



Education Funding Overview

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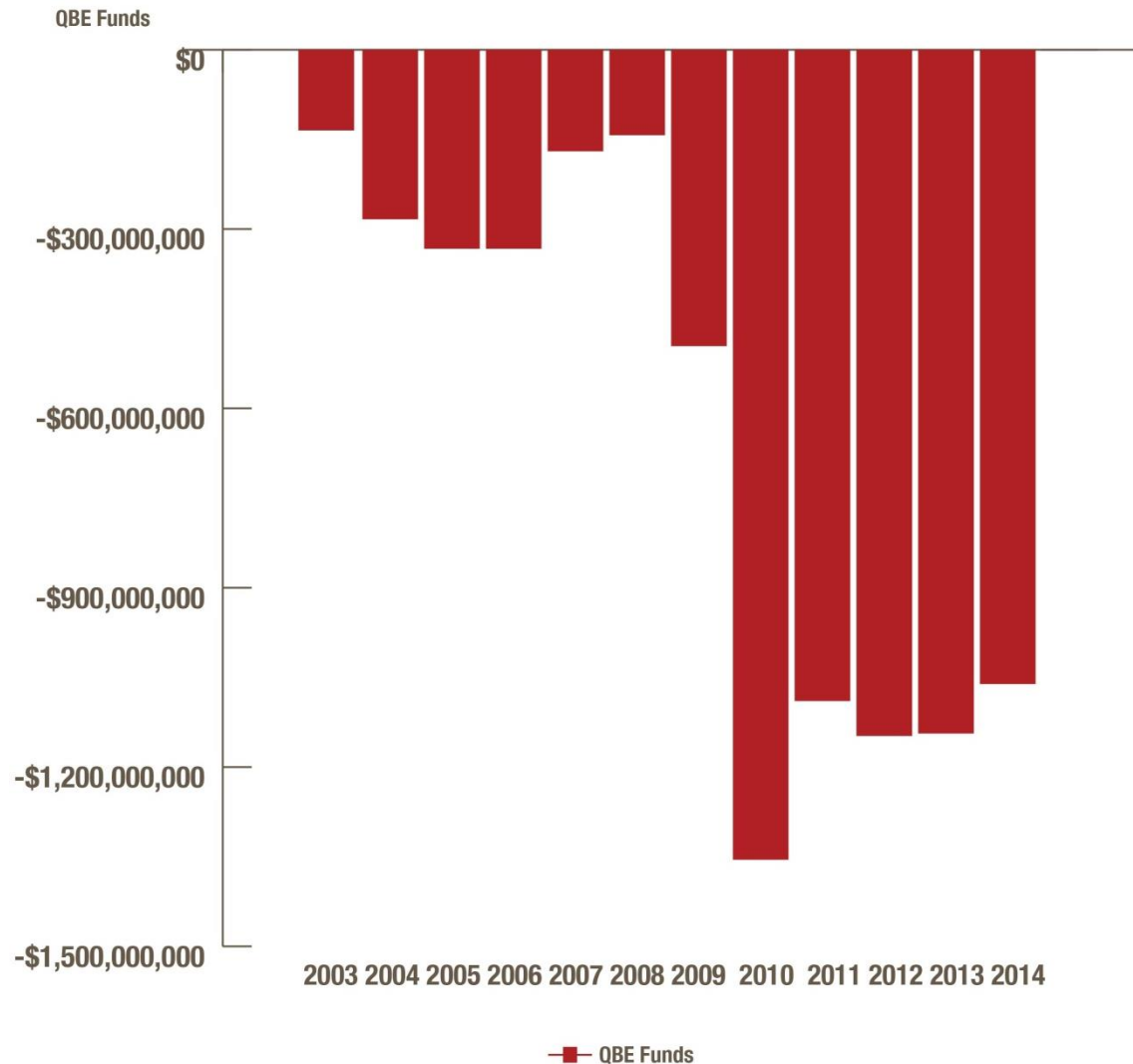
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State Funding

