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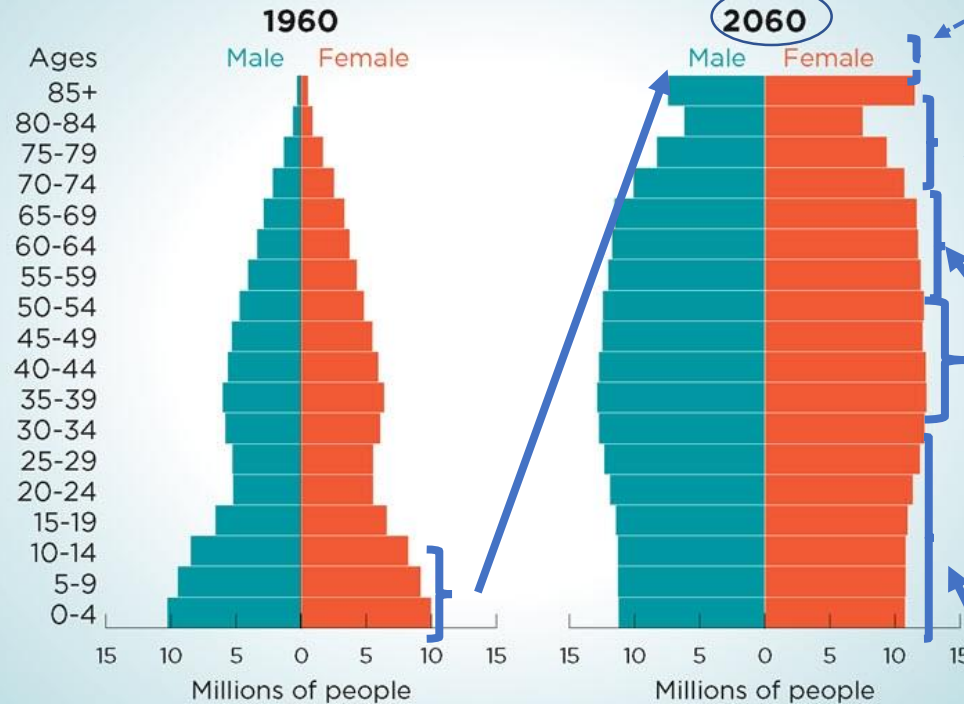
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# CHANGING THE SHAPE OF AGING

