

KEY FACTS ON COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS

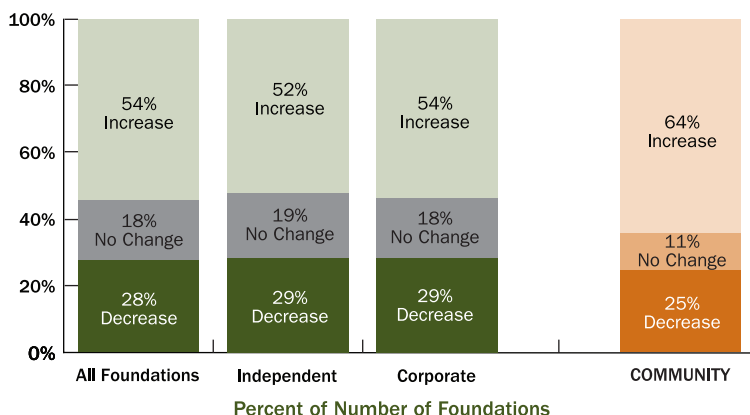
Outlook for Community Foundation Giving

Community foundations account for 1 percent of all U.S. grantmaking foundations but about 9 percent of giving. Since the start of the 1990s, the rate of growth in community foundation giving has surpassed that of U.S. foundations overall in all but two years. The latest year was no exception. Giving by community foundations jumped nearly 14 percent in 2007 to an estimated \$4.1 billion. (Adjusted for inflation, giving rose 10.7 percent.) Contributing to the faster growth in community foundation giving has been strong asset growth, new gifts and bequests from donors, and exceptional disbursements from donor-advised funds.

Looking ahead, close to two-thirds (64 percent) of community foundations responding to the Foundation Center's annual forecasting survey expected to increase their giving in 2008.¹ About half of these funders anticipated giving increases in the 1 to 5 percent and 5 to 10 percent ranges. Yet this positive finding was tempered by the 25 percent of community foundation respondents that expected to reduce their giving in 2008.

¹For more details see S. Lawrence and R. Mukai, *Foundation Growth and Giving Estimates: Current Outlook*, The Foundation Center, New York, 2008.

Nearly two-thirds of surveyed community foundations expect to increase giving in 2008



Note: A total of 1,158 foundations responded to this question.

\$4.1 billion
Estimated giving
by community
foundations in 2007

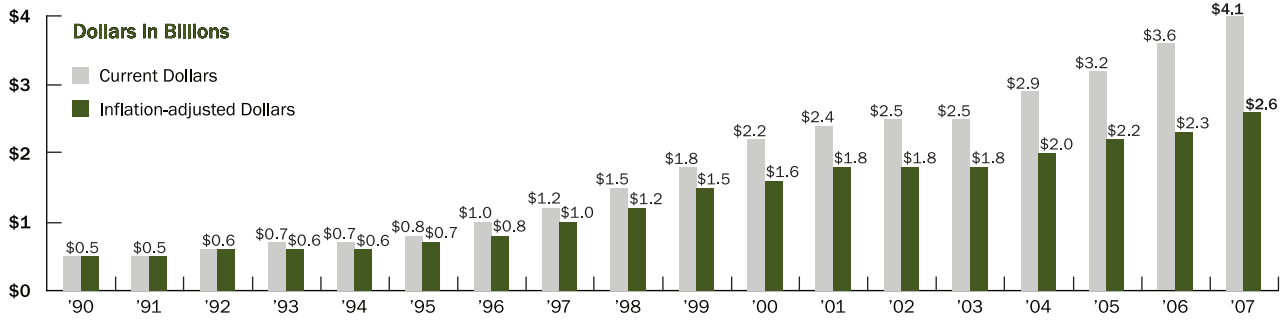
14%
Estimated increase
in community
foundation giving
between
2006 and 2007

717
Number of grant-
making community
foundations
in 2006

42%
Share of community
foundations reporting
more than \$1 million
in giving in 2006

