



Exemptions & Waivers

Presentation for the

House Higher Education Committee

Interim Charge #2

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Definitions



*Exemption & Waiver programs are **authorized by the Texas Legislature** and provide a monetary benefit to qualifying students via a reduction in tuition, fees, or both.*

Exemptions:

Allow special groups of resident or non-resident students to pay a reduced amount of tuition and fees.

Waivers:

Allow special groups of non-resident students to pay a reduced nonresident tuition rate.

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Implementation



Implementation of exemption & waiver programs vary by statute.

Mandatory:

Require all institutions to honor provisions in statute for all qualifying students

Optional:

Allow governing boards to implement program provisions on an institution by institution basis.

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Funding



*With few exceptions, exemption and waiver programs **do not receive state appropriations**. Instead, institutions are required to cover the "costs" of the programs via foregone tuition and fees.*

FY2008

- ✓ **202,500** students served
- ✓ Approx. **\$356 million** in foregone tuition and fees (FY 08 dollars).

Mandatory:

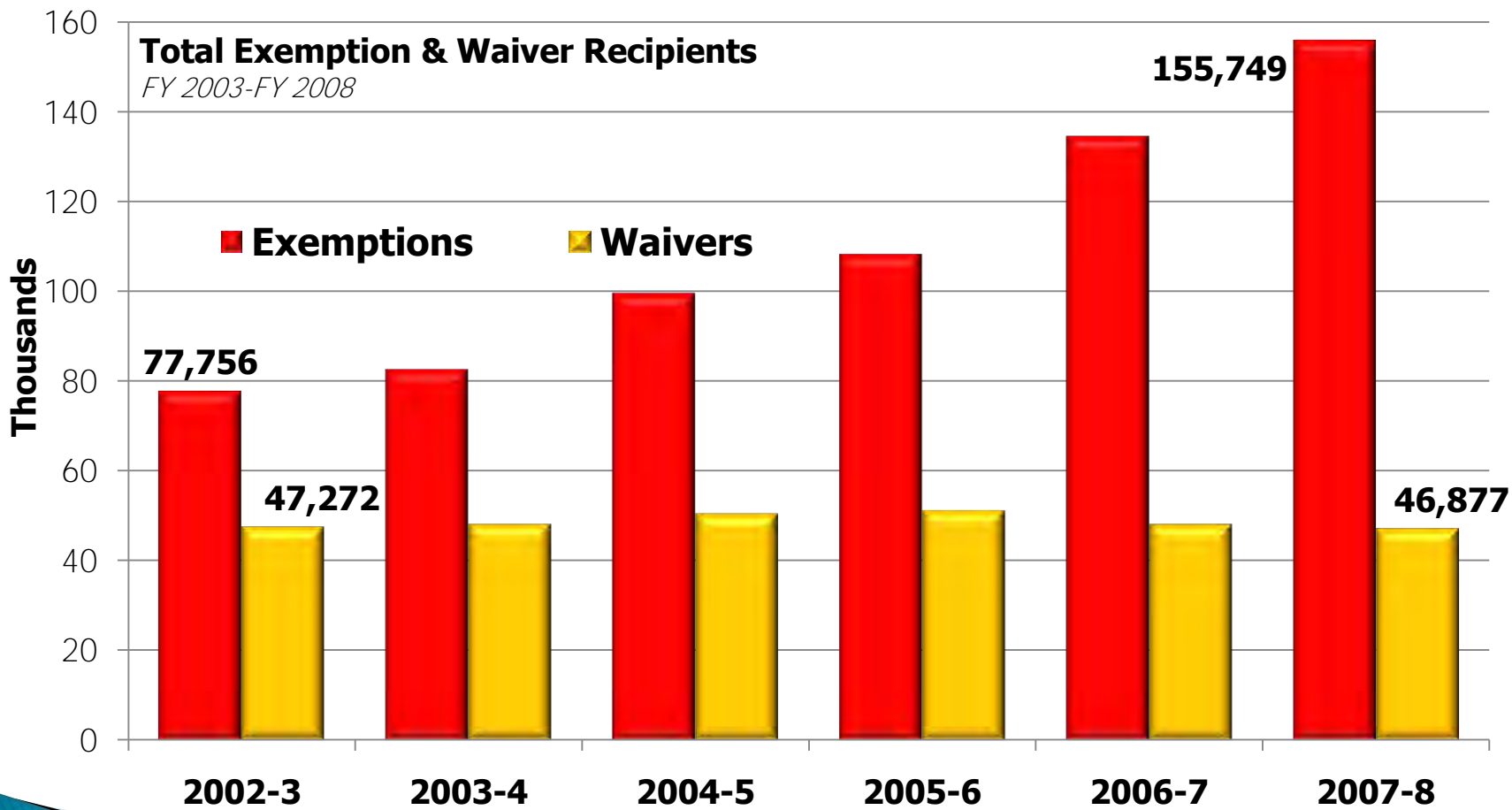
\$272 million

Optional:

\$84 million

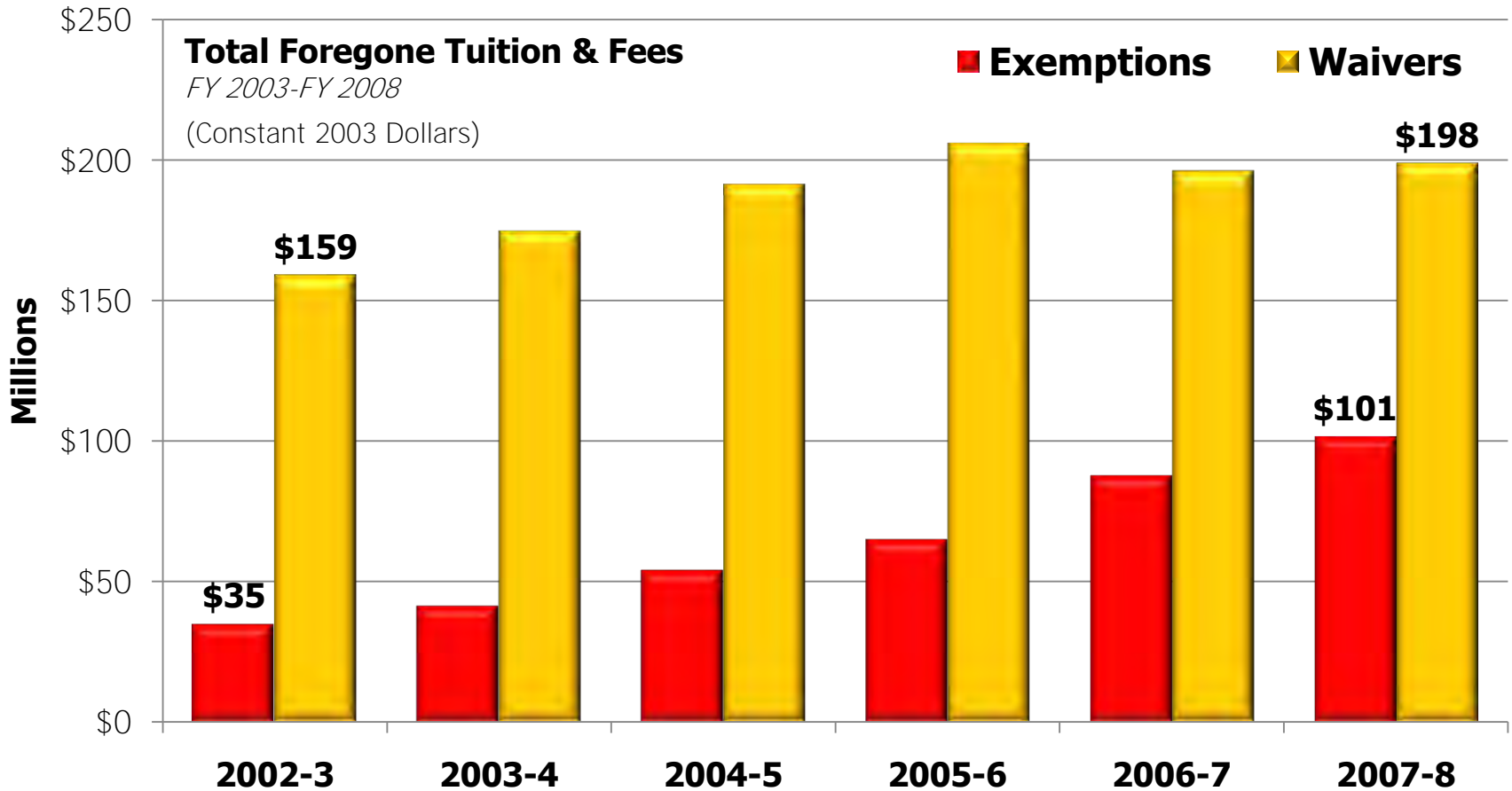
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Recipient Trends



