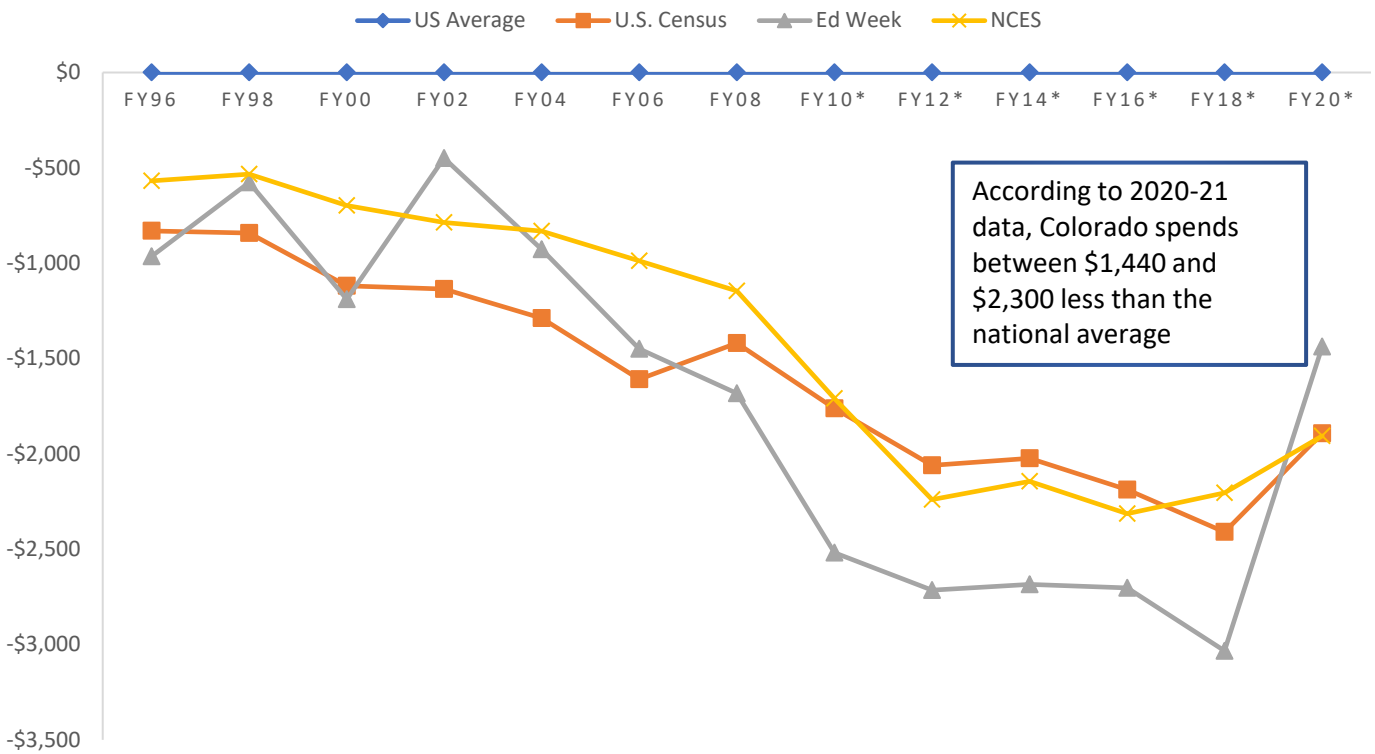


TRENDS IN PER PUPIL SPENDING: COLORADO VS. NATIONAL AVERAGE FY 1996-2020



According to 2020-21 data, Colorado spends between \$1,440 and \$2,300 less than the national average

Data Sources: Education Week Quality Counts, School Finance 2021, US Census Bureau Public Elementary-Secondary Education Finances by State, NCES Revenues and Expenditures for Public Elementary and Secondary Education FY18

*Years with Budget Stabilization Factor in Colorado

For over fifteen years, the per pupil spending gap between Colorado and the U.S. average has continued to grow. In the early to mid-90's the gap was less than \$500 per student. By 2019-2020 the gap increased from \$1000-\$2000.