

# BRT State Budget Initiative

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# Executive Summary- Ohio Business Roundtable Budget Work

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- At the request of its membership, the **Ohio Business Roundtable has undertaken an overarching review of the budget**, analyzing the overall state of Ohio's budget and its looming \$8 billion budget gap as well as **potential opportunities for improvement**
- The review looked deeply into **Ohio' Medicaid program** and identified potential savings **levers worth roughly \$2 billion** in state dollars over the biennium
- The review also took a deep look into **Ohio's K-12 education spend**, analyzing the system for efficiency and operational improvements that could save money. The review identified savings **levers worth \$2-4 billion** in state dollars over the biennium
- Other areas of **light review included prisons/corrections, higher education, state benefits and pensions, and overarching government structure**, with additional savings identified in the **range of \$1-2 billion** in state dollars
- While we acknowledge that closing the budget gap represents a massive challenge for the state, we believe the need to **set Ohio back on the path to prosperity** outweighs the shorter-term discomfort that will no doubt arise from making difficult choices. The time to act is now, and we respectfully submit our work as a **potential source of insight and menu of opportunities** to resolve Ohio's budget gap.

# Team charter and objectives

## Ohio Business Roundtable Executive Committee

**Project objective: to conduct an independent review of Ohio's budget situation and develop a menu of potential options for improvement**

- Considering all options through the lens of what is best for the state of Ohio
- Develop perspective on current budget gap, including overall sizing, benchmarking of Ohio vs. other states, identification of range of levers to close gap
- Conduct deep dives into 1) Medicaid and HealthCare Financing and 2) Education
  - Build factbase on current spend
  - Develop range of options of cost savings measures with lens of what is best for Ohio
- Conduct “light touch” analyses on other areas of interest to BRT membership

### Team structure

#### Steering Committee

- John Barrett, Chair, (EC member)
- Mike Connelly
- Erin Hoeflinger
- Steve Steinour
- Frank Sullivan (EC member)
- Tim Timken (EC member)
- George Vincent
- Tom Zenty

#### Project leadership

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#### Team leads

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#### Working team

- Arvind Sohoni, McKinsey
- Ken Harbaugh, McKinsey
- Budget, Medicaid, and Education experts as needed

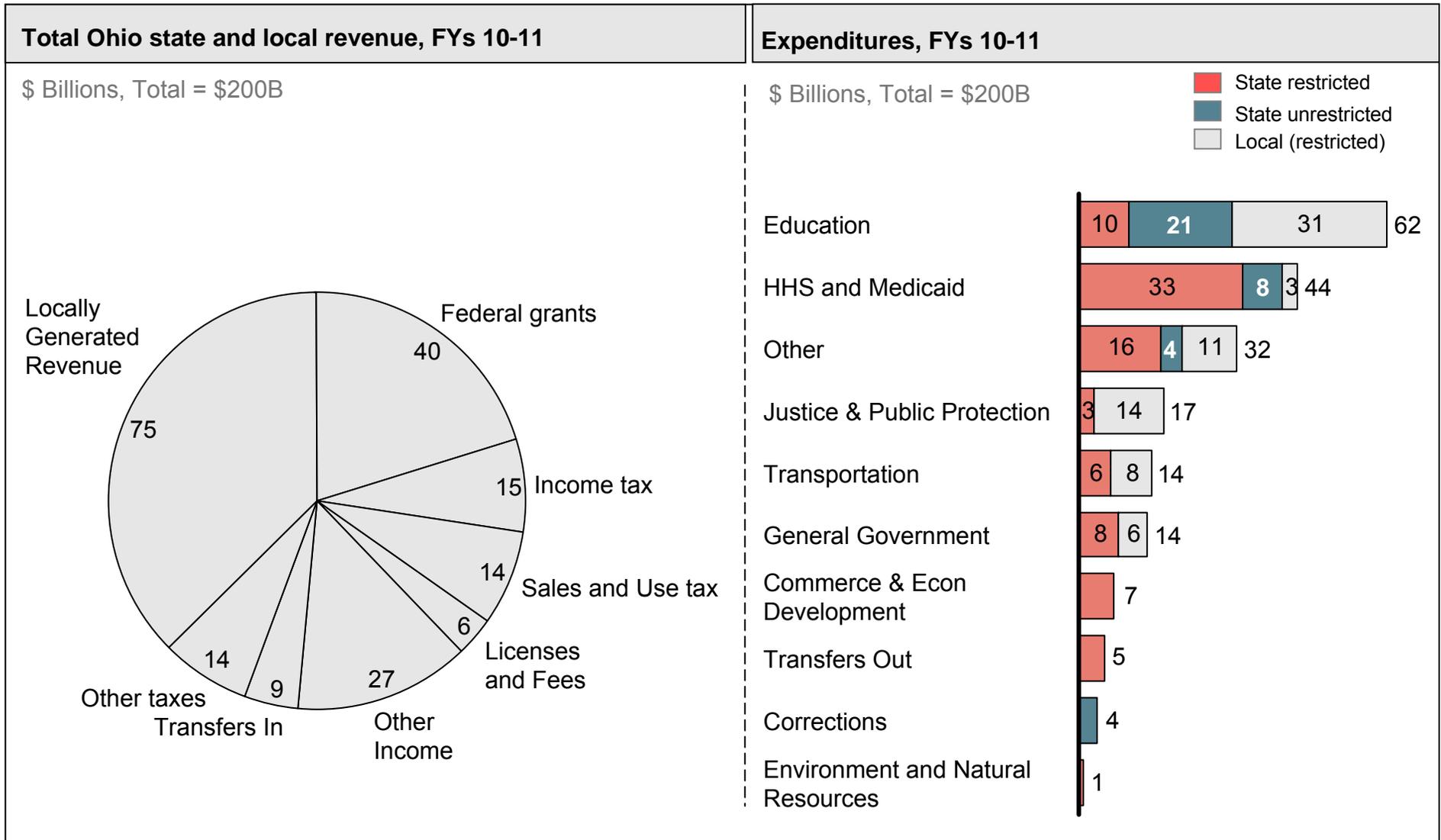
## Topics of discussion for today

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- **General budget and the upcoming gap**
- **Medicaid / Healthcare Financing**
- **K-12 Education**
- **Other opportunities**

# Ohio total revenue and expenditure picture- a \$200 billion business

ROUGH ESTIMATES



SOURCE: Ohio Office of Budget and Management, Ohio Legislative Services Commission, McKinsey analysis

# Ohio's projected budget gap ranges from \$5-\$11 billion based on varying growth and spending projections

Inputs	Scenario		
	Negative	Baseline	Positive
Economic growth in 2012-2013	0%	1.1%, 1.5%	2.2%, 3.1%
Federal grant-making levels	Keep constant with economic growth in 2012-2013		
Increase in state spending in 2012-2013*	2.6%	2.6%	0%
Loss of one-time funding (e.g., stimulus)**	\$8B	\$8B	\$8B
Additional political expenditure impacts***	\$2.8B	0	0
<b>Total size of budget gap</b>	<b>\$11B</b>	<b>\$8B</b>	<b>\$5B</b>

Most likely

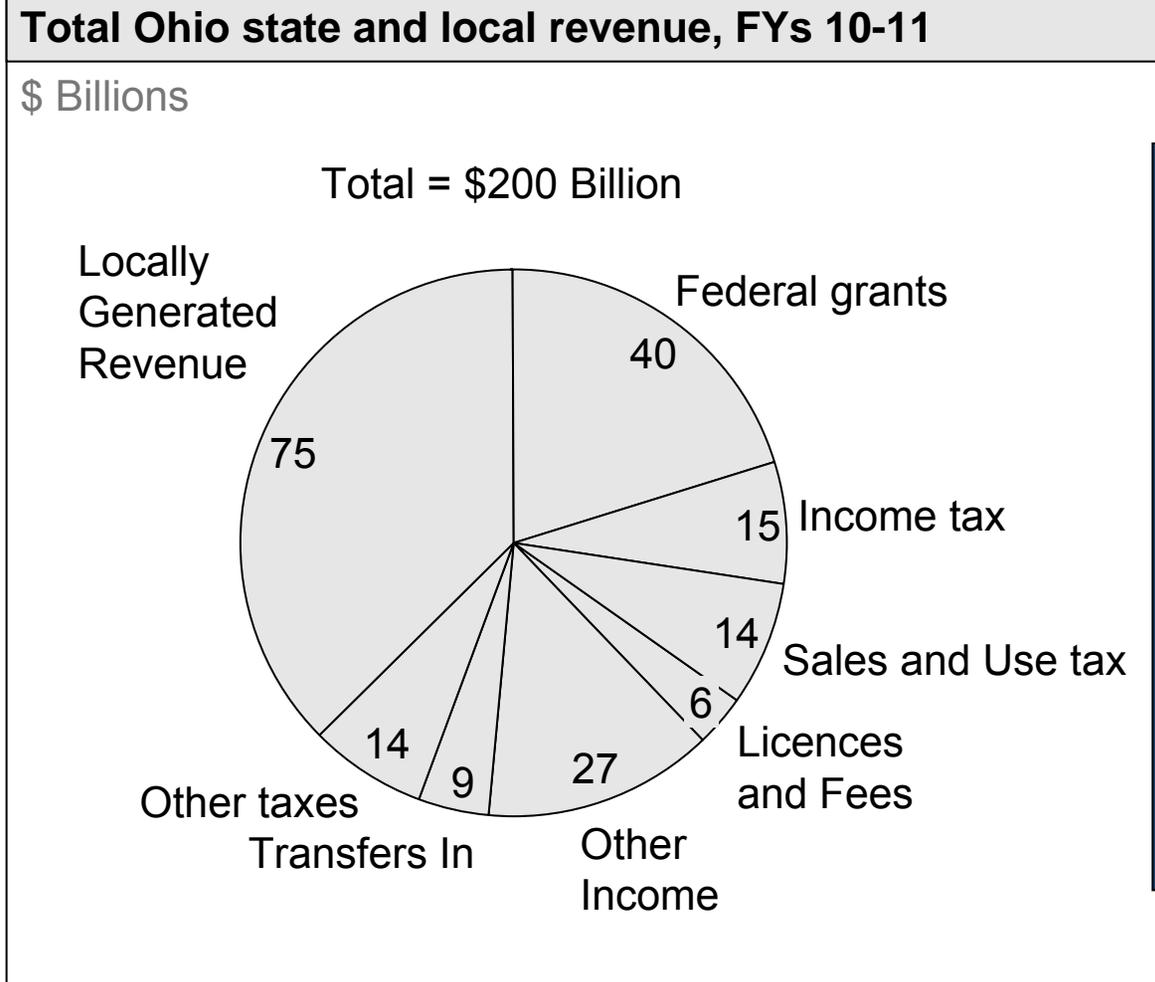
\* Ohio Legislative Service Commission (2.6% = compound annual growth in spending, 2001-2011)

\*\* Ohio OBM, Ohio Legislative Service Commission

\*\*\* Includes possible expiration of HMO and bed taxes, declines in FMAP percentage, Interest on Unemployment Compensation Debt, GRF subsidy for CAT shortfall

# Ohio total revenue (state and local) derives from multiple sources

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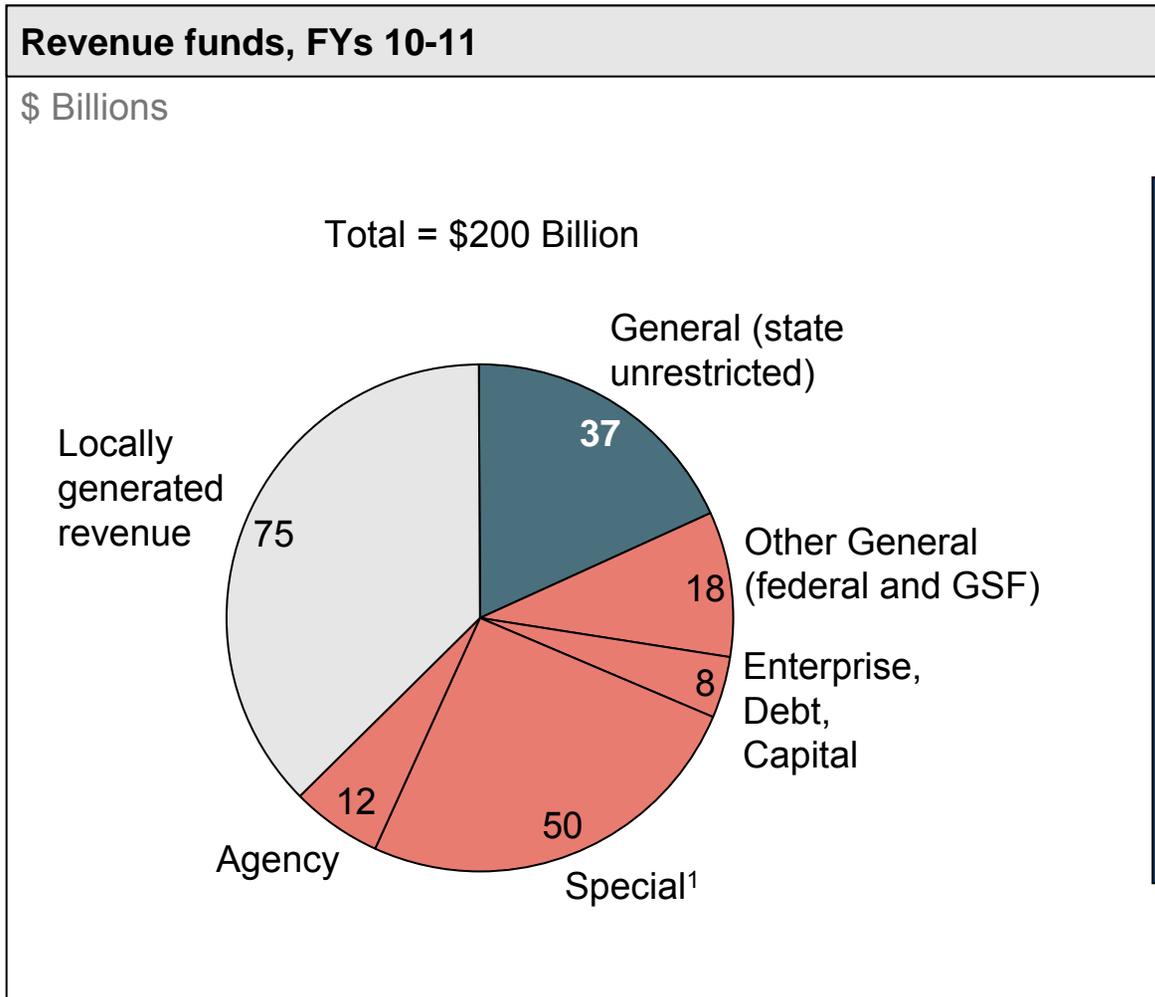
- Major revenue sources for Ohio are local revenue, federal grants and two major buckets of tax- personal income and sales/use tax
- Personal income and sales tax generally considered as major sources of state's general spending- most other sources of revenue are placed in restricted funds and appropriated accordingly (see next page)

SOURCE: Ohio Office of Budget and Management, Ohio Legislative Services Commission, McKinsey analysis

# Depending on source, revenue flows into restricted and unrestricted funds

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- Local restricted
- State restricted
- State unrestricted



- \$37 billion in “General Revenue Fund” is unrestricted and can be spent and re-appropriated as government sees fit
- Other revenue, including federal money placed in the general fund, is tied to specific expenditures
- Of restricted state funding, only \$48B is constitutionally or federally protected- the remainder can be reallocated through law for other purposes or moved to general fund

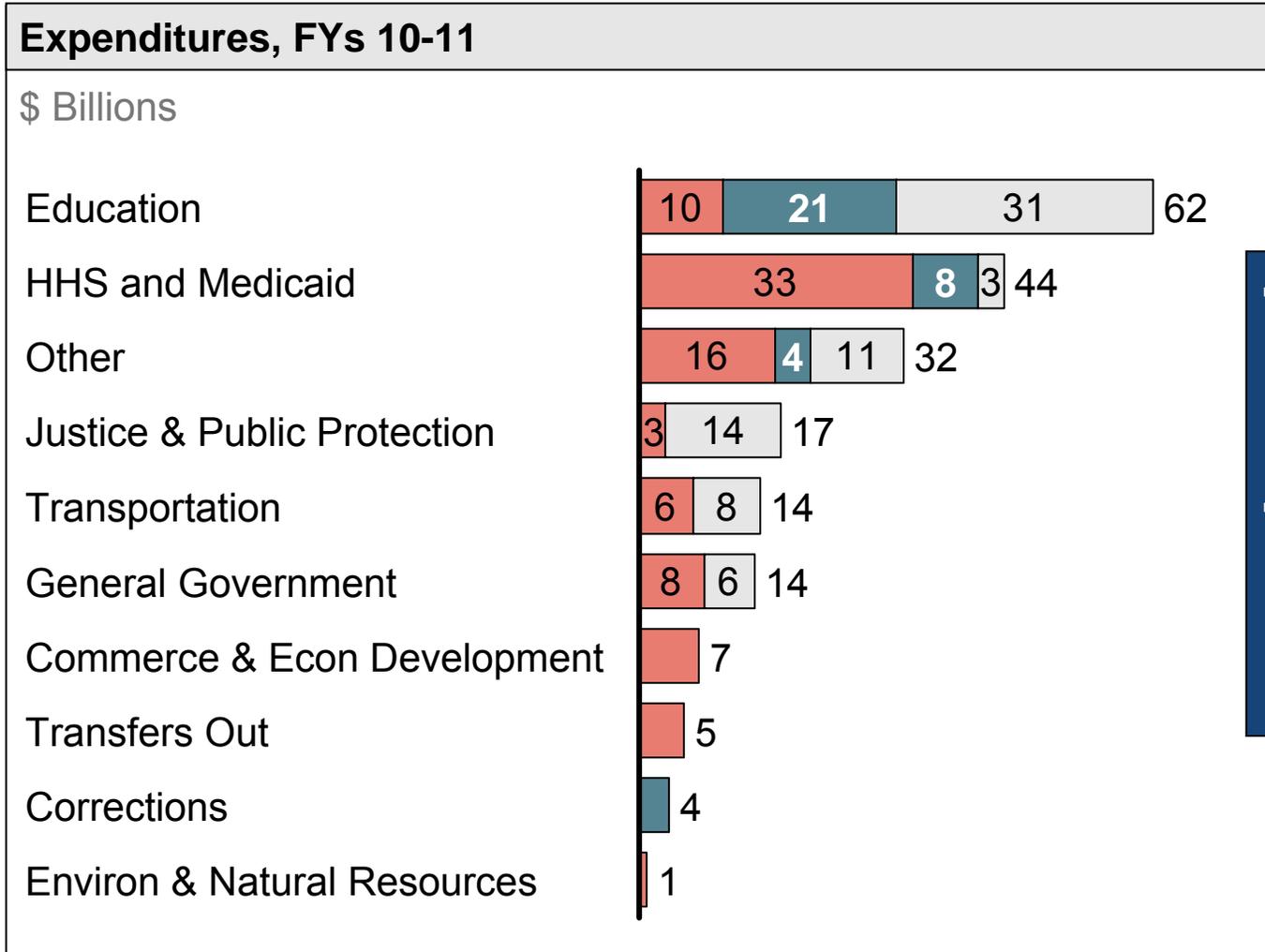
<sup>1</sup> Special revenue includes Highway Operating Fund, Federal Grants, Revenue Distribution Fund, Waterways Safety Fund, etc.

