

Foundations of Microeconomics

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CHECKPOINT 4.1

Distinguish between quantity demanded and demand, and explain what determines demand.

Practice Problems

The following events occur one at a time in the market for cell phones:

- The price of a cell phone falls.
- Producers announce that cell-phone prices will fall next month.
 The price of a call made from a cell phone falls.
 The price of a call made from a land-line phone increases.
- · The introduction of camera phones makes cell phones more popular.
- 1. Explain the effect of each event on the demand for cell phones
- 2. Use a graph to illustrate the effect of each event.
- 3. Does any event (or events) illustrate the law of demand?

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EYE on TUITION

has steadily climbed. Figure 1 shows

Why Does Tuition Keep Rising? Tuition has increased every year since

In a given year, other things remain 1980 and at the same time, enrollment the same, but from one year to the next, some things change. The populathese facts. The points tell us the levels tion has grown, incomes have increased, of enrollment (x-axis) and tuition (y-axis, jobs that require more than a highmeasured in 2010 dollars) in 1981, 1991, school diploma have expanded while and each year from 2001 to 2010. We jobs for high-school graduates have can interpret the data using the demand shrunk, and government subsidized student loans programs have expanded.

described. In 2001, demand was D₀₁ and supply was S. The market was in equilibrium with 16 million students enrolled paying an average tuition of \$15,000. By 2010, demand had increased to D_{10} . At the tuition of 2001, there would be a severe short age of college places, so tuition rises. In 2010, the market was in equilibrium

FIGURE 4.4

and supply model



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To Erin, Tessa, Jack, Abby, and Sophie

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Music, the theater, art, walking on the beach, and five grandchildren provides their relaxation and fun.