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Home Mission Facts

Did You Know?

- Of the 258 million people in the United States, an estimated 181 million are lost.
- Most Americans, young and old, hold to traditional social values and would welcome stronger family ties, greater respect for authority, more emphasis on working hard, and less emphasis on money.
- Low-to-moderate income people are “more generous” than upper-income individuals in contributing volunteer time and money. Surveys consistently have shown that minority group members, most often in need themselves, are among the most generous of all people.
- One in 5 adult Americans cannot read a newspaper.
- Nearly all Americans, young and old, believe in God or a universal spirit. Accordingly, only about 4 percent of Americans can be described as “totally non-religious”—that is, are not church members, rarely or never attend church, say religion is “not very” or “not at all” important in their lives, and have no religious preference.
- One child in 5 in the United States lives in poverty.
- By 2010, one-third to one-half of the world’s positions in politics, business, education, science, and the military will be filled by people trained in the United States.
- The United States is a predominantly urban nation. The urban population is 75 percent of the total, but occupies only 2.5 percent of the nation’s land area.
- Based on 1990 Census data, Blacks comprise 12 percent of the total U.S. population and Hispanics comprise 9 percent. By 2010, Hispanics are expected to surpass Blacks to become the largest minority.
- Four of every 10 adults attend a church or synagogue during a typical week.
- The population living on farms in 1990 was estimated at fewer than 5 million.
- From 3,000 to 4,000 new cases of AIDS are diagnosed each month in the United States.
- Approximately 37 million people in the United States have little or no access to health care because they cannot pay for it.
- Four of 5 adults believe that one should arrive at his or her religious beliefs independent of any church or synagogue.
- Three of 4 adults believe that a person can be a good Christian or Jew without attending church or synagogue.
- There are 1.5 million abortions in the United States every year.
- The combined population of the four largest minority groups—Blacks, Hispanics, Asians, and American Indians—was estimated at 64.3 million in 1992. If these Americans lived in an independent country it would be the 13th largest nation—larger than Great Britain, France, Italy or Spain.
- Over half of America’s minority population live in just five states—California, Texas, New York, Florida and Illinois.

- The population of the United States is becoming more racially and ethnically diverse. By the year 2050, minority groups (other than non-Hispanic whites) will make up half the U.S. total.
- Americans use more than 600 languages to communicate with one another.
- Since 1975, Southern Baptists in the United States have resettled more than 10,000 refugees from various countries, resulting in 307 language-culture congregations.
- In 1992, there were almost 1,300 new church starts in the SBC—half were either ethnic or black churches.
- Four out of 10 first marriages are projected to end in divorce.
- Thirty-six million people in the U.S. live below poverty thresholds—14.2 percent of the total population. One-half of the poverty population consists of the elderly and children.
- Eight in 10 Americans consider themselves to be Christians. Six in 10 completely agree that the only assurance of eternal life is personal faith in Jesus Christ. Only half of those who consider themselves Christians can identify who delivered the Sermon on the Mount.
- Seventy-six percent of America's population live in 277 metropolitan areas. Yet only 41 percent of Southern Baptist churches and 57 percent of resident members are in these areas.
- Almost 72,000 home missions volunteers assisted in long and short term assignments in 1992.
- Many of the more than 600,000 refugees and immigrants who come to the United States each year cannot speak English.

Annie Armstrong Receipts by State Convention
January 1–November 30, 1993

Alabama	\$3,251,643.29
Alaska	65,004.94
Arizona	224,470.19
Arkansas	1,081,104.00
California	563,521.15
Canada	28,725.61
Colorado	153,495.31
Dakotas	19,160.00
District of Columbia	44,663.09
Florida	1,918,322.94
Georgia	3,215,326.06
Hawaii	82,589.79
Illinois	471,144.74
Indiana	151,917.57
Iowa	28,681.04
Kansas-Nebraska	185,033.17
Kentucky	1,236,998.48
Louisiana	1,144,704.94
Maryland-Delaware	261,037.92
Michigan	94,871.32
Minnesota	662.52
Minnesota-Wisconsin	38,466.63
Mississippi	2,016,710.60
Missouri	1,276,510.03
Montana	31,193.98
Nevada	44,481.76
New England	52,565.67
New Mexico	249,372.30
New York	77,434.98
North Carolina	3,989,453.94
Northwest	163,510.78
Ohio	275,483.57
Oklahoma	991,380.31
Panama	2,144.81
Pennsylvania-South Jersey	67,606.37
Puerto Rico	6,010.13
South Carolina	2,466,881.23
Tennessee	2,569,784.42
Texas	5,513,148.03
Utah-Idaho	39,870.32
Virginia	1,719,723.48
West Virginia	76,107.45
Wyoming	36,550.19
Miscellaneous Countries	23,567.00