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Financial Impact



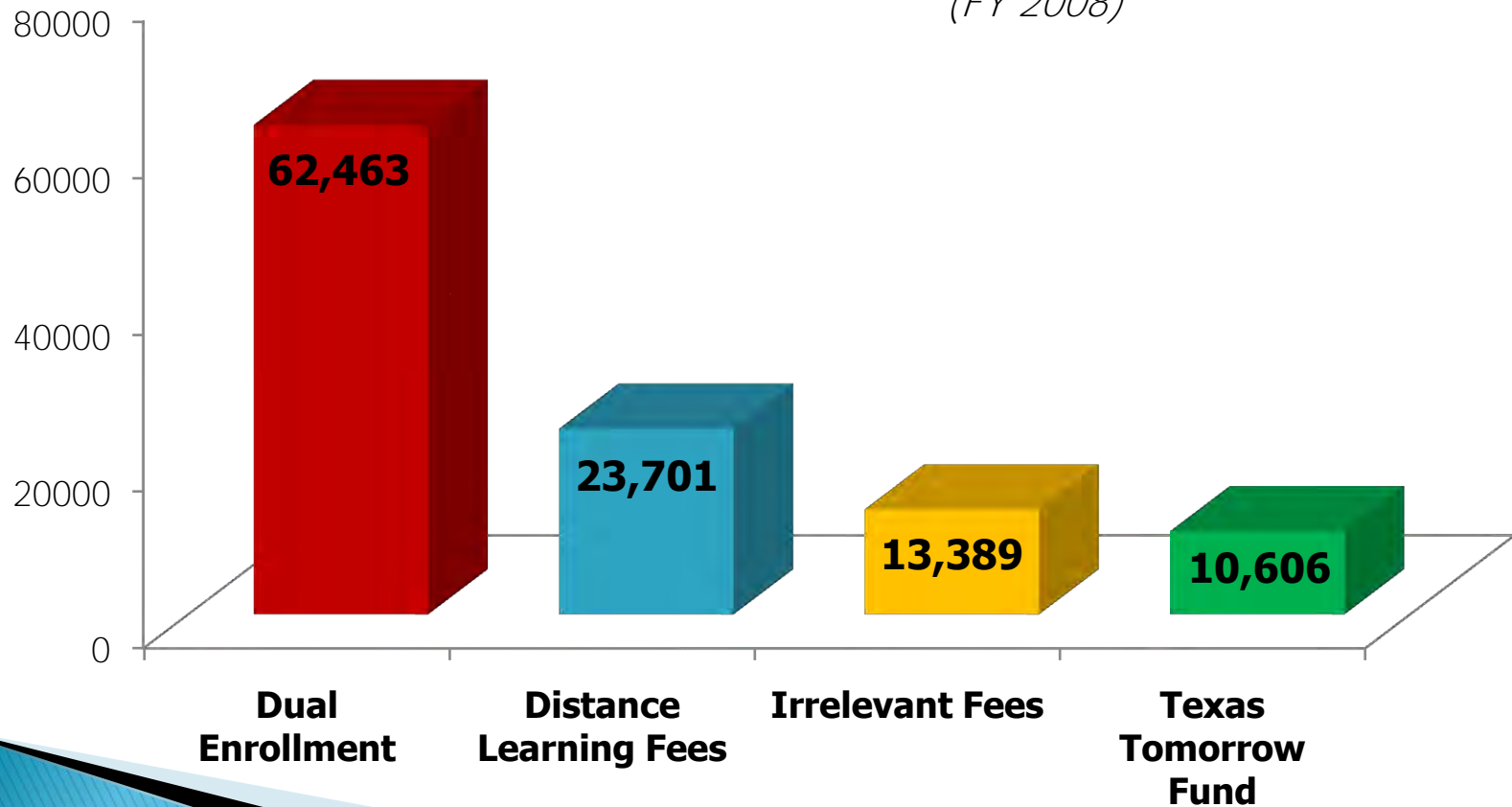
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Top 4 Programs



