

Table 12: Distribution of Federal Pell Grant Recipients by Family Income and Dependent Student Earnings

Table 12 presents a distribution of dependent Federal Pell Grant recipients by family income and student earnings. The dependent student earnings equals the sum of the student's 1993 taxable and nontaxable income minus the amount of 1993 federal taxes paid. Dependent recipients who did not report any 1993 earnings--about 59 percent of all dependents--are not included in this table.

Most Dependent Student Earnings Are Under \$4,000. Of those dependents included in Table 12, few report a large amount of earnings. Only 22.3 percent report earnings between \$4,001 and \$7,500 in the 1994-95 application; just over 3.8 percent report earnings of more than \$7,500. A majority (57.0 percent) of dependent recipients report incomes between \$1,001 and \$4,000.

Dependent Student Earnings Related to Family Income. A comparison of Table 12 with other End-of-Year Report tables that examine the distribution of dependent recipients by family income (Table 2B) indicate that dependent recipients whose parents report relatively large incomes are more likely to report earnings than dependents whose parents report little income. For example, 64.7 percent of dependent recipients whose parents reported income greater than \$20,000 reported earnings in 1993. In contrast, only 51.2 percent of dependents with family incomes of \$9,000 or less report any student earnings.