\$35,951,036.05

Source: Accounting Department, HMB

Annie Armstrong Easter Offering Receipts, 1933-1993

Year	AAEO Receipts	Percentage Increase	Percentage of Total HMB Income	Goal	Percentage of Goal
1933	\$62,630	... %	... %	\$80,000	78.3 %
1934	94,274	50.5	...	68,000	138.6
1935	101,548	7.7	...	103,500	98.1
1936	113,981	12.2	...	105,000	108.6
1937	130,905	14.8	...	107,000	122.3
1938	139,766	6.8	...	120,000	116.5
1939	149,969	7.3	...	125,000	120.0
1940	157,009	4.7	...	130,000	120.8
1941	193,298	23.1	...	140,000	138.1
1942	224,910	16.4	...	145,000	155.1
1943	290,112	29.0	...	145,000	200.1
1944	387,038	33.4	...	200,000	193.5
1945	453,935	17.3	28.1	225,000	201.7
1946	517,915	14.1	28.8	500,000	103.6
1947	532,612	2.8	31.5	500,000	106.5
1948	636,841	19.6	32.4	600,000	106.1
1949	671,313	5.4	30.9	1,000,000	67.1
1950	664,476	-1.0	29.6	800,000	83.1
1951	837,389	26.0	35.2	800,000	104.7
1952	991,484	18.4	33.4	900,000	110.2
1953	1,119,865	12.9	37.6	1,000,000	112.0
1954	1,212,435	8.3	38.5	1,250,000	97.0
1955	1,256,255	3.6	37.9	1,375,000	91.4
1956	1,574,891	25.4	37.5	1,500,000	105.0
1957	1,741,860	10.6	39.3	2,000,000	87.1
1958	1,676,354	-3.8	36.3	2,000,000	83.8
1959	2,126,085	26.8	40.6	2,000,000	106.3
1960	2,226,166	4.7	37.6	2,350,000	94.7
1961	2,553,733	14.7	38.1	2,470,000	103.4
1962	2,891,184	13.2	44.3	2,910,000	99.4
1963	3,049,284	5.5	43.3	3,310,000	92.1
1964	3,193,954	4.7	40.4	3,310,000	96.5

