

**A 2013 update of the “adequacy study” commissioned for the *Lobato* case established:**

- **The “base per pupil funding” necessary for a student with no special needs in a district with no special circumstances to meet all standards and requirements.**
- **The additional funding needed to ensure that students who do have special needs meet those standards.**

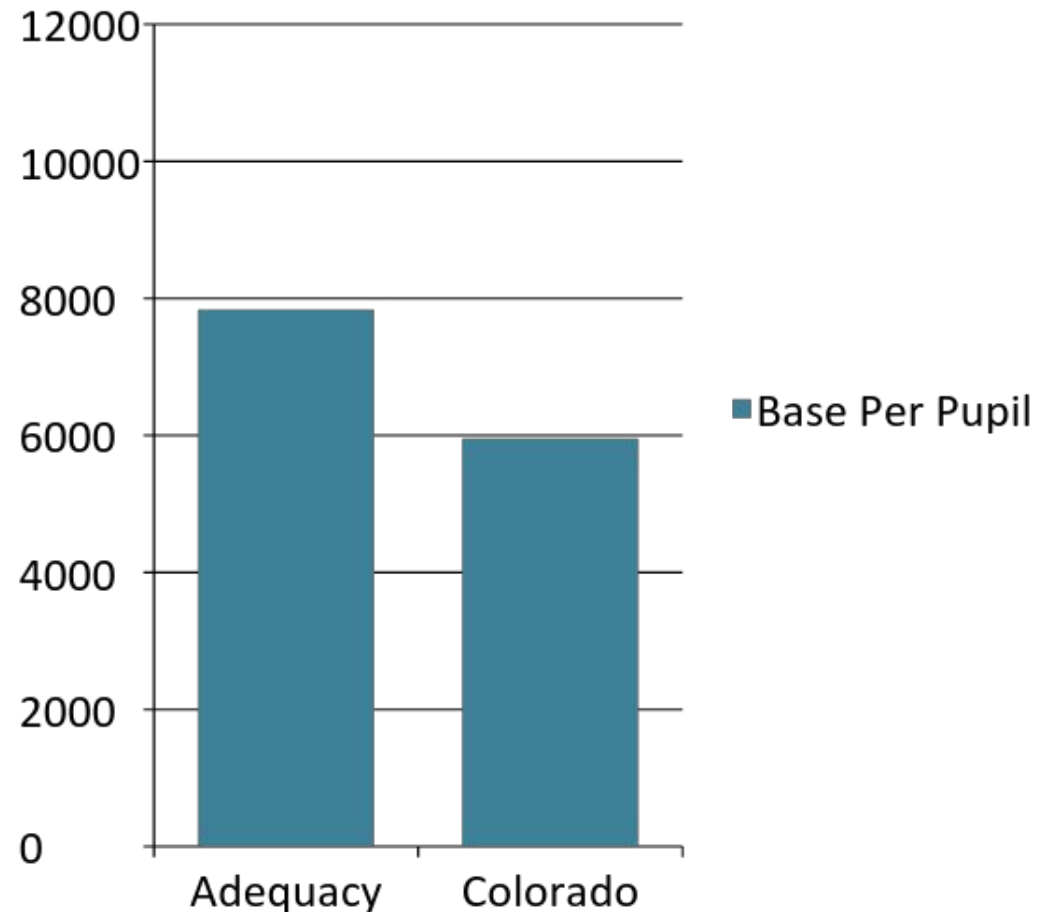
*Source: Colorado School Finance Project*



## **Every Child: Basic funding**

The study found that Colorado's base funding would have to increase by almost \$2,000 to meet the needs of a student with no special needs in a district with no special characteristics.

