

# Illinois “State” of Education Snap Shot

TOTAL STUDENTS: 2,054,556

Of which:

- 54.2 are Low Income
- 10.3% are English Learners
- 14.1% have Special Needs



ACHIEVEMENT GAPS IN MATH AT 4TH GRADE ON NAEP

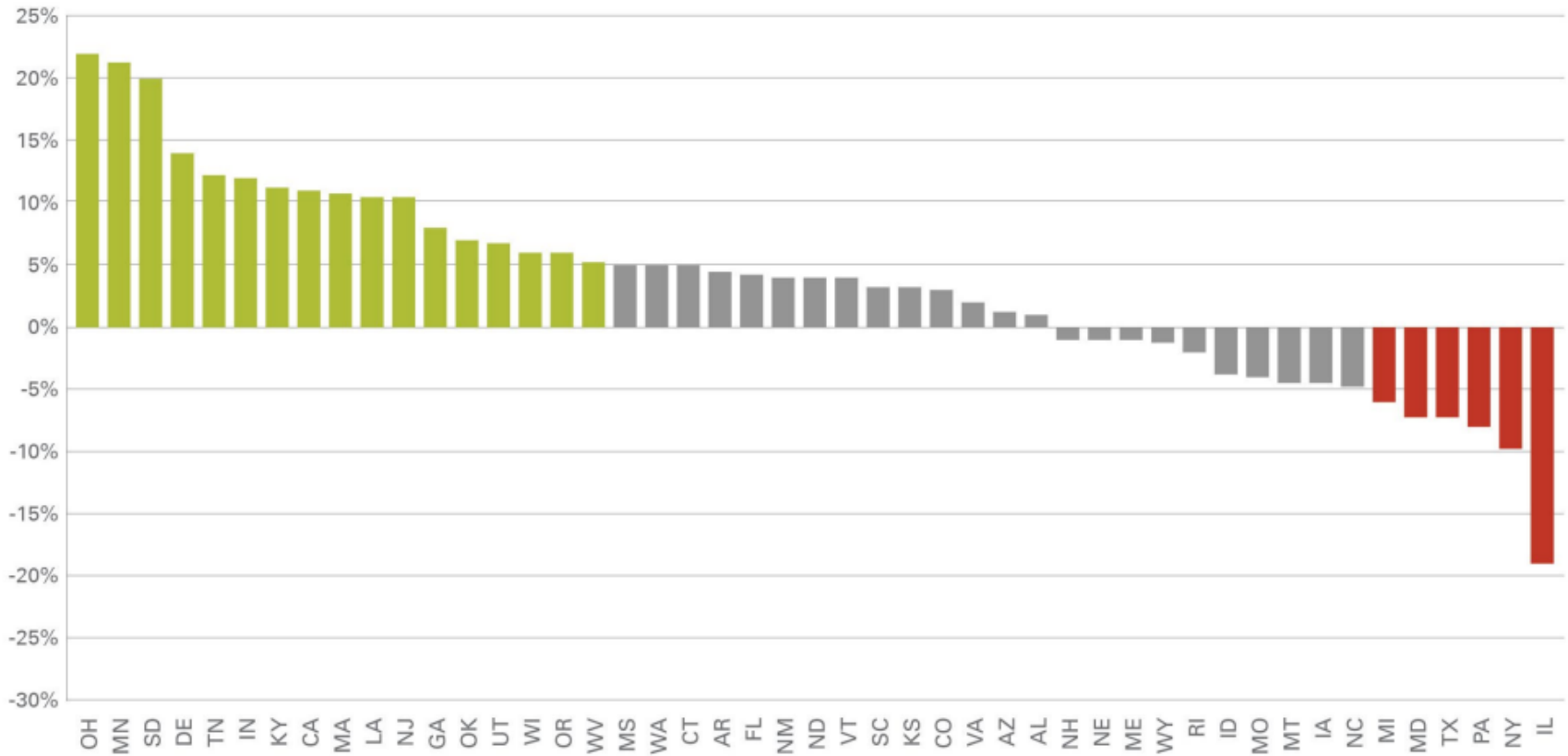
- 4th Worst in the Nation: White/African American
- 6th Worst in the Nation: Low-Income/Non Low-Income

FUNDING BY SOURCE:

- 66% Local (1st nationally)
- 26% State (50th nationally)
- 8% Federal

# Funding Gaps

Figure 1: Gaps in State and Local Revenues per Student Between Districts Serving the Most and the Fewest Students in Poverty<sup>11</sup>