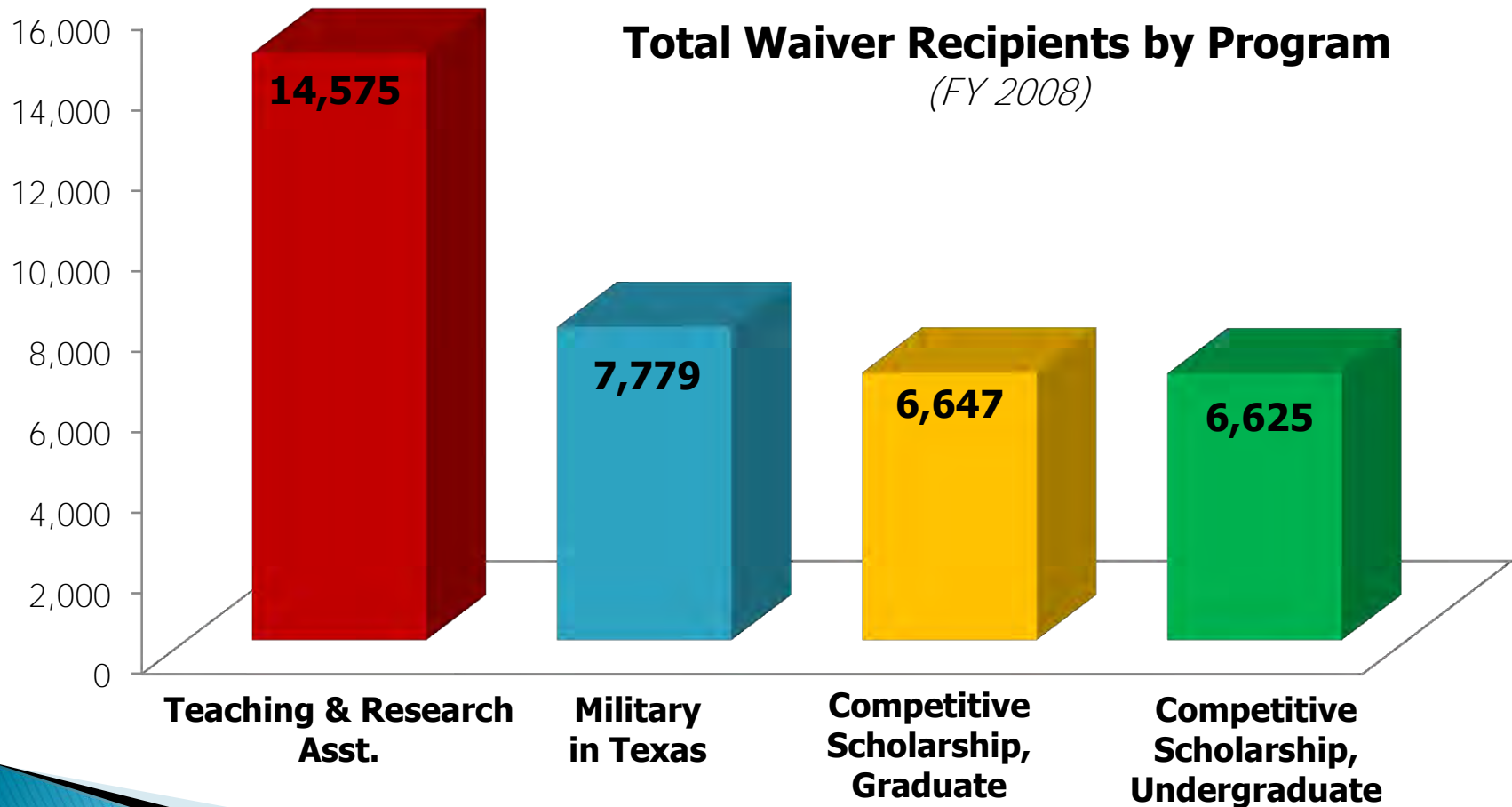
Total Exemption Recipients by Program

(FY 2008)



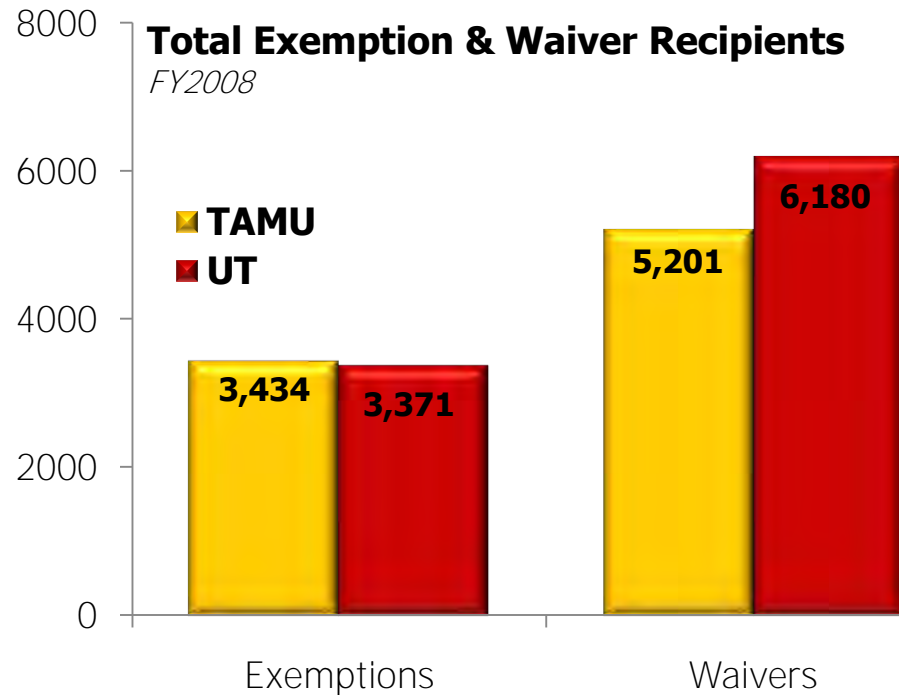