## From Pyramid to Pillar: A Century of Change

Population of the United States



**BOOMERS**  
(B. 1946-1964)

**GEN X (B.1965-1983)**

**MILLENNIAL/Y**  
(B. 1984-2002)

**GEN Z**  
(B.2003-2021)

**THE UNBORN**

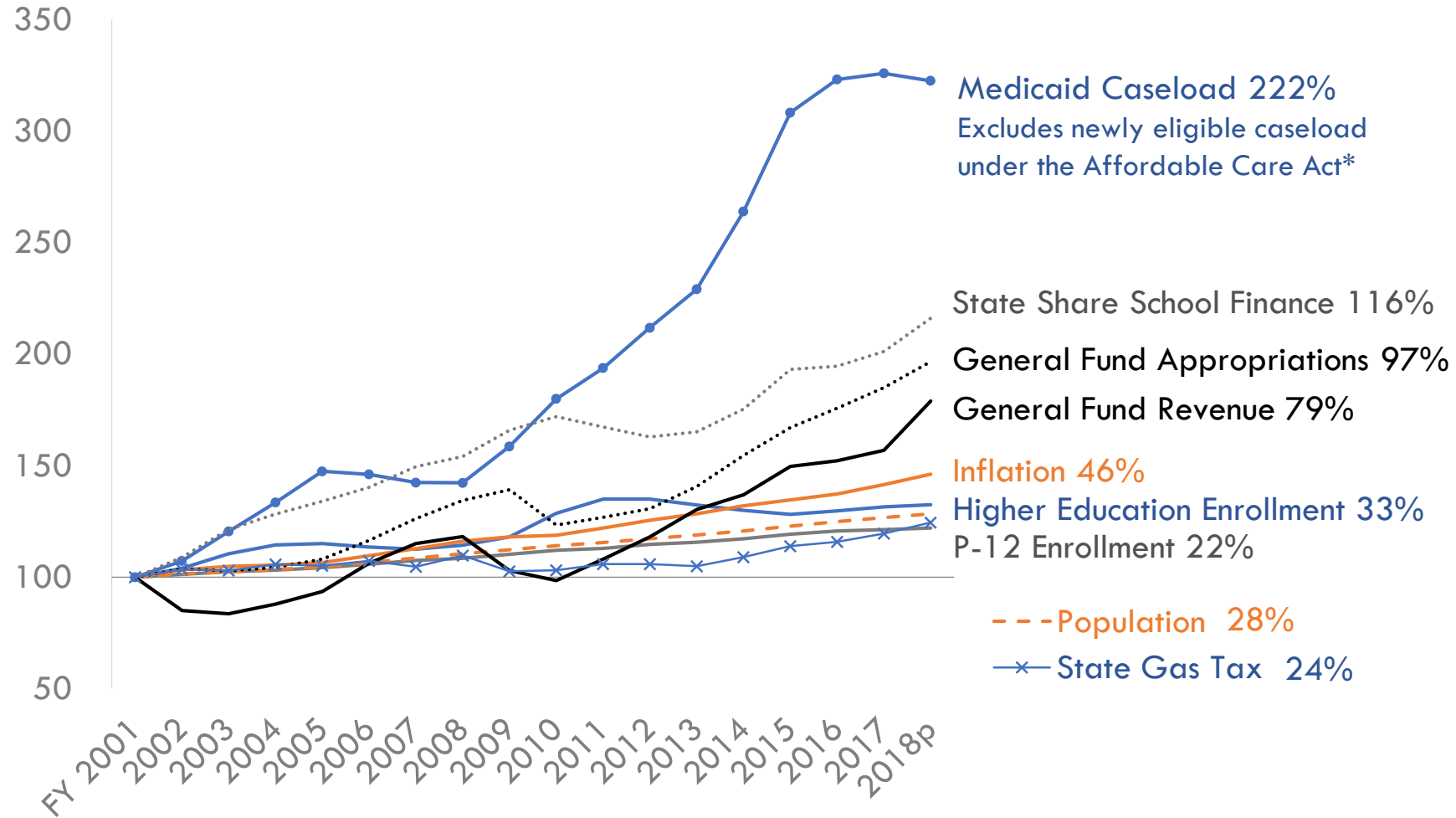
United States<sup>™</sup>  
**Census**  
Bureau

U.S. Department of Commerce  
Economics and Statistics Administration  
U.S. CENSUS BUREAU  
[census.gov](http://census.gov)

Source: National Population  
Projections, 2017  
[www.census.gov/programs-surveys/popproj.html](http://www.census.gov/programs-surveys/popproj.html)

# HOW IT GROWS: Growth Comparisons

Index 2000-01=100



Data sources: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Census Bureau, Joint Budget Committee Staff, Department of Health Care Policy and Financing, Department of Higher Education, and Department of Education.

