

**Table 5 - Estimated Public School Revenue Per Student in Fall Enrollment  
2003-04 and 1995-96 (Measured in Current Dollars)**

| State               | 2003-04 |              | 1995-96   |              | Change (in current \$)<br>1995-96 to 2003-04 |              |              |           |
|---------------------|---------|--------------|-----------|--------------|--|--------------|--------------|-----------|
|                     | R       |              | R         |              | Amount                                       | Change       | R            |           |
| U.S. Average        |         | \$9,381      |           | \$6,423      | \$2,958                                      | 46.0%        |              |           |
| New York            |         | 13,589       | 1         | 9,305        | 2  | 4,284        | 46.0%        | 27        |
| New Jersey          |         | 13,012       | 2         | 10,120       | 1  | 2,892        | 28.6%        | 46        |
| Connecticut         |         | 12,855       | 3         | 8,986        | 3  | 3,869        | 43.1%        | 35        |
| Vermont             |         | 12,061       | 4         | 7,169        | 12   | 4,892        | 68.2%        | 3         |
| Delaware            |         | 11,640       | 5         | 7,481        | 9  | 4,159        | 55.6%        | 14        |
| Wyoming             |         | 11,375       | 6         | 6,649        | 15   | 4,726        | 71.1%        | 2         |
| Massachusetts       |         | 10,834       | 7         | 7,495        | 8  | 3,339        | 44.5%        | 30        |
| Wisconsin           |         | 10,696       | 8         | 7,258        | 11   | 3,438        | 47.4%        | 25        |
| Ohio                |         | 10,514       | 9         | 6,343        | 21   | 4,171        | 65.8%        | 4         |
| Hawaii              |         | 10,450       | 10        | 6,703        | 14   | 3,747        | 55.9%        | 13        |
| Pennsylvania        |         | 10,271       | 11        | 7,975        | 5  | 2,296        | 28.8%        | 45        |
| Virginia            |         | 10,170       | 12        | 5,689        | 35   | 4,481        | 78.8%        | 1         |
| Maine               |         | 10,169       | 13        | 6,451        | 20   | 3,718        | 57.6%        | 10        |
| Minnesota           |         | 10,114       | 14        | 7,313        | 10   | 2,801        | 38.3%        | 40        |
| Indiana             |         | 10,073       | 15        | 6,340        | 22   | 3,733        | 58.9%        | 8         |
| New Hampshire       |         | 9,901        | 16        | 6,537        | 16   | 3,364        | 51.5%        | 18        |
| Maryland            |         | 9,864        | 17        | 6,873        | 13   | 2,991        | 43.5%        | 32        |
| Illinois            |         | 9,722        | 18        | 6,333        | 23   | 3,389        | 53.5%        | 16        |
| West Virginia       |         | 9,713        | 19        | 6,528        | 17   | 3,185        | 48.8%        | 23        |
| Michigan            |         | 9,631        | 20        | 7,674        | 6  | 1,957        | 25.5%        | 48        |
| Alaska              |         | 9,611        | 21        | 8,589        | 4  | 1,022        | 11.9%        | 50        |
| Georgia             |         | 9,434        | 22        | 5,819        | 30   | 3,615        | 62.1%        | 5         |
| <b>Rhode Island</b> |         | <b>9,358</b> | <b>23</b> | <b>7,598</b> | <b>7</b>                                     | <b>1,760</b> | <b>23.2%</b> | <b>49</b> |
| California          |         | 9,216        | 24        | 5,717        | 34   | 3,499        | 61.2%        | 6         |
| Missouri            |         | 8,929        | 25        | 5,956        | 26   | 2,973        | 49.9%        | 20        |
| South Carolina      |         | 8,877        | 26        | 5,798        | 31   | 3,079        | 53.1%        | 17        |
| Kansas              |         | 8,796        | 27        | 6,462        | 19   | 2,334        | 36.1%        | 42        |
| Washington          |         | 8,648        | 28        | 6,490        | 18   | 2,158        | 33.2%        | 43        |
| Colorado            |         | 8,640        | 29        | 5,798        | 32   | 2,842        | 49.0%        | 22        |
| New Mexico          |         | 8,609        | 30        | 5,480        | 37   | 3,129        | 57.1%        | 11        |
| Montana             |         | 8,509        | 31        | 5,832        | 29   | 2,677        | 45.9%        | 28        |
| Iowa                |         | 8,464        | 32        | 5,869        | 27   | 2,595        | 44.2%        | 31        |
| North Dakota        |         | 8,379        | 33        | 5,275        | 40   | 3,104        | 58.8%        | 9         |
| Nevada              |         | 8,368        | 34        | 5,868        | 28   | 2,500        | 42.6%        | 36        |
| Texas               |         | 8,293        | 35        | 5,792        | 33   | 2,501        | 43.2%        | 34        |
| Alabama             |         | 8,223        | 36        | 5,173        | 42   | 3,050        | 59.0%        | 7         |
| Kentucky            |         | 8,166        | 37        | 5,614        | 36   | 2,552        | 45.5%        | 29        |
| Oregon              |         | 8,149        | 38        | 6,239        | 24   | 1,910        | 30.6%        | 44        |
| South Dakota        |         | 7,911        | 39        | 5,235        | 41   | 2,676        | 51.1%        | 19        |
| Louisiana           |         | 7,760        | 40        | 4,951        | 44   | 2,809        | 56.7%        | 12        |
| Nebraska            |         | 7,743        | 41        | 5,401        | 39   | 2,342        | 43.4%        | 33        |
| Florida             |         | 7,693        | 42        | 6,074        | 25   | 1,619        | 26.7%        | 47        |
| North Carolina      |         | 7,687        | 43        | 5,430        | 38   | 2,257        | 41.6%        | 37        |
| Arizona             |         | 7,555        | 44        | 5,124        | 43   | 2,431        | 47.4%        | 24        |
| Mississippi         |         | 7,047        | 45        | 4,530        | 49   | 2,517        | 55.6%        | 15        |
| Oklahoma            |         | 7,044        | 46        | 4,710        | 47   | 2,334        | 49.6%        | 21        |
| Arkansas            |         | 6,657        | 47        | 4,811        | 46   | 1,846        | 38.4%        | 39        |
| Idaho               |         | 6,633        | 48        | 4,840        | 45   | 1,793        | 37.1%        | 41        |
| Tennessee           |         | 6,371        | 49        | 4,566        | 48   | 1,805        | 39.5%        | 38        |
| Utah                |         | 6,219        | 50        | 4,224        | 50   | 1,995        | 47.2%        | 26        |

Source: National Education Association, "Ranking of the States," various years, and RIPEC calculations.