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Where Colorado Ranks

Table 11. States Ranked According to Per Pupil Elementary-Secondary Public School System Finance Amounts: 2008-09

(Dollars. Detail may not add to total because of rounding. For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text.)

SOURCE: 2009 Annual Survey of Local Government Finances - School Systems. Data are not subject to sampling error, but for information on nonsampling error and definitions, see introductory text. Data users who create their own estimates from these tables should cite the U.S. Census Bureau as the source of the original data only.

Rank	Elementary-secondary revenue				Current spending						
	Total	From Federal Sources	From state	From local sources	Total ¹	Instruction			General administration	School administration	
						Total ¹	Salaries only	Benefits only			
	US..... 12,250	US..... 1,159	US..... 5,725	US..... 5,367	US..... 10,499	US..... 6,369	US..... 4,333	US..... 1,452	US..... 200	US..... 579	
1	NY..... 20,645	AK..... 2,401	VT..... 15,169	DC..... 16,358	NY..... 18,126	NY..... 12,524	NY..... 8,070	NY..... 3,474	ME..... 566	DC..... 1,730	
2	WY..... 19,238	HI..... 2,189	HI..... 12,286	NJ..... 10,474	DC..... 16,408	NJ..... 9,337	NJ..... 6,504	AK..... 3,026	IL..... 453	VT..... 1,080	
3	NJ..... 18,874	LA..... 1,868	WY..... 10,874	CT..... 10,042	NJ..... 16,271	VT..... 9,184	DC..... 6,321	MA..... 2,732	ND..... 438	MD..... 953	
4	DC..... 18,069	DC..... 1,711	AK..... 10,425	NY..... 9,904	AK..... 15,552	CT..... 8,872	VT..... 6,190	CT..... 2,328	MN..... 434	AK..... 940	
5	CT..... 17,373	ND..... 1,693	NY..... 9,555	MA..... 8,595	VT..... 15,175	MA..... 8,737	CT..... 6,017	RI..... 2,278	NH..... 424	CT..... 850	
6	VT..... 17,108	SD..... 1,594	DE..... 8,967	RI..... 8,449	WY..... 14,573	AK..... 8,675	WY..... 5,799	NJ..... 2,192	VT..... 373	NJ..... 799	
7	AK..... 16,576	NM..... 1,582	MN..... 8,207	PA..... 8,141	CT..... 14,531	WY..... 8,565	MD..... 5,589	VT..... 2,179	PA..... 365	WY..... 790	
8	MA..... 16,270	IL..... 1,581	NM..... 7,956	MD..... 7,999	MA..... 14,118	MD..... 8,177	RI..... 5,530	DE..... 2,144	NJ..... 364	HI..... 766	
9	MD..... 15,574	CA..... 1,581	NJ..... 7,653	NH..... 7,919	RI..... 13,707	RI..... 7,906	NH..... 5,060	MD..... 2,118	RI..... 356	NY..... 732	
10	RI..... 15,312	RI..... 1,457	AR..... 7,442	IL..... 7,154	MD..... 13,449	HI..... 7,813	PA..... 5,035	WI..... 2,074	CT..... 336	DE..... 732	
11	PA..... 15,023	WI..... 1,452	KS..... 7,001	WY..... 7,118	PA..... 12,512	PA..... 7,516	MA..... 5,020	WY..... 2,033	NE..... 312	RI..... 698	
12	HI..... 14,987	MT..... 1,382	WA..... 6,897	NE..... 6,729	HI..... 12,399	DE..... 7,475	DE..... 4,843	ME..... 1,979	NY..... 302	NH..... 679	
13	DE..... 14,335	MS..... 1,375	MD..... 6,752	ME..... 6,425	ME..... 12,304	DC..... 7,460	HI..... 4,839	MN..... 1,960	MO..... 295	ME..... 674	
14	NH..... 13,725	IN..... 1,365	CT..... 6,594	VA..... 6,290	DE..... 11,932	NH..... 7,434	ME..... 4,802	NH..... 1,938	DC..... 292	VA..... 647	
