

TABLE 3
AVERAGE SALARY IN K-12 PUBLIC EDUCATION

COLORADO						
	1992-93	2004-05	2008-09	2009-10	Change over 5 years*	Change from 1992-93 to 2009-10
AVERAGE SALARY	\$33,578	\$43,987	\$48,485	\$49,183	11.8%	46.5%
- national	\$35,029	\$47,516	\$54,274	\$55,202	16.2%	57.6%
Adjusted for Inflation - national	\$53,423	\$49,089	\$48,194	\$49,183	0.2%	-7.9%
	\$53,559	\$53,978	\$54,110	\$55,202	2.3%	3.1%

* Change figures over 5 years are between 2004-05 and 2009-10.

**Note: The rates of inflation for Colorado are: 59.1% between 1992-93 and 2009-10;
 11.6% between 2004-05 and 2009-10; and -0.6% between 2008-09 and 2009-10**

Note: 1992-93 figures for Colorado are actually 1993-94 values

Summary:

1. Salaries remain 11.1 percentage points behind the national average growth over the last 17 years (not adjusted for inflation).
2. Adjusted for inflation, Colorado's average teacher salaries are over \$4,000 less than they were in 1992-93.
3. Over the same 17 year time period, adjusted for inflation, the national average for teacher salaries has increased 3.1%.