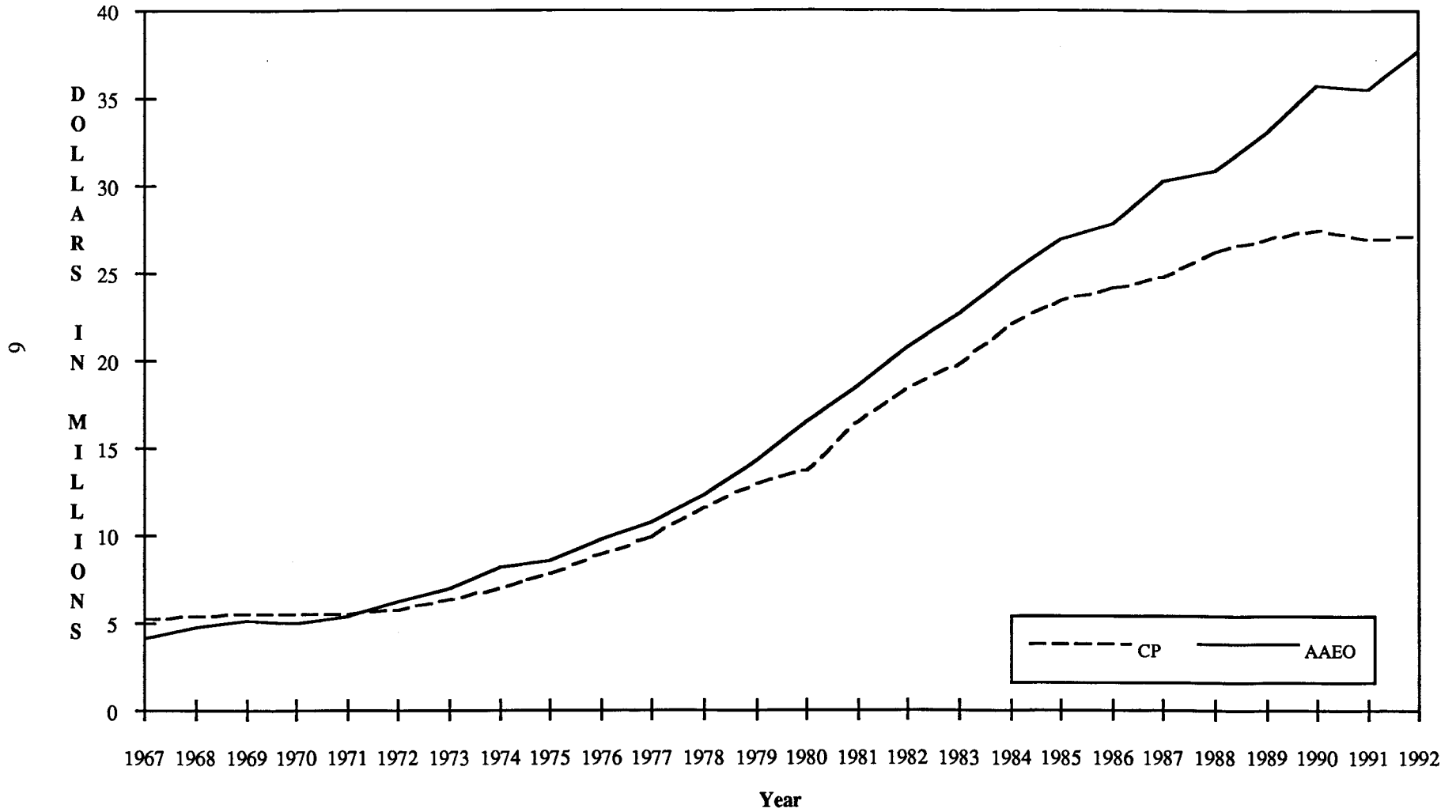
Annie Armstrong Easter Offering Receipts, 1933-1993
(continued)

Year	AAEO Receipts	Percentage Increase	Percentage of Total HMB Income	Goal	Percentage of Goal
1965	\$3,573,146	11.9 %	35.7 %	\$3,690,000	96.8 %
1966	4,033,080	12.9	36.8	4,000,000	100.8
1967	4,088,470	1.4	34.4	4,500,000	90.9
1968	4,682,555	14.5	37.1	5,500,000	85.1
1969	5,045,758	7.8	37.3	6,500,000	77.6
1970	4,966,985	-1.6	36.6	6,000,000	82.8
1971	5,345,551	7.6	37.8	6,000,000	89.1
1972	6,137,612	14.8	39.6	6,000,000	102.3
1973	6,884,358	12.2	37.4	6,600,000	104.3
1974	8,130,142	18.1	39.7	7,200,000	112.9
1975	8,491,653	4.4	39.8	8,500,000	99.9
1976	9,656,512	13.7	39.3	9,500,000	101.6
1977	10,728,832	11.1	40.6	11,250,000	95.4
1978	12,282,228	14.5	40.3	13,000,000	94.5
1979	14,171,637	15.4	41.2	15,000,000	94.5
1980	16,479,032	16.3	34.8	15,500,000	106.3
1981	18,539,913	12.5	39.2	17,250,000	107.5
1982	20,709,206	11.7	40.3	22,000,000	94.1
1983	22,648,544	9.4	39.8	25,000,000	90.6
1984	24,914,311	10.0	40.7	29,000,000	85.9
1985	26,890,137	7.9	40.4	30,000,000	89.6
1986	27,810,377	3.4	39.3	33,500,000	83.0
1987	30,246,290	8.8	40.3	37,500,000	80.7
1988	30,855,305	2.0	40.4	37,500,000	82.3
1989	32,993,023	6.9	41.4	39,000,000	84.6
1990	35,679,669	8.1	40.3	41,000,000	87.0
1991	35,522,892	-0.4	39.9	41,000,000	86.6
1992	37,614,592	5.9	39.8	41,000,000	91.7
1993	36,319,470	-3.4	n/a	38,000,000	95.6

