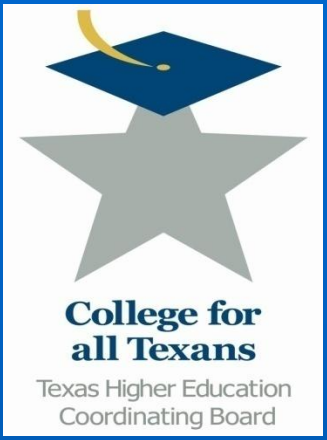

Tuition and Fees

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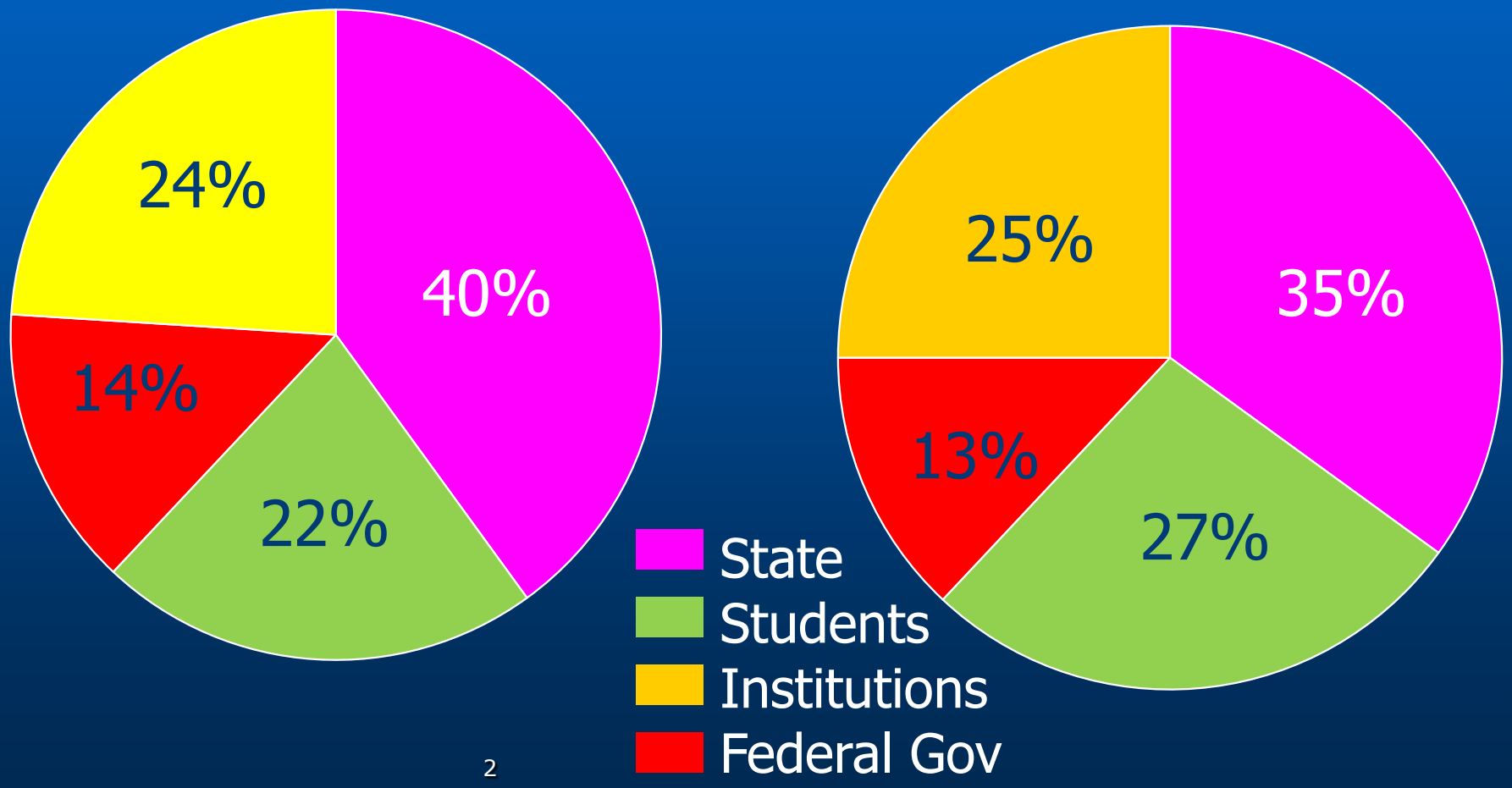
FY 2003 **Public Universities** **FY 2008**