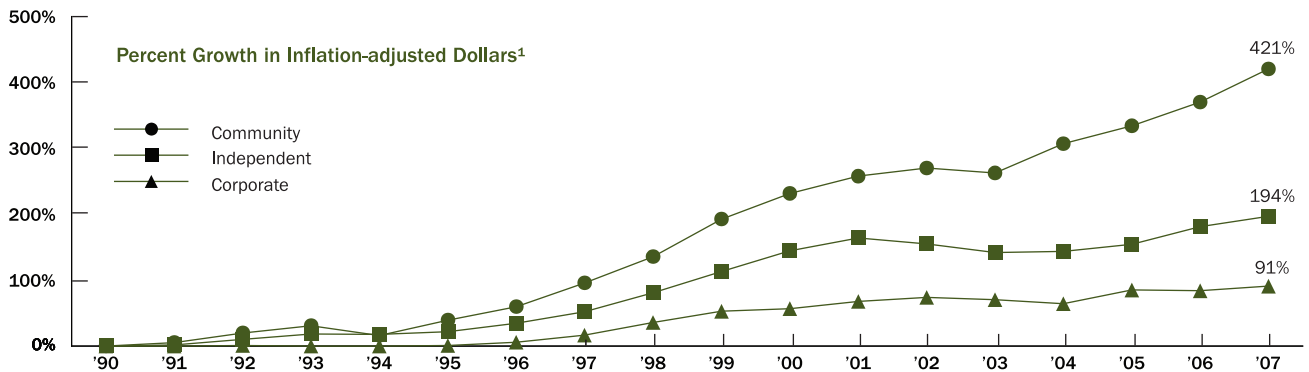
9%
Community
foundation giving
as a share of all
foundation giving
in 2006

Inflation-adjusted community foundation giving has increased fivefold since 1990



Note: Figures estimated for 2007.

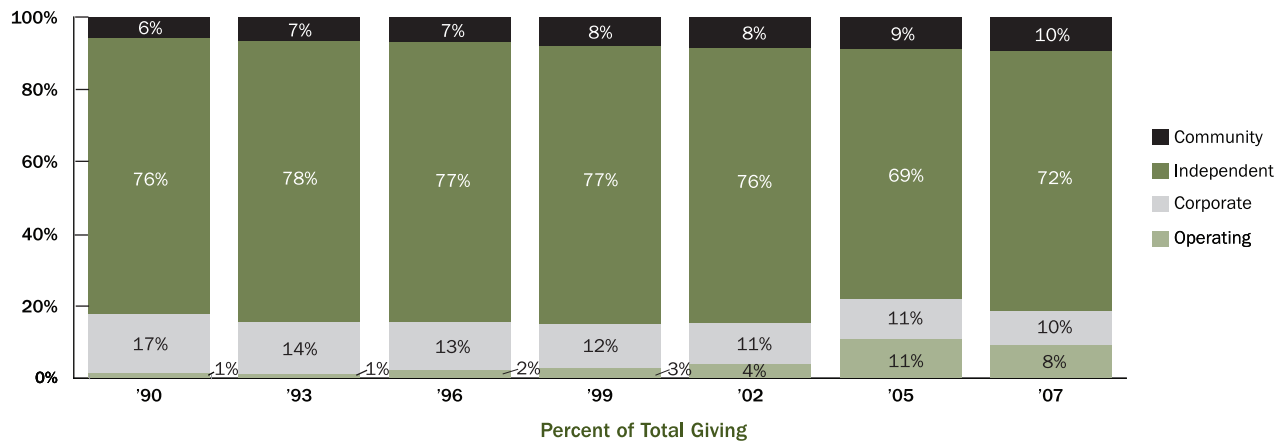
Accounting for inflation, community foundations reported the fastest cumulative growth in giving since 1990



Note: Figures estimated for 2007.

¹Percent change in constant 1990 dollars based on annual average Consumer Price Index, all urban consumers (Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, as of March 2008).

Since 1990, community foundations have increased their overall share of foundation giving



Note: Figures estimated for 2007; due to rounding, figures may not add up.

