



**The gap** between Colorado’s per pupil spending in 2012-13 and the U.S. Average:

- **With the Negative Factor:**
  - Colorado spent **\$ -2,053** less than the U.S. Average.
  - Ranking Colorado **40<sup>th</sup>** in per pupil spending.
- Colorado with **no Negative Factor:**
  - Colorado would have spent **\$ -816** less than the U.S. Average.
  - Ranking Colorado **28<sup>th</sup>** in per pupil spending, below the U.S. Average.

**The gap** between the average per pupil spending of the top 5 states compared to the U.S. Average:

- The top 5 per pupil spending states (New York, Alaska, Washington, D.C., New Jersey, and Connecticut) spent \$7,330 more than the U.S. Average.

U.S. Census data is audited data so it lags behind current data.