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Colorado Higher Education is Highly Productive -- 2\textsuperscript{nd} lowest cost per degree
Productivity: Total Funding Per Degree/Certificate (Weighted, 2006-2007)

Sources: SHEEO State Higher Education Finance Survey 2008; NCES, IPEDS Completions Survey; U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey (Public Use Microdata Samples)
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The Last Five Years Have Been **Comparatively** Good -- 24% Increase
Figure 8
Total Educational Revenue per FTE
Percent Change by State, Fiscal 2005-2010

Note: Dollars adjusted by 2010 HECA, Cost of Living Adjustment, and Enrollment Mix; total educational revenue excludes tuition revenue used for capital debt service.
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Figure 10
Total Educational Revenue per FTE:
State Differences from U.S. Average Over 25 Years and 2010

Note: All dollars are adjusted by HECA, Cost of Living Adjustment, and Enrollment Mix. Total educational revenue does not include tuition revenue used for debt service.
Source: State Higher Education Executive Officers
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Colorado higher education may be more than close to the bone

47th in level of support

Enrolments lagging in comparison