SOURCE: Ohio Office of Budget and Management, Ohio Legislative Services Commission, McKinsey analysis

# Ohio then draws from state restricted and unrestricted funds to meet expenditure obligations

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- Restricted
- Unrestricted
- Local restricted

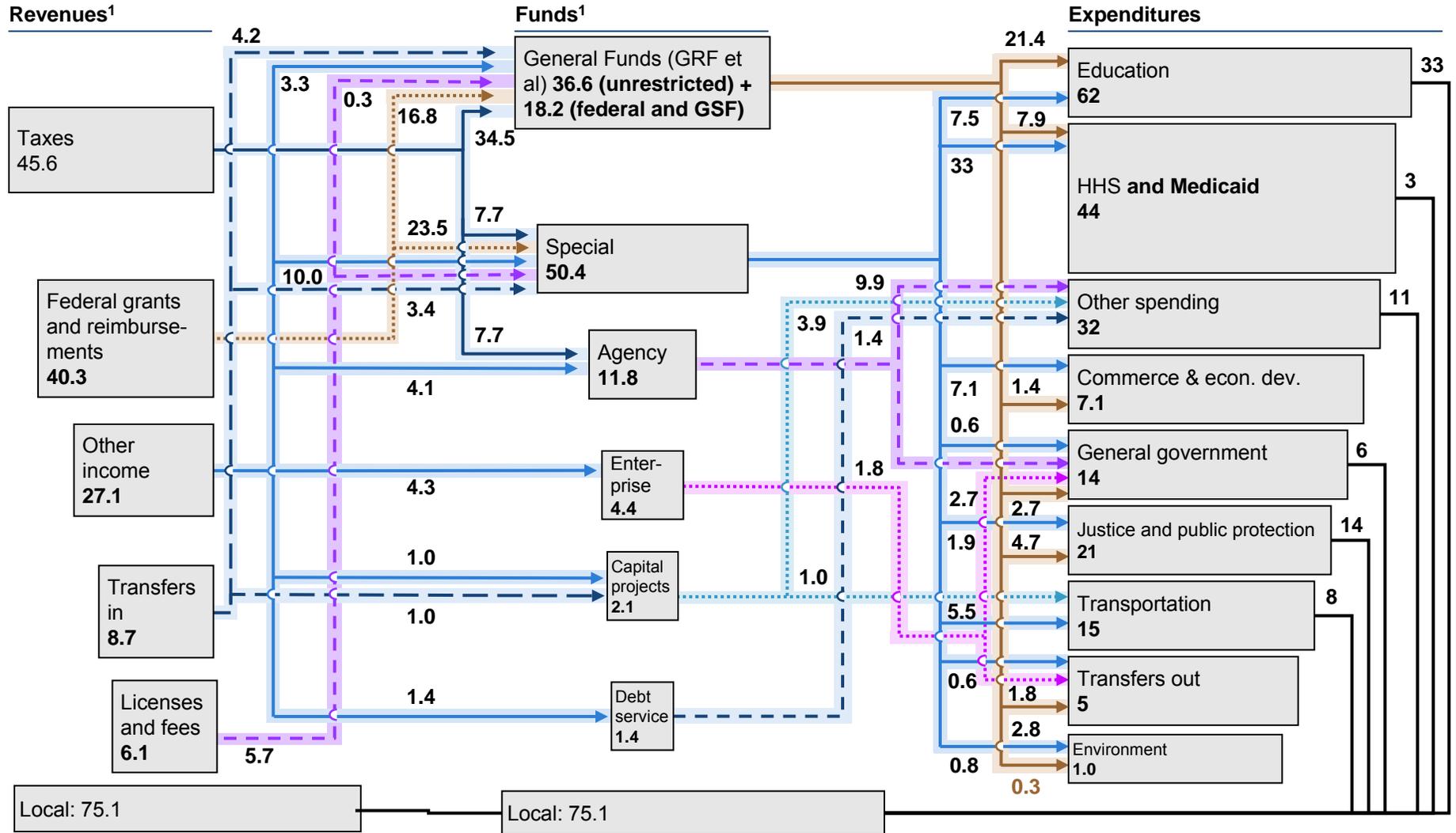


- Locally-generated revenue accounts for 38% of all state funds
- Education and HHS combined account for over half of total spending

SOURCE: Ohio Office of Budget and Management, Ohio Legislative Services Commission, U.S. Census Bureau

# Revenue and expenditure flows (federal, state, and local), FYs 10-11

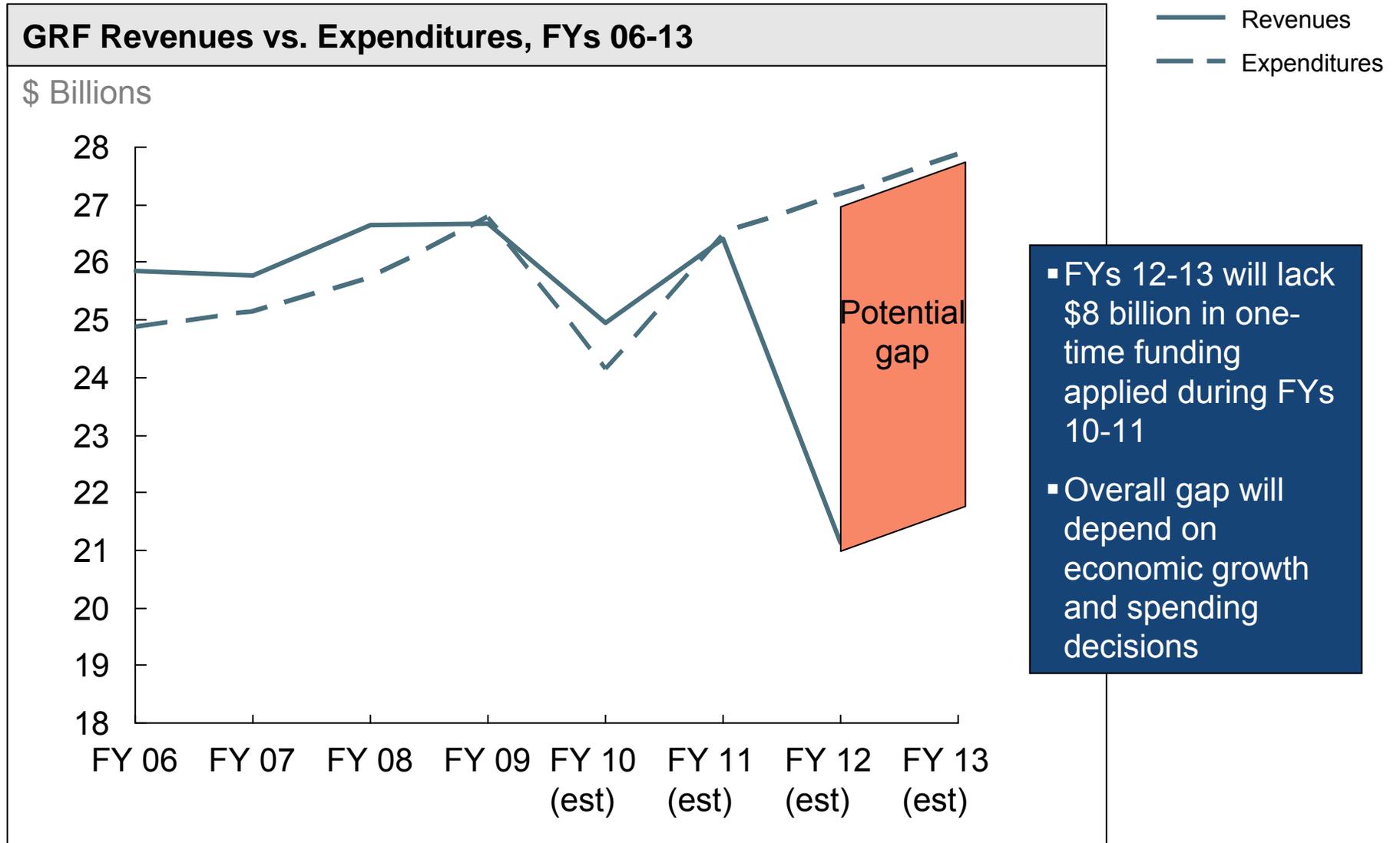
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<sup>1</sup> Estimated

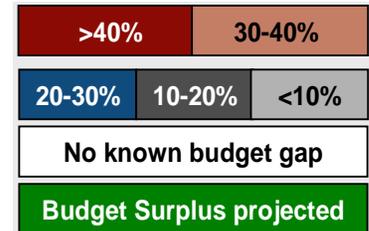
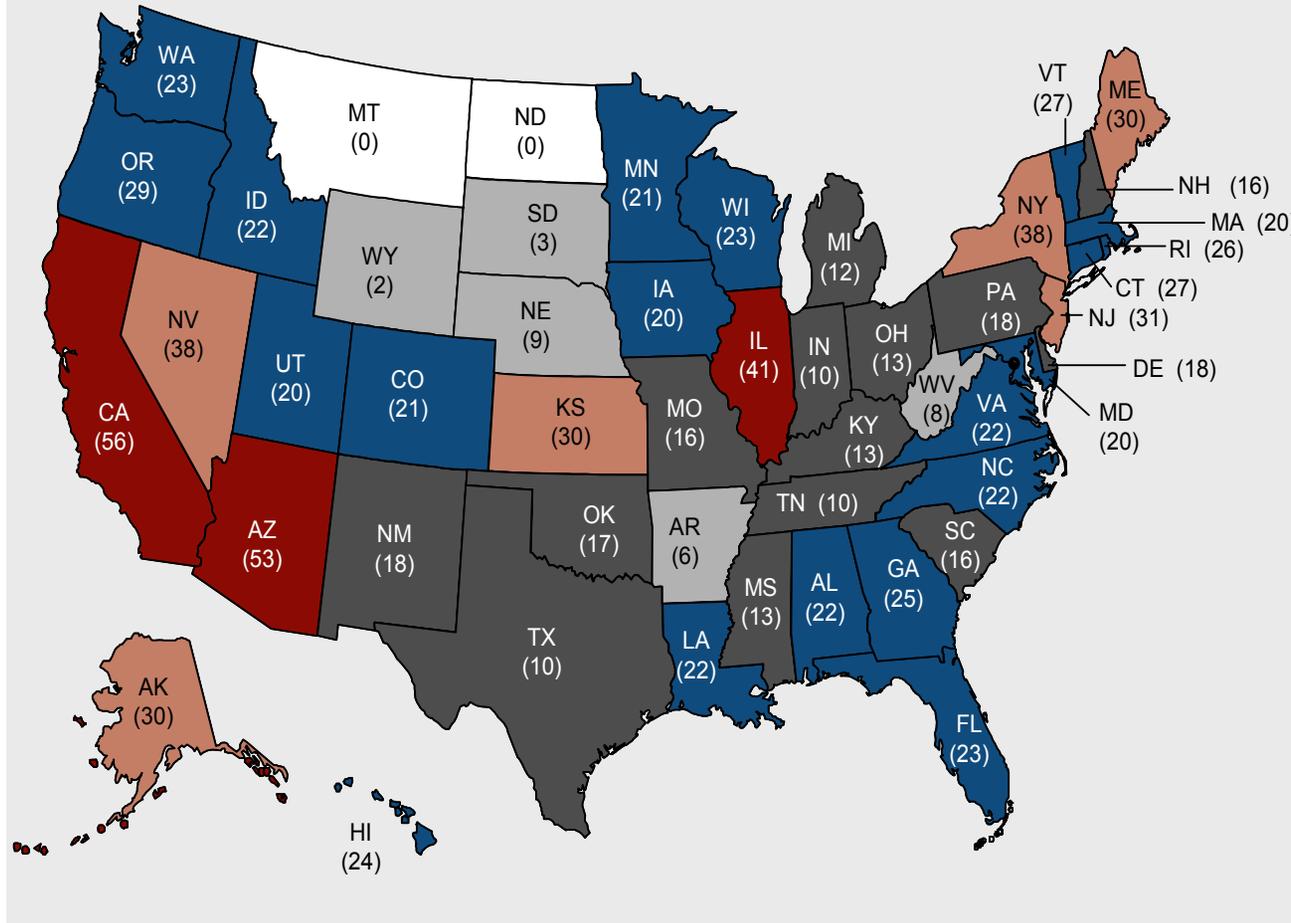
SOURCE: Ohio Office of Budget and Management, Ohio Legislative Services Commission

# Use of one-time funding sources in FYs 10-11 will lead to significant budget gap in FYs 12-13



# Ohio's budget gap is comparable to its neighbors

Budget Gap as Percentage of Each State's General Fund Revenue  
Percent

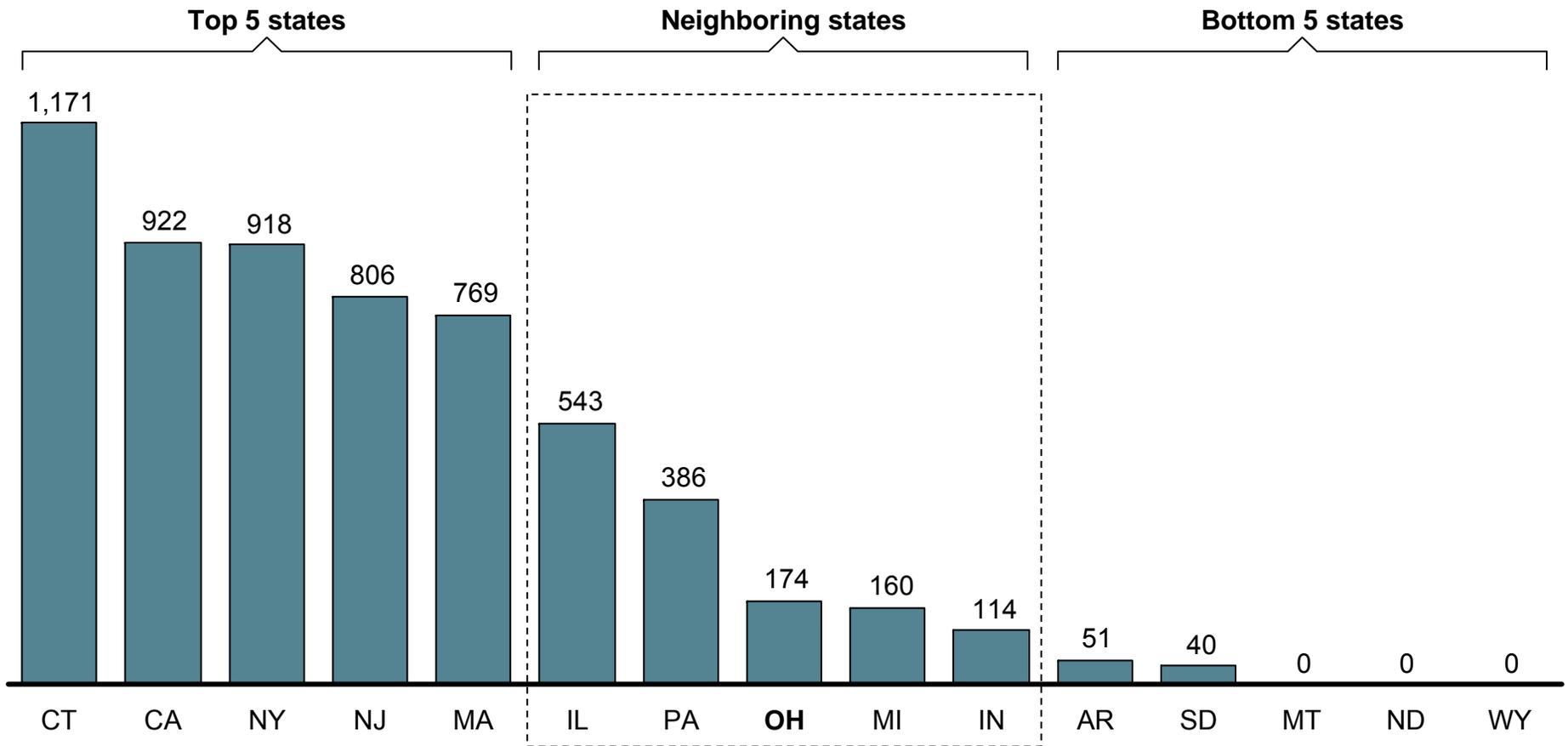


- Budget crisis is national in nature; Ohio's gap is not exceptional
- Problem is systemic – revenue growth alone cannot close the gap