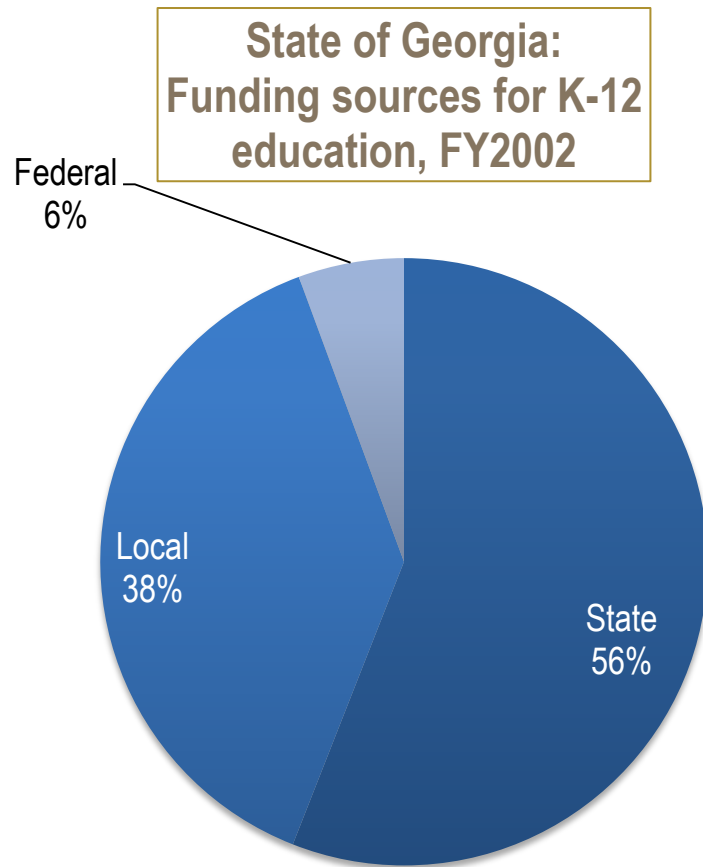
Since 2002 in Georgia:

- State funding per student has declined 15.3 percent
- The percent of economically disadvantaged students climbed from 45 to 60 percent.

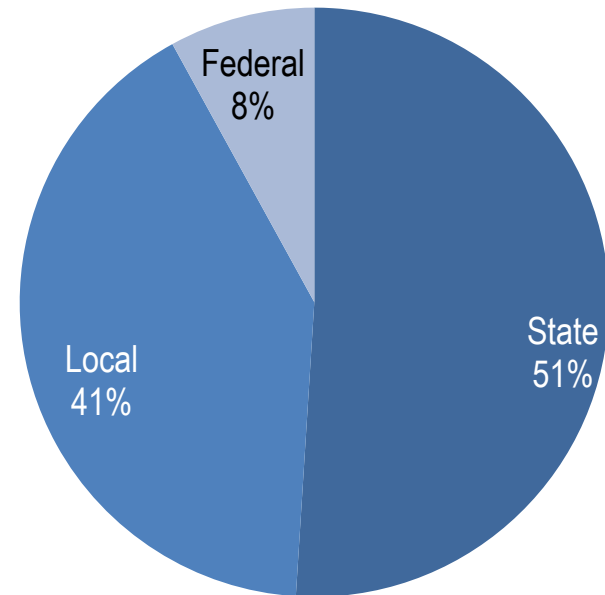
K-12 Formula Underfunded by \$1 Billion in 2014



Shifting responsibility for K-12 funding



State of Georgia:
Funding Sources for K-12
Education, FY 2013



SOURCE: Georgia Department of Education

Local Funding

Between 2008 and 2012:

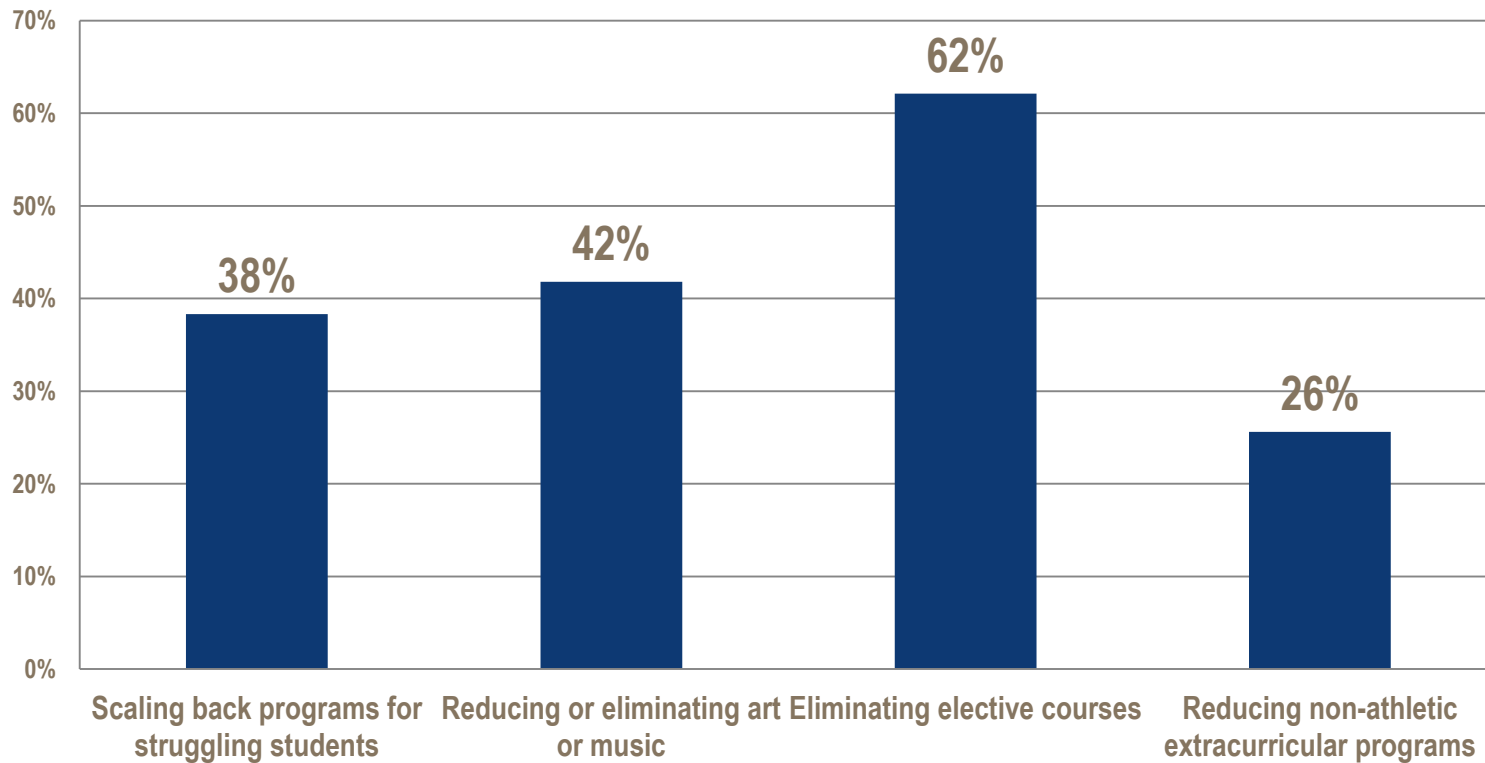
- Tax digest fell 17.3 percent between 2008 and 2012.
- Local revenue per student fell by 5.8 percent.

