

**TABLE 1**  
**ENROLLMENT IN K-12 PUBLIC EDUCATION**

	COLORADO				Change over 5 years*	Change from 1992-93 to 2008-09	U.S. Change (5 year)
	1992-93	2003-04	2007-08	2008-09			
ENROLLMENT	585,283	722,980	760,884	778,108	7.6%	32.9%	1.7%
STUDENTS IN SPECIAL EDUCATION	76,374	82,762	82,607	83,302	0.7%	9.1%	1.4%
- Percentage of all Students	13.0%	11.4%	10.9%	10.7%			
STUDENTS FROM FAMILIES ELIGIBLE FOR FREE LUNCH	123,514	183,313	224,137	234,481	27.9%	89.8%	13.8%**
- Percentage of all Students	21.1%	25.4%	29.5%	30.1%			
ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS (2 YR. FUNDED)	11,764	35,374	75,182	48,774	37.9%	314.6%	2.5%**
- Percentage of all Students	2.0%	4.9%	9.9%	6.3%			

\* Change figures over 5 years are between 2003-04 and 2008-09.

\*\* The national 5 year change figures for At-Risk students and ELL students are between 2002-03 and 2007-08

**Summary:**

1. Enrollment in K-12 continues to increase; last year an increase of over 17,000 students.
2. Students identified as At-Risk (free lunch) continue to increase.
3. The manner in which CDE counts ELL students has changed over time resulting in a decrease in the student count but not a decrease in actual ELL students
4. In the last 5 years, At-Risk students served has increased almost 28%, ELL students served has increased almost 38%.