SOURCE: Center on Budget and Policy Priorities (Nov 2009)

# Ohio's per capita deficit ranks 32<sup>nd</sup> nationally

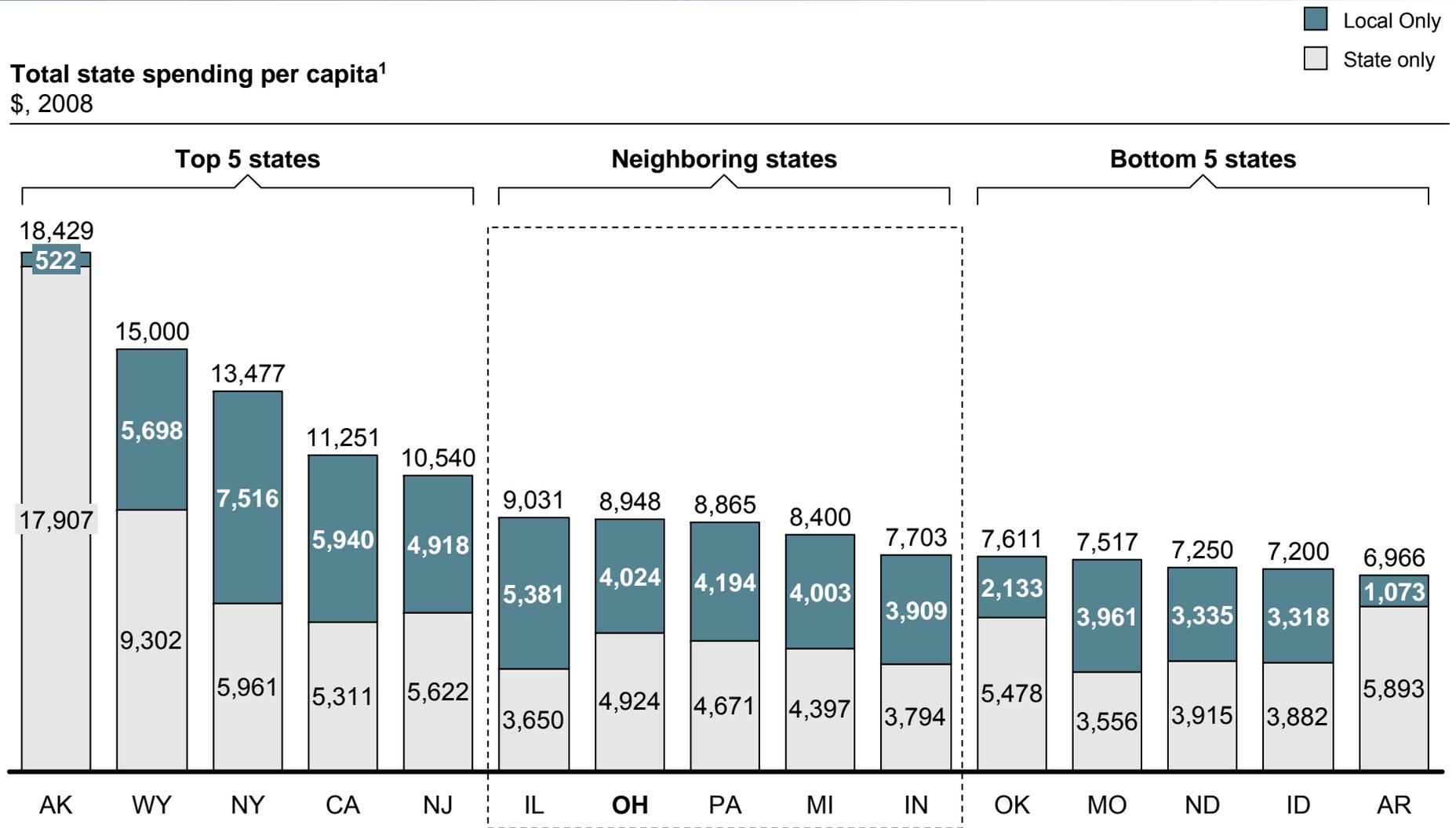
Total per capita deficit (estimate)\*  
\$, 2010



\* To establish baseline comparison, this chart uses common data set for all states (deficit projections for Ohio vary depending on assumptions used; this comparison uses similar assumptions across all states)

SOURCE: U.S. Census Bureau, National Association of State Budget Officers, Team analysis

# Ohio expenditure per capita is in line with neighboring states

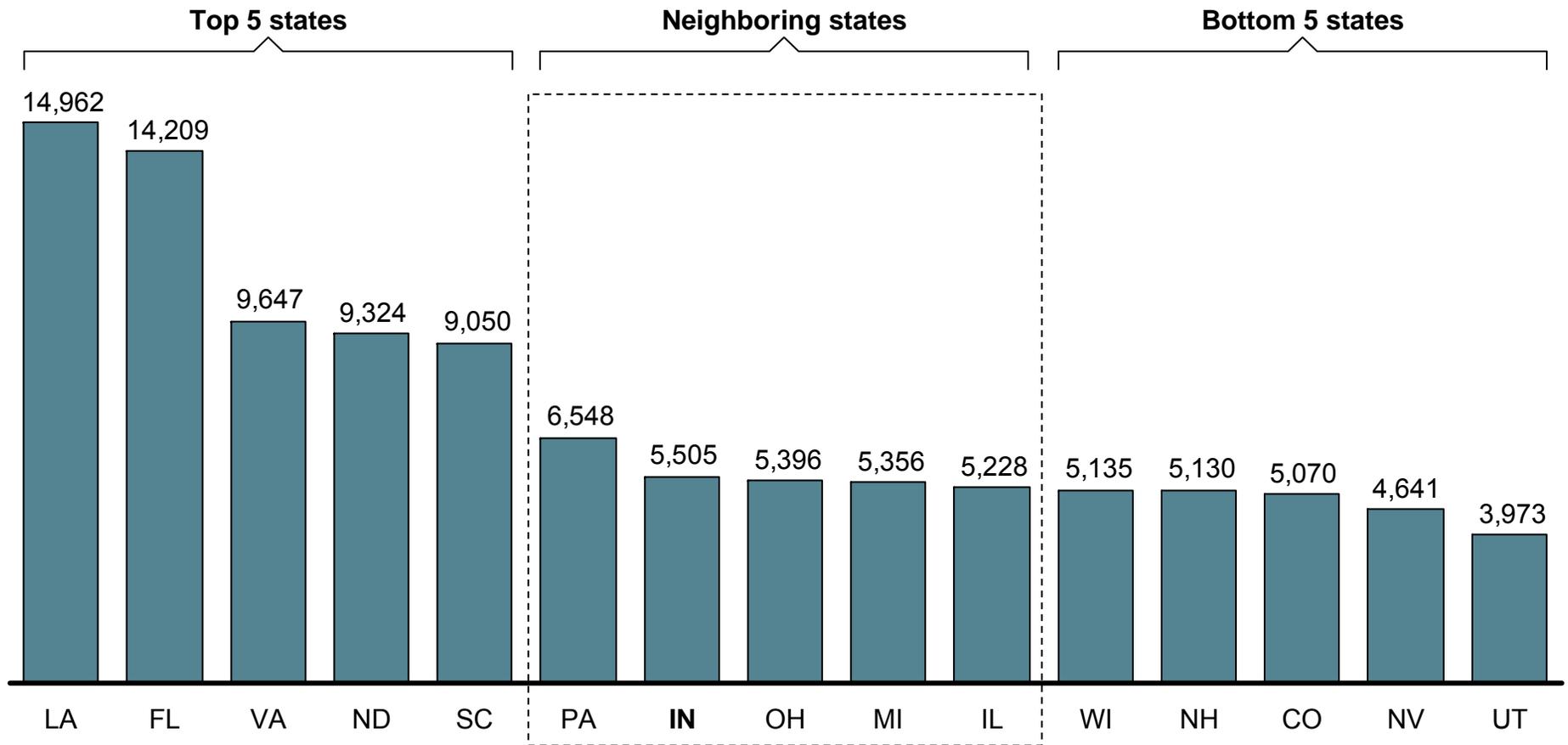


<sup>1</sup> Includes all known sources of funding including state general fund, federal funding, other state funds, bonds

SOURCE: State expenditure report, National Association of state budget officers; team analysis

# Federal per capita spending in Ohio ranks 41st nationally

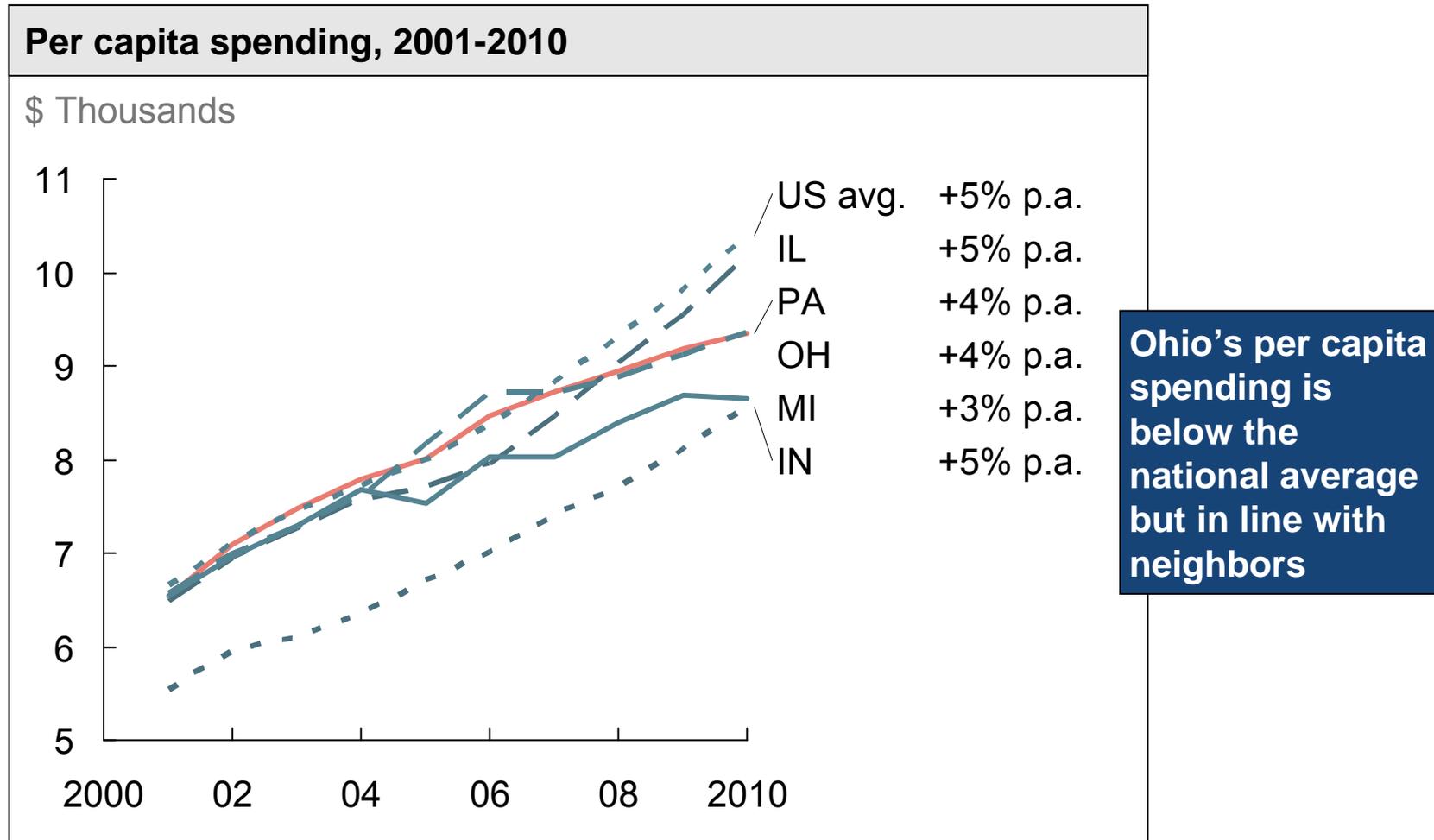
Federal per capita spending<sup>1</sup>, 2001-2010 avg.  
\$, 2001-2010 (avg.)



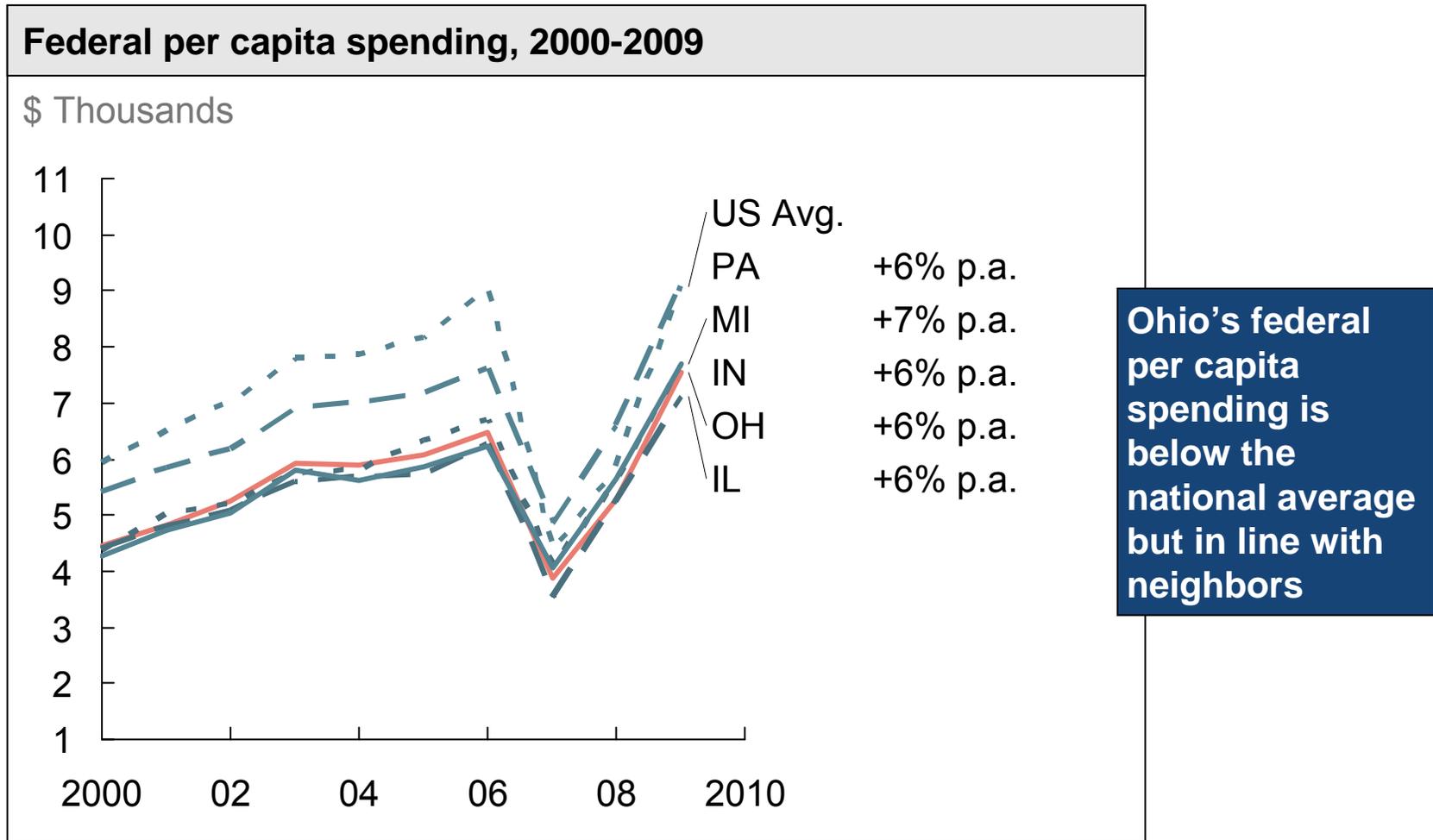
<sup>1</sup> Federal spending includes all **federal contract and assistance awards**