Source: Home Mission Board, SBC, and Woman's Missionary Union

Notes: AAEO receipts are based on a January 1–December 31 fiscal year. AAEO receipts from 1933-1992 are from HMB audits printed in SBC Annuals. Total income figures are from HMB audits printed in SBC Annuals, and include Church Loans Division funds and other special funds. AAEO goals are from WMU. AAEO for 1993 is unaudited.

COMPARISON OF ANNIE ARMSTRONG EASTER OFFERING AND COOPERATIVE PROGRAM RECEIPTS, 1967-1992



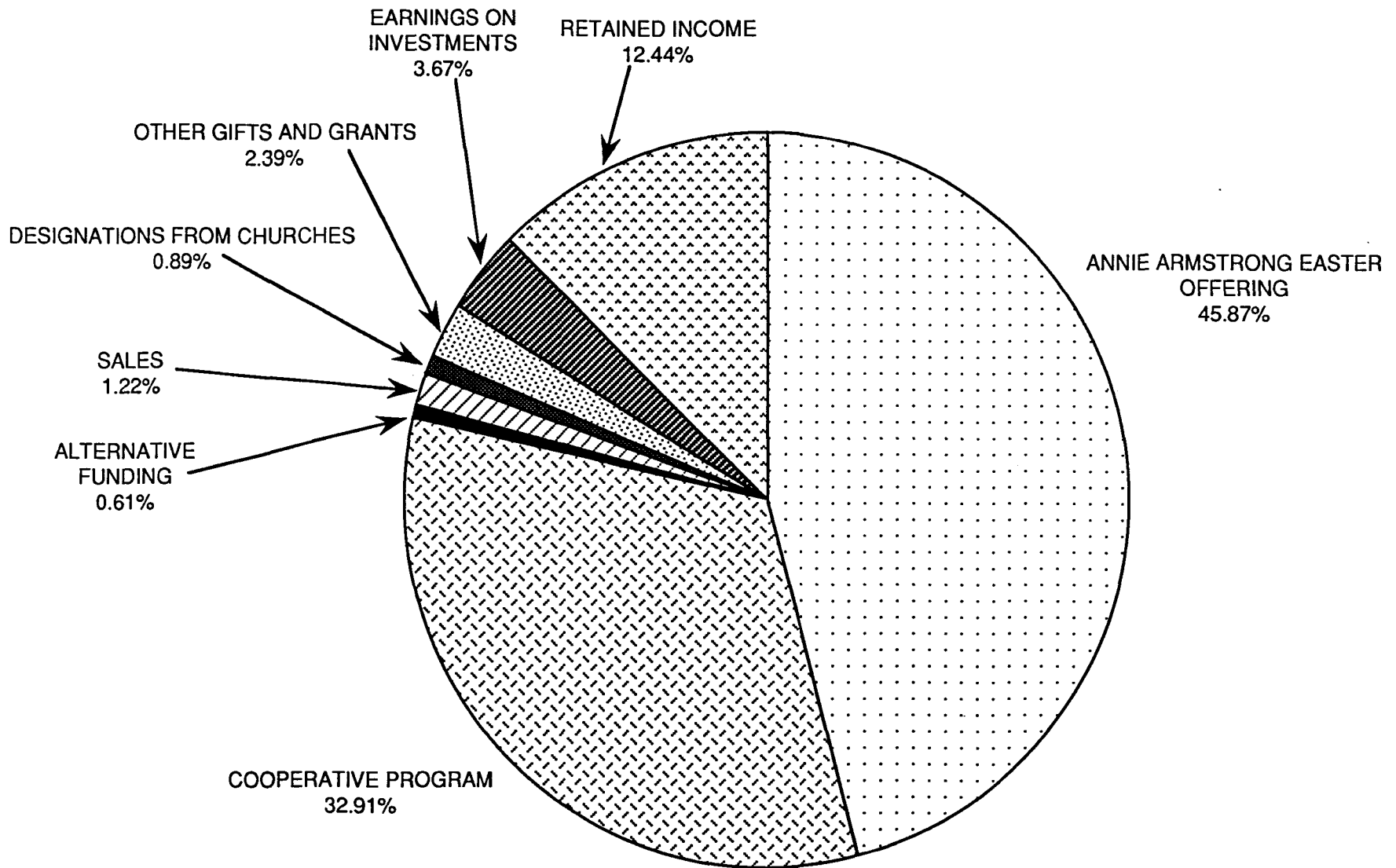
Sources: Home Mission Board, SBC

**Churches Not Reporting Annie
Armstrong Easter Offerings,
1978 to 1992**

Year	Number of Churches Not Reporting Gifts to AAEO	Percentage of Churches Not Reporting Gifts to AAEO
1978	11,557	33.5 %
1980	10,004	28.7
1981	9,843	28.1
1982	9,517	27.0
1983	9,246	26.1
1984	9,199	25.9
1985	9,177	25.8
1986	9,080	25.4
1987	8,631	24.1
1988	8,034	22.4
1989	7,560	21.0
1990	7,472	20.7
1991	7,339	20.3
1992	7,174	19.9