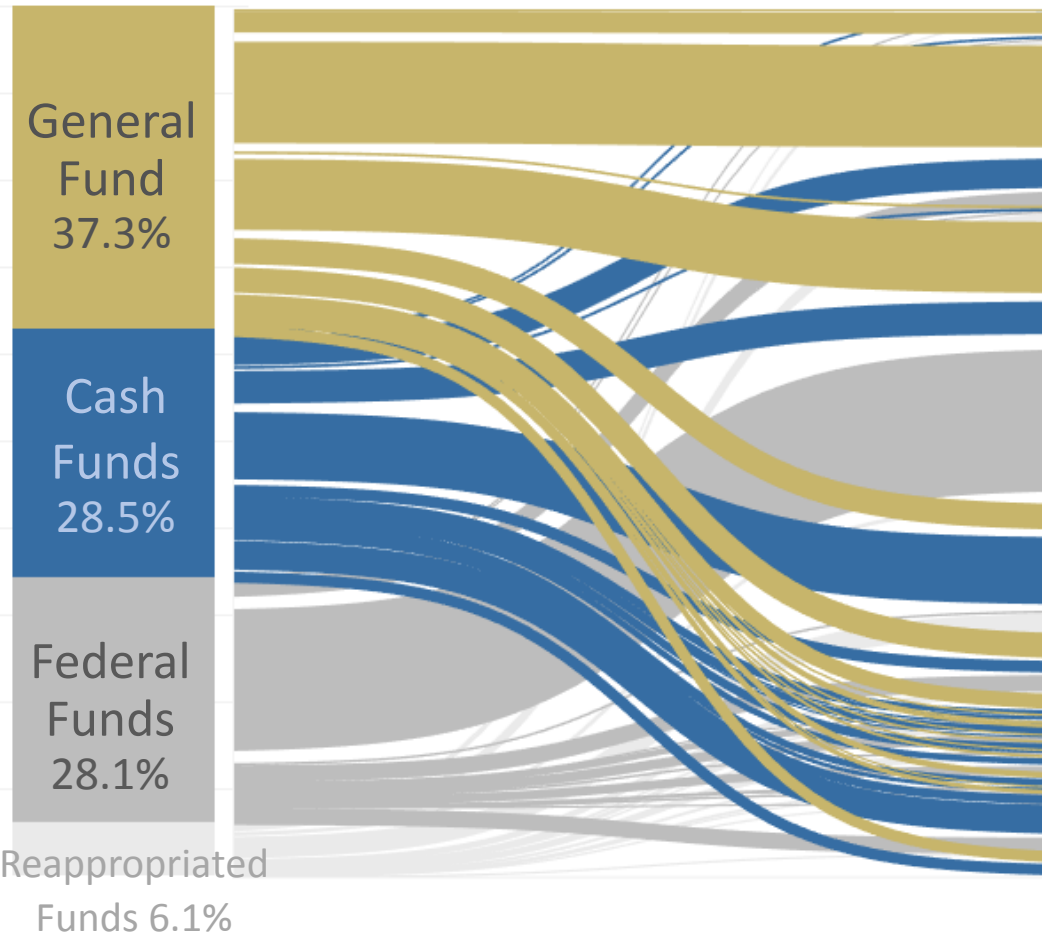
\*Excludes federally-funded caseloads under the Affordable Care Act, which added an additional 427,000 in FY 2017-18.

