

TABLE 2
NUMBER OF TEACHERS AND TEACHERS PER
1,000 STUDENTS IN K-12 PUBLIC EDUCATION

	COLORADO						
	<u>1992-93</u>	<u>2002-03</u>	<u>2006-07</u>	<u>2007-08</u>	<u>Change over 5 years*</u>	<u>Change from 1992-93 to 2007-08</u>	<u>U.S. Change (5 year)</u>
NUMBER OF TEACHERS	33,243	45,179	46,829	47,335	4.8%	42.4%	5.5%
TEACHERS PER 1,000 STUDENTS	56.8	63.0	62.2	62.5	-0.8%	10.0%	
- national	53.7	63.2	64.7	65.1	3.0%	21.2%	

* Change figures over 5 years are between 2002-03 and 2007-08.

Summary:

1. The number of teachers in Colorado has increased, Colorado continues to have fewer teachers per 1,000 students than the national average.
2. Over this 15 year period, Colorado's consistent lag of teachers per 1,000 students has become over 11 percentage points less than the national