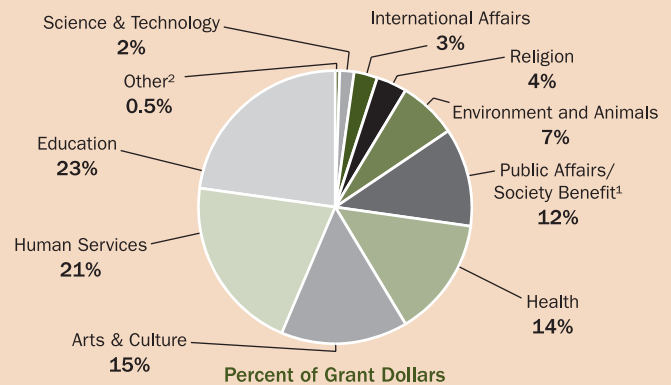
Community Foundation Giving Patterns, 2006

The larger community foundations included in the Foundation Center's 2006 grants sample¹ were more likely than independent and corporate foundations to provide funding for the arts and religion. They were less likely to provide funding for international affairs, development, and peace.

By target population group, community foundation giving primarily benefited children and youth and the economically disadvantaged—consistent with independent and corporate foundations. Nonetheless, community foundations gave proportionately more than foundations overall for most population groups.

¹The Foundation Center's 2006 grants sample database includes all of the grants of \$10,000 or more awarded by 1,263 of the largest U.S. foundations, including 86 community foundations. The overall sample accounted for roughly half of grant dollars awarded by the more than 72,000 grantmaking U.S. foundations.

Education and human services were the top priorities of community foundations in 2006

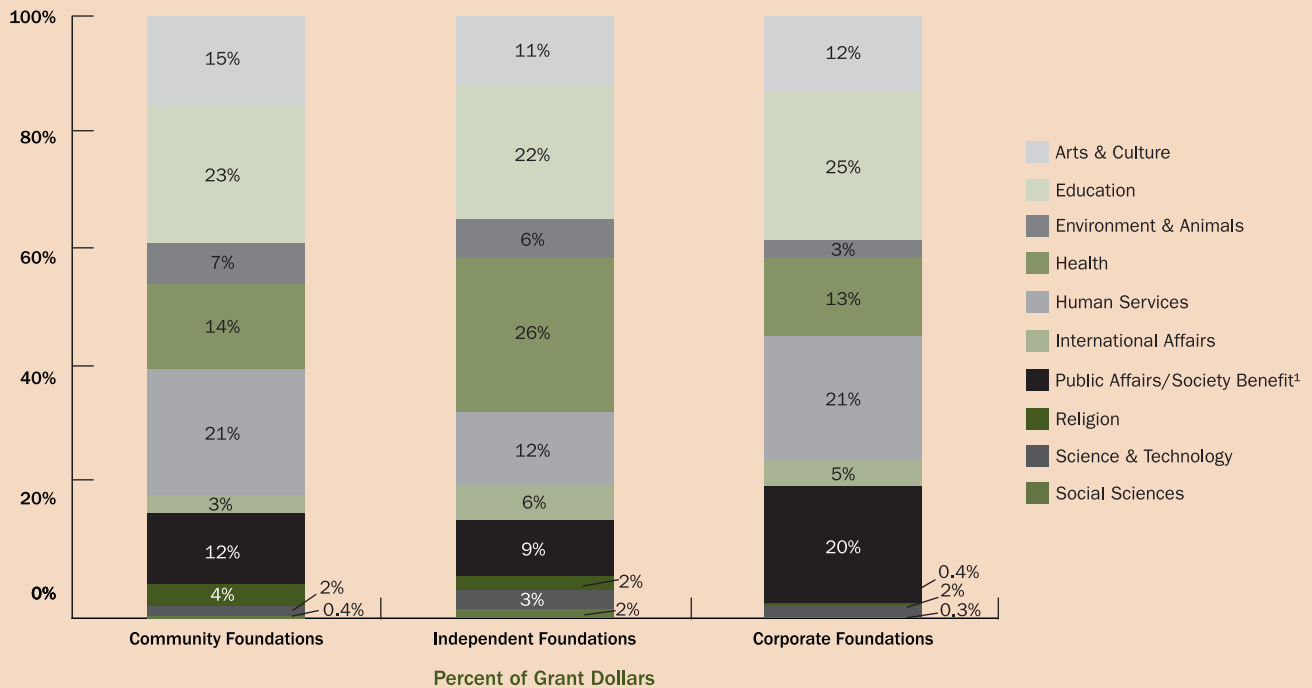


Note: Based on a sample of 86 larger community foundations.

