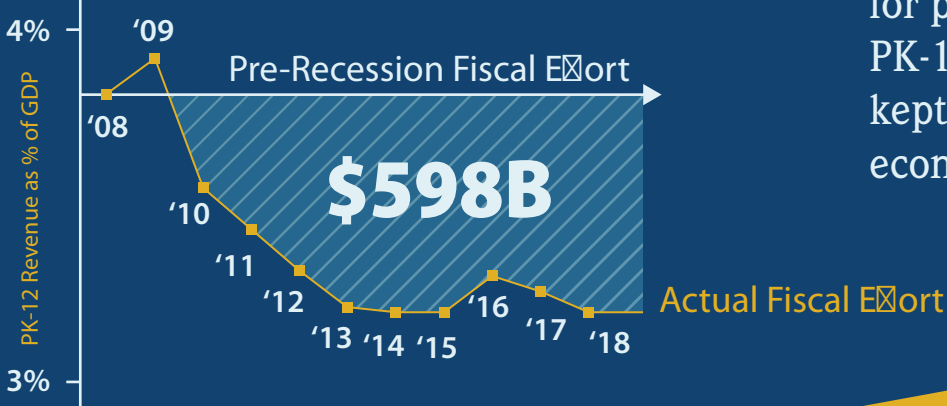


Education's Lost Decade

State disinvestment
following the Great Recession

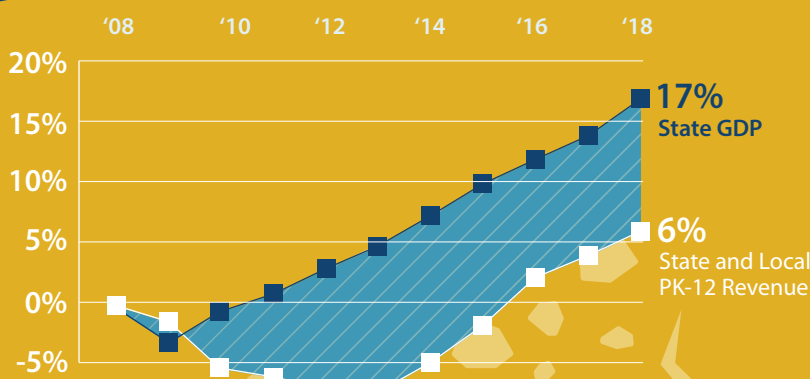
In the decade following the Great Recession, students across the U.S. lost out on nearly

**\$600
BILLION**
from state disinvestment
in their public schools.



States would have had **\$598 billion** more for public schools if PK-12 funding had kept pace with states' economic growth.

Even as their economies rebounded, most states failed to reinvest in public education.



LOST OPPORTUNITY

Research shows that money matters for student achievement. The lost revenue could have significantly improved opportunity and outcomes for students, especially in the nation's poorest districts.

As states face a new crisis, they have the opportunity to learn from past mistakes and **enact smart fiscal policies that prioritize students and teachers.**

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