SOURCE: US Census Bureau, Moody's Analytics, USASpending.gov

## Ohio's historic per capita spending is in line with neighboring states



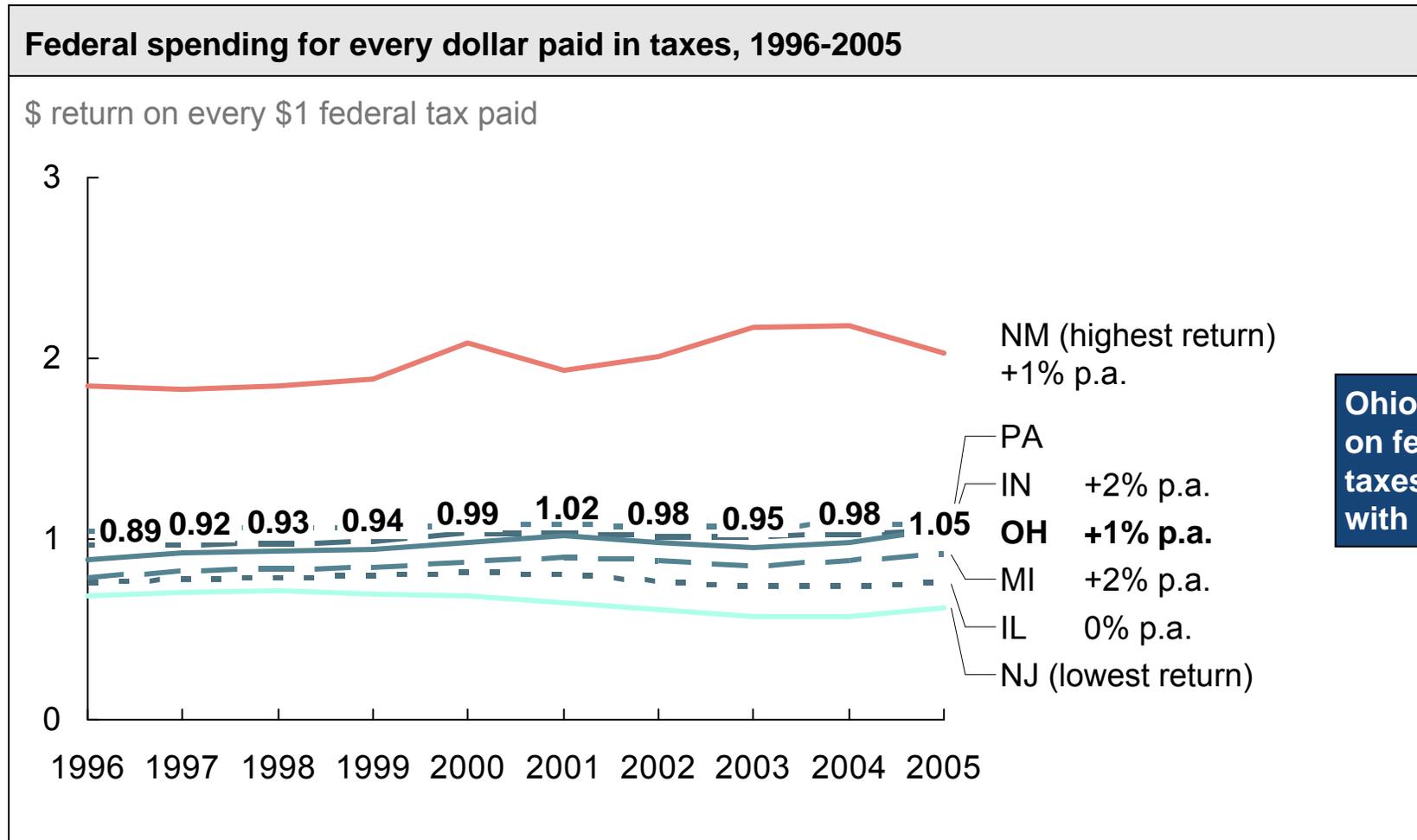
# Historic federal per capita spending in Ohio is in line with neighboring states



1 Federal spending includes all **federal contract and assistance awards**

SOURCE: US Census Bureau, Moody's Analytics, USASpending.gov

# Ohio has historically received roughly the same amount in federal spending that it pays in federal taxes



**Ohio's return on federal taxes is in line with neighbors**

SOURCE: The Tax Foundation, Team Analysis

# 3/4 of total state funding should be considered “in-play” to address budget gap

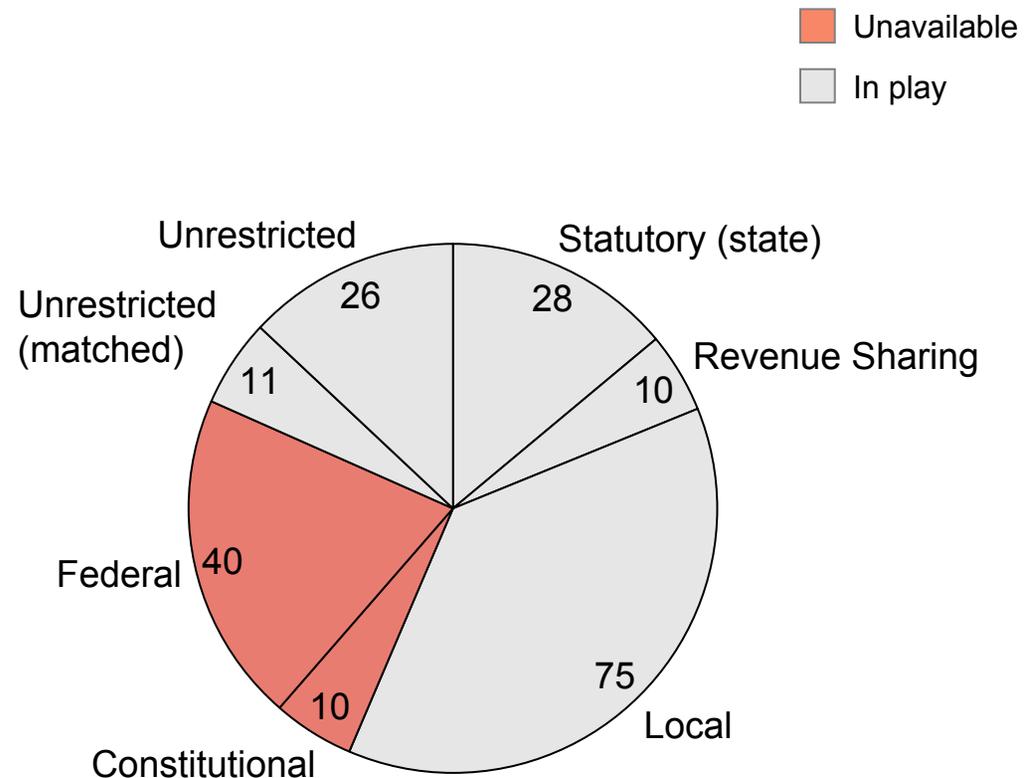
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## Types of restricted funding

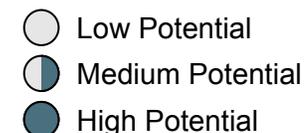
- **Constitutional and federal:** Completely restricted and unavailable for addressing budget gap
- **Local:** Revenue generated at the local level is not controlled by the state, but local spending decisions can be influenced indirectly
- **Revenue Sharing:** Statutory agreements compel state to share funds with local governments, but these can be re-negotiated
- **Statutory:** Certain state-generated revenues are designated for specific purposes, but may be re-appropriated with changes in the law
- **Unrestricted:** Funds may be appropriated freely, though some are tied to federal matching funds

## Categories of restricted and unrestricted funds, 2010-2011

\$ Billions



# Ohio restricted funds operate under different degrees of constraint



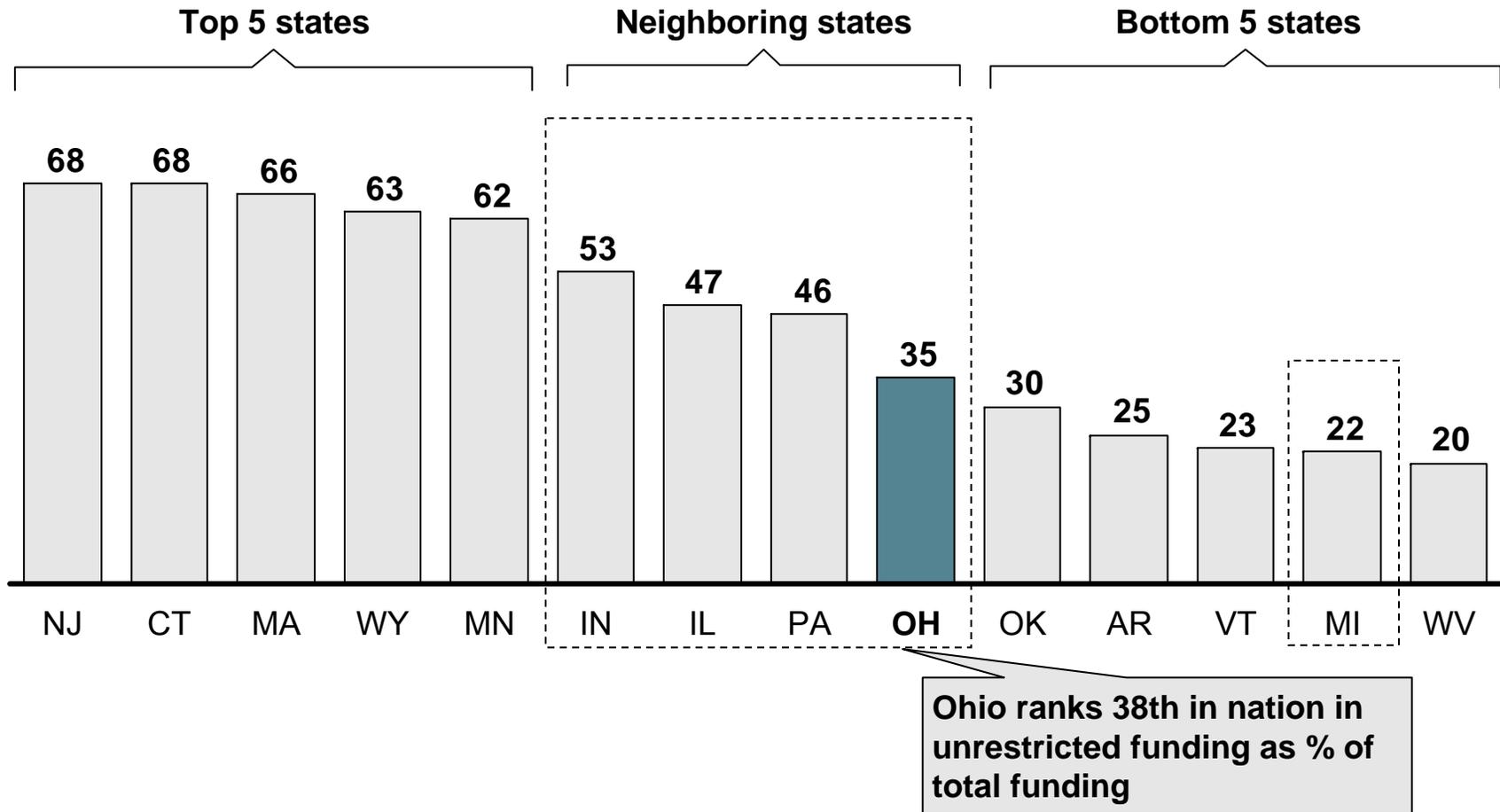
Type of constraint	Source of funds	Value (FYs 10-11)	Potential to re-designate
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Constitutional<sup>1</sup></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Highway funds</li> <li>Debt service funds</li> <li>Lottery fund</li> </ul>	\$10 billion	○
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Statutory – state restricted</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Other non-GRF – Agency fees, lottery etc.</li> </ul>	\$28 billion	●
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Statutory – federally restricted</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Federal Grants – General revenue fund</li> <li>Special revenue fund</li> </ul>	\$40.3 billion	○
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Local – state contribution</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Revenue distribution fund</li> <li>“Hold harmless” replacement funds</li> </ul>	\$10 billion	◐
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Local -- locally generated revenue</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Personal property tax, income and sales tax, local fees, etc.</li> </ul>	\$75.1 billion	○
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Unrestricted but federally matched</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>GRF – HHS and Medicaid</li> </ul>	\$11 billion	} = <b>\$36.6 billion</b> ●
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Unrestricted</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>GRF</li> </ul>	\$25.6 billion	

**Re-designating funds does not necessarily lead to greater savings or efficiency**

<sup>1</sup> Ohio constitution requires that 50% of income/estate tax return to locality of origin. This requirement is more than satisfied through state-controlled spending at the local level

# Ohio ranks 38th in nation in percent of funding that is unrestricted

Unrestricted funding as percentage of total funding (local excluded)  
Percent, 2008



SOURCE: State expenditure report, National Association of state budget officers; team analysis

# The team conducted an in-depth review of Ohio's Medicaid system to identify gaps and savings opportunities

## Facts on Ohio Medicaid

- Ohio spends \$13B per year on Medicaid; **\$5B of which is true state spending** as the remaining \$8B is federal match
- Federal match means that every **\$1 in savings from the Medicaid program saves the state \$0.30-0.40 on average**, with remainder attributing back to federal government
- Aged, blind and disabled (ABD) population of Medicaid equals roughly **20% of enrollees but 80% of the cost**, with \$/individual being disproportionately high compared to other states
- Children and families (CFC) population are placed into managed care and **largely fall within national benchmarks** for \$/ individual
- Health care reform will bring about significant changes to Medicaid, including additional lives and costs, but will not impact state's bottom line until 2014

## Critical challenges to address

- **Operational inefficiencies**, including an overly decentralized eligibility process and poorly coordinated claims systems
- Limited ability to impact **high use of expensive and/or unnecessary treatments, hospitalizations**
- **Poorly coordinated care of aged and disabled population**
- High cost and above-average use of **institutional care, particularly nursing homes**

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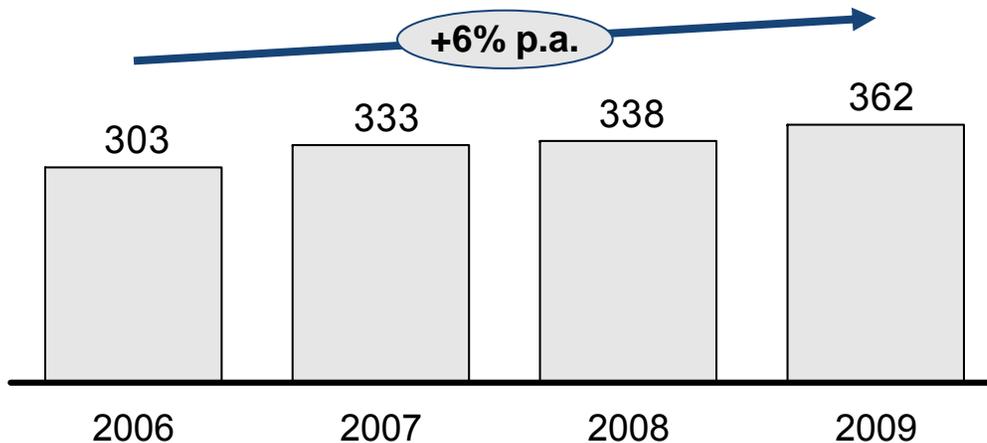
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## What is Medicaid?

- Medicaid is a **federally-coordinated, state-administered program**, established in 1965 to provide **health care for the poorest Americans**
- Facilitates **payments to a variety of providers** of medical care; payments are matched by the federal government
- Covers families and children (CFC) as well as Aged, Blind, and Disabled (ABD) population
- Covers both **acute care** (shorter-term medical needs) and **long-term care**

### Total US Medicaid expenses (Federal + State) \$ Billions

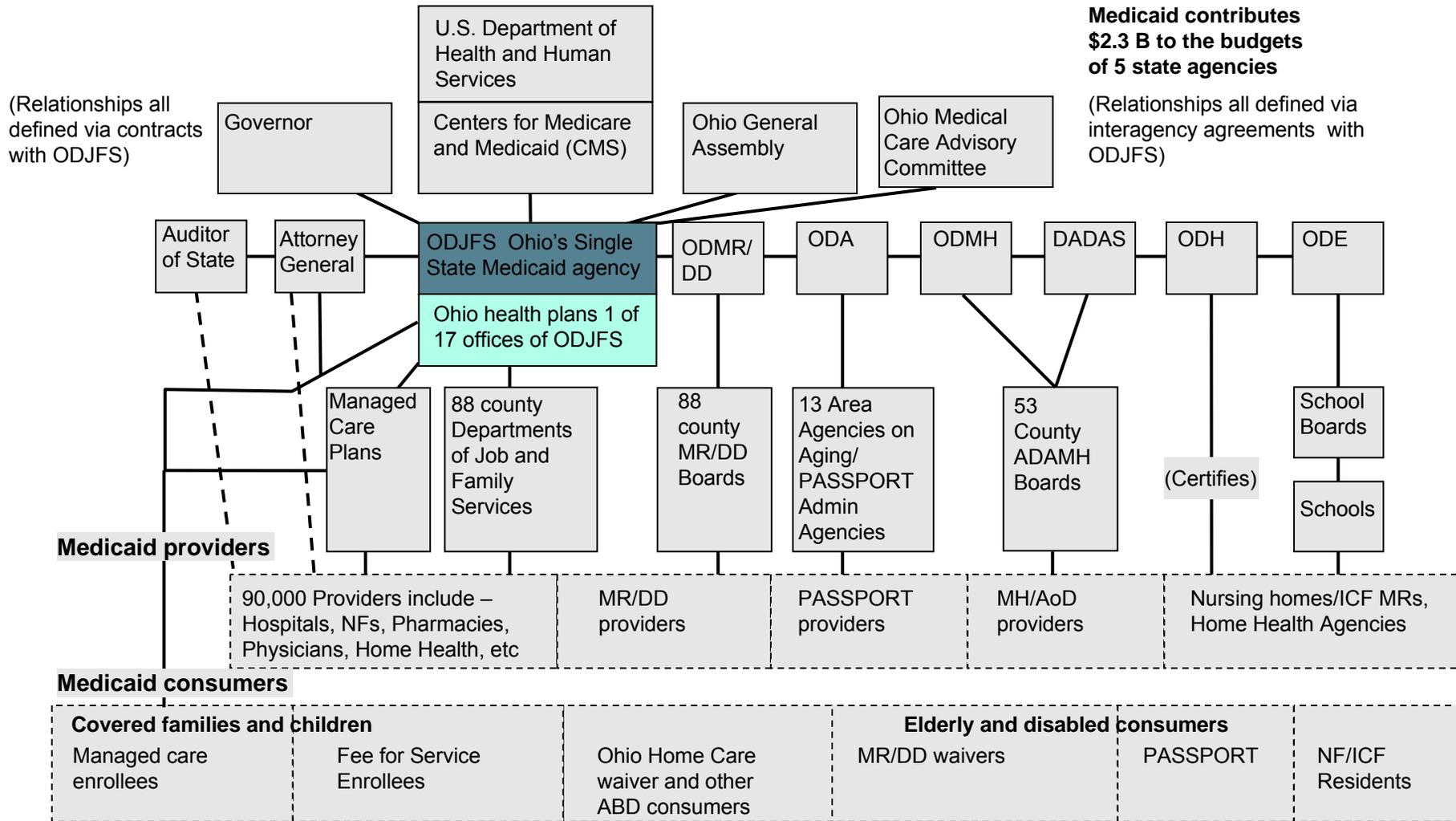


### Top spending states (+DC) per capita

1. New York (~\$2,400)
2. District of Columbia
3. Rhode Island
4. Maine
5. Massachusetts
6. Vermont
7. New Mexico
8. Louisiana
9. Minnesota
10. Pennsylvania
20. Ohio (~\$1,140)

