Major Texas Financial Aid Programs  
Funding in 2012-2013 (Adjusted) and 2014-2015 Biennia**

	2012-2013 Adjusted Biennium Funding (in millions, rounded)	2014-2015 Biennium Funding (in millions, rounded)	Percent Change
Towards EXcellence Access and Success (TEXAS) Grant	\$579.7	\$724.6	25%
Texas Educational Opportunity Grant (TEOG)	\$23.1	\$27.8	20%
Texas Work-Study	\$17.7	\$18.8	6%
Tuition Equalization Grant (TEG)	\$168.8	\$180.1	7%
B-on-Time Loan	\$107.1	\$112.0	5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$896.4</b>	<b>\$1,063.3</b>	<b>19%</b>

Funding for several of Texas' major higher education financial aid programs was increased from the adjusted 2012-2013 Biennium to the 2014-2015 Biennium. Overall, funding for the five major programs was increased by 19 percent, from about \$900 million to over \$1 billion. This is due in part to a decrease in funding in the 2012-2013 Biennium, as the current increases bring funding levels for many of the programs back to pre-cut levels. All state grant programs assist student with financial need, promoting access to higher education to low-income students while helping to limit their need to borrow student loans.

**Other Major Texas Financial Aid Programs  
Funding in 2012-2013 (Adjusted) and 2014-2015 Biennia**

	2012-2013 Adjusted Biennium Funding (in millions, rounded)	2014-2015 Biennium Funding (in millions, rounded)	Percent Change
Top Ten Percent Scholarship	\$39.6	\$39.6	0%
Developmental Education	\$4.0	\$4.0	0%
Texas Research Incentive Program	\$70.0	\$35.6	-49%
Professional Nursing Shortage Reduction Program	\$29.6	\$33.7	14%
Family Practice Residency	\$13.3	\$5.0	-62%
Advanced Research Program	\$1.0	\$1.0	0%
Teach for Texas Loan Repayment Assistance Program	\$1.0	\$4.4	343%
Physician Education Loan Repayment Program	\$5.7	\$33.8	495%

Source: Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board Presentation, "Higher Education Summary of the 83<sup>rd</sup> Texas Legislature (Regular Session)," July 2013 (<http://www.theccb.state.tx.us/>).