## Comparison of Adequacy & Colorado: Base funding

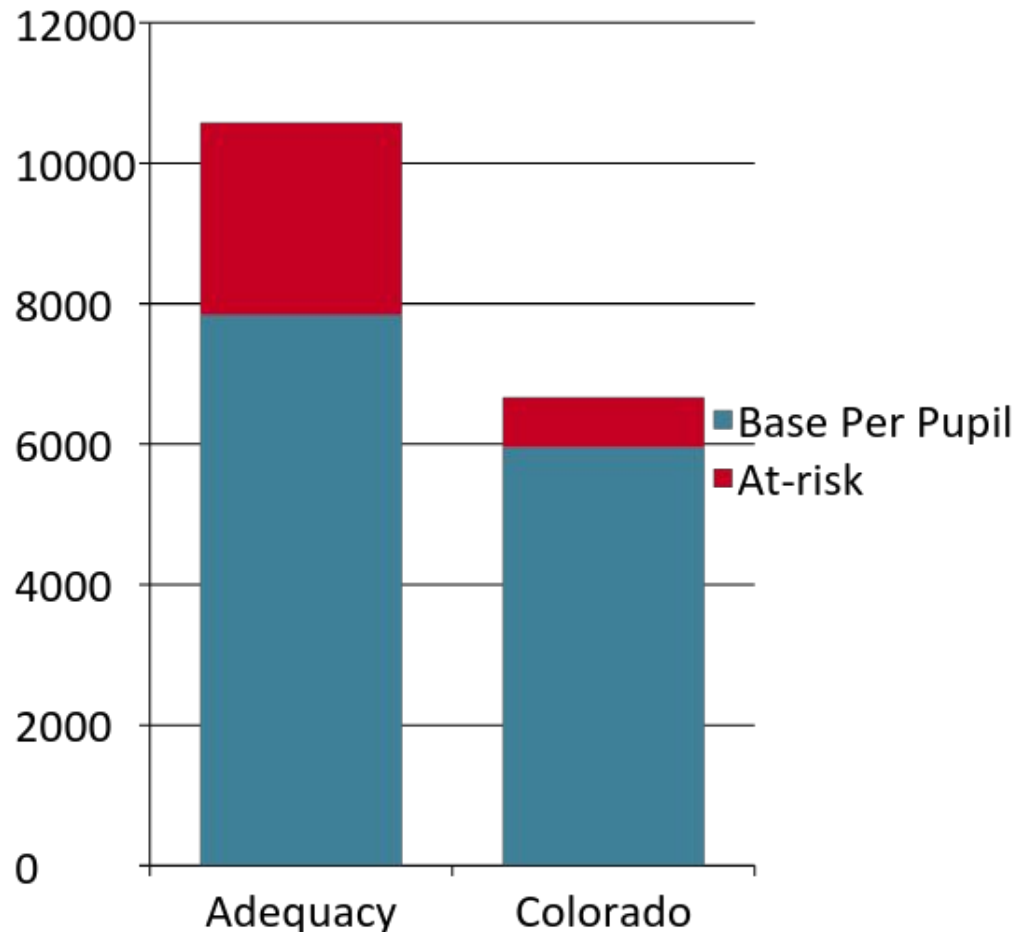


## **Every Child: At-Risk Funding**

The study found that an additional 35% is needed to ensure students eligible for free lunch (at-risk proxy) meet standards.