Impact of Funding Losses

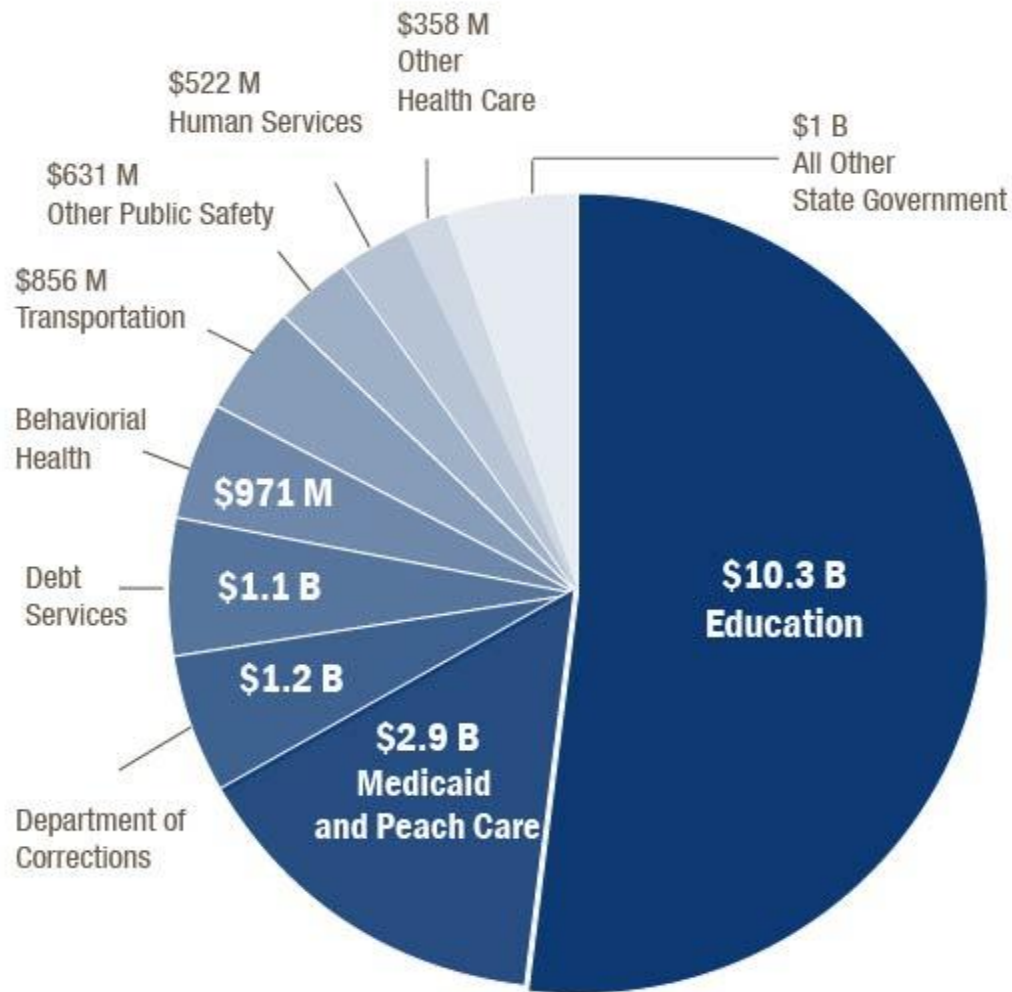
- 71 percent of responding districts cut the school year
- 95 percent increased class size
- About 70 percent have eliminated instructional support positions
- Nearly 80 percent have cut central office staff
- 82 percent are using reserve funds this year

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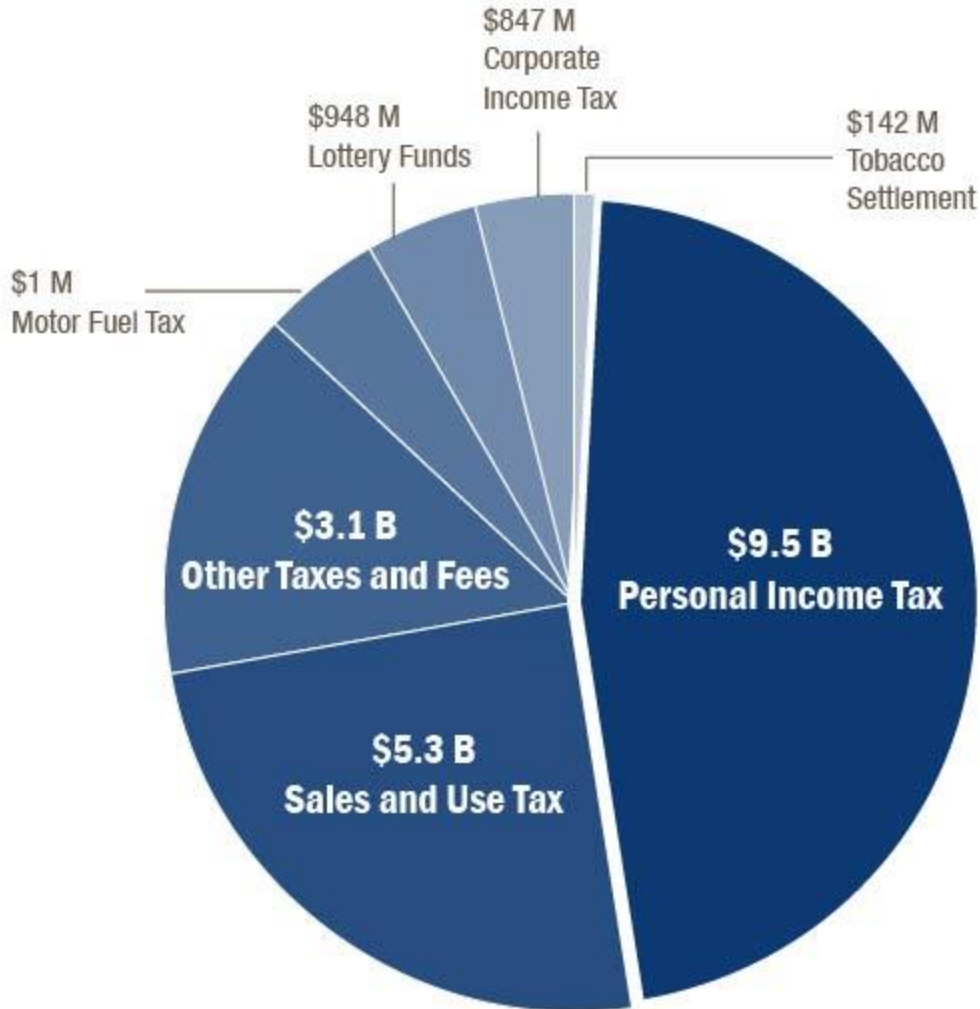
Percent of Districts Reducing Programs