¹Includes civil rights and social action, community improvement and development, philanthropy and voluntarism, and public affairs.

²Includes 0.4 percent of community foundation grant dollars awarded for the social sciences.

Community foundations provided notably larger shares of their funding for the arts and religion than other foundations in 2006

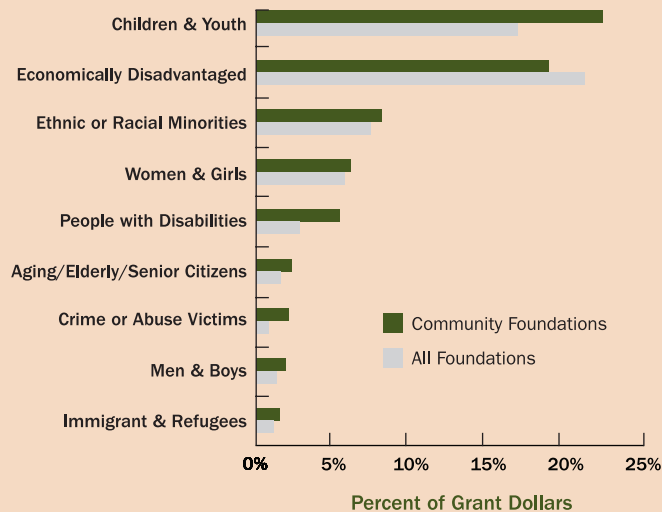


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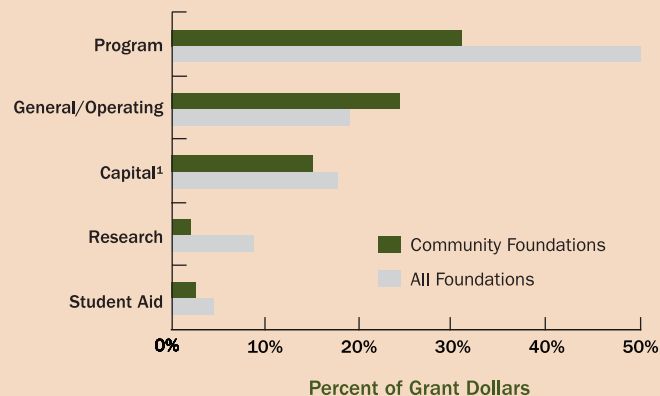
Community Foundation Giving Patterns, 2006, continued

Community foundations prioritized giving for children and youth and the economically disadvantaged in 2006



Note: Based on a sample of 1,263 larger foundations, including 86 community foundations. Chart includes selected beneficiary groups representing at least 1 percent of community foundation grant dollars. Figures represent only grants awarded to groups that could be identified as serving specific populations or grants whose descriptions specified a benefit for a specific population. These figures do not reflect all giving benefiting these groups. In addition, grants may benefit multiple population groups, e.g., a grant for homeless children, and would therefore be counted more than once.

Community foundations allocated a larger share of their grant dollars for operating support than did foundations overall in 2006



Note: Based on a sample of 1,263 larger foundations, including 86 larger community foundations. Approximately 31 percent of community foundation grant dollars could not be identified by type of support.
¹Includes endowment funds.

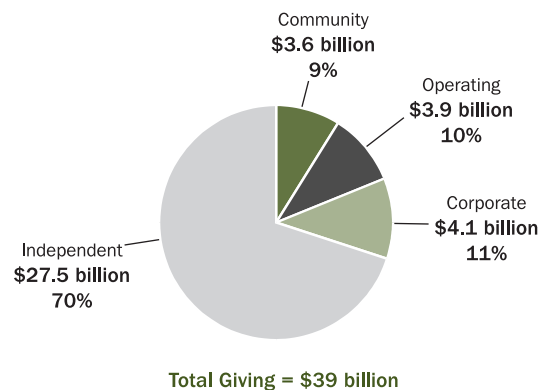
Summary 2006 Statistics for Community Foundations

Change in Community Foundations, 2005 to 2006

	2005	2006	% Change
No. of Foundations	707	717	1.4
Total Giving	\$ 3,217,048	\$ 3,596,222	11.8
Total Assets	\$44,583,970	\$49,941,820	12.0
Gifts Received	\$ 5,586,604	\$ 6,033,373	8.0

Note: Dollars in thousands.