# The State Budget

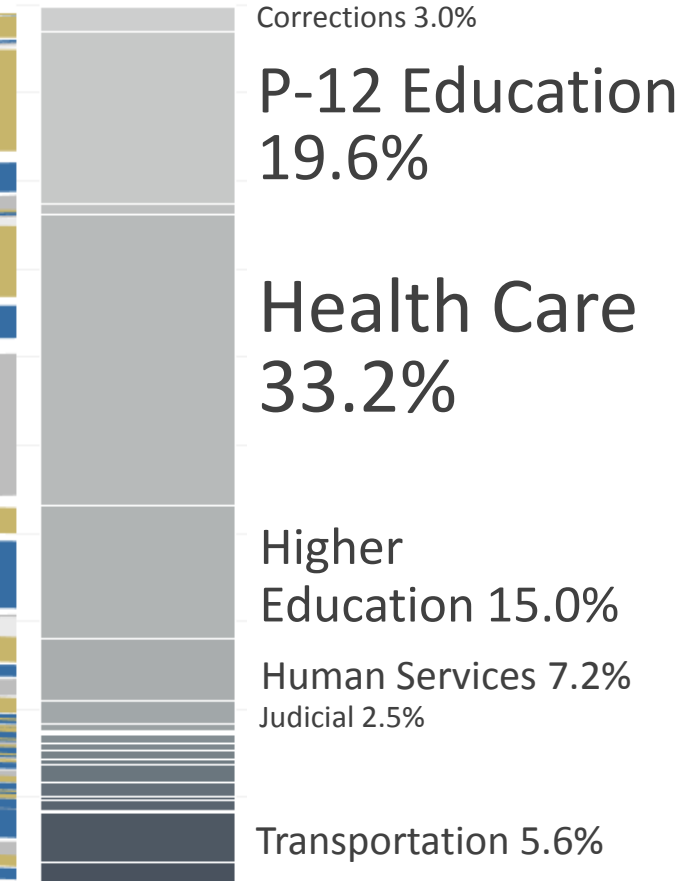
FY 2018-19: \$30.6 Billion<sup>1</sup>

## HOW IT FLOWS...

### Fund Source



### Total Spending by Department



## Tax Related Amendments

### Gallagher Amendment 1982

Passed by 551,334 votes (65.5%) to 290,590 votes

Total votes cast: 841,924

Residents of Voting age: data not available

Estimated Voters who did NOT vote: Data not Available

TABOR AMENDMENT			
Colorado Initiative 1 (1992)			
Result	Votes	Percentage	
Yes	812,308	53.68%	
No	700,906	46.32%	

Total Votes Cast: 1,513,214

Residents of voting age (app): 2,476,579

Estimated # voters who did NOT vote: 963,336

Colorado Initiative 23 (2000)			
Result	Votes	Percentage	
Yes	882,628	52.71%	
No	791,934	47.29%	

Total Votes Cast: 1,674,562

Residents of Voting age (app): 3,103,562

Estimated Voters who did not vote: 1,429,000

Senior Property Tax Exemption			
Colorado Referendum A (2000)			
Result	Votes	Percentage	
Yes	843,620	54.74%	
No	697,398	45.26%	

Total Votes Cast: 1,541,018

Residents of voting age (app): 3,103,562

Estimated Voters who did NOT vote: 1,662,541

Colorado Referendum C (2005)			
Result	Votes	Percentage	
Yes	600,222	52.06%	
No	552,662	47.94%	

