The Gap
Per Pupil Spending 2012-13: Colorado and U.S. Average

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 40th in per pupil spending.
- **Colorado with no Negative Factor:**
  - Colorado would have spent $-816 less than the U.S. Average.
  - Ranking Colorado 28th 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.