Source: Uniform Church Letter data

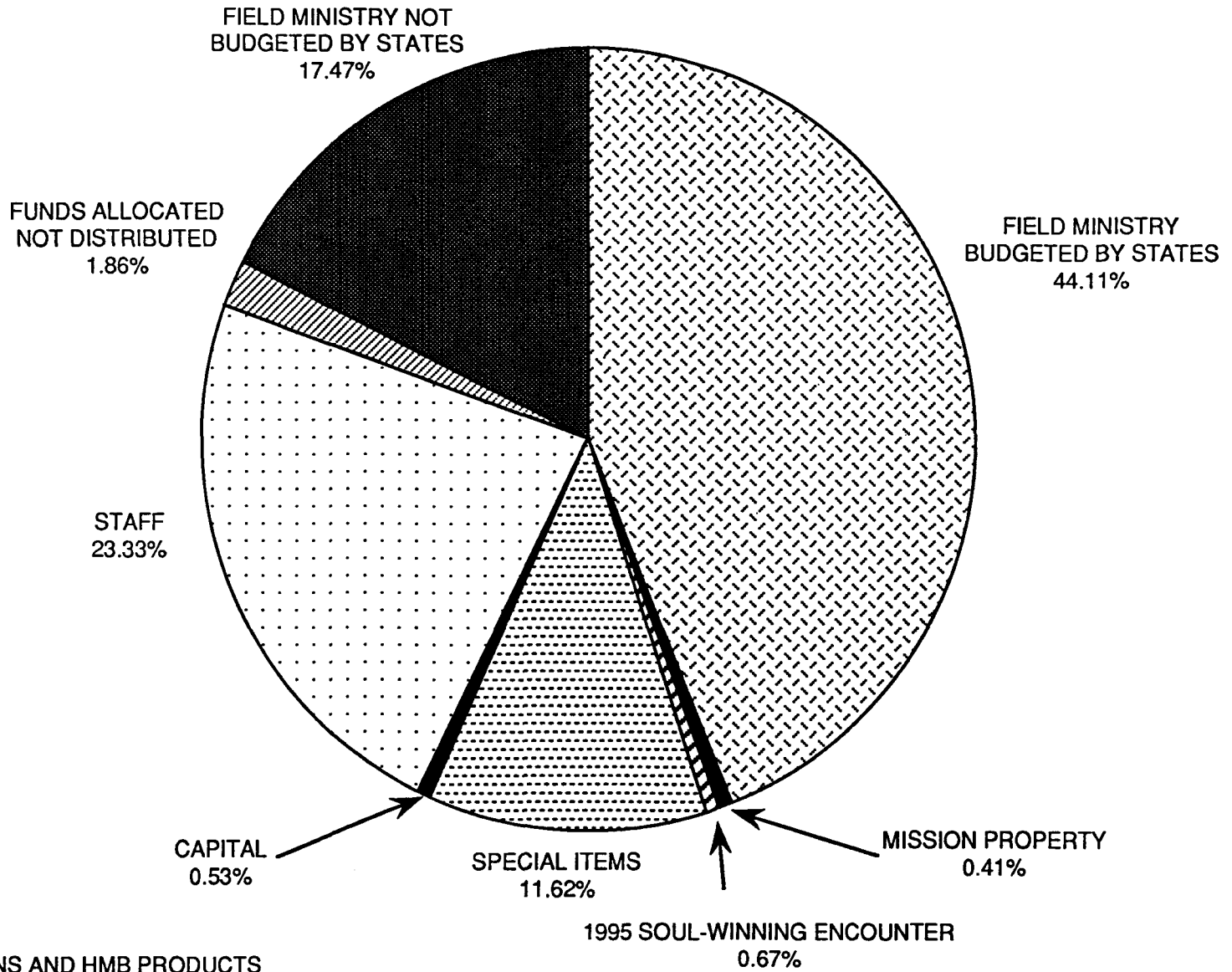
1994 INCOME*
\$80,494,425



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*LESS CHURCH LOANS AND HMB PRODUCTS
SOURCE: PLANNING SECTION, HMB, ATLANTA, GA

