

# Arkansas Fast Facts

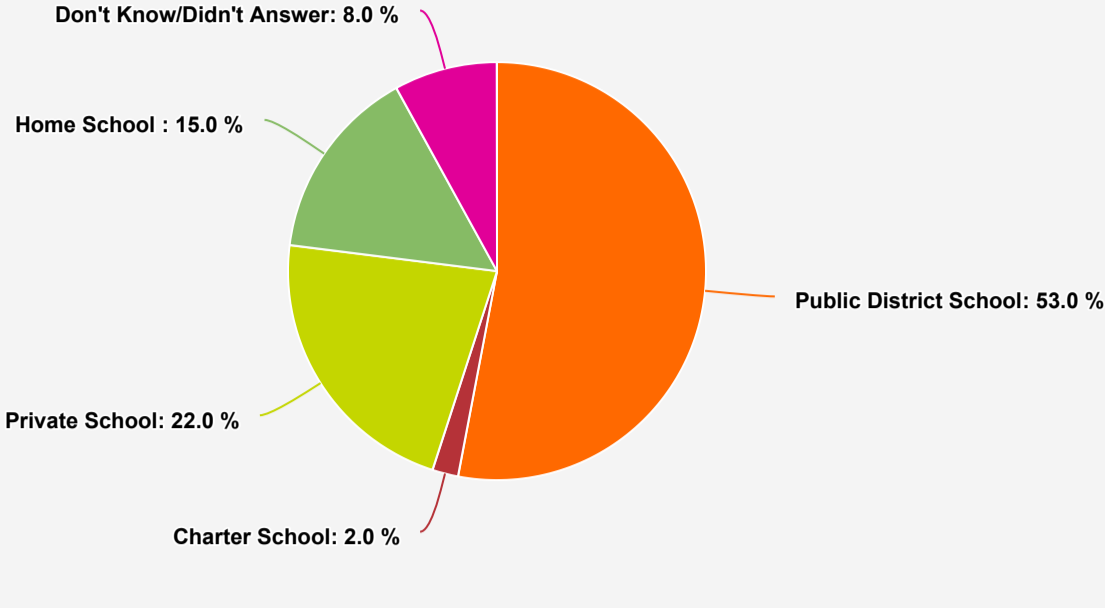


**33%**

locals think K–12 education in Arkansas is headed in the right direction

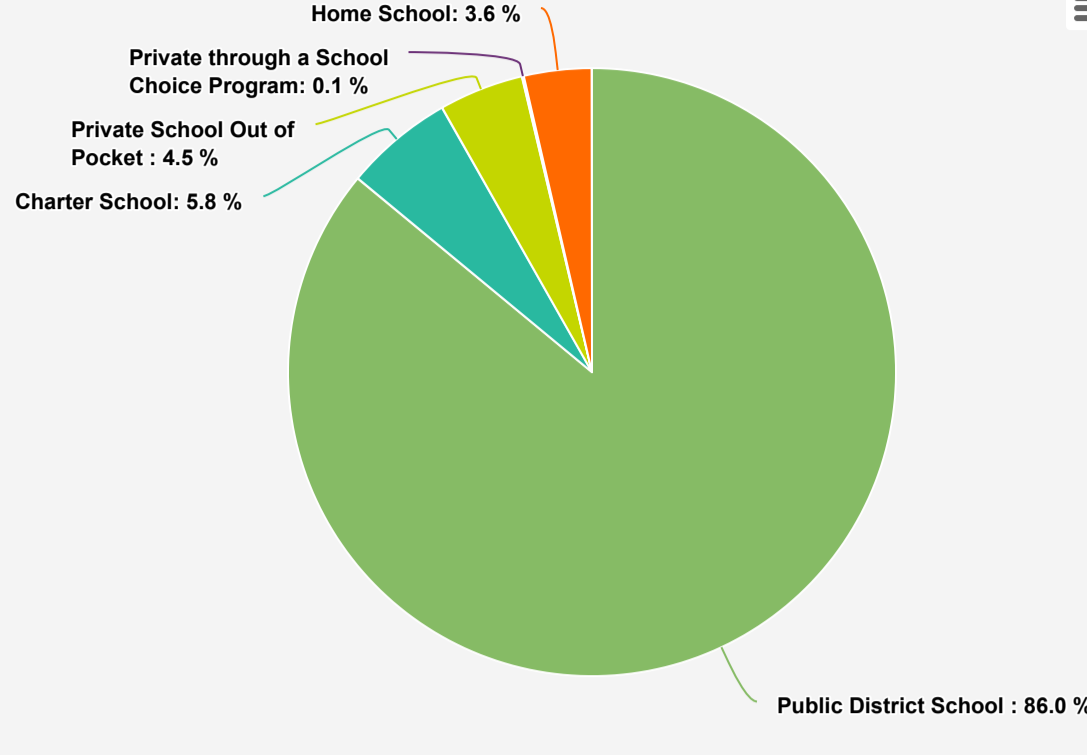
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## Arkansas Parents' Schooling Preferences if Cost and Transportation Weren't Factors