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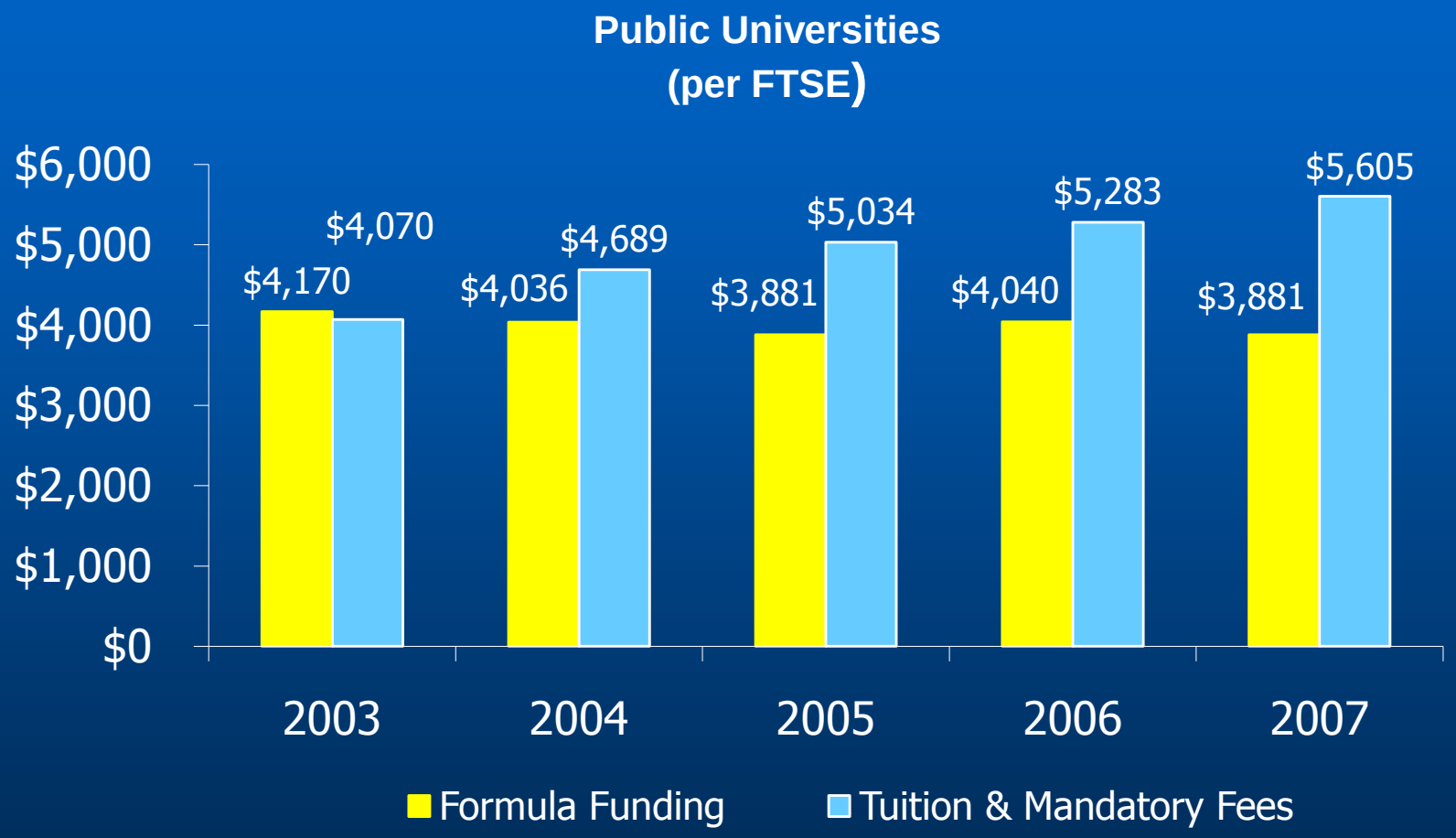