*Colorado provides **12% per at-risk pupil on a lower base.***

## Comparison of Adequacy & Colorado: At-Risk

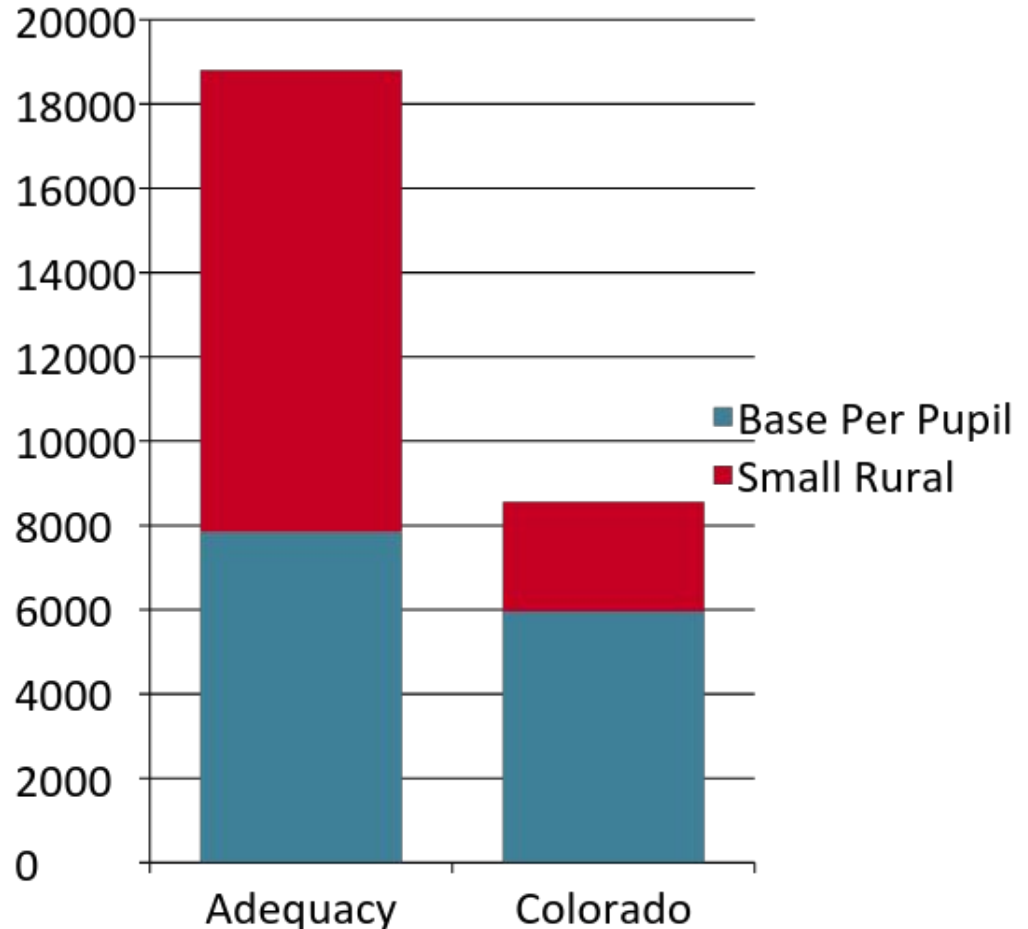


## **Every Child: Rural Funding**

The study found that an additional 140% is needed to ensure that students without special needs in small rural districts (200-500 students) can meet standards.