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## Where K–12 Arkansas Students Attend School Now



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## People Arkansas Parents Trust Most to Make Good Decisions About Education

1. Teachers
2. School Parents
3. School Principals

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## Arkansas Private School Fast Facts



**4,458**

estimated open seats in private schools



**84%**

of private schools serve students with special needs



**65%**

provide some form of financial assistance to students

[Exploring Arkansas's Private Education Sector >](#)

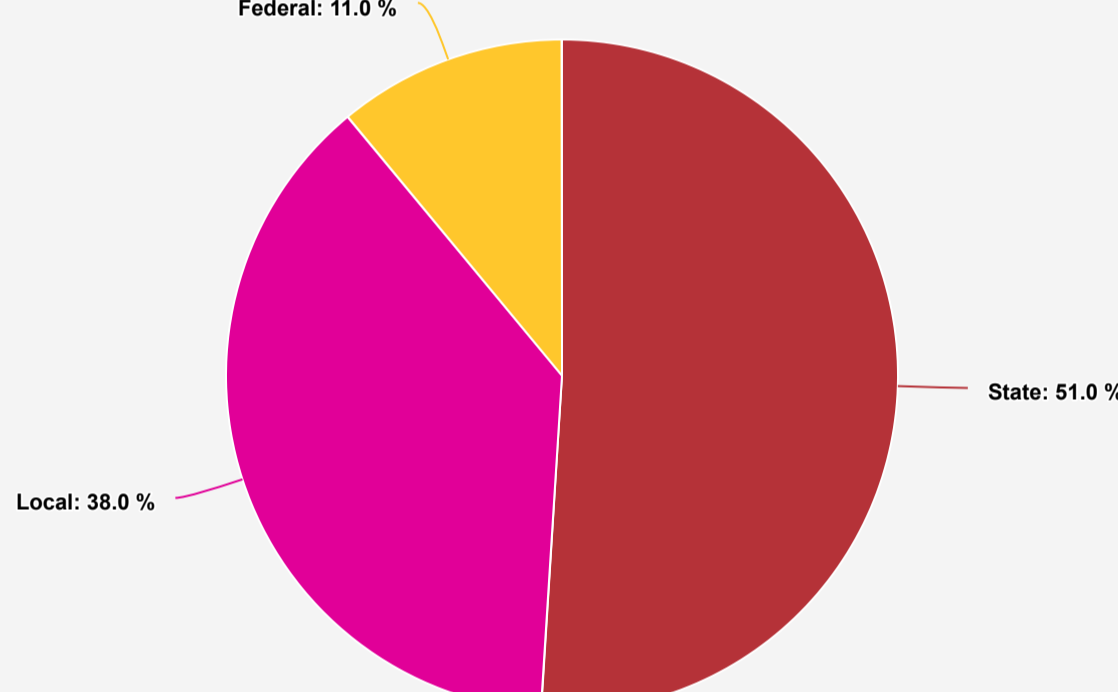
## Arkansas K–12 Education Spending \$5.8 Billion

Total Arkansas Public Education Revenue

U.S. Department of Education, NCES, Common Core of Data (CCD)

Data last updated 9/2021.

## Arkansas Public Education Funding Sources



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## School Spending/Costs By Sector

**\$12,276**

Avg. Arkansas Total Spending Per Pupil (Public)

**\$9,274**

Avg. Arkansas Total Spending Per Pupil (Charter)

**\$6,024**

Avg. Arkansas Private K–12 Tuition Per Pupil

**\$6,325**

Avg. Cost Per Pupil (Succeed Scholarship Program)