1994 EXPENDITURES*
\$80,494,425

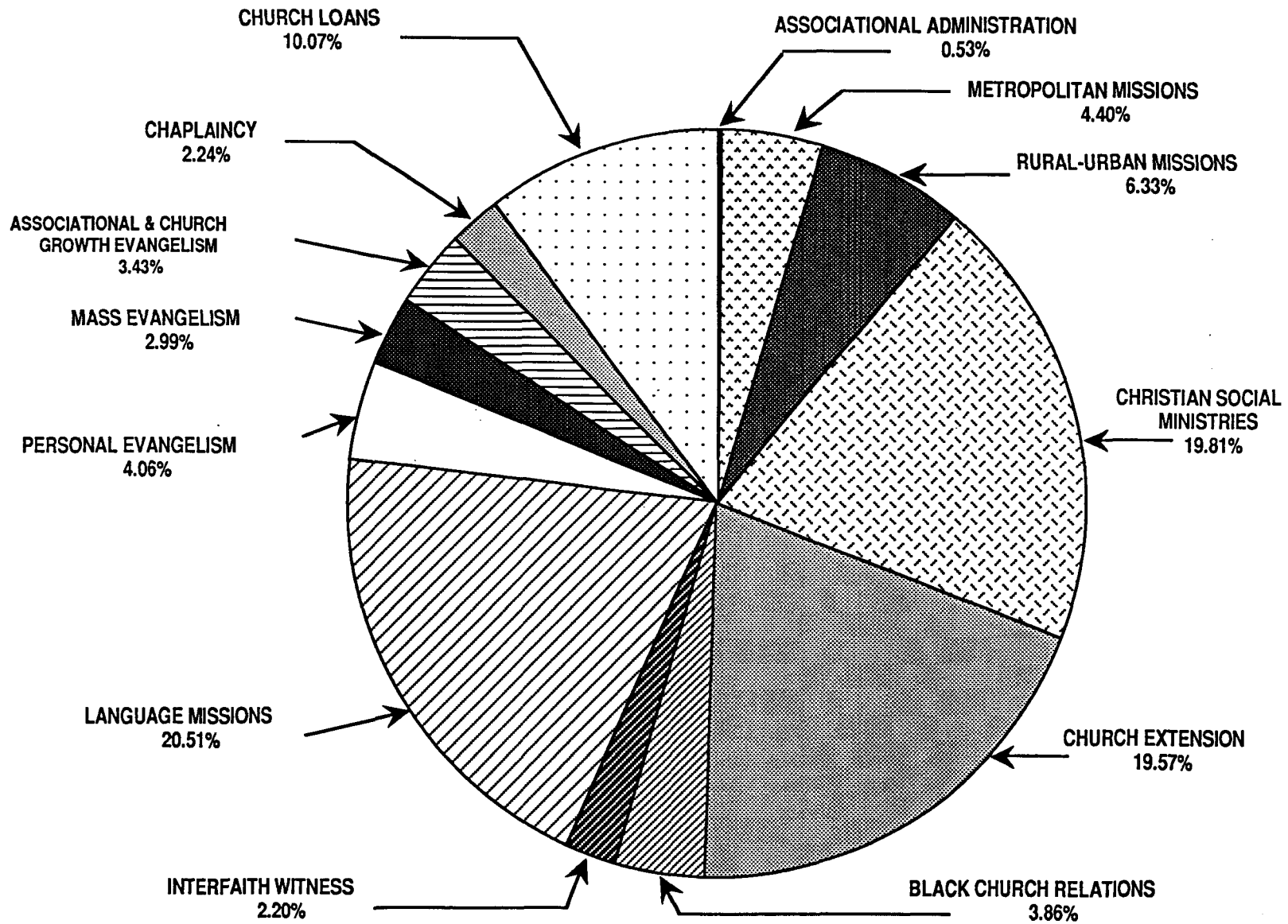


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SOURCE: PLANNING SECTION, HMB, ATLANTA, GA

RATIO OF EXPENSES AMONG 13 SBC PROGRAMS



*SBC PROGRAMS

SOURCE: PLANNING SECTION, HMB, ATLANTA, GA

MISSIONS PERSONNEL LISTED BY STATE/AREA AND CLASSIFICATIONS
AS OF 12/31/93

STATE	MISSIONARY	MIS ASOC	APPRENTICE	US-2	MSN PASTR	FPA	STATE STAFF	MSC	TOTAL
Alabama	14	11	2	2		29	2	23	83
Alaska	15	4		5	18	9	2	5	58
Arizona	20	12	2	3	14	79	4	30	164
Arkansas	14	4		2	12	30	2	14	78
California	71	49	12	2	12	162	4	61	373
Colorado	16	18		1	38	32	2	43	150
Connecticut	1	2	2		6	29		2	42
Delaware	2								2
DC	3						3		6
Florida	27	14	7	5		5	12	38	108
Georgia	34	20	12	6	4	86	3	55	220
Hawaii	8	2	2	1	14	22	2	3	54
Idaho	2	2			21	7		2	34
Illinois	20	13	2	1	20	31	4	12	103
Indiana	8	20	10	2	4	49	2	6	101
Iowa	6	4	4	2	24	10	3		53
Kansas	22	14	4	2	15	25	3	21	106
Kentucky	10	10	2	2	10	22	2	11	69
Louisiana	23	13		2		93		14	145
Maine	2				3	9		3	17
Maryland	20	16	4	2	14	42	2	6	106
Massachusetts	1	11	3	2	20	50	3	10	100
Michigan	19	11	5	3	18	31	3	13	103