*Colorado's school finance formula doesn't come close.*

## Comparison of Adequacy & Colorado: Small Rural

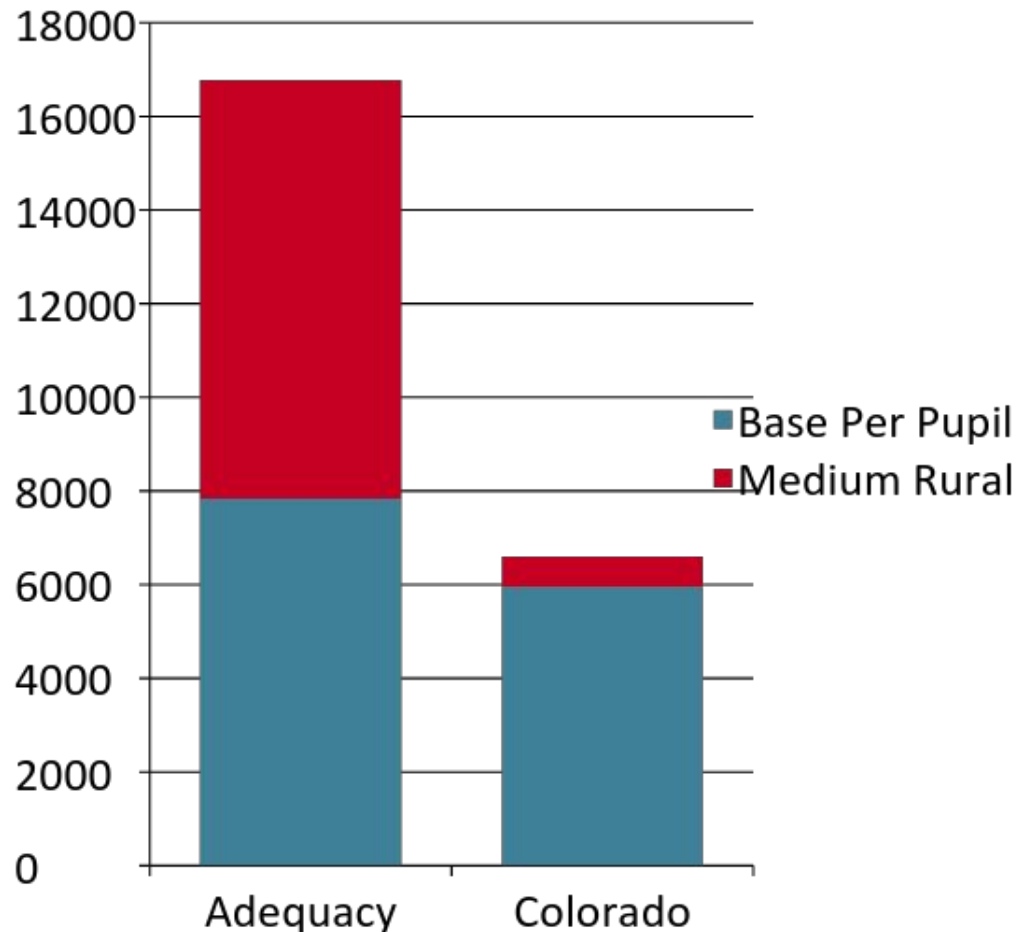


## ***Every Child: Rural Funding***

The study found that an additional 114% is needed to ensure that students without special needs in small rural districts (1800) can meet standards.

*Colorado's school finance formula doesn't come close.*

## Comparison of Adequacy & Colorado: Medium Rural

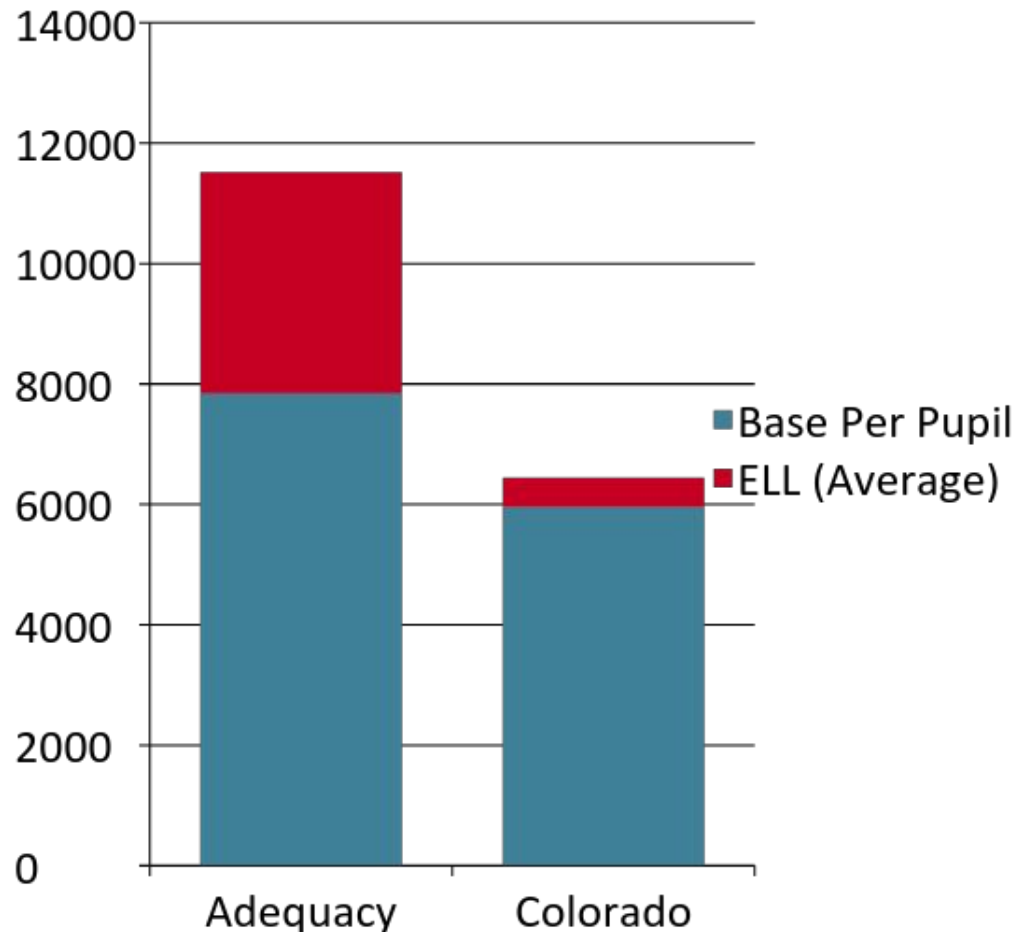


## **Every Child: ELL Funding**

The study found that an additional 47% is necessary to ensure students who are learning English can meet standards.