15	ME..... 13,666	MI..... 1,347	MI..... 6,512	OH..... 6,011	NH..... 11,932	MN..... 7,242	MN..... 4,669	HI..... 1,911	OH..... 287	CA..... 643	
16	OH..... 12,811	WA..... 1,337	CA..... 6,501	ND..... 5,667	MN..... 11,098	ME..... 7,059	VA..... 4,645	WV..... 1,897	SD..... 287	OR..... 625	
17	MN..... 12,664	ME..... 1,312	MA..... 6,407	FL..... 5,621	WI..... 11,078	WI..... 6,756	AK..... 4,637	MI..... 1,794	WI..... 285	MA..... 616	
18	IL..... 12,457	MA..... 1,267	WV..... 6,363	WI..... 5,464	VA..... 10,930	VA..... 6,630	ND..... 4,357	PA..... 1,730	MT..... 284	NV..... 603	
19	WI..... 12,435	WV..... 1,260	ME..... 5,929	IN..... 5,350	IL..... 10,835	NE..... 6,460	IL..... 4,338	OR..... 1,669	WY..... 282	CO..... 594	
20	IN..... 12,360	WY..... 1,246	OH..... 5,914	MO..... 5,242	OH..... 10,560	IL..... 6,330	GA..... 4,322	VA..... 1,598	KS..... 264	MI..... 587	
21	VA..... 12,146	OK..... 1,193	PA..... 5,814	IA..... 5,232	LA..... 10,533	WV..... 6,241	IA..... 4,278	IN..... 1,595	LA..... 263	KS..... 584	
22	MI..... 11,987	NY..... 1,186	KY..... 5,778	GA..... 5,204	MI..... 10,483	KS..... 6,128	WI..... 4,266	IL..... 1,421	IA..... 256	NM..... 584	
23	LA..... 11,967	OR..... 1,168	NC..... 5,667	SD..... 5,059	WV..... 10,367	ND..... 6,126	NE..... 4,240	LA..... 1,397	AK..... 239	OH..... 577	
24	KS..... 11,939	VT..... 1,163	IN..... 5,645	TX..... 5,016	ND..... 10,151	LA..... 6,114	LA..... 4,183	NE..... 1,380	OK..... 238	LA..... 573	
25	NE..... 11,796	AR..... 1,127	AL..... 5,580	CO..... 5,007	MT..... 10,059	MI..... 6,057	OH..... 4,129	OH..... 1,372	MS..... 238	GA..... 569	
26	ND..... 11,664	KY..... 1,075	OR..... 5,547	LA..... 4,714	NE..... 10,045	GA..... 6,052	MO..... 4,082	AL..... 1,335	AL..... 232	IA..... 563	
27	CA..... 11,588	PA..... 1,068	WI..... 5,519	SC..... 4,574	KS..... 9,951	MT..... 6,043	KS..... 4,044	WA..... 1,295	WV..... 224	WA..... 560	
28	WA..... 11,510	AZ..... 1,064	ID..... 5,447	MT..... 4,480	OR..... 9,805	IA..... 5,977	MT..... 4,013	IA..... 1,281	KY..... 208	WI..... 559	
29	IA..... 11,337	TX..... 1,057	RI..... 5,406	DE..... 4,429	IA..... 9,707	OH..... 5,940	TX..... 3,989	ND..... 1,276	AR..... 197	AL..... 558	
30	NM..... 11,266	SC..... 1,028	MT..... 5,403	OR..... 4,147	CA..... 9,657	CA..... 5,776	NC..... 3,976	GA..... 1,238	NM..... 196	WV..... 553	
31	MT..... 11,266	FL..... 1,027	LA..... 5,385	KS..... 4,132	GA..... 9,650	WA..... 5,775	CA..... 3,942	NV..... 1,215	IN..... 187	SC..... 549	
32	WV..... 10,984	NE..... 1,019	NV..... 5,273	MI..... 4,128	WA..... 9,550	MO..... 5,759	WA..... 3,915	CA..... 1,201	MA..... 183	MT..... 548	
33	GA..... 10,893	UT..... 1,005	IA..... 5,221	NV..... 4,046	MO..... 9,529	OR..... 5,690	MI..... 3,875	KY..... 1,179	VA..... 174	IL..... 547	
34	OR..... 10,862	GA..... 997	SC..... 5,116	NC..... 3,997	NM..... 9,439	NM..... 5,498	WV..... 3,847	NM..... 1,176	MI..... 167	MO..... 544	
35	SC..... 10,719	NV..... 986	VA..... 5,115	AZ..... 3,942	IN..... 9,369	NC..... 5,470	SC..... 3,831	MT..... 1,143	TN..... 156	IN..... 529	