FY 2015 Budget (\$19.9 Billion)



Revenue Sources



Georgia Revenue by the Numbers

A faint, light gray silhouette of a family of four walking together. From left to right: a woman in a dress, a young girl in a dress, a man in a t-shirt and shorts, and a young boy in a t-shirt and shorts. They are all holding hands and walking towards the right.

49th

State tax revenue per person (2012)

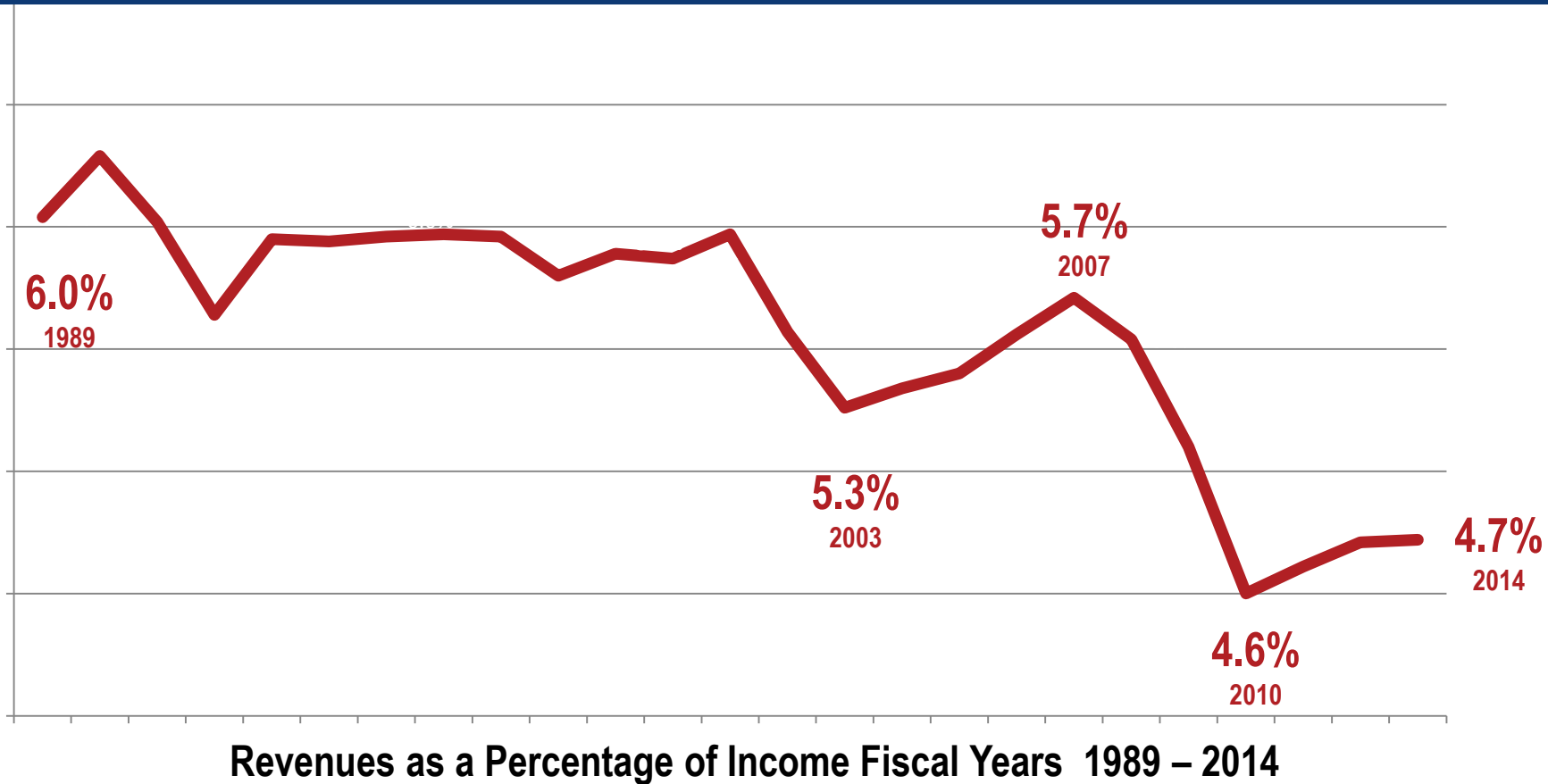
46th

State tax revenue as percentage of income (2012)

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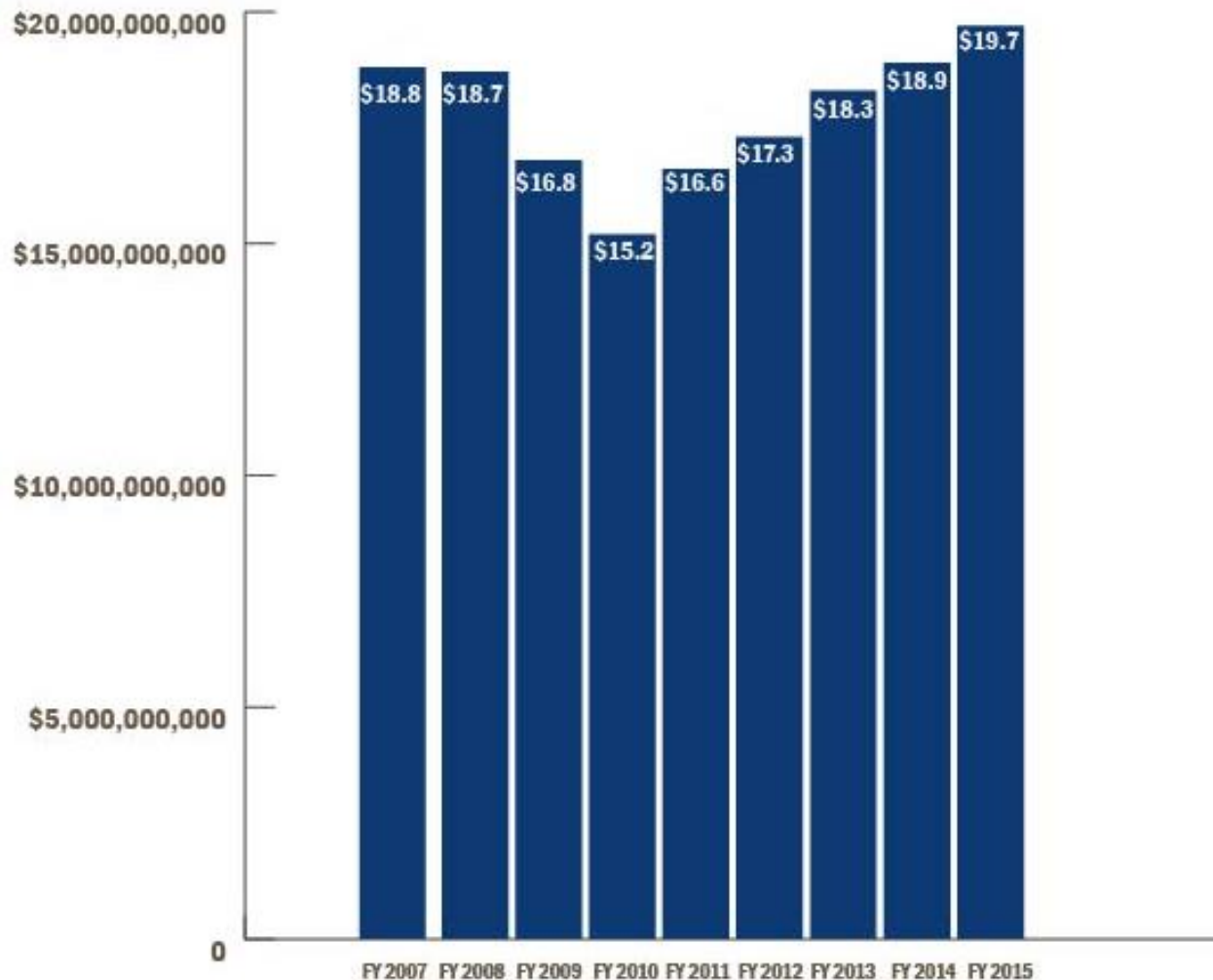
State and local tax revenue per capita (2011)

