



AMPHITHEATER

P u b l i c S c h o o l s

Auditor General's
School District
Spending Analysis
Fiscal Year 2023

Definitions

- Administration - Superintendents, principals, business managers, clerical, and other staff who perform accounting, payroll, purchasing, warehousing, printing, human resource activities, and administrative technology services
- Plant - Heating and cooling, equipment repair, grounds keeping, and security
- Food Services - Cost of preparing and serving meals and snacks
- Transportation - Costs of transporting students to and from school and school activities
- Student Support - Counselors, audiologists, speech pathologists, nurses, social workers, and attendance services
- Instruction Support - Librarians, teacher training, curriculum development, and instruction related technology services



Overview of Pima County School Districts

District name	Number of schools	Students attending	5-year change in students attending	Special education population	English learner population	Poverty rate	Graduation rate
Ajo Unified	2	384	9% decrease	13%	24%	22%	82%
Amphitheater Unified	21	11,517	13% decrease	19%	6%	14%	83%
Baboquivari Unified	4	1,023	6% increase	14%	0%	13%	49%
Catalina Foothills Unified	7	4,991	2% decrease	9%	3%	4%	89%
Flowing Wells Unified	9	5,114	5% decrease	16%	10%	26%	79%
Marana Unified School	17	12,213	5% increase	19%	2%	8%	84%
Sahuarita Unified	9	6,178	1% decrease	13%	3%	8%	88%
Sunnyside Unified	21	13,772	11% decrease	12%	18%	25%	71%
Tanque Verde Unified	4	2,130	5% increase	10%	0%	4%	97%
Tucson Unified	87	38,851	11% decrease	14%	10%	19%	81%
Vail Unified	22	13,898	10% increase	13%	1%	5%	91%



Teacher Data

District name	District Average Teacher Salary	Average years of teacher experience	Percentage of teachers in first 3 years	Students per teacher
Ajo Unified	\$40,791	9.9	72%	12.00
Amphitheater Unified	\$57,586	12.6	15%	14.60
Baboquivari Unified	\$60,780	6.9	26%	13.90
Catalina Foothills Unified	\$59,597	12.2	9%	17.60
Flowing Wells Unified	\$60,702	10.7	24%	17.30
Marana Unified School	\$56,066	12.8	17%	15.80
Sahuarita Unified	\$53,712	8.3	15%	18.80
Sunnyside Unified	\$64,783	12.6	19%	18.90
Tanque Verde Unified	\$55,996	14.3	16%	17.00
Tucson Unified	\$59,430	13.7	14%	14.50
Vail Unified	\$53,244	9.2	17%	21.30



Pima School District Spending

District name	Instruction	Student Support	Instruction Support	Administration	Plant Operations	Food Service	Transportation
Ajo Unified	\$5,505	\$760	\$353	\$2,445	\$1,860	\$729	\$114
Amphitheater Unified	\$6,436	\$1,130	\$742	\$1,170	\$1,795	\$463	\$747
Baboquivari Unified	\$7,187	\$1,892	\$1,088	\$3,804	\$5,065	\$790	\$1,488
Catalina Foothills Unified	\$5,740	\$717	\$548	\$1,052	\$1,234	\$309	\$468
Flowing Wells Unified	\$5,944	\$1,083	\$481	\$1,088	\$1,255	\$558	\$486
Marana Unified School	\$6,086	\$1,017	\$609	\$995	\$1,009	\$378	\$798
Sahuarita Unified	\$4,954	\$836	\$237	\$959	\$1,074	\$402	\$379
Sunnyside Unified	\$5,340	\$1,196	\$651	\$1,043	\$1,230	\$610	\$430
Tanque Verde Unified	\$5,933	\$1,013	\$253	\$1,282	\$1,167	\$431	\$307
Tucson Unified	\$7,299	\$1,509	\$1,113	\$1,253	\$1,871	\$578	\$636
Vail Unified	\$5,471	\$907	\$817	\$1,196	\$1,189	\$315	\$436
Peer	\$5,707	\$982	\$688	\$1,116	\$1,281	\$418	\$583
State	\$6,253	\$1,108	\$717	\$1,207	\$1,363	\$523	\$532



Plant Operations

Plant operations spending per square foot:	
State average	\$8.05
Peer average	\$8.36
Amphitheater	\$7.89
Square footage per student:	
State average	169
Peer average	260
Amphitheater	318



Operational Peers

- Higley Unified School District
- Queen Creek Unified School District
- Marana Unified School District
- Tolleson Union High School District
- Peer Group Average
- Vail Unified School District
- Amphitheater Unified School District
- Flagstaff Unified School District
- Sunnyside Unified School District
- Agua Fria Union High School District
- Tempe Union High School District
- Yuma Union High School District



Transportation

Transportation spending per mile	
State average	\$6.19
Peer average	\$6.77
Amphitheater	\$9.46
Transportation spending per rider	
State average	\$2,039
Peer average	\$2,632
Amphitheater	\$3,456



Transportation Peers

Between 301 and 405 miles per rider in city/suburbs

Peer group average	\$6.77
Fountain Hills Unified School District	4.35
Tanque Verde Unified School District	5.18
Casa Grande Elementary School District	5.87
Mesa Unified School District	6.74
Wilson Elementary School District	6.15
Liberty Elementary School District	6.74
Tempe Union High School District	6.39
Peoria Unified School District	6.43
Gilbert Unified School District	6.36
Paradise Valley Unified School District	6.54
Agua Fria Union High School District	7.68
Scottsdale Unified School District	7.65
Amphitheater Unified School District	9.46



Food Service Operations

Food Service Spending Per Meal

State average	\$4.12
Peer average	\$3.98
Amphitheather	\$3.24