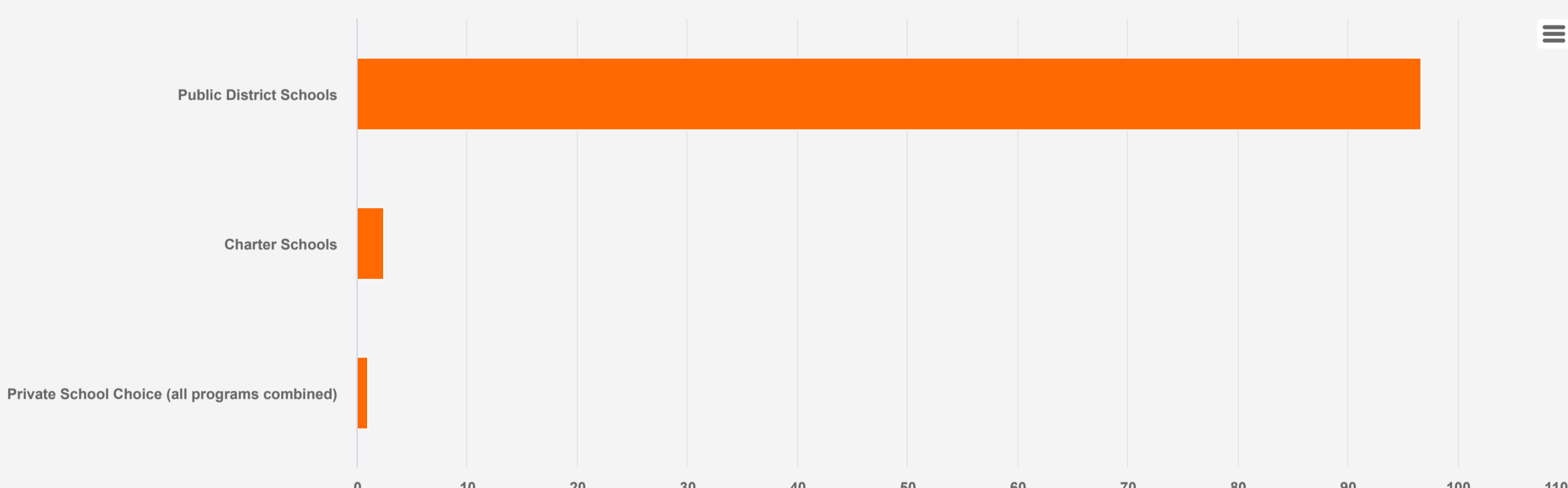
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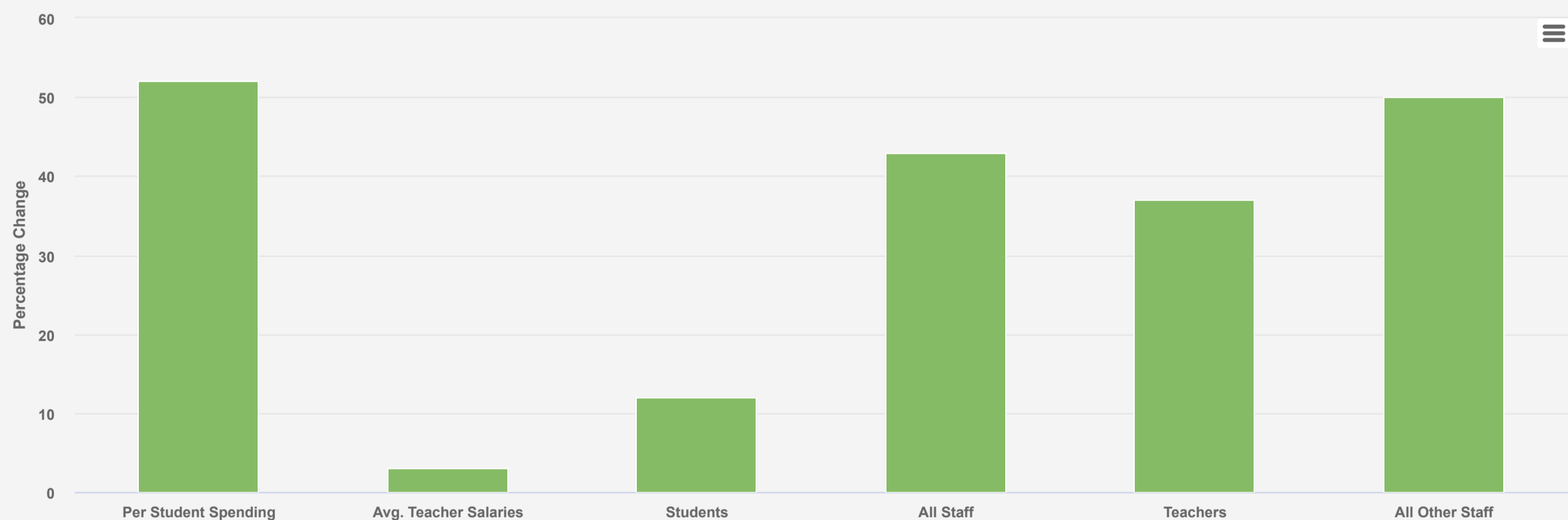
## Arkansas Education Spending Out of Total



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## Arkansas Public School Hiring and Salary Trends Since 1992



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### INTER-DISTRICT

Arkansas mandates inter-district transportation funding only for open enrollment students who are assigned to a “failing” district school.

### CHARTER SCHOOL

The state does not permit publicly funded transportation of charter school students unless they are zoned to a “failing” district school.

### PRIVATE SCHOOL

Arkansas does not allow for publicly funded transportation to private schools with the exception of students with special needs. Districts can transport students to private schools at their own discretion.