Georgia Revenue as a Percentage of Income at Historic Low

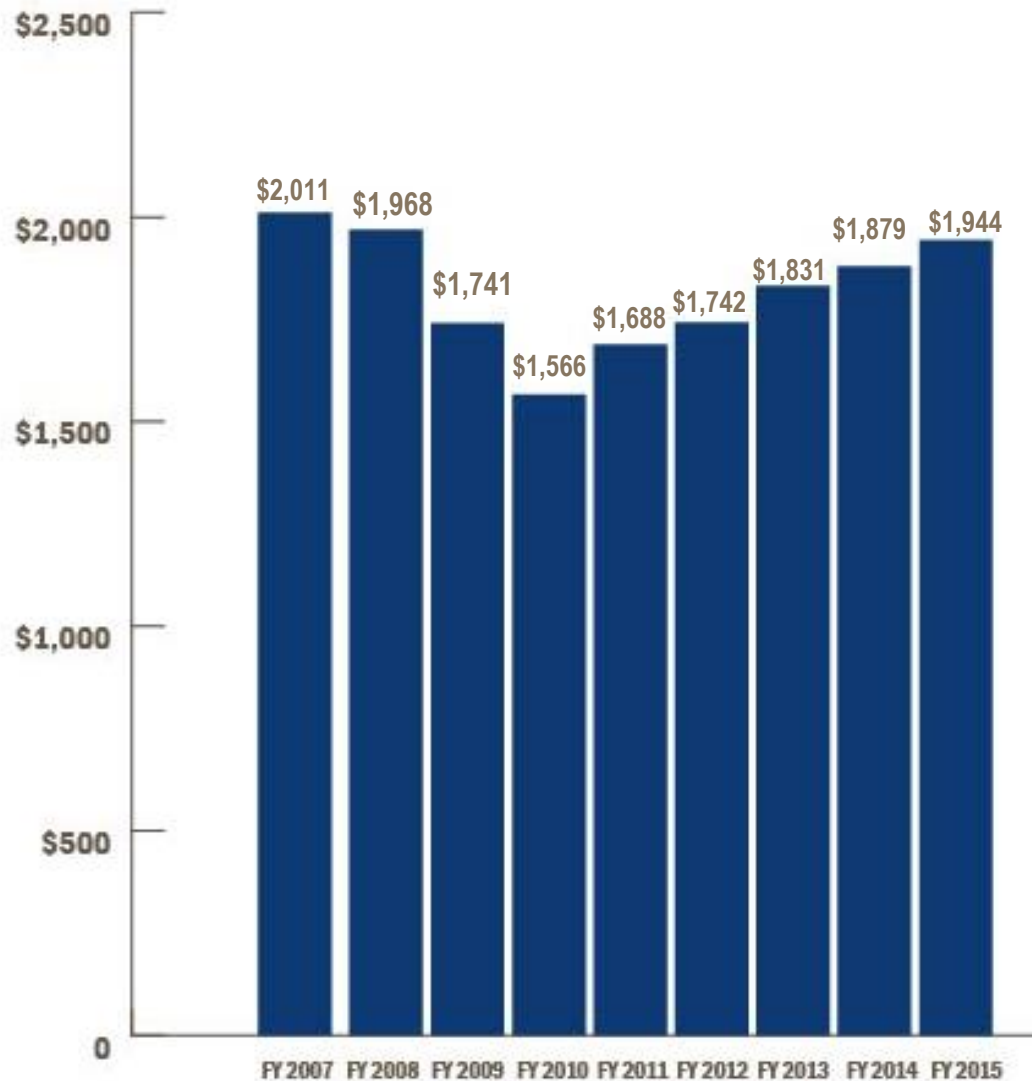


Revenues Finally Surpass 2007 Levels

General and Motor Fuel Funds 2007-2015 Fiscal Years



Per Capita Revenues Still below 2007



Total QBE Funding FY 2015 (\$514 Million)