Total Votes Cast: 1,152,884 Residents of voting age: 3,363,006

Estimated Voters who did NOT vote: 2,210,122

**2019 RESIDENTS OF VOTING AGE (est): 4,339,280**

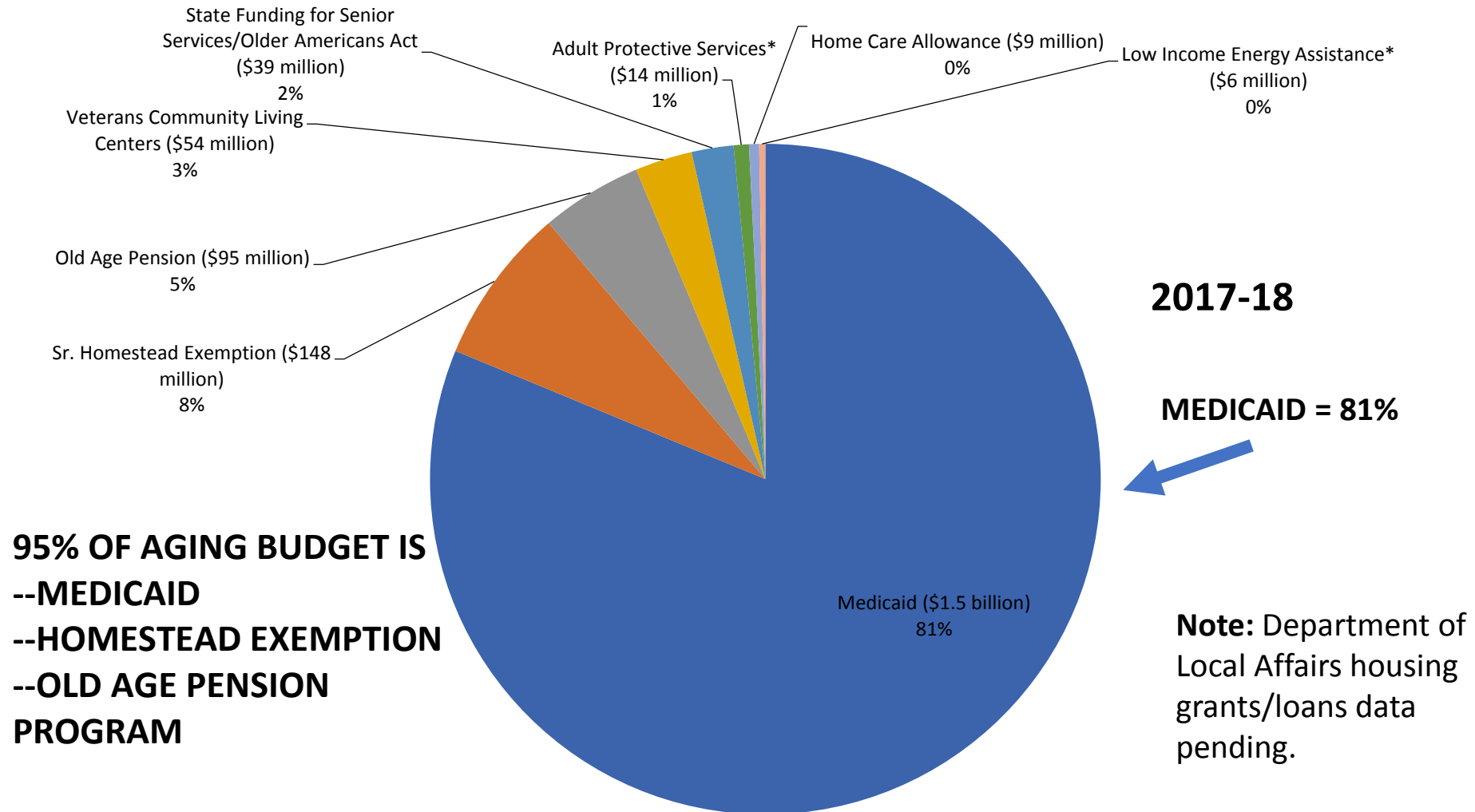
1998  
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1996