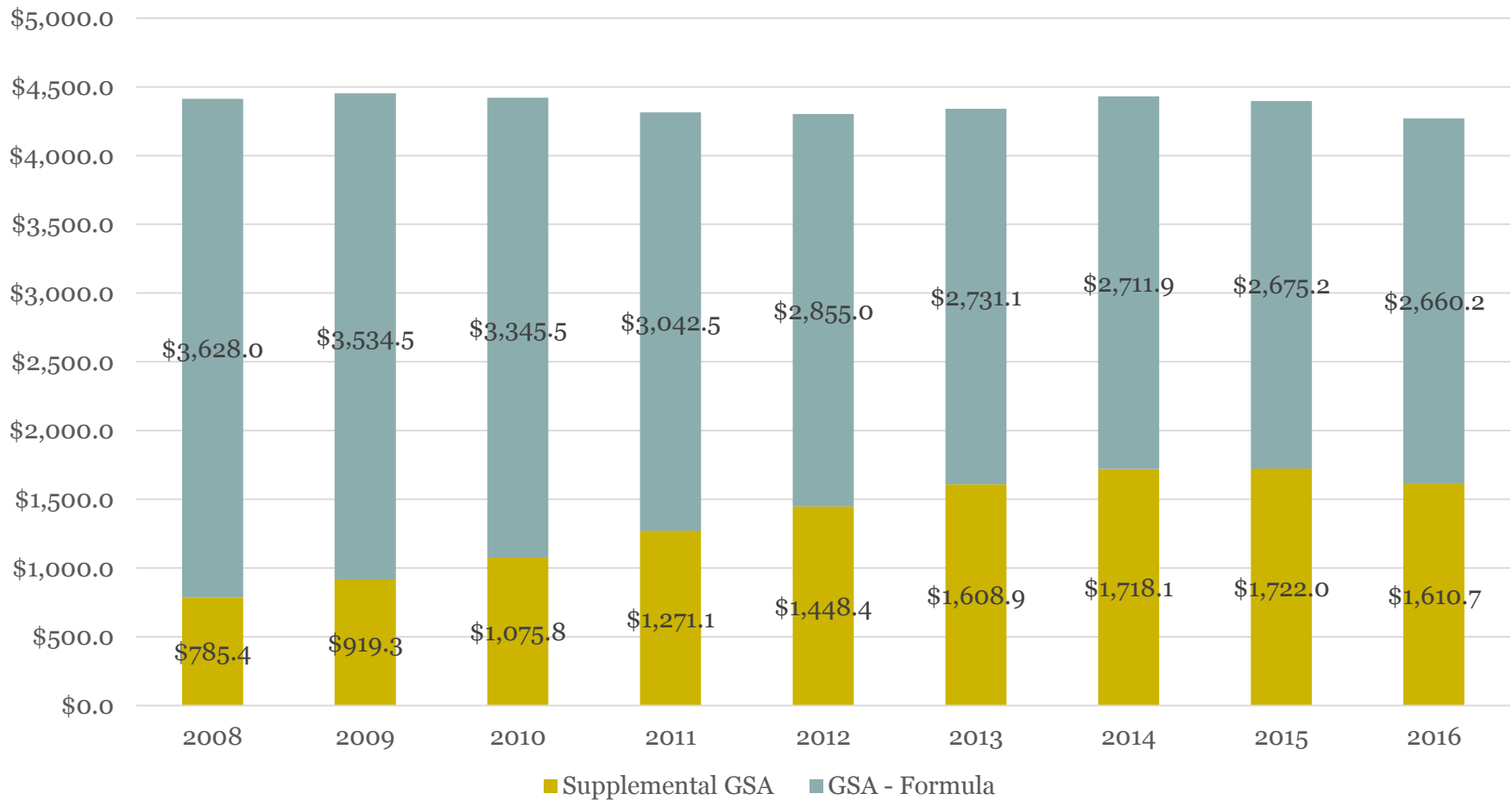


Source: Funding Gaps 2015, The Education Trust

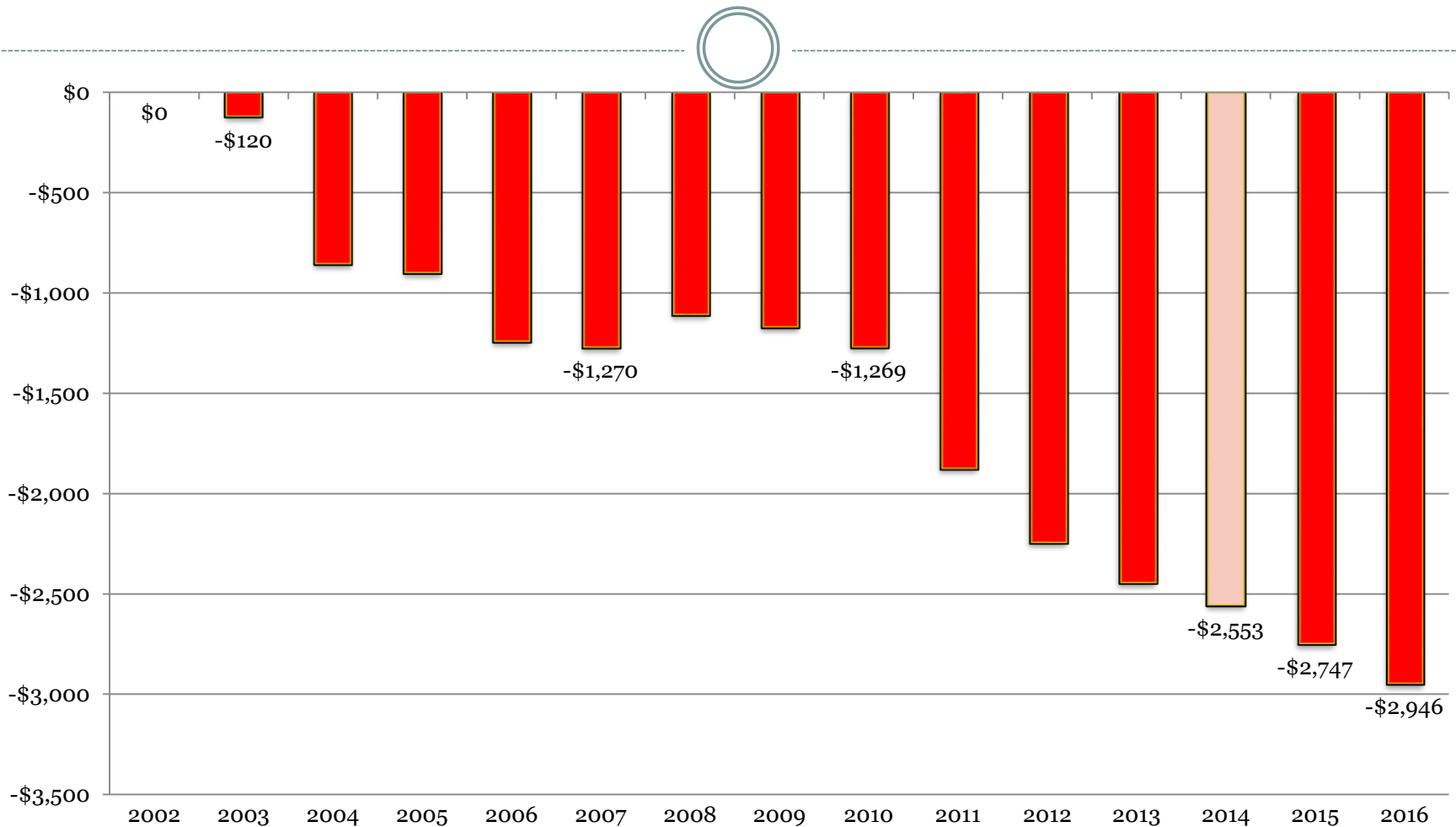
“By far the largest gap is in Illinois, where the highest poverty districts receive nearly 20% less state and local funding than the lowest poverty districts.”

# Changes in GSA Spending, FY2008-FY2016

(\$ in Millions, Inflation Adjusted)