QBE

➤ **\$480 Million**

QBE Local 5 Mill Share

➤ **\$29 Million**

QBE Equalization

➤ **\$5 Million**

QBE Funding FY 2015 (\$480 Million)



Partial Restoration K-12 Formula Cut

➤ **\$314 Million**

Formula Growth (Enrollment and T&E)

➤ **\$100 Million**

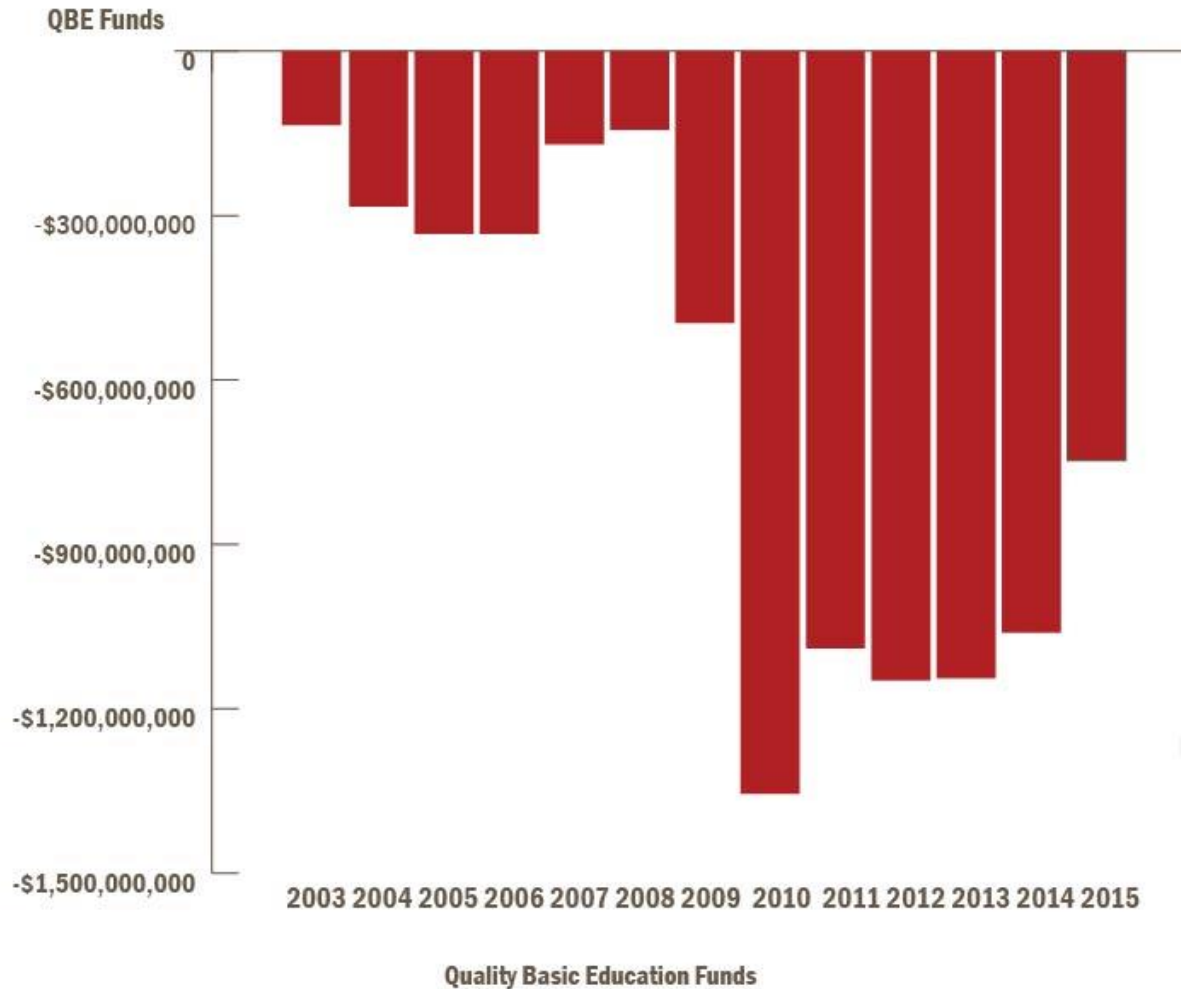
Teacher Retirement System

➤ **\$57 Million**

Other

➤ **\$9 Million**

K-12 Formula Underfunded by \$747 Million in 2015



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