# Aging budget overview – TOTAL FUNDS

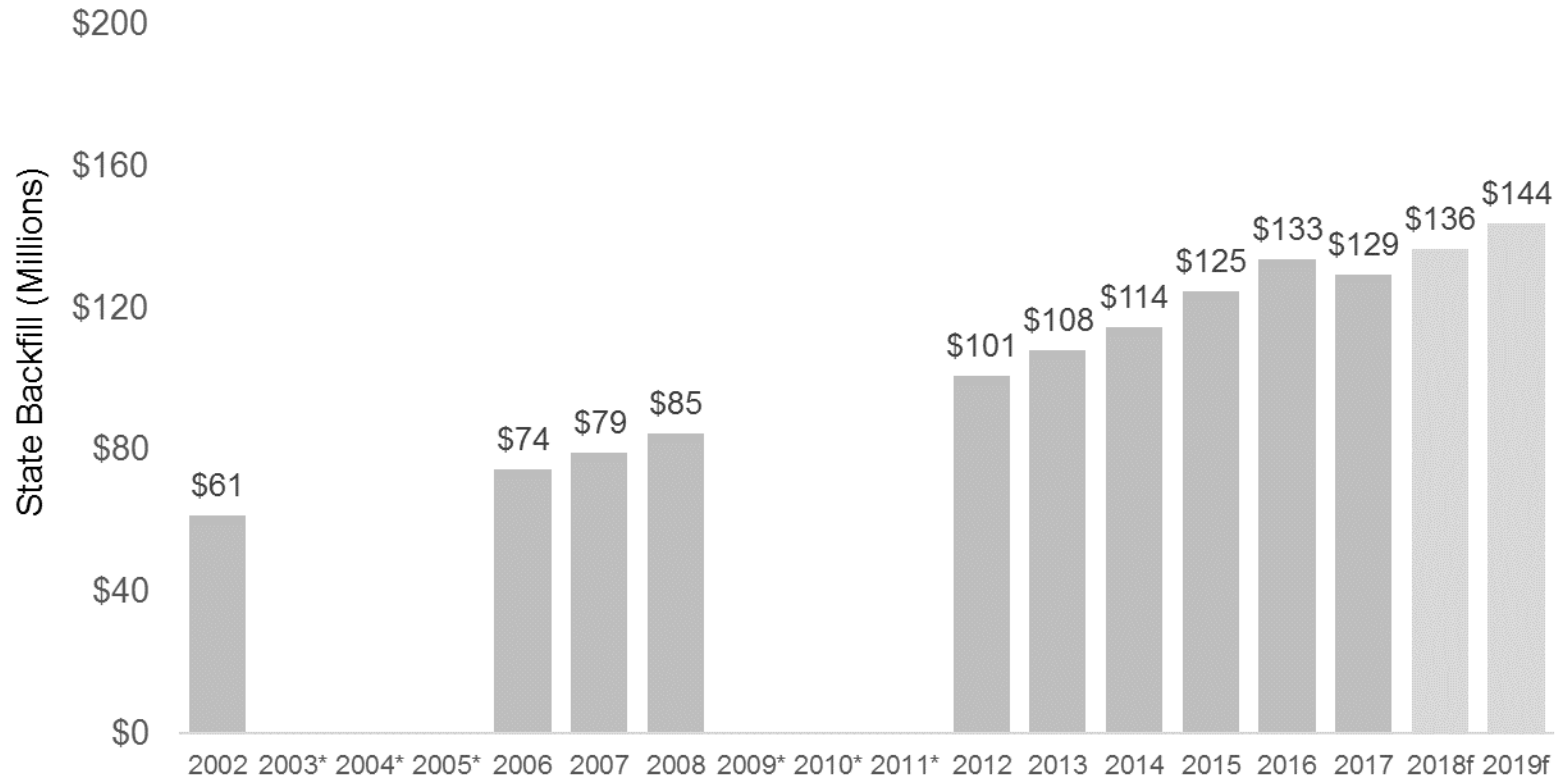


**95% OF AGING BUDGET IS  
--MEDICAID  
--HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION  
--OLD AGE PENSION  
PROGRAM**

*\* This is the rough portion of this specific budget line that is spent on older Coloradans.*



# State costs have increased with changing demographics



Sources: Division of Property Taxation; Department of the Treasury; Legislative Council Staff

