

TABLE E

Average Annual Percentage Increases in Average Tuition and Fees, Average Faculty Salaries, and the Consumer Price Index, 1976–77 to 2002–03

	Private Four-Year	Public Four-Year	Public Two-Year
1976–77 to 1990–91			
Average Tuition and Fees	9.8	8.4	8.7
Average Faculty Salaries	6.8	6.6	5.9
Consumer Price Index	6.1	6.1	6.1
1990–91 to 2002–03			
Average Tuition and Fees	5.9	6.6	5.2
Average Faculty Salaries	3.8	3.2	2.7
Consumer Price Index	2.7	2.7	2.7

Sources: For average tuition and fees: *Trends in College Pricing 2003* (New York: College Board Publications, 2003), table 5a; for average faculty salaries: AAUP, *The Annual Report on the Economic Status of the Profession, Academe*, 1976–77 to 2002–03; for the Consumer Price Index: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, All Urban Consumers Series. Annual average data used for 1976, 1990, and 2002 (<http://www.bls.gov>).