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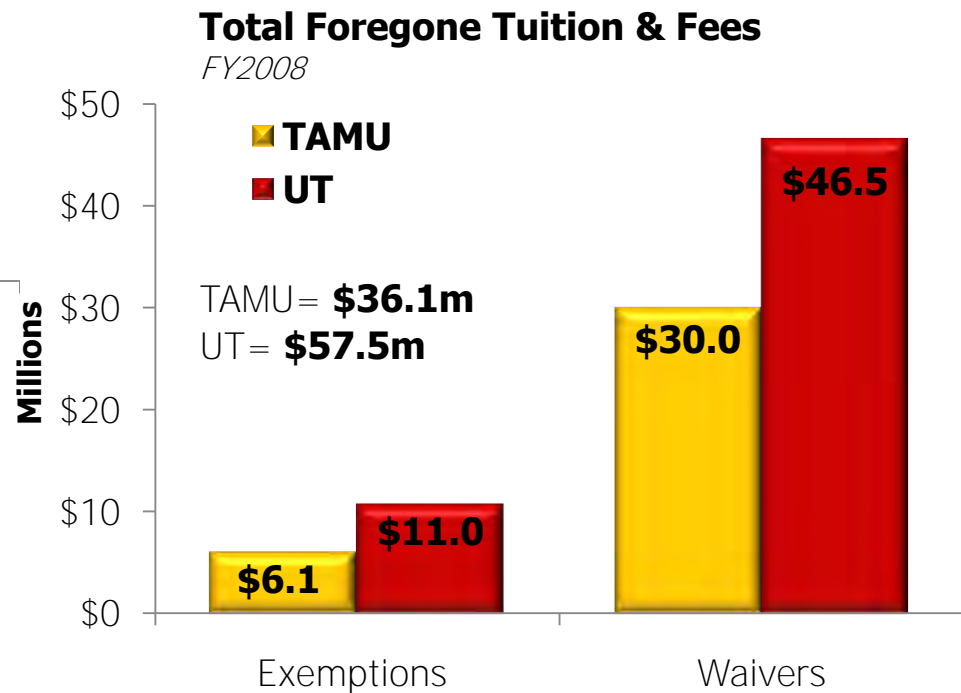
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UT Austin vs. Texas A&M



