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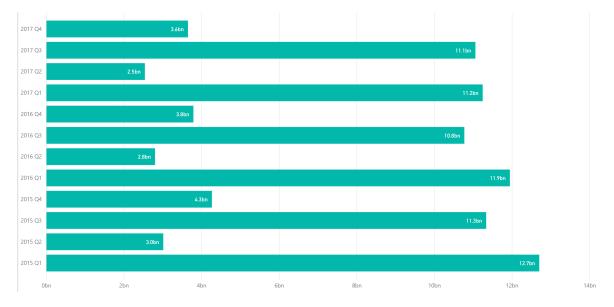


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Pell Grants Continue Downward Slide

Latest Activity Shows 3.7% Quarterly Decline

Pell Grants, a long-term staple of subsidized student financing activity continued to decline according to the most recent quarterly activity from Federal Student Aid. The most recent quarter available (December, 2017) shows total Pell Grant disbursements declined 3.7% from the comparable quarter ending December, 2016. This follows on the heels of an actual increase of 3.7% in Pell Grant disbursements for the quarter ending September, 2017. Pell Grant disbursements on a yearly basis have been continuously sliding, having declined 15.5% since 2014. The trailing twelve quarters of activity are shown below (most recent on top). While much of this activity is cyclical, most comparable quarters have seen sequential declines.



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