The overcrowding may have some effect on wear and tear of common facilities in overcrowded areas. It might also have an effect on the psychology of the students involved, although there have been no problems reported. Auxiliary housing, a final alternative, has been rejected as too expensive.

The ultimate solution, according to both Browning and Wadleigh, is another undergraudate dormitory as soon as possible. Normally, such a building takes about 16 months of planning and 18 months to build, assuming that the money is at hand. Even "fast-tracking," a process which involves parallel design and construction processes, takes a year at best (assuming no labor trouble), and still requires the key ingredient which MIT does not have at this time according to Browning: money.

"The financial effects of a drop on class size of this magnitude are within the noise of the system," according to Wadleigh, and his sentiments were echoed by Jack Frailey, Director of Student Financial Aid. "A difference of 100 students, for example, makes a difference of about $100,000 in our budget," Frailey said, out of a total budget of $6,000,000. "You're not talking about big money," he added, or you are talking about a decreased burden on the unrestricted funds of the central administration. Frailey's input to Wyme's decision process has taken many forms, among them the amount of MIT money it would take to support the smaller class size have on the numbers of women and blacks, and how will it look to the alumni and the public?

One administration official suggested that sex-blind admissions prevent much effect on the percentage of women, and that minorities will continue at their current numbers. Another conformed to The Tech his concern that, "Now, with technology under attack, it might look very bad for MIT to lower its freshman class size. It might look like we were agreeing that technology is less important. And that would not be true."

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