Texas A&M Univ.
Total Tuition & Fees Collected (FY 2008)
\$298.4 million

Univ. of Texas-Austin
Total Tuition & Fees Collected (FY 2008)
\$380.8 million



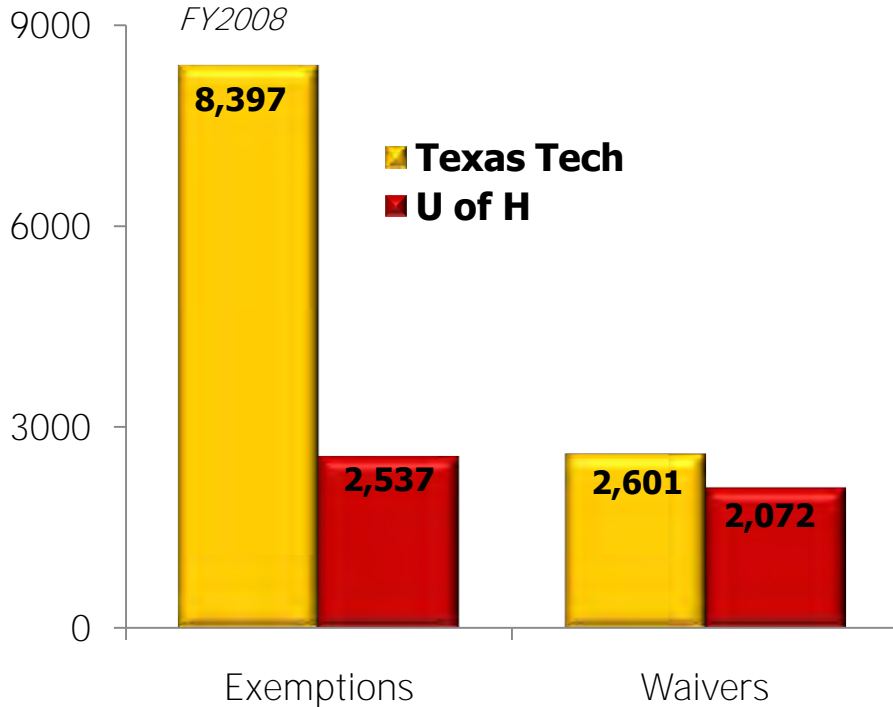
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Emerging Research Institutions