# There are numerous Medicaid departments and entities that add additional layers of complexity

## Major Organizational Relationships of Ohio's Medicaid Program

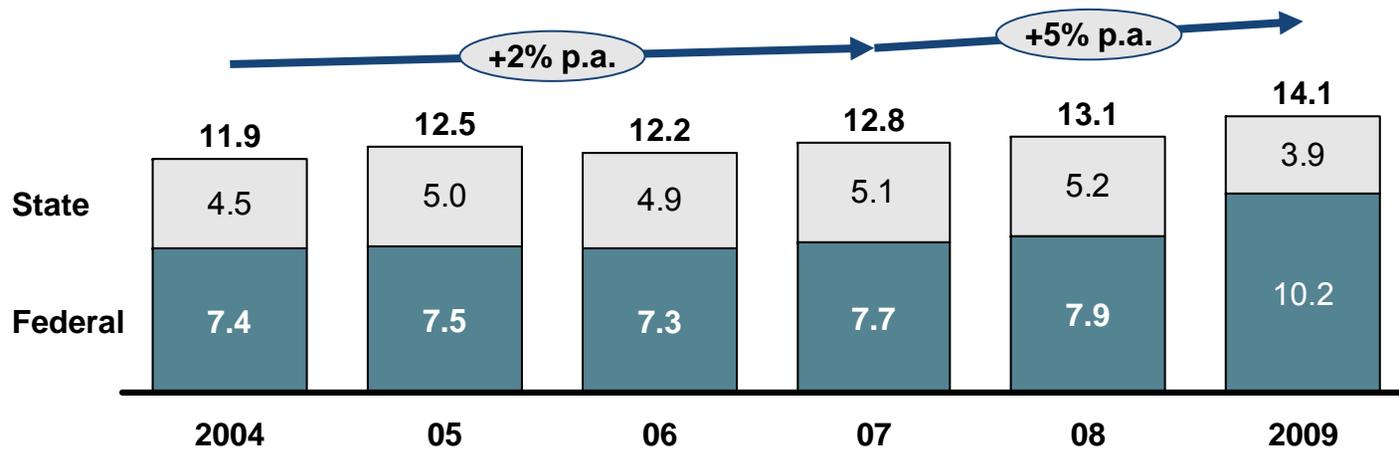


Note: ODJFS, Ohio Dept of Job and Family Services; ODMR/DD, Ohio Dept of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities; ODA, Ohio Dept of Aging; ODMH, Ohio Dept of Mental Health; DADAS, Dept of Alcohol and Drug Addiction Services; ODH, Ohio Dept of Health; ODE, Ohio Dept of Education; ICF, Intermediate Care Facility ; AoD, Alcohol and other Drugs

# Ohio's Medicaid spending continues to increase year over year, largely driven by an increasing number of enrollees

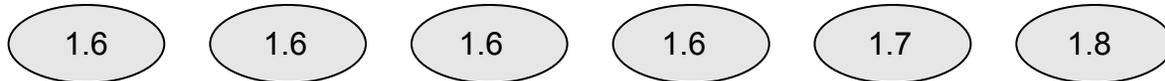
Using 2008 data going forward for state comparisons

**Total Medicaid spend – Ohio**  
\$ Billions

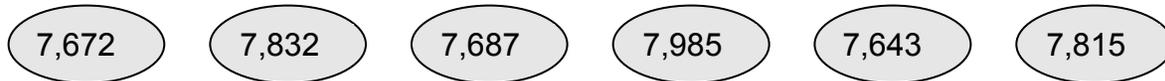


The 2007-2009 increase is **driven more by an increase in the number of total enrollees** rather than an increase in the cost per enrollee

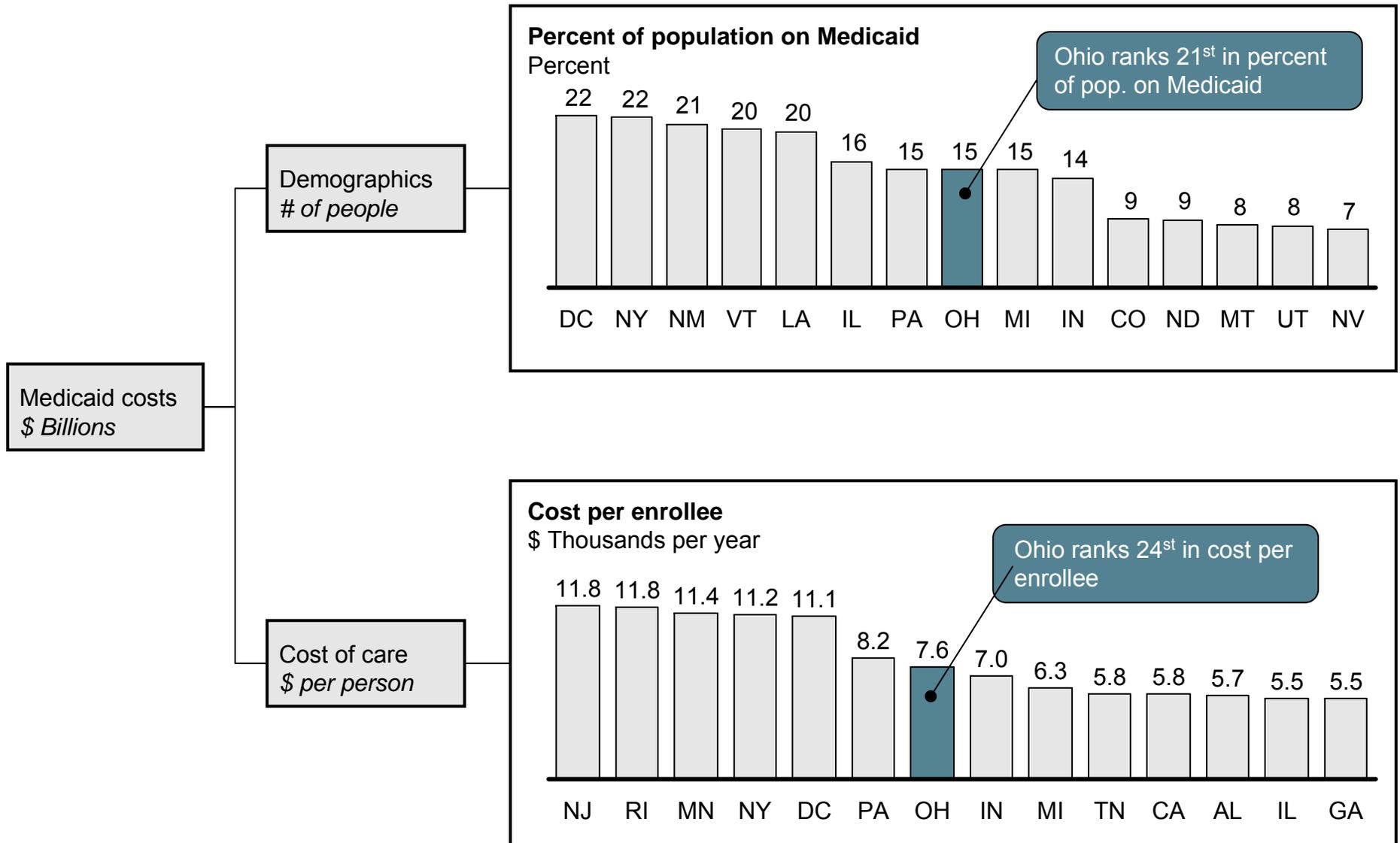
**Number of enrollees**  
Millions



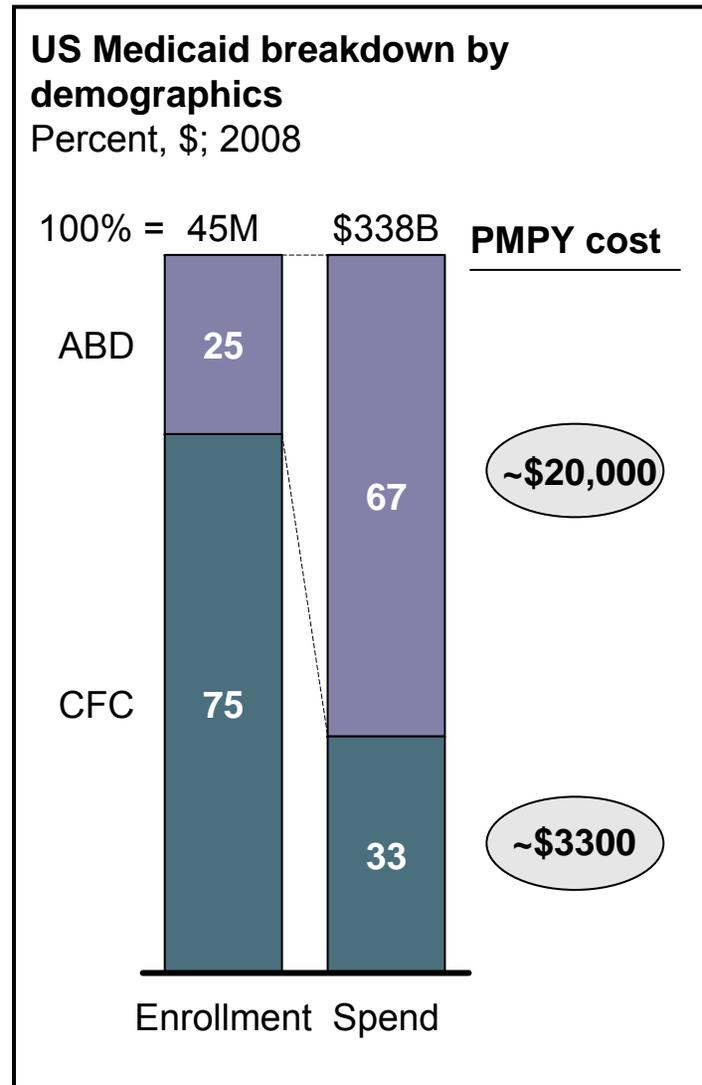
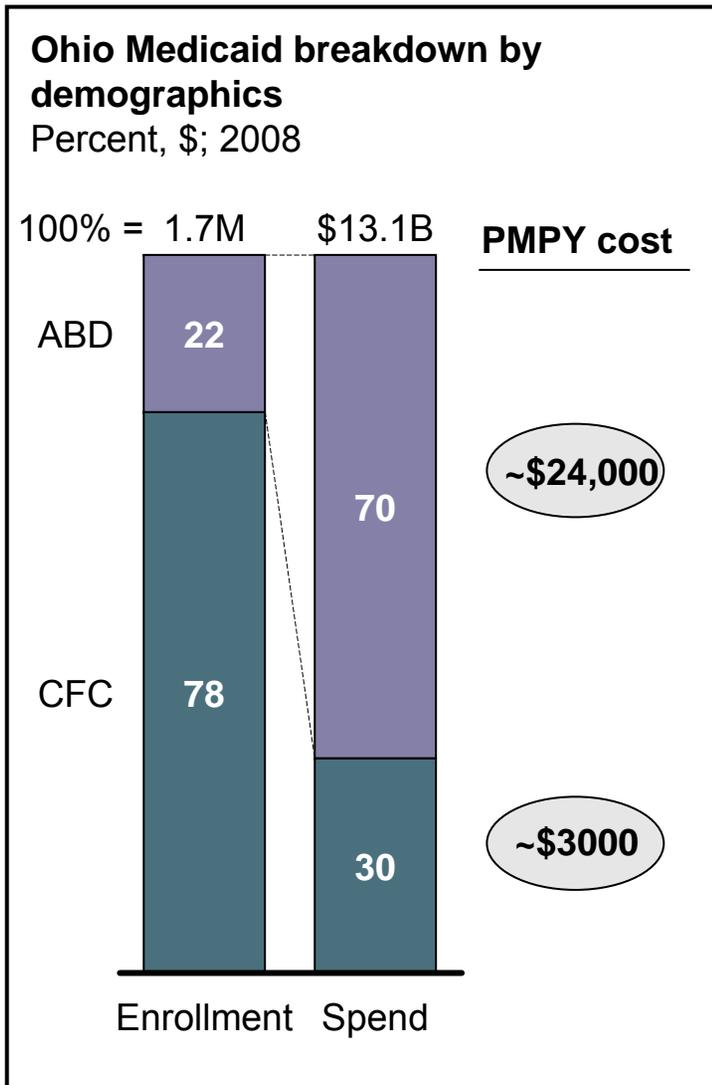
**Average cost per enrollee**  
USD \$



# Ohio is an average state in terms of the size of its Medicaid population and overall cost per enrollee



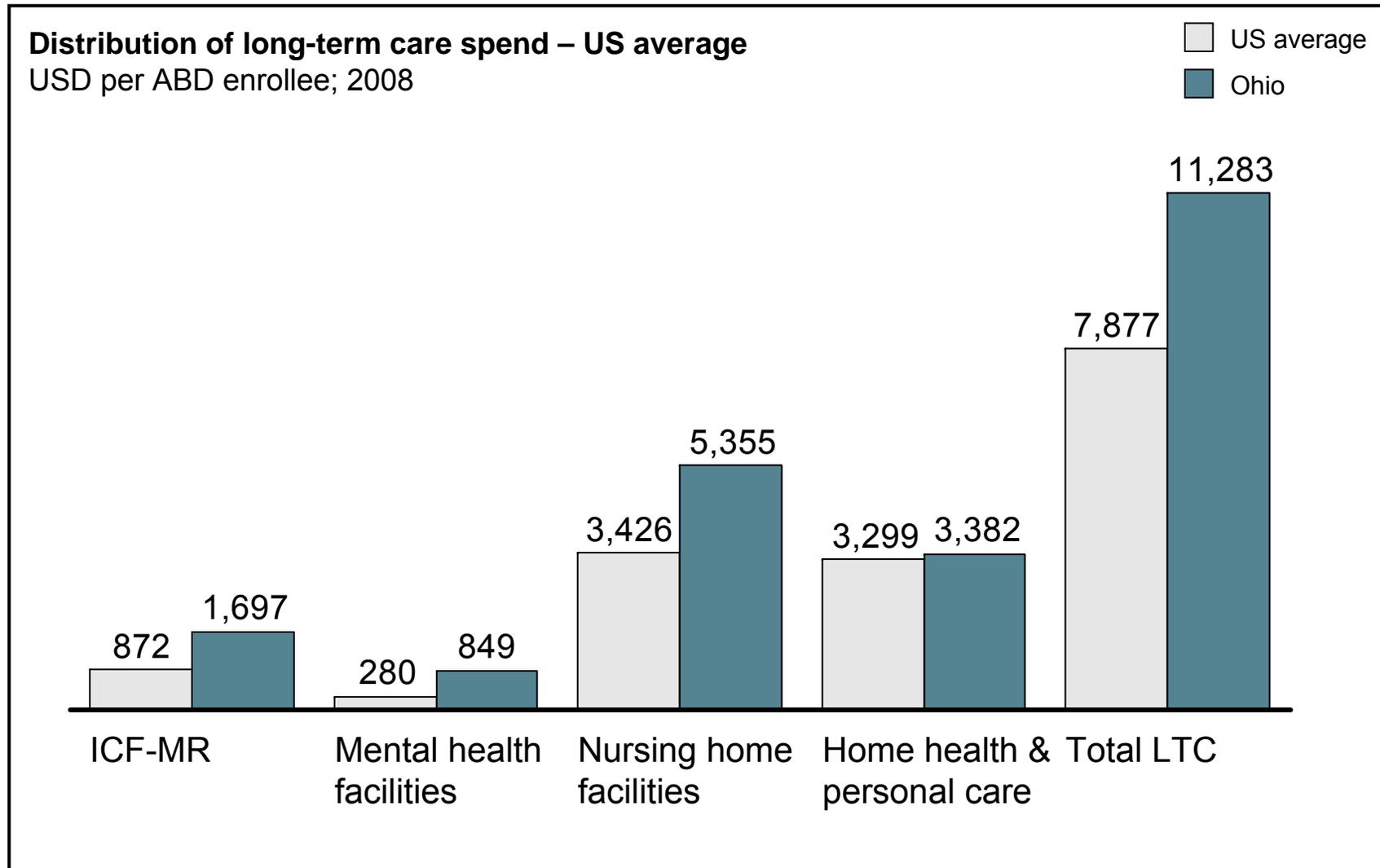
# Ohio's Covered Families and Children (CFC) per member costs are below the national average, but Aged/ Blind/ Disabled are 20% higher