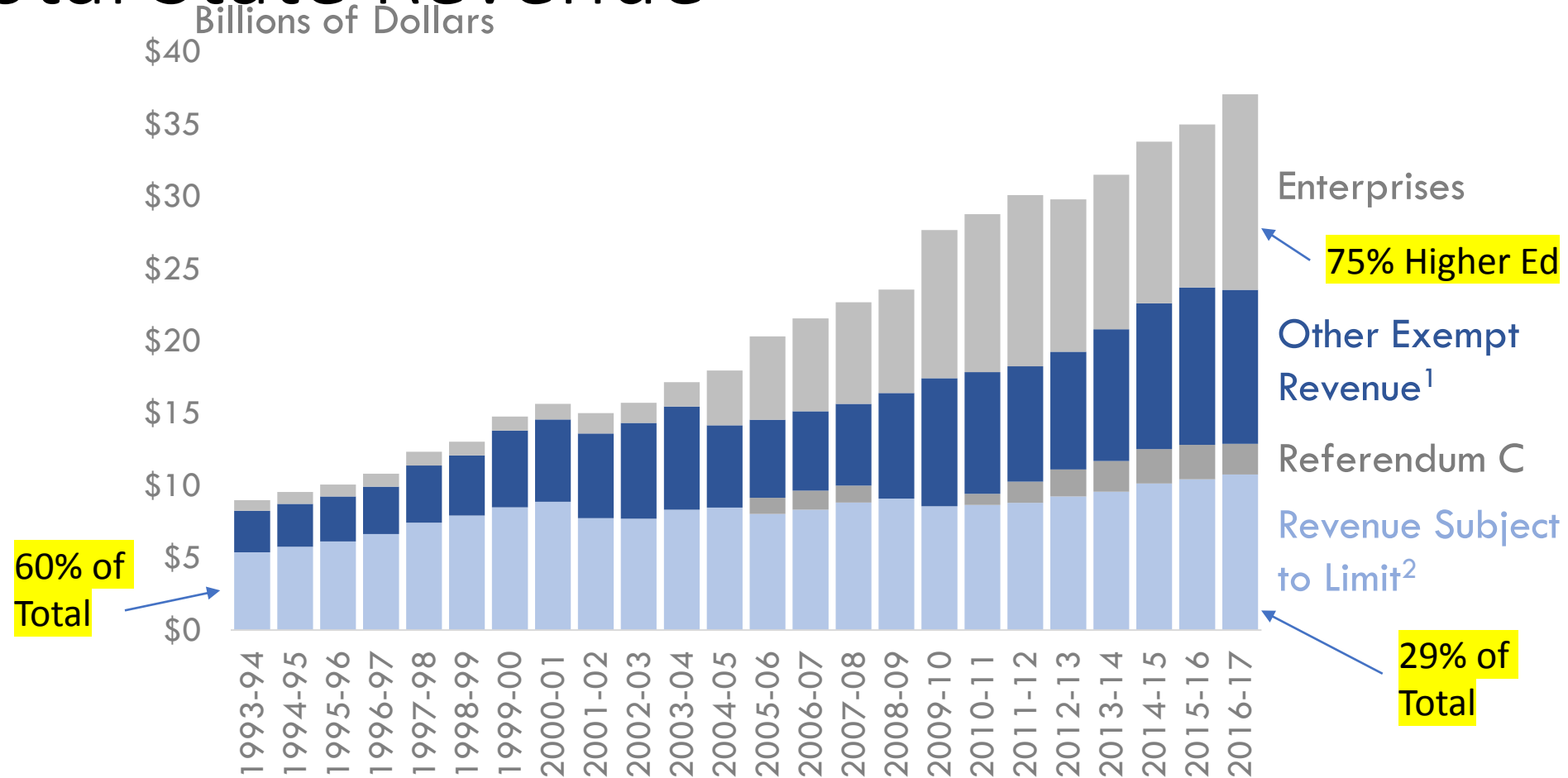
\*Indicates years when the exemption cap was set to zero by the state legislature