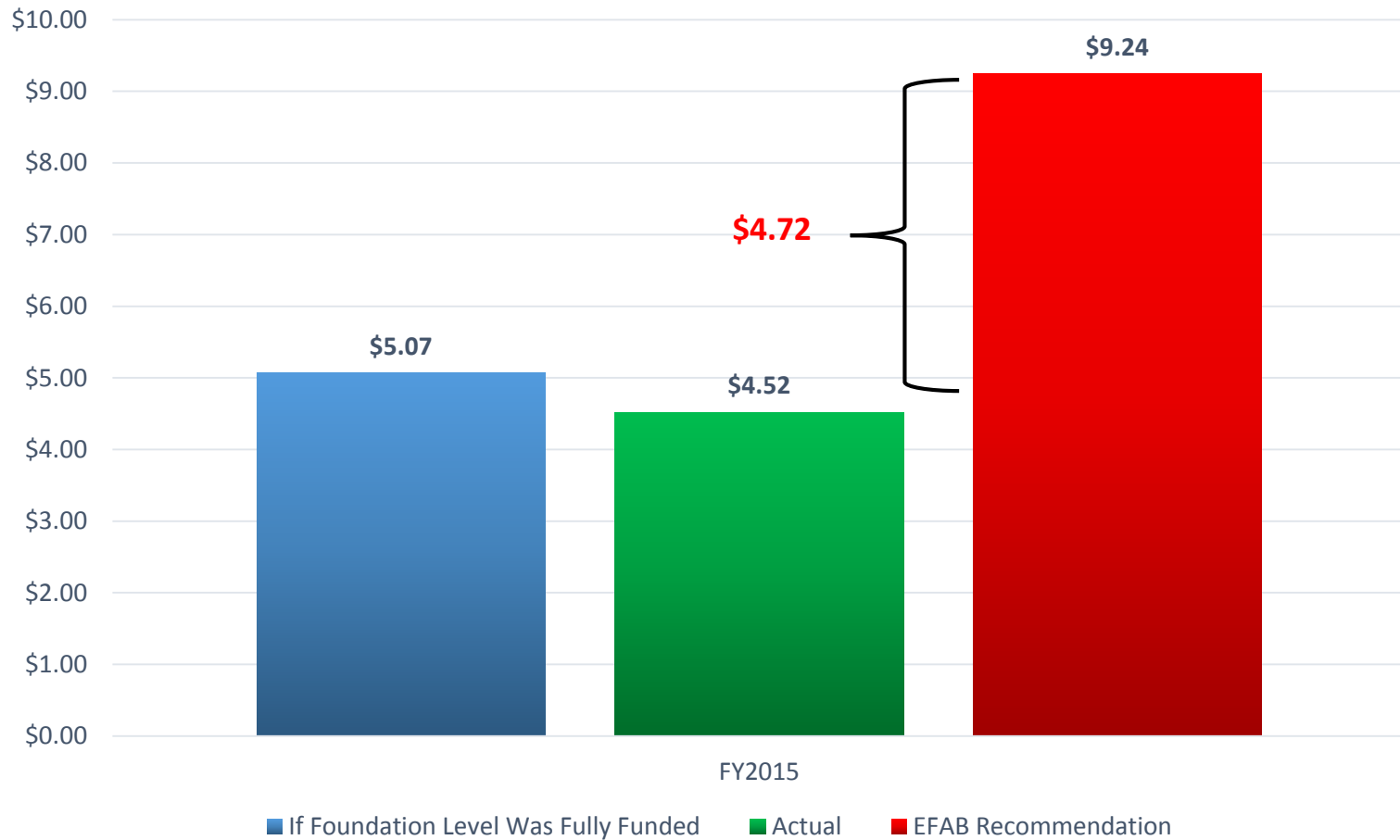
# Dollar Shortfall in State Per-Pupil K-12 Education Funding to Meet EFAB Adequate Education Standard by Fiscal Year



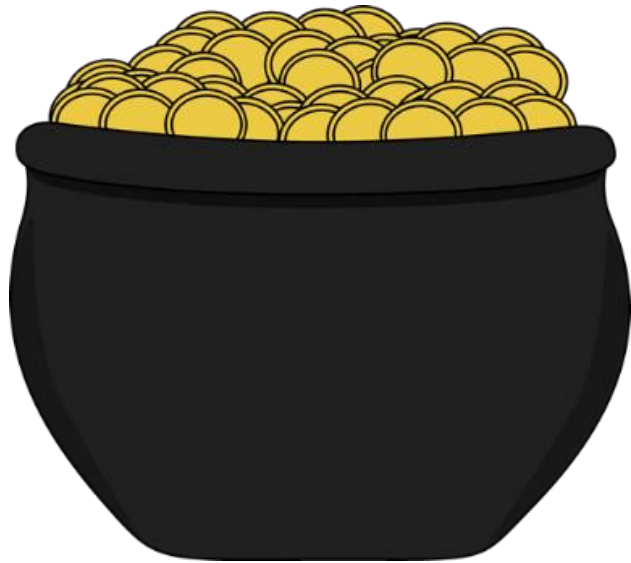
Sources: CTBA analysis of January 2013 EFAB data. Education Funding Advisory Board, *Illinois Education Funding Recommendations*, (Springfield, IL: January, 2013), p. 9. Appropriations adjusted using ECI and Midwest Medical Care CPI (for Healthcare) from the BLS as of January 2013, and population growth from the Census Bureau as of January 2013.

# General State Aid In FY2015

(\$ in Billions)



# The Real Fiscal Policy Issue



Where needs  
are greatest



Resources  
are least