Total Exemption & Waiver Recipients

FY2008

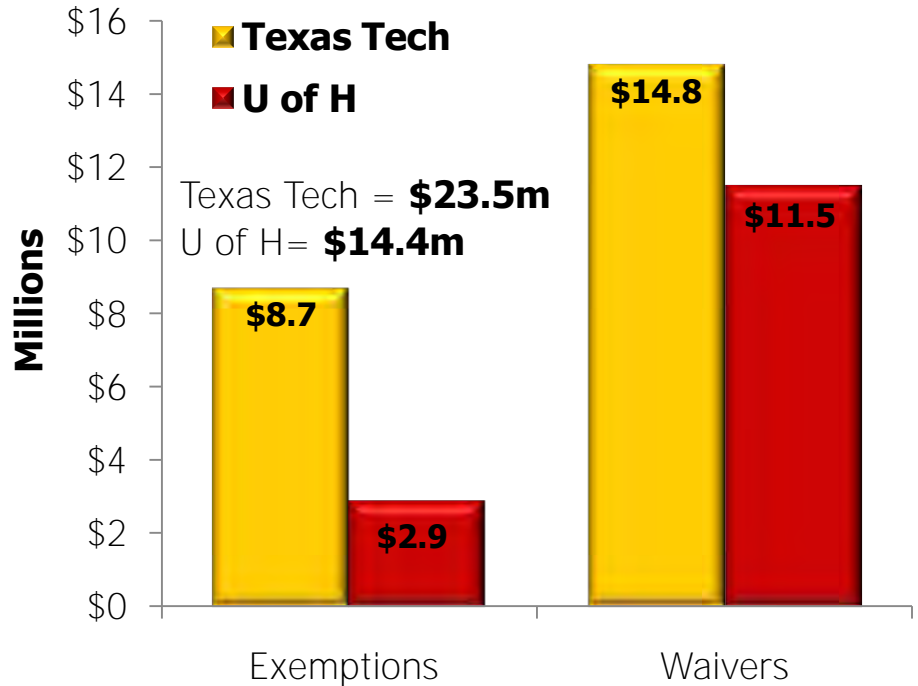


Univ. of Houston
Total Tuition & Fees Collected (FY 2008)
\$221.2 million

Texas Tech Univ.
Total Tuition & Fees Collected (FY 2008)
\$189.3 million

Total Foregone Tuition & Fees

FY2008



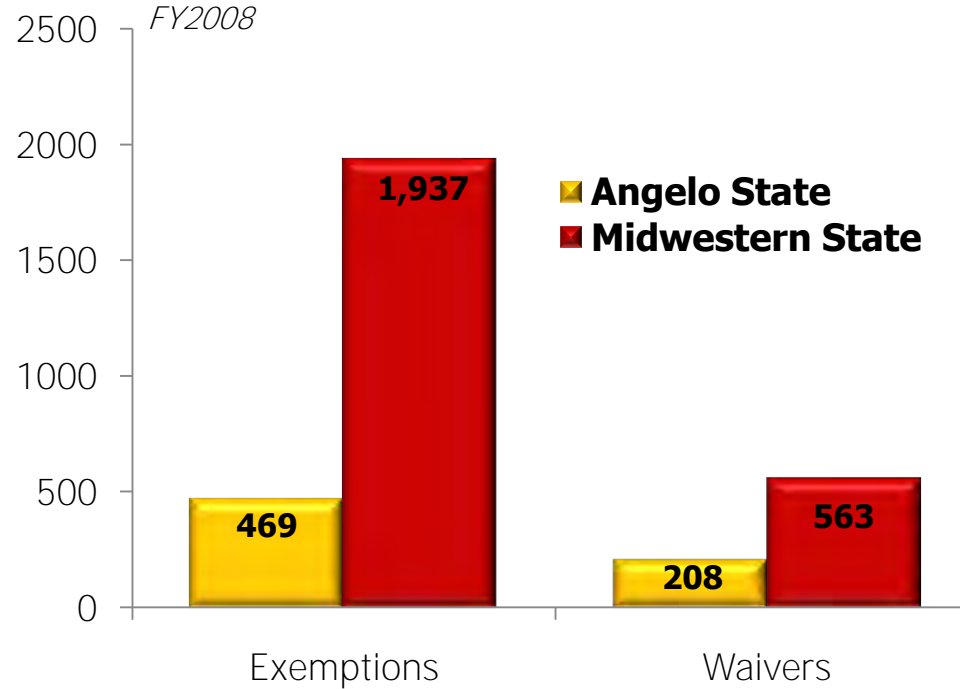
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Regional Institutions



Total Exemption & Waiver Recipients

FY2008



Angelo State Univ.
Total Tuition & Fees Collected (FY 2008)
\$26.0 million

Midwestern State Univ.
Total Tuition & Fees Collected (FY 2008)
\$24.7 million

Total Foregone Tuition & Fees

FY2008