NOTE: In Constant Dollars, CPI-U

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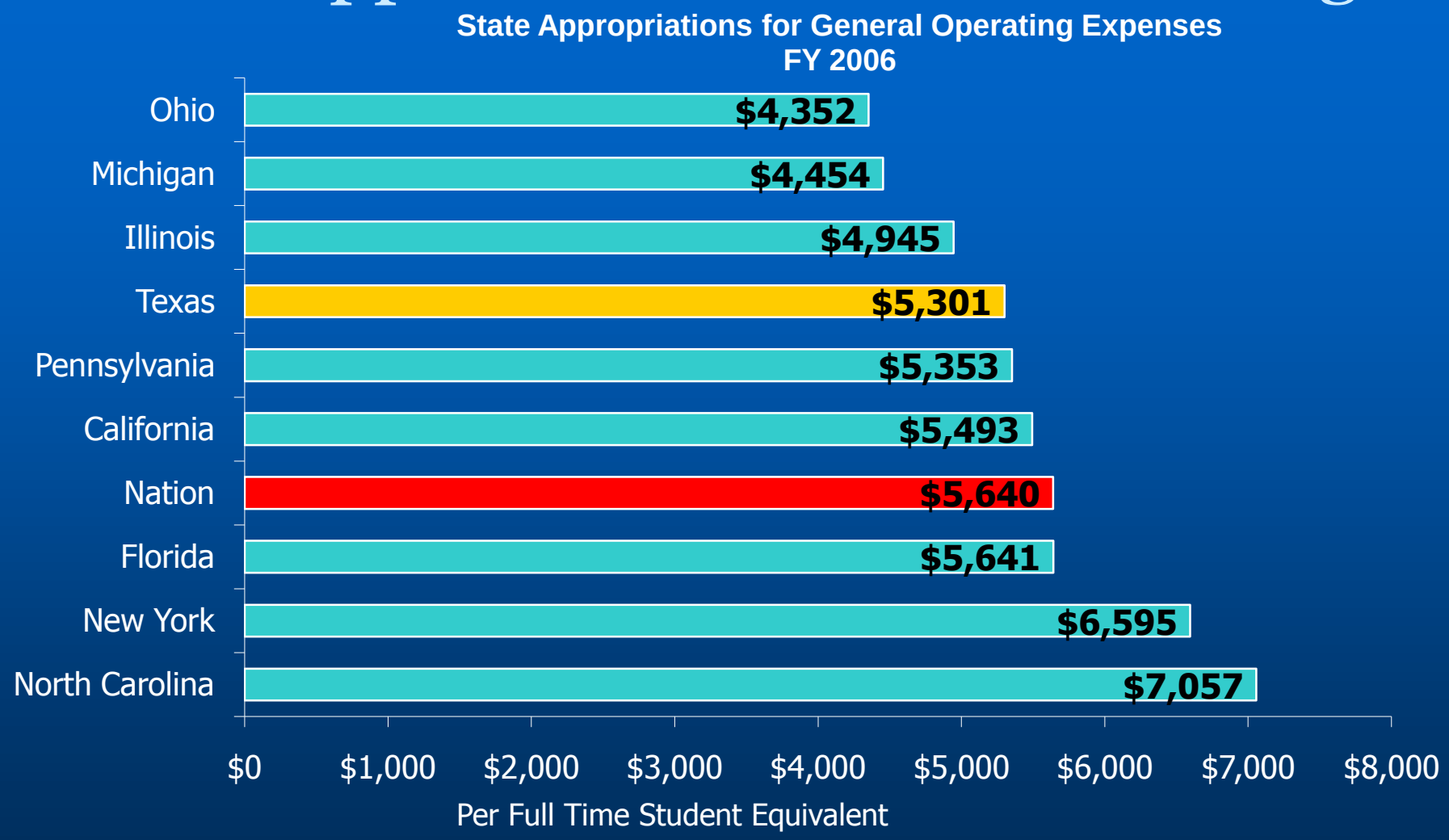
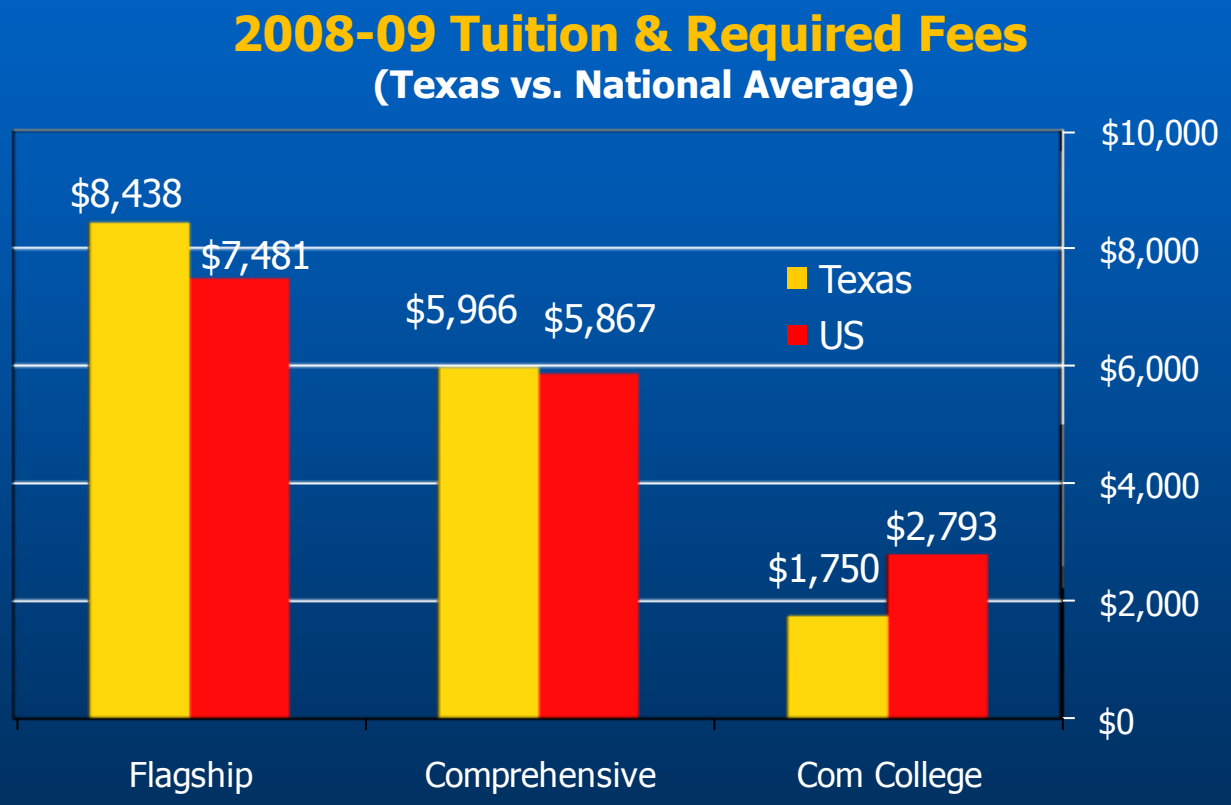