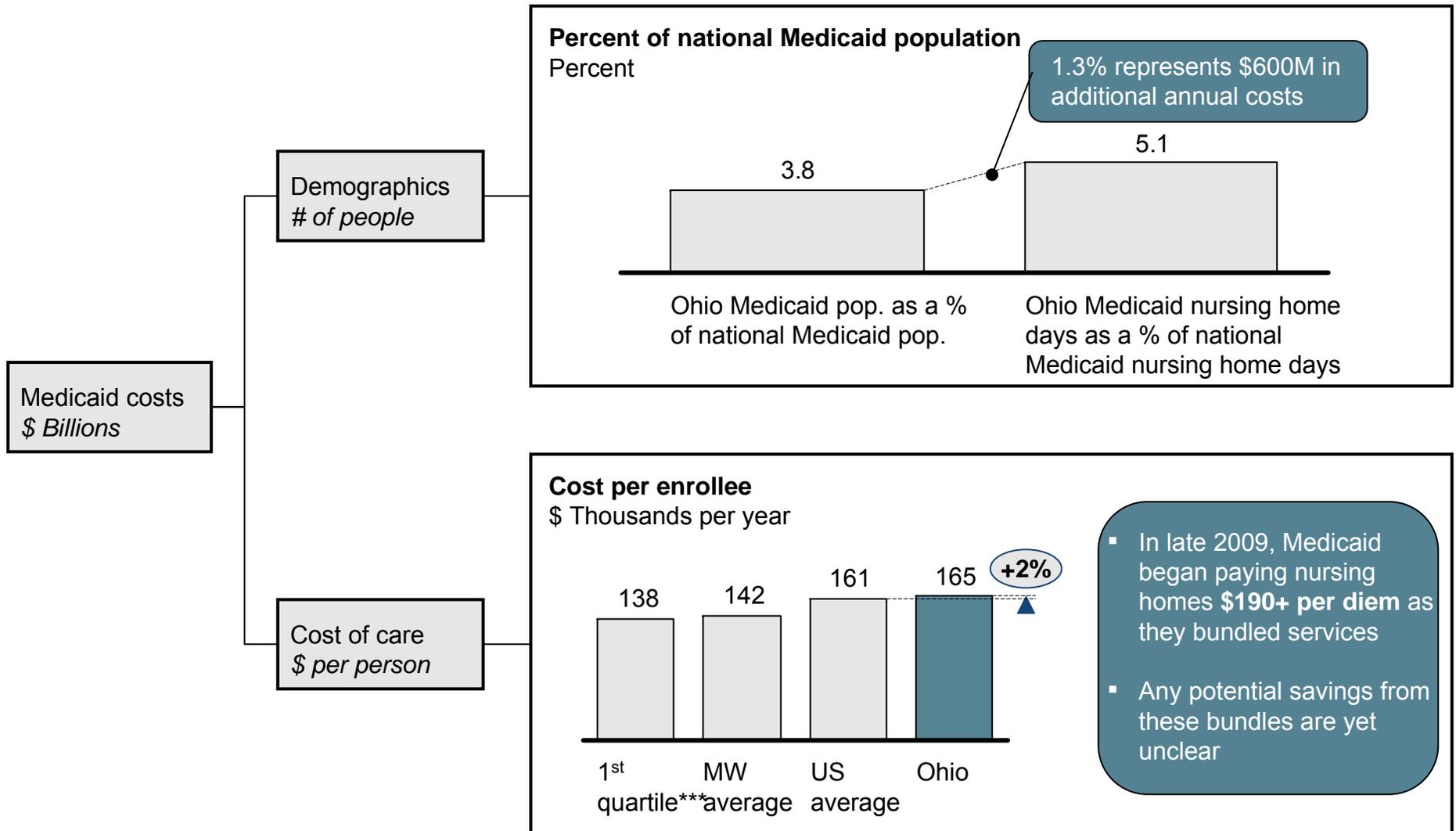
While Ohio performs under national average cost for the CFC population, the state **spends 20% more per year on ABDs**

# Ohio has a disproportionate spend on long term care, especially for institutional care settings

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# Ohio spends more per bed day on nursing homes, and has tendency to move more people to institutional care



## Health care reform will increase the state's Medicaid burden, but will supply additional federal funds to cover new enrollees

	Effective date	Description	Who pays?	\$ impact
Uniform 133% FPL eligibility	2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>New federal minimum eligibility of 133% FPL; will add additional people to the state Medicaid rolls;</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Federal govt. covers 100% of 2014-2016, 95% in 2017, 94% in 2018, 93% in 2019 and 90% for 2020+</li> </ul>	~\$300M
Elimination of cost-sharing	2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No more cost sharing of preventative services between Medicaid and Medicare for patients that are dually-eligible</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Unclear whether burden falls on Medicare or Medicaid systems</li> </ul>	TBD
Reduced DSH payments	2011	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reduced DSH payments by 50%; 25% once uninsured rate decreased by 45% or more</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If states wish to compensate hospitals, they will be forced to assume the cost burden</li> </ul>	TBD
Reduced readmit payments	2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reduced payments to hospitals to avoid unnecessary hospital readmissions</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cost of readmissions may be borne by the hospitals themselves</li> </ul>	TBD
Increase in fed. Rx pricing disc.	2013	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Disallows states from negotiating additional savings on top of federal best pricing</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>State transfer to federal government</li> </ul>	<\$100M

# We have identified three groups of opportunities in Medicaid – operational levers, changes to the delivery system, and limits or reductions in coverage

State savings

## Operational levers

*Simple changes to Medicaid's business processes*

- Reducing fraud, waste, and abuse within the system
- Effective utilization of prior authorizations and edits
- Improving financing mechanisms

**\$230-390M**

## Changes to care delivery system

*More complicated changes to the medical offering*

- Improving eligibility determination processes
- Providing a spectrum of options to long term care patients
- Reducing the nursing home per diem rate
- Effective care coordination efforts, including an ACO model

**\$325-580M**

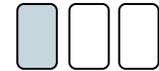
## Limits or reductions in coverage

*Reduces overall level of care by cutting services*

- Reduced coverage of optional services
- Reductions in reimbursement rates for providers

**\$150M-1B**

# Operational levers could have immediate savings impact of up to \$390M annually



	Description	Estimated impact (state)
1 Reducing fraud, waste, and abuse in system	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Independent claims auditing mechanism will identify and prevent undue overspending within the system</li><li>Claims IT system upgrades required to track spending patterns and outlier costs</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>\$100-160M</li></ul>
2 Using prior authorizations and edits to change outlier behavior	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Reduce misuse of prescription drugs and medical services through clinical safeguards (with IT support)</li><li>“Lock-in” program provides more visibility into individual’s spending behavior</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>\$100-175M</li></ul>
3 Improving financing mechanisms (purchasing, float)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Delaying Medicaid payments 30 days to capture paid interest</li><li>State-wide purchasing of drugs and durable medical equipment will produce savings through economies of scale</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>\$30-55M</li></ul>

# 1 Reduced fraud, waste, and abuse through increased auditing can lead to an annual savings of \$100-160M in state savings

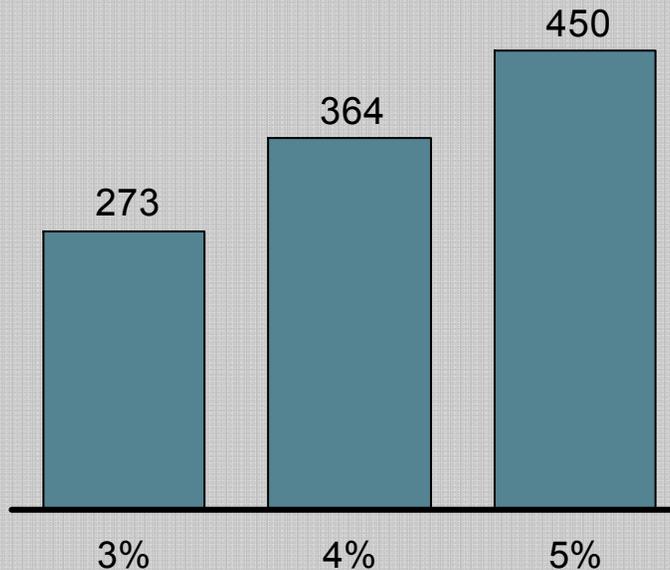
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## Background/Approach

- Increasing oversight capabilities – including unique **patient tracking** (debit card), **third party auditors**, and **enhanced IT**, all lead to a reduction in fraud, waste, and abuse
- Conservative estimates of fraud, waste, and abuse in the system range from 3% to 5% of total FFS spending
- While fraud, waste, and abuse may be as high as 15%, it is **unlikely that any single lever or combination of levers will completely eradicate misuse of the system**

## Opportunity

### Potential savings from auditing \$ Millions



Our estimates assume 3-5% capture of all FFS Medicaid fraud, waste, and abuse

## Impact

Increasing auditing capabilities can result in **\$275-450M** of annual cost savings; **\$100-\$160** in state savings

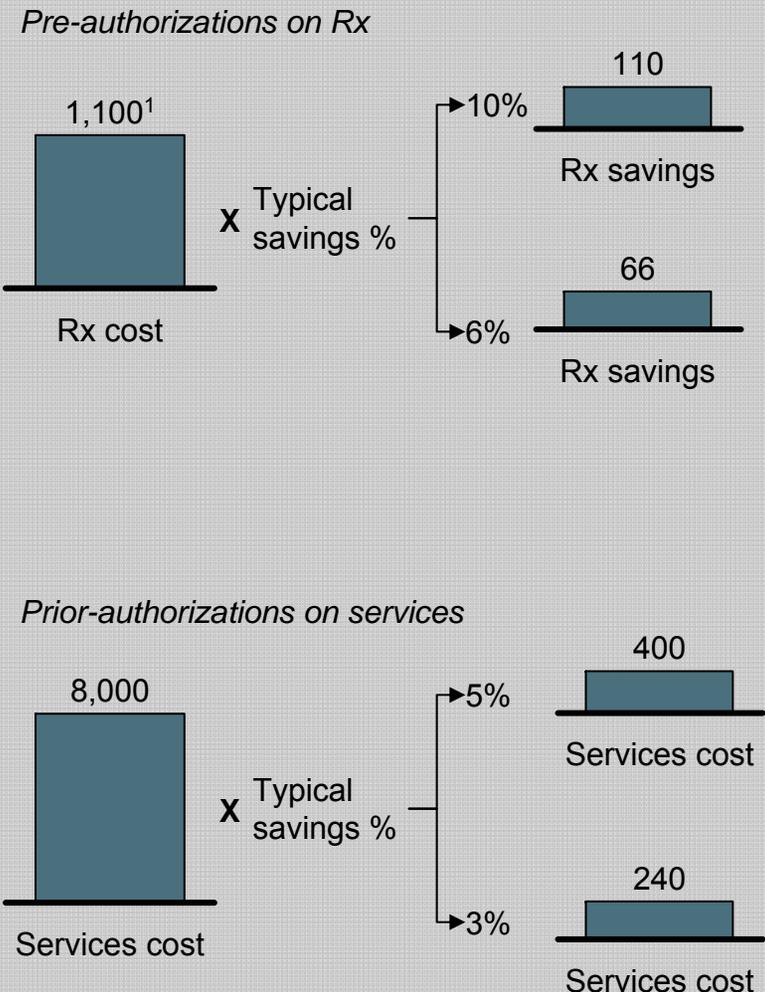
## 2 Using prior authorization and edits to alter patient behavior can contribute an additional \$100-\$175M in annual state savings

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### Background/Approach

- More stringent use of the **preferred drug list**, along with an additional emphasis on **pre-authorization**, can provide some Rx savings
- A 2009 Government Accountability Office (GAO) report suggested that states need **multiple layers of preventative controls** and extensive data sharing to effectively curtail high utilization
- Prior-authorization for all other medical services can also have a **3-5% savings effect** as utilization rates fall
- The **2005 OCRM report identified \$69M** in duplicate claims paid to pharmacies

### Opportunity

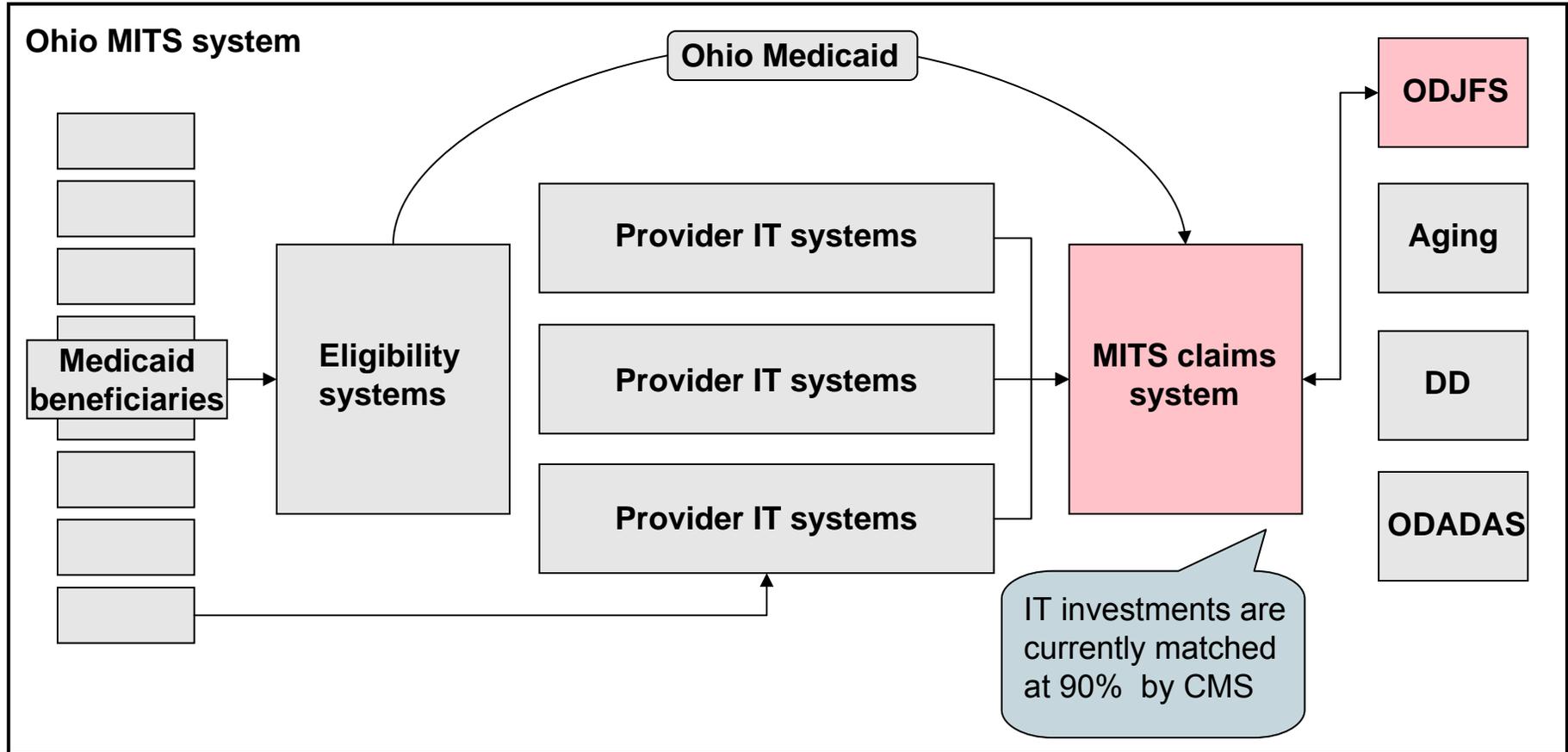


### Impact

3-10% savings through stricter use of prior-authorizations and edits can lead to **\$305-510M** in savings; **\$100-175M** in state savings

<sup>1</sup> Given recent carveout, this assumes Rx costs at pre-MCO totals

2 As planned, the state's new Medicaid IT claims systems (MITS), is not the ideal system to handle the state's auditing mechanism