*Colorado provides less than \$500 per ELL pupil on top of a lower base.*

## Comparison of Adequacy & Colorado: English Language

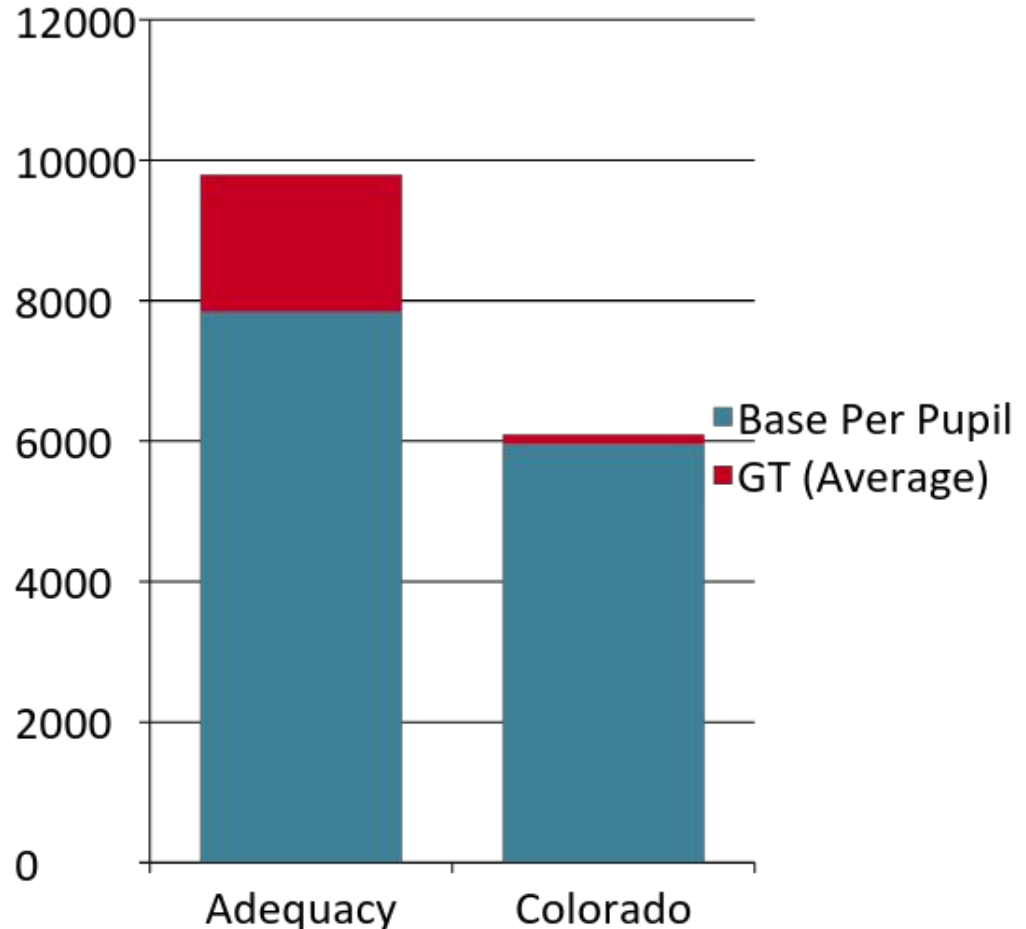


# Every Child: Gifted & Talented

The study found that meeting the needs of students identified as Gifted and Talented require an additional **25%** in funding.

*Colorado provides about **\$139 per identified pupil** on top of the inadequate base.*

## Comparison of Adequacy & Colorado: Gifted and Talented



## Every Child: Special Ed

The study found that an additional 73-700% is necessary to meet the needs of special ed students, depending on severity of disabilities.

*Colorado caps total special ed funding. In 2015, the average per student was \$1800 or about 30%.*

## Comparison of Adequacy & Colorado: Mod. Special Ed

