

**Colorado School Finance Project**  
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**Quality Counts 2013: Percent Total Taxable Resources Spent on Education**

| Rank                | State          | Per Pupil Spending | % Total Taxable Resources |
|---------------------|----------------|--------------------|---------------------------|
|                     |                | 2009-10            | Spent on Education*       |
| 1                   | VERMONT        | \$18,924           | 5.8                       |
| 2                   | NEW JERSEY     | \$15,384           | 4.9                       |
| 3                   | WEST VIRGINIA  | \$13,854           | 4.7                       |
| 4                   | NEW YORK       | \$16,239           | 4.6                       |
| 5                   | MAINE          | \$14,914           | 4.6                       |
| 6                   | MICHIGAN       | \$10,700           | 4.6                       |
| 7                   | INDIANA        | \$10,672           | 4.5                       |
| 8                   | WYOMING        | \$18,814           | 4.4                       |
| 9                   | OHIO           | \$11,719           | 4.3                       |
| 10                  | PENNSYLVANIA   | \$13,356           | 4.2                       |
| 11                  | MARYLAND       | \$12,953           | 4.2                       |
| 12                  | ARKANSAS       | \$11,275           | 4.2                       |
| 13                  | SOUTH CAROLINA | \$10,073           | 4.2                       |
| 14                  | ALASKA         | \$16,675           | 4.1                       |
| 15                  | RHODE ISLAND   | \$14,571           | 4.1                       |
| 16                  | CONNECTICUT    | \$14,273           | 4.1                       |
| 17                  | NEW HAMPSHIRE  | \$14,045           | 4.0                       |
| 18                  | WISCONSIN      | \$12,067           | 4.0                       |
| 19                  | NEW MEXICO     | \$10,970           | 3.9                       |
| 20                  | MASSACHUSETTS  | \$13,507           | 3.8                       |
| 21                  | KANSAS         | \$11,785           | 3.8                       |
| 22                  | ILLINOIS       | \$11,372           | 3.8                       |
| 23                  | GEORGIA        | \$9,606            | 3.8                       |
| <b>U.S. Average</b> |                | <b>\$11,824</b>    | <b>3.7</b>                |
| 24                  | MONTANA        | \$14,281           | 3.7                       |
| 25                  | MISSISSIPPI    | \$9,756            | 3.7                       |
| 26                  | NEBRASKA       | \$13,549           | 3.6                       |
| 27                  | MISSOURI       | \$10,747           | 3.6                       |
| 28                  | ALABAMA        | \$10,166           | 3.6                       |
| 29                  | KENTUCKY       | \$10,139           | 3.6                       |
| 30                  | TEXAS          | \$8,882            | 3.5                       |
| 31                  | IOWA           | \$11,640           | 3.4                       |
| 32                  | MINNESOTA      | \$11,034           | 3.4                       |
| 33                  | HAWAII         | \$12,366           | 3.3                       |
| 34                  | ARIZONA        | \$8,698            | 3.3                       |
| 35                  | UTAH           | \$7,042            | 3.3                       |
| 36                  | OKLAHOMA       | \$9,430            | 3.2                       |
| <b>37 COLORADO</b>  |                | <b>\$9,306</b>     | <b>3.2</b>                |
| 38                  | VIRGINIA       | \$9,786            | 3.1                       |
| 39                  | WASHINGTON     | \$9,145            | 3.1                       |
| 40                  | IDAHO          | \$8,818            | 3.1                       |
| 41                  | NEVADA         | \$8,419            | 3.1                       |
| 42                  | FLORIDA        | \$9,572            | 3.0                       |
| 43                  | LOUISIANA      | \$12,341           | 2.9                       |
| 44                  | OREGON         | \$10,142           | 2.9                       |
| 45                  | TENNESSEE      | \$8,831            | 2.9                       |
| 46                  | CALIFORNIA     | \$8,482            | 2.9                       |
| 47                  | NORTH DAKOTA   | \$13,119           | 2.7                       |
| 48                  | SOUTH DAKOTA   | \$11,859           | 2.7                       |
| 49                  | NORTH CAROLINA | \$8,713            | 2.6                       |
| 50                  | DELAWARE       | \$12,017           | 2.4                       |

\* Percent of Total Taxable Resources Spent on Education: Share of state resources spent on K-12 education. This calculation does not reflect the income wealth of a state.

Data Source: Education Week, Quality Counts 2013, 2009-10 data.

U.S. Average

Colorado ranks 37th out of 50 states.