36	NC..... 10,613	AL..... 977	NH..... 5,064	AK..... 3,750	SC..... 9,277	IN..... 5,389	NM..... 3,786	UT..... 1,109	ID..... 151	NE..... 523	
37	MO..... 10,457	NC..... 949	MS..... 4,752	MN..... 3,741	AL..... 8,870	SC..... 5,330	KY..... 3,730	SC..... 1,096	GA..... 143	NC..... 521	
38	TX..... 10,314	DE..... 939	GA..... 4,691	TN..... 3,513	FL..... 8,760	FL..... 5,293	CO..... 3,641	MO..... 1,094	CO..... 141	PA..... 519	
39	NV..... 10,305	TN..... 896	OK..... 4,678	CA..... 3,507	KY..... 8,756	KY..... 5,178	IN..... 3,627	KS..... 1,055	DE..... 137	FL..... 500	
40	CO..... 10,171	OH..... 886	CO..... 4,473	OK..... 3,483	CO..... 8,718	TX..... 5,142	AR..... 3,516	FL..... 1,011	NV..... 137	ND..... 495	
41	FL..... 10,098	IA..... 884	MO..... 4,370	WV..... 3,360	AR..... 8,712	AL..... 5,142	SD..... 3,499	MS..... 990	OR..... 135	KY..... 492	
42	KY..... 10,010	MO..... 844	ND..... 4,304	WA..... 3,275	NC..... 8,587	SD..... 5,097	OR..... 3,468	TN..... 986	TX..... 122	TX..... 474	
43	AR..... 9,976	MD..... 823	TX..... 4,241	KY..... 3,157	TX..... 8,540	AR..... 5,089	TN..... 3,421	ID..... 981	MD..... 115	MS..... 465	
44	SD..... 9,913	ID..... 816	UT..... 4,177	AL..... 3,078	SD..... 8,507	CO..... 5,047	FL..... 3,357	NC..... 973	SC..... 109	AR..... 460	
45	AL..... 9,636	KS..... 806	NE..... 4,048	MS..... 2,791	NV..... 8,422	NV..... 4,979	AL..... 3,326	SD..... 940	WA..... 107	TN..... 454	
46	OK..... 9,353	NJ..... 747	TN..... 3,915	UT..... 2,771	MS..... 8,075	TN..... 4,954	NV..... 3,302	AR..... 921	AZ..... 104	MN..... 443	
47	MS..... 8,919	NH..... 742	AZ..... 3,877	ID..... 1,877	TN..... 7,897	MS..... 4,719	MS..... 3,243	OK..... 907	NC..... 94	OK..... 430	
48	AZ..... 8,882	VA..... 740	IL..... 3,722	NM..... 1,728	OK..... 7,885	OK..... 4,401	AZ..... 3,105	AZ..... 880	CA..... 91	SD..... 409	
49	TN..... 8,324	CT..... 737	FL..... 3,449	AR..... 1,407	AZ..... 7,813	AZ..... 4,376	ID..... 3,019	CO..... 841	FL..... 79	ID..... 404	
50	ID..... 8,141	MN..... 717	SD..... 3,260	VT..... 776	ID..... 7,092	ID..... 4,320	OK..... 2,989	DC..... 685	UT..... 75	AZ..... 384	
51	UT..... 7,954	CO..... 690	DC..... -	HI..... 512	UT..... 6,356	UT..... 4,075	UT..... 2,682	TX..... 654	HI..... 65	UT..... 379	

¹Includes amounts not shown separately.

Note: See Appendix B for a description of state-specific reporting anomalies. Revenue from and payments to other school systems are excluded to avoid double counting. Expenditure for adult education, community services, and other nonelementary-secondary programs are also excluded. Some data appear under local sources for Hawaii's state-operated school system for consistency with data presented for all other school systems. Enrollments used to calculate per pupil amounts represent fall 2008 memberships collected by NCES on the CCD Agency file - "Local Education Agency (School District) Universe Survey: 2008-09." Enrollments for private charter schools, state educational facilities, and federal school systems have been excluded.