Community foundation giving represented close to one-tenth of total foundation giving in 2006



Note: Based on total giving by 72,477 grantmaking private and community foundations.

Summary 2006 Statistics for Community Foundations, continued

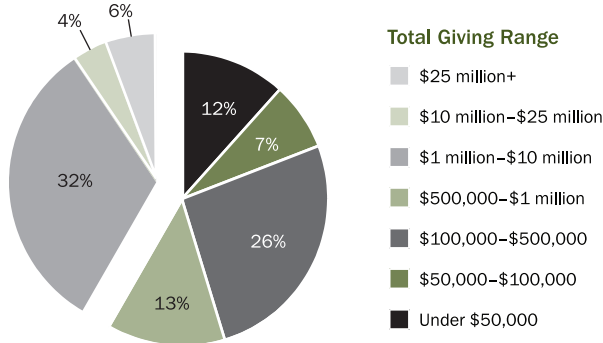
Top 25 Community Foundations by Total Giving, 2006

Foundation	State	Total Giving ¹	Assets	Gifts Received	Fiscal Date
1. Greater Kansas City Community Foundation	MO	\$172,145,251	\$1,055,410,246	\$179,446,728	12/31/2006
2. New York Community Trust	NY	157,444,070	2,042,798,738	88,588,294	12/31/2006
3. Peninsula Community Foundation ²	CA	111,591,392	673,728,929	116,725,746	12/31/2006
4. Community Foundation for the National Capital Region	DC	95,704,049	355,962,950	93,025,940	3/31/2007
5. Boston Foundation	MA	92,856,047	897,130,148	90,321,166	6/30/2007
6. California Community Foundation	CA	91,367,805	1,152,601,808	466,617,193	6/30/2006
7. Community Foundation for Greater Atlanta	GA	89,391,237	638,817,268	105,617,249	6/30/2006
8. San Francisco Foundation	CA	88,731,000	1,038,321,000	105,036,000	6/30/2007
9. Communities Foundation of Texas	TX	75,383,000	801,029,000	76,264,000	6/30/2007
10. Chicago Community Trust	IL	73,888,335	1,635,374,374	89,023,204	9/30/2006
11. Cleveland Foundation	OH	72,148,229	1,889,098,831	31,859,739	12/31/2006
12. Foundation For The Carolinas	NC	71,767,462	601,273,798	210,132,229	12/31/2006
13. Columbus Foundation and Affiliated Organizations	OH	72,252,894	978,912,995	107,069,978	12/31/2006
14. Marin Community Foundation	CA	51,649,386	1,125,930,427	40,303,555	6/30/2006
15. Dallas Foundation	TX	51,420,000	146,738,267	67,670,906	12/31/2006
16. Seattle Foundation	WA	47,850,319	611,916,323	109,389,037	12/31/2006
17. San Diego Foundation	CA	46,848,000	539,428,000	36,674,000	6/30/2007
18. Greater Houston Community Foundation	TX	44,505,559	199,577,625	64,350,164	12/31/2006
19. Oregon Community Foundation	OR	43,197,006	996,491,247	57,551,074	12/31/2006
20. Saint Paul Foundation	MN	40,308,538	689,680,273	38,987,137	12/31/2006
21. Community Foundation Silicon Valley ²	CA	39,259,955	1,068,417,174	145,237,149	12/31/2006
22. Omaha Community Foundation	NE	39,088,516	460,314,025	53,993,019	12/31/2006
23. Minneapolis Foundation	MN	38,288,228	710,631,840	29,514,614	3/31/2007
24. Arizona Community Foundation	AZ	38,016,625	556,089,533	53,014,678	3/31/2007
25. Denver Foundation	CO	37,187,075	491,867,466	118,174,385	12/31/2006

¹Includes grants, scholarships, and employee matching gifts; excludes set-asides, loans, PRIs, and program expenses.

²In 2006, the Peninsula Community Foundation and the Community Foundation Silicon Valley merged to become the Silicon Valley Community Foundation. However, in the initial period following the merger, the foundations continued to report separate fiscal information.

