

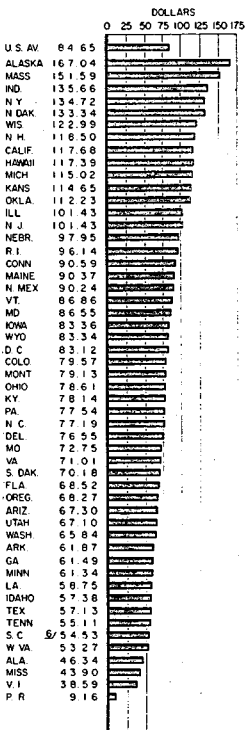
Federal participation in a nationwide program of public assistance payments that are grossly inadequate and widely variable not only perpetuates destitution and intensifies poverty-related problems but also contradicts the Nation's commitments to its poor.

Standards of assistance and average payments are not only low; they vary widely from State to State, as evidenced in the range of average payments in March 1966 for a dependent child from a low of \$8.71 a month to a high of \$52.28; and for an aged recipient from a low of \$40.92 to a high of \$123.16. Should a child or an aged person be considered more important in one State than in another?

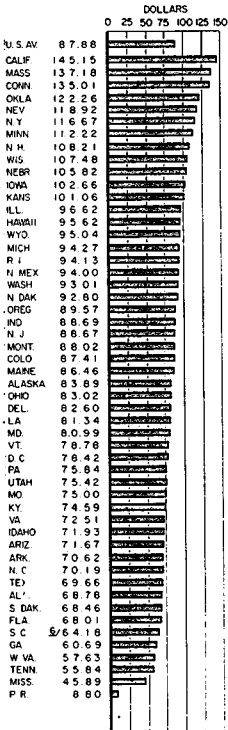
A guarantee which is not supported by adequate nationwide requirements and financing is—in the realities of modern America—no guarantee at all.

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