<p>Beneficiaries enroll with <b>JFS at the county level</b></p>	<p>Front-end systems are still complicated and <b>disaggregated across counties</b>; other JFS programs have siloed systems</p>	<p>Provider IT systems are all different, making it <b>difficult for inter-provider communication</b> for a single patient</p>	<p>MITS, scheduled to launch in December, is a <b>back-end claims system</b> – it does not address eligibility issues nor does it communicate with all relevant agencies</p>
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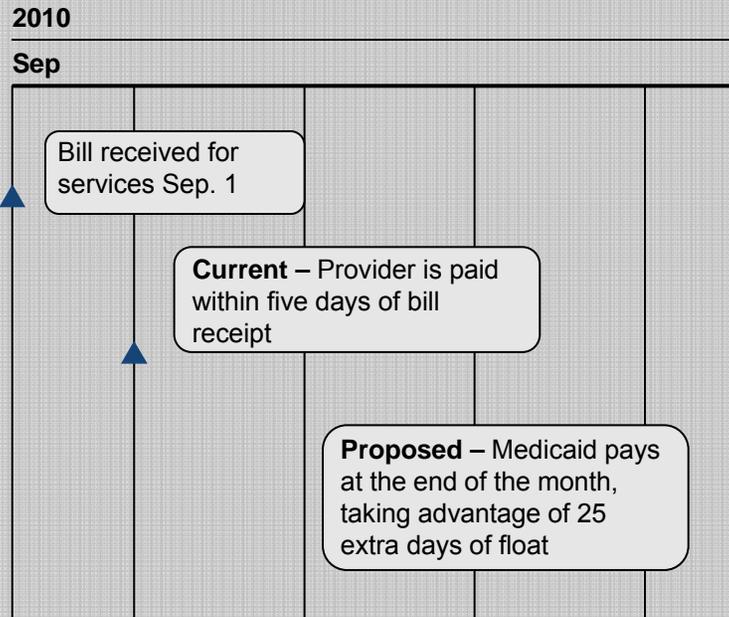
# 3a Extending payment terms can provide an extra \$15-20M in liquidity to the state's Medicaid system

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## Background/Approach

- Ohio Medicaid is currently **paying most providers within five days of billing**, and the MITS system is designed to further speed that process up
- However, by pushing payments out to 30 days, the **state can collect the interest on the cash balance** instead of transferring it to providers immediately
- Does not apply to MCO payments** – MCOs are paid prospectively; JFS delayed payments in 2010, but only to avoid paying the 12<sup>th</sup> monthly capitation this year

## Opportunity



~ \$0.75B in monthly Medicaid spending

3% interest rate x 1/12 (monthly rate)

25/30 days

\$1.6 Million per month

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## Impact

Capturing the interest float on delayed Medicaid payments can result in **~\$15-20M in additional revenue**

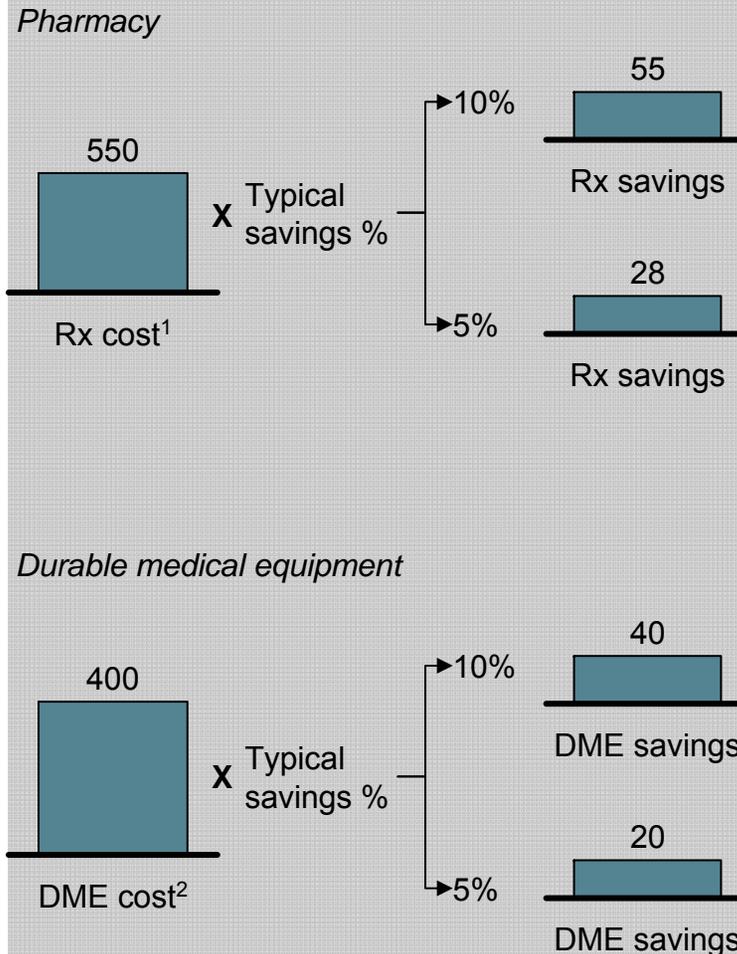
# 3b Centralized purchasing will produce savings as the state's large buying power is better leveraged

ESTIMATES

## Background/Approach

- Ohio's pharmaceutical and DME purchasing is spread across multiple different agencies, resulting in **diminished buying power**
- The statewide Rock program has saved ~7% on **pharmaceutical purchases** for its health plans
- Some complication due to Medicaid drug rebate programs
- Centralized purchasing **only applies to purchases made directly by the state**
  - For example, a prescription filled at Walgreens will not be any cheaper to the state as that purchase is not controlled by Medicaid

## Opportunity



## Impact

Centralized purchasing can provide **\$50-100M** in overall savings; **\$15-35M** in state savings

<sup>1</sup> Assumes 50% of pharmaceutical spend is driven by institutions or other state-influenced settings

<sup>2</sup> Assumes 10% of NHF costs are DME, in addition to non-NHF DMF spend reported by JFS

# Changes to the Medicaid care delivery system could have savings impact of up to \$580M annually



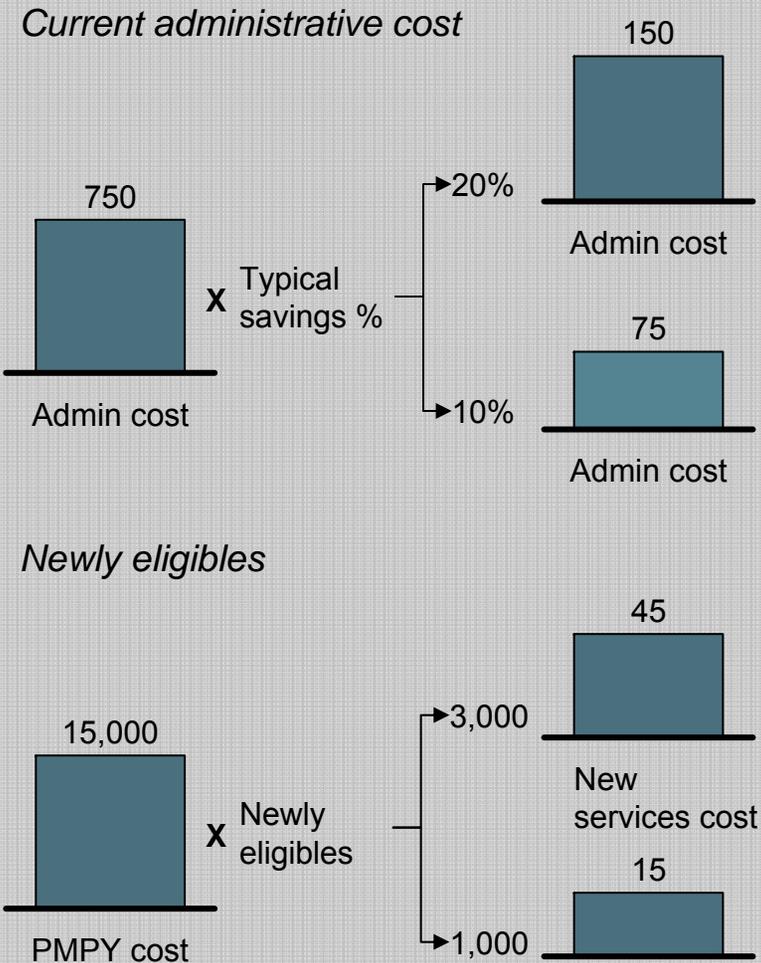
	Description	Estimated impact (state)
<p><b>3</b></p> <p>Improving eligibility procedures for Medicaid</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Shifting from a 209(B) to 1634 statute will streamline eligibility determinations, reducing the state's administrative burden and reducing wait times</li> <li>Likely to increase enrollment</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>\$20-40M</b></li> </ul>
<p><b>5</b></p> <p>Providing a wider spectrum of options to LTC patients</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provides a full spectrum of options rather than defaulting to nursing homes for long term care patients</li> <li>Establishes a "front door" mechanism to direct and place individuals in the proper type of care</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>\$130-215M</b></li> </ul>
<p><b>6</b></p> <p>Lowering Medicaid reimbursement to institutional care</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medicaid is largely financing the nursing home industry, as Medicaid per diems underwrite the business functions (including legal expenses) of nursing home facilities</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>\$105-175M</b></li> </ul>
<p><b>7</b></p> <p>Enhanced care coordination for ABD population</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reduces overall utilization and improve outcomes as patients have a better understanding of what they need for their specific circumstance</li> <li>Bundle payments in an ACO structure to realize joint savings across the system</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>\$70-150M</b></li> </ul>

## 4 Converting from a 209 (B) eligibility system to a 1634 system can provide additional incremental savings

### Background/Approach

- Currently, eligibility is determined at the county level through a complicated process derived from the state's decision to operate as a 209(B) state, allowing it to set separate eligibility criteria
- Shifting to a 1634 system will **streamline eligibility determination** and reduce overall administrative costs
- However, streamlining this process will **likely increase the overall size of the Medicaid rolls** as individuals are cleared onto the rolls faster
- Converting to a 1634 may not be a large savings lever in the short term, but will help avoid costs as Medicaid becomes larger and larger under reform

### Opportunity

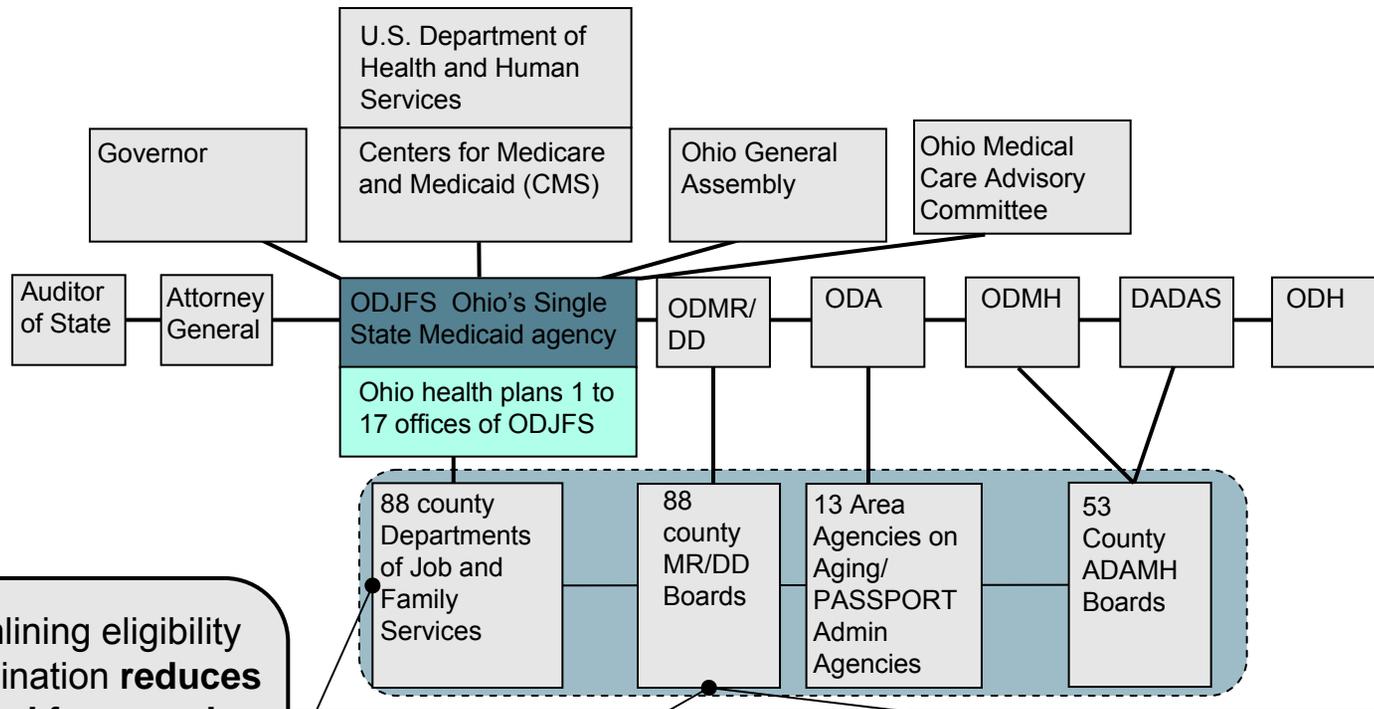


### Impact

Streamlining eligibility can provide \$60-105M; **\$20-40M in state savings**

## 4 Streamlining the eligibility determination process allows for potential consolidation at the state and county level

### Major Organizational Relationships of Ohio's Medicaid Program



Streamlining eligibility determination **reduces the need for complex county JFS structures** to handle front-end eligibility and on-boarding

Even without the 1634 determination process, there is an opportunity to **consolidate functions across the county structure**

**Privatization is also a key enabler of reducing costs** at the state and county level – creating quasi-governmental orgs to administer Medicaid can save state funds while drawing federal match

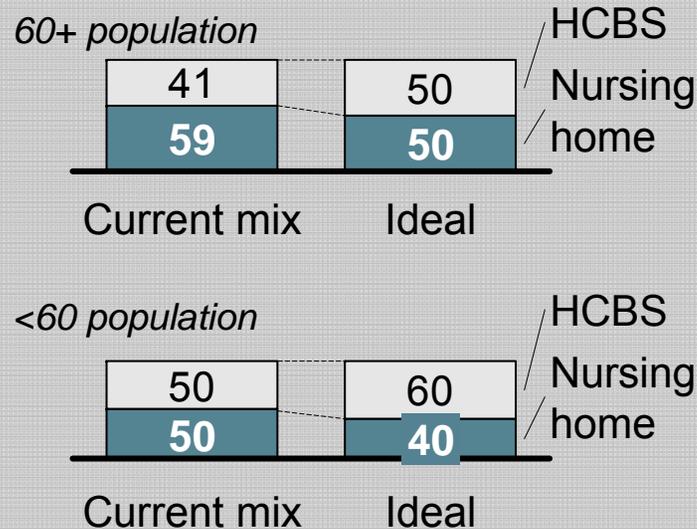
# 5 Converting some of the current nursing home population to HCBS or assisted living facilities can provide significant savings

## Background/Approach

- Ohio's Medicaid system is **predisposed to sending a large number of its patient population into nursing homes**, rather than more appropriate and less expensive options
- Converting patients who do not require nursing home to HCBS or assisted living facilities can **reduce annual per-person expenses from \$75K down to \$25-50K**
- Shifting a large percentage of the nursing home population into home care will likely require **new waivers or additional capacity within existing waivers**

## Opportunity

### Percent of LTC patients in different settings



- Assumes ~400 open assisted living beds are filled first (@25K in annual savings)
- Remaining individuals are placed in HCBS (@50K in annual savings)

## Impact

This series of nursing home levers can result in **\$365-615M** in overall savings; **\$130-215M** in state savings

## 5 There are six key issues that are hindering Ohio's efforts to reduce long term care spend

	Description of issue	Other states/solution space	Importance
Post-acute pathway funnels patients to NF	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Patients (pts) are pushed from acute care to NF as they transition out of hospital care</li> <li>Medical evidence supportive of homecare</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Create coordinated HCBS offering to better support discharges</li> <li>Ensure efficient provision of HCBS care</li> </ul>	
Limited transition back into community	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Once in Nursing Facility, transition back into community is hampered as patients may fail to qualify for HCBS                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Interviewee estimated up to 5% of Ohio NF pts</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ease eligibility criteria for patients wishing to return home after nursing home stay</li> <li>Primary focus of MFP* programs                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ohio to receive \$100 MM over 5 years</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
Incentives and policy favor NF use	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nursing facilities have high bed capacity</li> <li>Strong financial incentive to fill beds</li> <li>Few incentives to coordinate care or manage utilization under current model</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Move away from cost-plus reimbursement</li> <li>Tighten criteria for NF eligibility</li> <li>Increase focus on LTC managed care to align incentives and improve utilization (VA)</li> </ul>	
Enrollee incentives favor NF use	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Members are responsible for room and board in assisted living facilities</li> <li>Dual eligible members responsible for drug co-pays and deductibles in assisted living facilities</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provide assistance to members to compensate for any additional costs</li> <li>Education and LTC insurance/savings can delay need for Medicare in long term</li> </ul>	
Tough AL eligibility criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Current rules require a member to be a resident in a nursing home or pay for oneself for 6 months before he / she can be moved to an assisted living facility</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consider use of ADL criteria to determine appropriate site of care (AL vs. NF)</li> <li>Consider room &amp; board subsidies</li> <li>Allow informed consent agreements (PA)</li> </ul>	
Limited assisted living capacity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Limited Medicaid capacity in existing facilities</li> <li>Facilities that could potentially be accredited for Medicaid used for private pay individuals</li> <li>Other supported living sites not currently eligible for Medicare</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adjust incentives to encourage conversion or creation of beds in AL or AL-like settings (e.g. adapting subsidized housing or Adult Foster Care models with additional su)</li> </ul>	

\* MFP- Money Follows the Person is a federal program created through the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005. Approximately \$100 million has been allocated to Ohio over 2007-2012