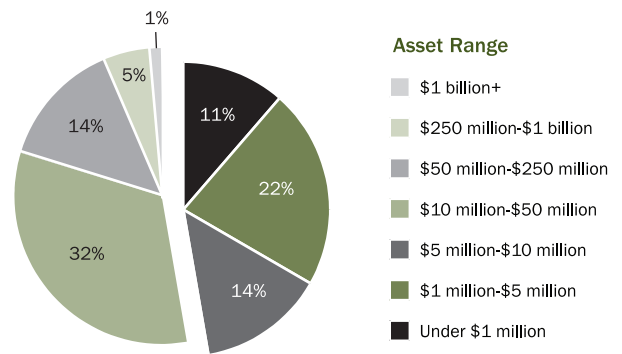
Giving: 42 percent of community foundations reported more than \$1 million in giving in 2006



Percent of Number of Foundations

Note: Based on total giving by 717 grantmaking community foundations.

Assets: 52 percent of community foundations reported more than \$10 million in assets in 2006

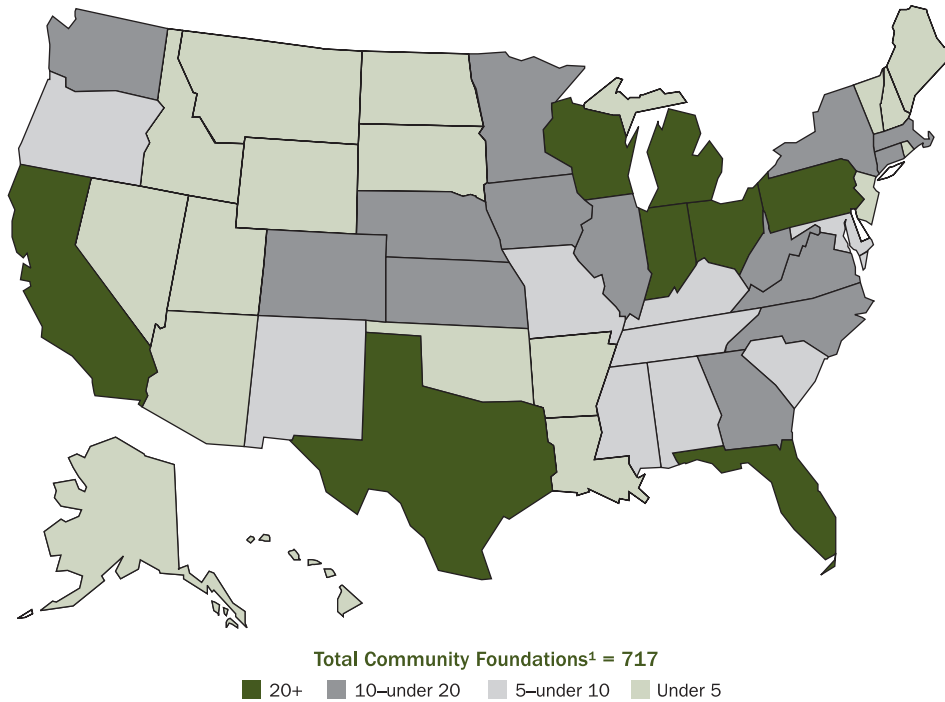


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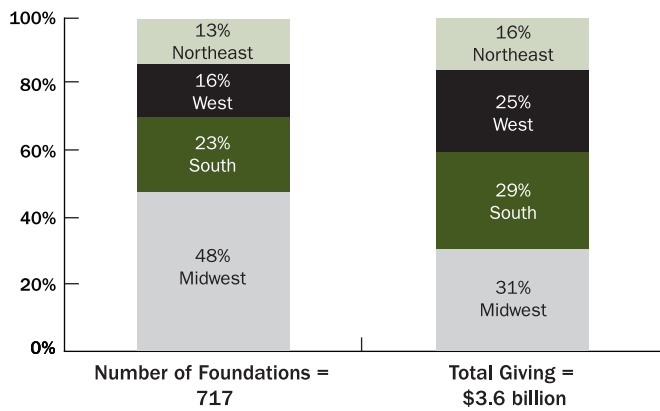
Summary 2006 Statistics for Community Foundations, continued

Community Foundations by State, 2006



¹Number of community foundations includes one foundation located in Puerto Rico and one in the Virgin Islands.

The Midwest accounted for close to half of community foundations in 2006



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