programs which it helps to support. The first of these has been the initiation at later dates of grant programs for various categories of diseases (e.g., tuberculosis, heart disease, poliomyelitis) that have provided funds for the specialized costs of programs and services for certain disease control programs. The second factor has been the remarkable advancements in scientific knowledge that have made possible the initiation through the general health grant of new programs and services for the control on a community public health basis of diseases and conditions for which there were formerly no preventive or control measures. Underlying these developments, however, the basic purpose of the grant has continued to be the strengthening and improvement of a nationwide network of basic local public health organizations, staff, and services through which the more specialized disease control programs can operate effectively.

4. Level of operations. (See table 1.) See additional information at the end of this section.

Program: General health formula grants. Department or agency, and office or bureau: Department of Health, Education, and Welfare; Public Health Service—Bureau of State Services (Community Health).

Table 1.—Level of operations or performance, fiscal years 1964-67 [In thousands of dollars]

Measure (see committee inquiry for definitions)	Unit	Fiscal year 1964	Fiscal year 1965	Fiscal year 1966	Fiscal year 1967 1 4
(a) Magnitude of the program. (b) Applicants or participants: State government agencies. Local communities or governments.		\$239, 101	\$253, 897	\$266, 410	\$280, 270
Other					
Obligations incurred Allotments or commitments made		13, 999	9, 997	10,000	10, 000
d) Matching or additional expenditures 3		225, 102	243, 900	256, 410	270, 270
q) Other measures of performance					

- President's budget.
   Includes 50 States, District of Columbia, Guam, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands.
   Matching and other State and local expenditures for the general health program.
- 5. Estimated magnitude of program in 1970 Not answered.
- 6. Prospective changes in program orientation Not answered.
- 7. Coordination and cooperation. (See general statement at end of this section.)
- 8. Laws and regulations

Formula grants for general health are authorized in the annual appropriation act for fiscal year 1966 (Public Law 89–156). Authority is included in section 314(c) of the Public Health Service Act as amended (42 U.S.C. 246). Section 314(d) cites the basic factors of population, financial need and extent of the problem. Sections