Minnesota	7	2	2		25	27		12	75
Mississippi	2	7			6	9	3	19	46
Missouri	15	4	3	7	2	19	4	22	76
Montana	7	2			15	22	1	22	69
Nebraska	8	2			8	7		4	29
Nevada	11	8		2	29	27	3	3	83
New Hampshire			2		6			3	11
New Jersey	2	6			4	25		1	38
New Mexico	15	9		1	15	34	2	19	95
New York	34	9	4	7	28	77	4	13	176
North Carolina	18	13		4	4	81		9	129
North Dakota	9				4	12	1		26
Ohio	32	17		2	26	52	3	11	143
Oklahoma	19	24			11	66	2	19	141
Oregon	16	2		2	12	23	4	9	68
Pennsylvania	12	4	4	1	35	44	2	12	114
Rhode Island	2		4	2		4			12
South Carolina	22	10	4	5	2	10	4	27	84
South Dakota	12	2		1	6	20		9	50
Tennessee	11	10	4	4	2	54	3	15	103
Texas	32	60				20		318	430
Utah	9	6		1	12	10	2	2	42
Vermont	4		1		8	7		6	26
Virginia	21	24		2	16	32	1	7	103
Washington	10	2		2	4	41		11	70
West Virginia	8	9			5	47	3	7	79
Wisconsin	6		2		6	24		11	49
Wyoming	12	4		1	18	20	2	4	61
American Samoa					2	4		2	8
Canada	16	10	1		15	38	1	3	84
Puerto Rico	6	2		3		24		5	40
Virgin Islands									0
East	2								2
East Central	2								2
Midwest	2								2
Northeast									0
Southeast									0
West	2								2
National	17	14		8					39
TOTAL	761	512	104	100	593	1,732	103	977	4,882