Source: State Higher Education Executive Officers

Texas' 4-year institutions meet or exceed the national average for tuition, while community colleges remain relatively inexpensive



Source: Washington Higher Education Coordinating Board, *2008 -09 Tuition and Fee Rates: A National Comparison,* March 2009.

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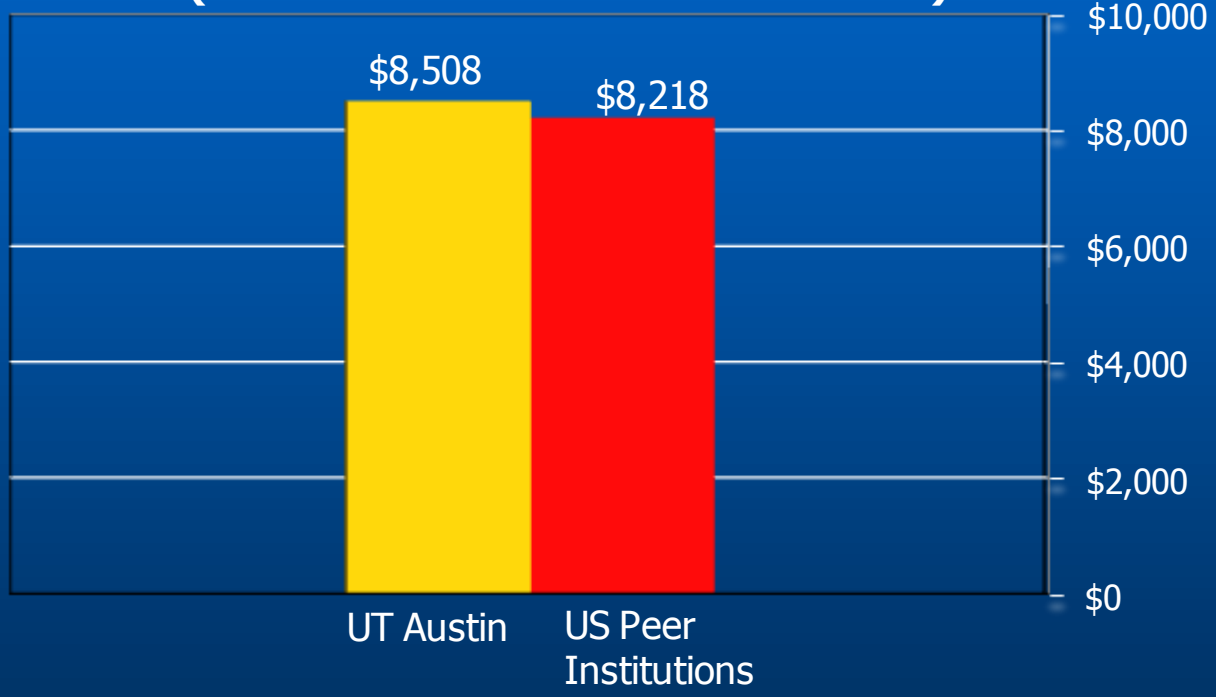
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2007

Comparison of tuition and required fees – UT Austin and US Peer Institutions

2008-09 Average Tuition & Required Fees
(UT Austin vs. US Peer Institutions)



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US Peer Institutions include: Ohio State University, Penn State University, SUNY-Buffalo, UC Berkeley, University of Colorado, University of Florida, University of Michigan, University of North Carolina, University of Virginia, University of Washington, University of Wisconsin.

Comprehensive Institutions

Source: US Peer Institutions: Institutional websites; UT Austin: Tuition and Fees Data, IFRS, Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board