

### Colorado PK-12 Students Eligible for Free & Reduced-Price Lunch 2002-2024

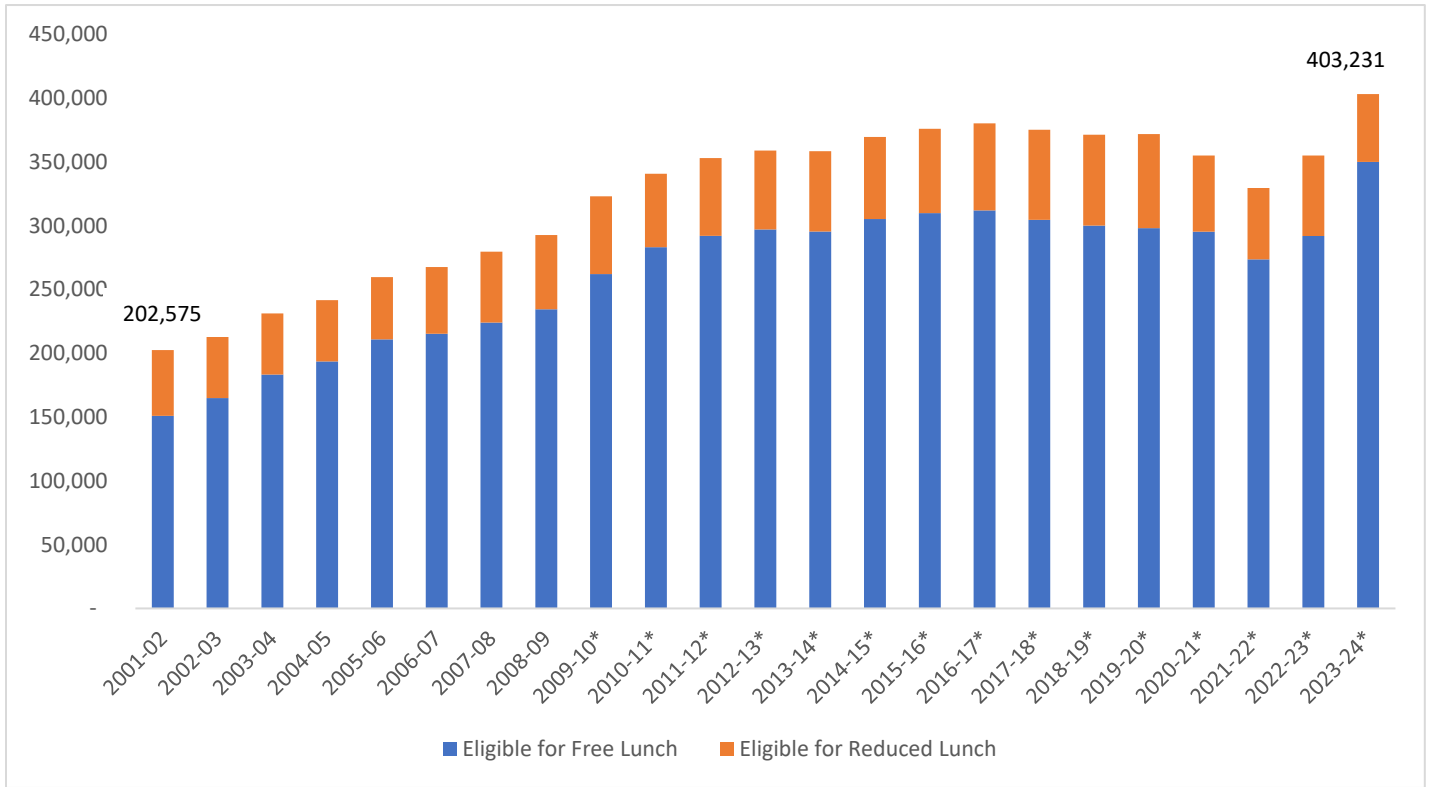
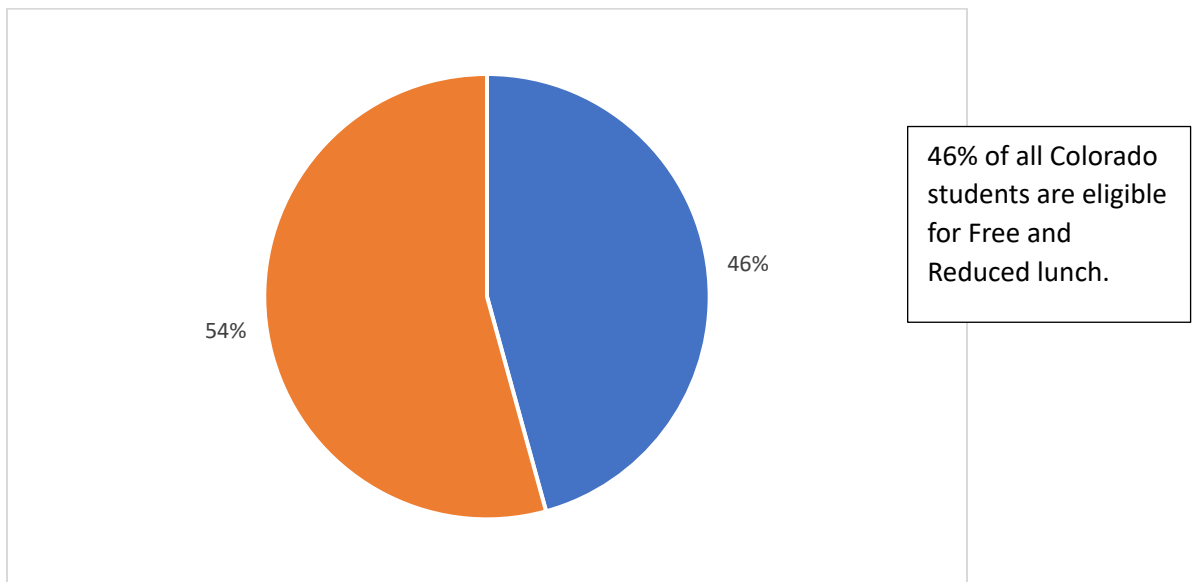


Chart: Colorado School Finance Project \*Budget Stabilization (Negative) Factor and COVID-19 year

In 2021, Colorado’s legislature passed SB21-268. This bill expanded the definition of at-risk to include students eligible for reduced lunch. From 2022-23 to 2023-24 the number of students who were eligible for Free and Reduced Lunch increased from 354,987 to 403,231.



46% of all Colorado students are eligible for Free and Reduced lunch.