

Profile Data: 2013 Highlights

2011-12 Data - What is new? What has changed?

1. 2011-12 is second year of the **Negative Factor** (reduction of statewide total program) in School Finance Act.
2. K-12 student population in Colorado increased by 9,539 to 808,139 students. As the student population increased, Colorado reduced the number of teachers by over 500. **(In the last two years, enrollment has increased over 18,600 students and teachers have been reduced by 1,040.)**
3. Colorado students identified as At-Risk (Free Lunch count):
 - a. Continued to increase; 2011-12 total 292,098 students.
 - b. **36.1%** of the K-12 student population; the **highest level since 1992-93**.
4. English Language Learners (ELL) – Funded for 2 years (ELPA), no funding for pre-K;
 - a. Colorado districts **served 122,987 English Language Learners**, but only received **funding for 36,575** K-12 students.
 - b. 177 languages; 138 of Colorado's 178 districts (77%) served ELL students.
 - c. Districts served 86,412 ELL students for which they received no state funding.
5. Teachers:
 - a. Colorado's teachers made almost \$6,400 less than the national average.
 - b. When adjusted for inflation, Colorado's teachers made \$7,399 less than a Colorado teacher in 1992-93, a 13.1% decrease. During the same time period, the national average teacher salary decreased by 1.2%.
 - c. **In 2011-12, Colorado's teachers were paid about \$2,000 less** than the national average of five years ago.
6. Per pupil spending:
 - a. Colorado spending was \$140 per pupil less than 2010-11. Adjusted for inflation: Colorado's per pupil spending was \$439 less per pupil.
 - b. **Adjusted for inflation, Colorado's per pupil was \$400 below 2006-07 spending.**
7. Per pupil revenue: When adjusted for inflation, Colorado revenue was **\$323 less per pupil than the previous year.**

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