“f” indicates forecast



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# Total State Revenue



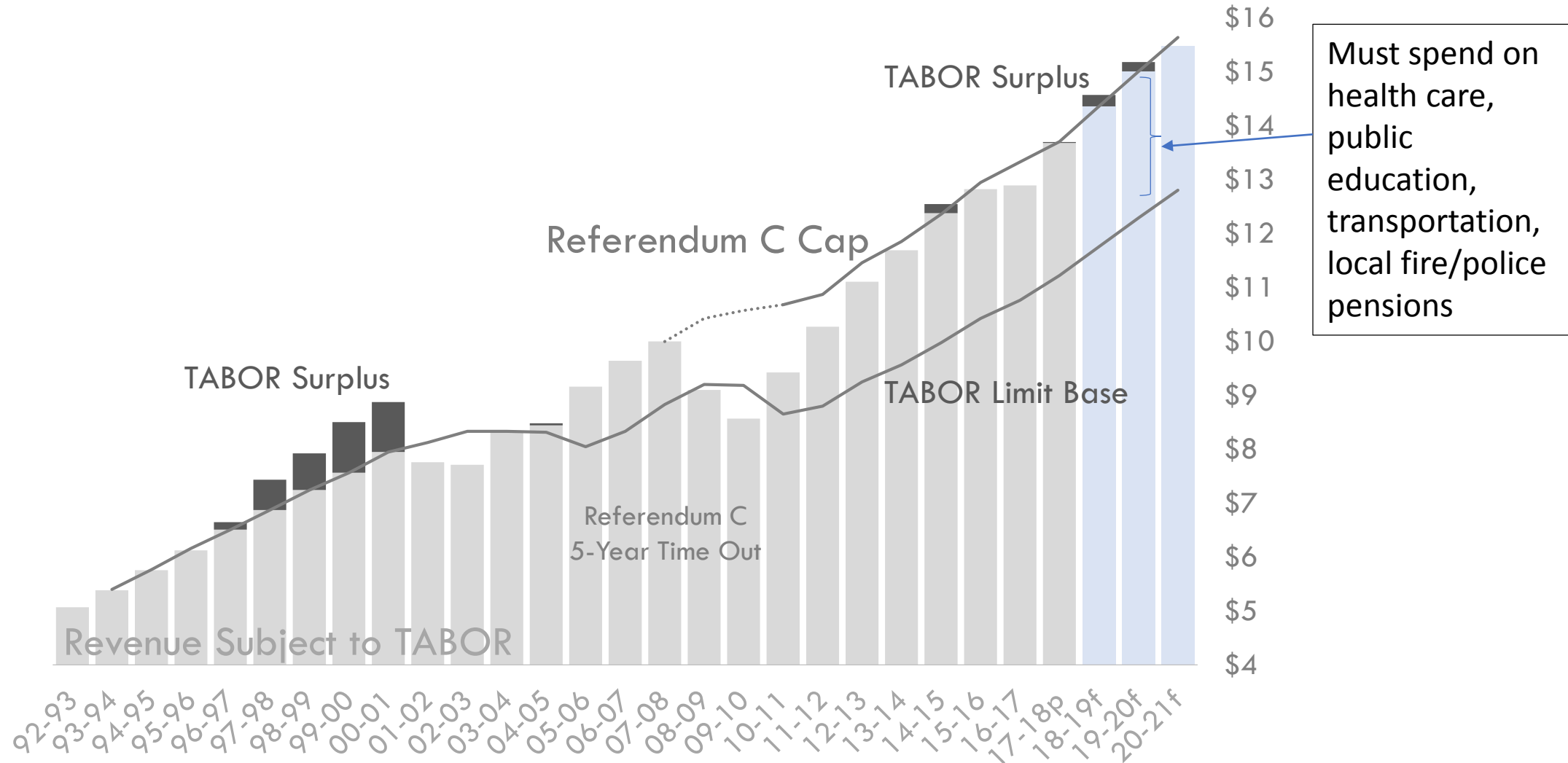
Data source: Office of the State Controller and State Auditor's Office, TABOR Schedule of Computations. FY 2016-17 is the most recent year for which audited data are available. Amounts include certain federal fund transfers.

<sup>1</sup>Includes voter-approved revenue changes and revenue sources exempt in the state constitution.

<sup>2</sup>Includes both General Fund and cash fund revenue subject to TABOR.

# TABOR and Referendum C

Billions of Dollars

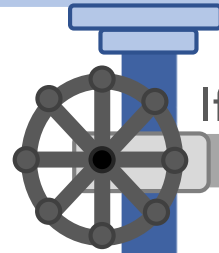


Data sources: Colorado State Controllers Office and Legislative Council Staff September 2018 forecast.

## TABOR Refund Obligation

#1

Reimburse Local Gov'ts for  
Property Tax Exemptions  
Up to ~\$150 million



If ~\$400 million+

#2

Temporary  
Income Tax Rate Reduction  
Next ~\$250 million  
If the refund is large enough to  
fund the first mechanism and  
the rate reduction

#3

Sales Tax Refund  
Any remaining

## TABOR Refund Mechanisms