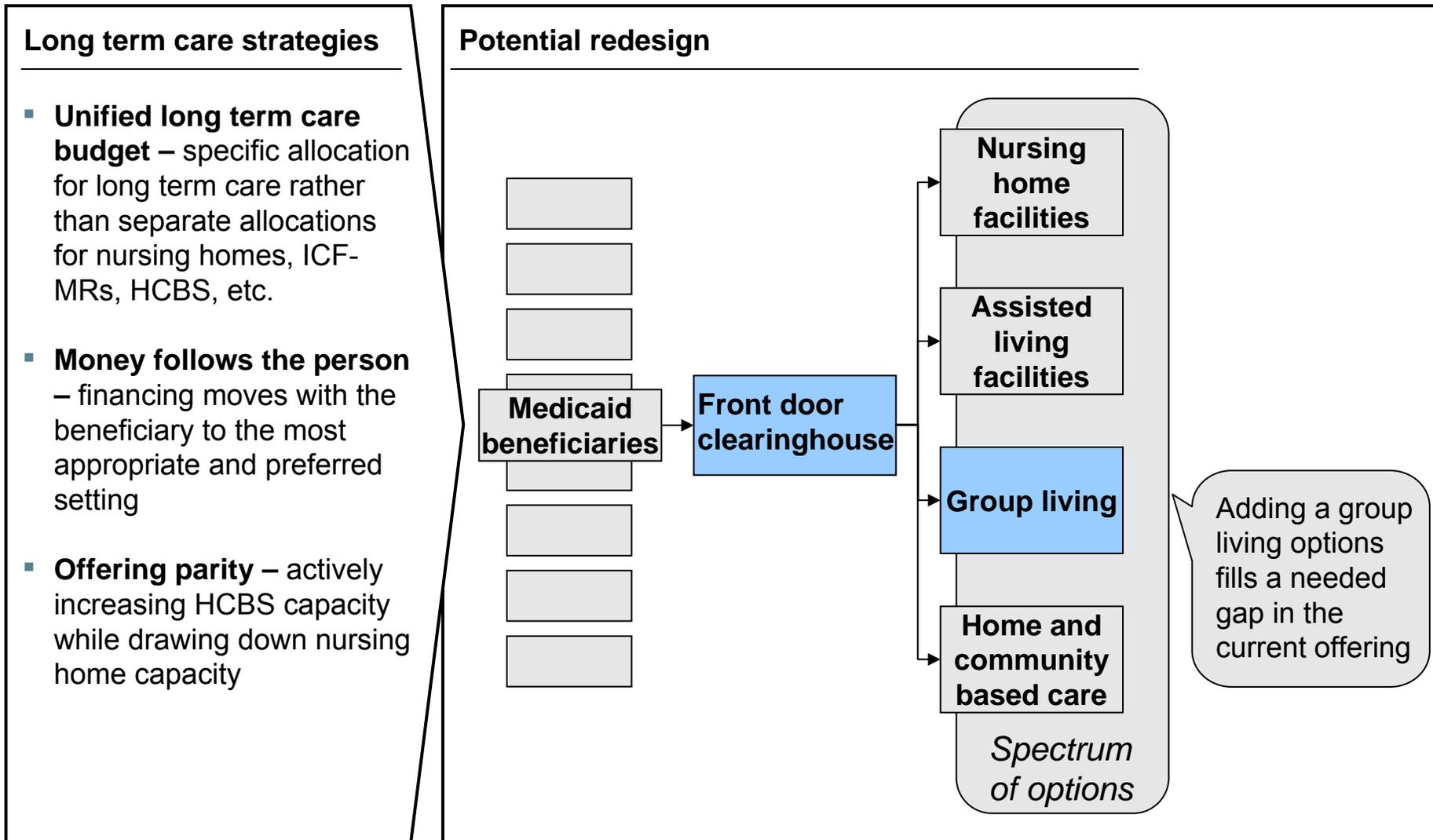
\*\* LTC Partnership Program provide asset protection for patients entering LTC

## 5 Nursing homes also have the largest capacity of any setting and have the easiest enrollment criteria

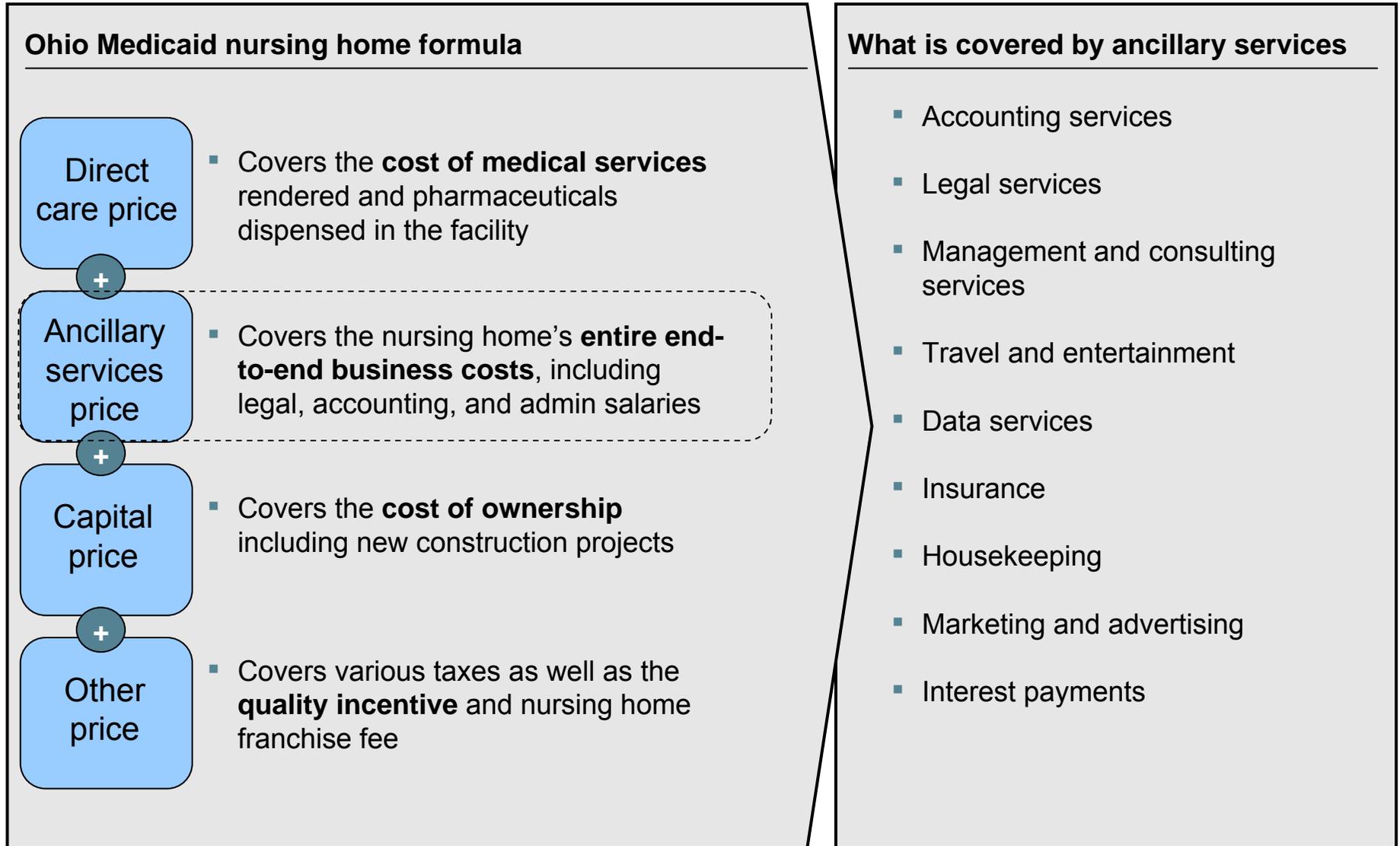
	Distribution of capacity	Annual price tag	Enrollment detail
Assisted living facility	1%	\$50k	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Assisted living facilities only available if doctor puts into discharge plan</li> <li>Limited availability in state, not in all locations</li> <li>Reimbursement rate less from Medicaid so limited incentive to build</li> </ul>
Nursing home	68%	\$75k	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Easiest and most familiar options for docs</li> <li>High capacity, no challenge in placement</li> <li>Full Medicaid reimbursement and nursing home tax</li> </ul>
Home health care	31%	\$25k	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Challenging to have Medicaid pay for coverage except under waiver program (need to apply, additional work by family)</li> <li>Limited capacity for state to provide services today</li> </ul>

In Ohio, nursing homes and home health care are required to have the **same level of care**, adding an additional constraint to Ohio Medicaid

**5** Rather than nursing homes as a default, Ohio should provide beneficiaries with a spectrum of options specific to their level of care



6 Currently, Ohio Medicaid is funding 70% of the nursing home industry – including their end-to-end business functions



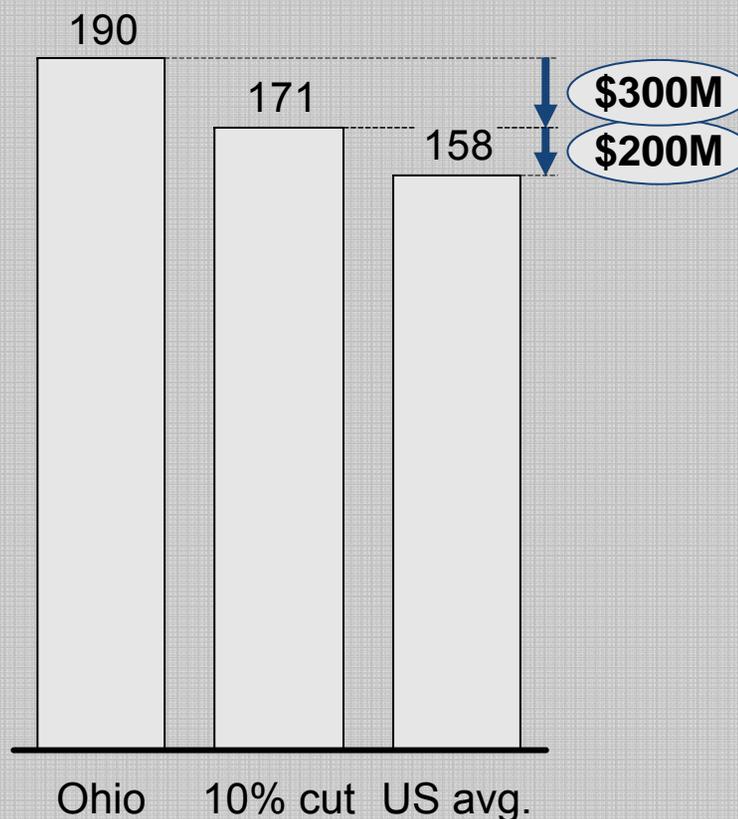
# 6 Cutting 10% from the current nursing home per diem will provide significant savings, as the industry should be able to absorb the reduction

## Background/Approach

- Ohio Medicaid is paying over **\$190 per bed per day** to the nursing homes
- Reducing this by \$10-20 per bed per day will **produce significant savings**, given the scale of the NHF operation, while still **providing enough revenue for the homes to stay afloat**
- In 2007 (last year with reliable data), **Ohio had the 7<sup>th</sup> highest Medicaid per diem of any state**
- Shifting to a pure pay-for-performance model can also reduce average per diems within the system

## Opportunity

Savings from ABD care management  
\$ Millions



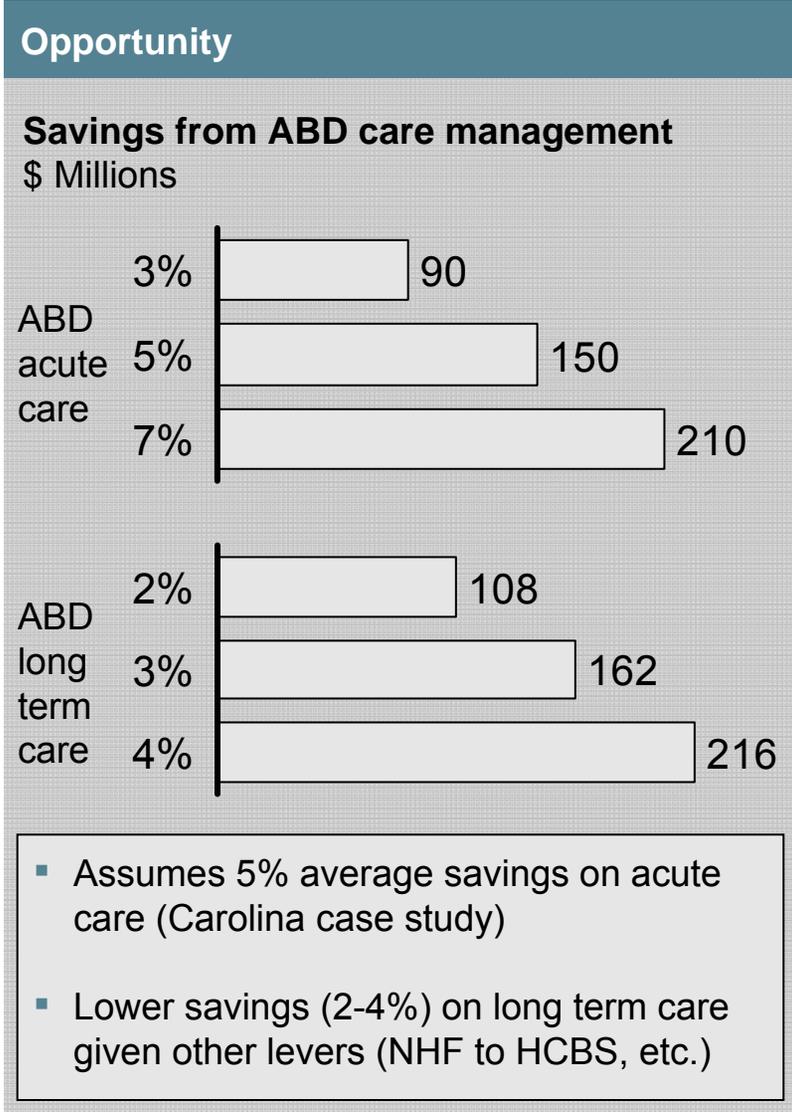
## Impact

This series of nursing home levers can result in **\$300-500M** in total savings; **\$105-175M** in state savings

# 7 Enhanced care coordination of the ABD population can lead to across the board cost savings within fee for service

### Background/Approach

- Employing better care coordination within Medicaid for the ABD fee-for-service population
- The most expensive Medicaid enrollees can have **medical costs upwards of \$2-3 million per year** (e.g. hemophiliacs)
- Other **states have had success** in reducing overall ABD spend by implementing comprehensive care management strategies
- In the short term, implementing **care coordination programs for the most expensive users** of Medicaid will have more immediate payoffs



### Impact

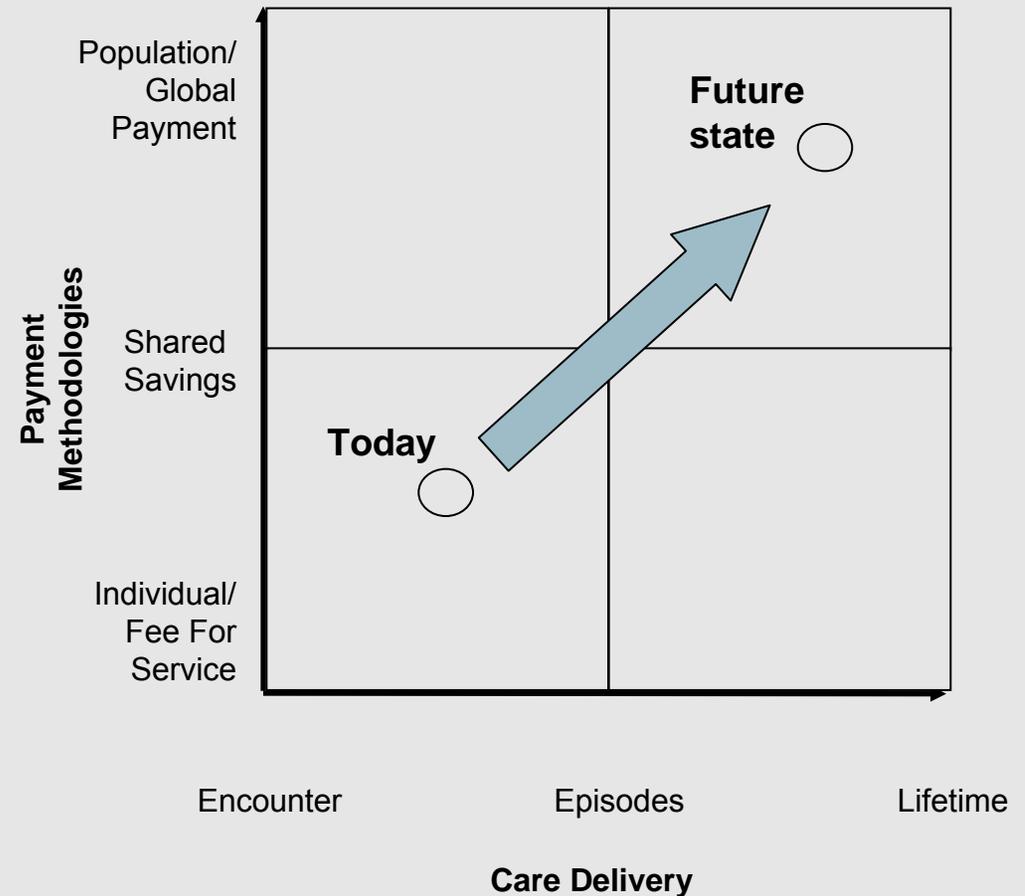
This series of nursing home levers can result in **\$200-425M** in total savings; **\$70-150M** in state savings

## 7 Accountable care organizations (ACOs) are one possible delivery mechanism for enhanced care coordination

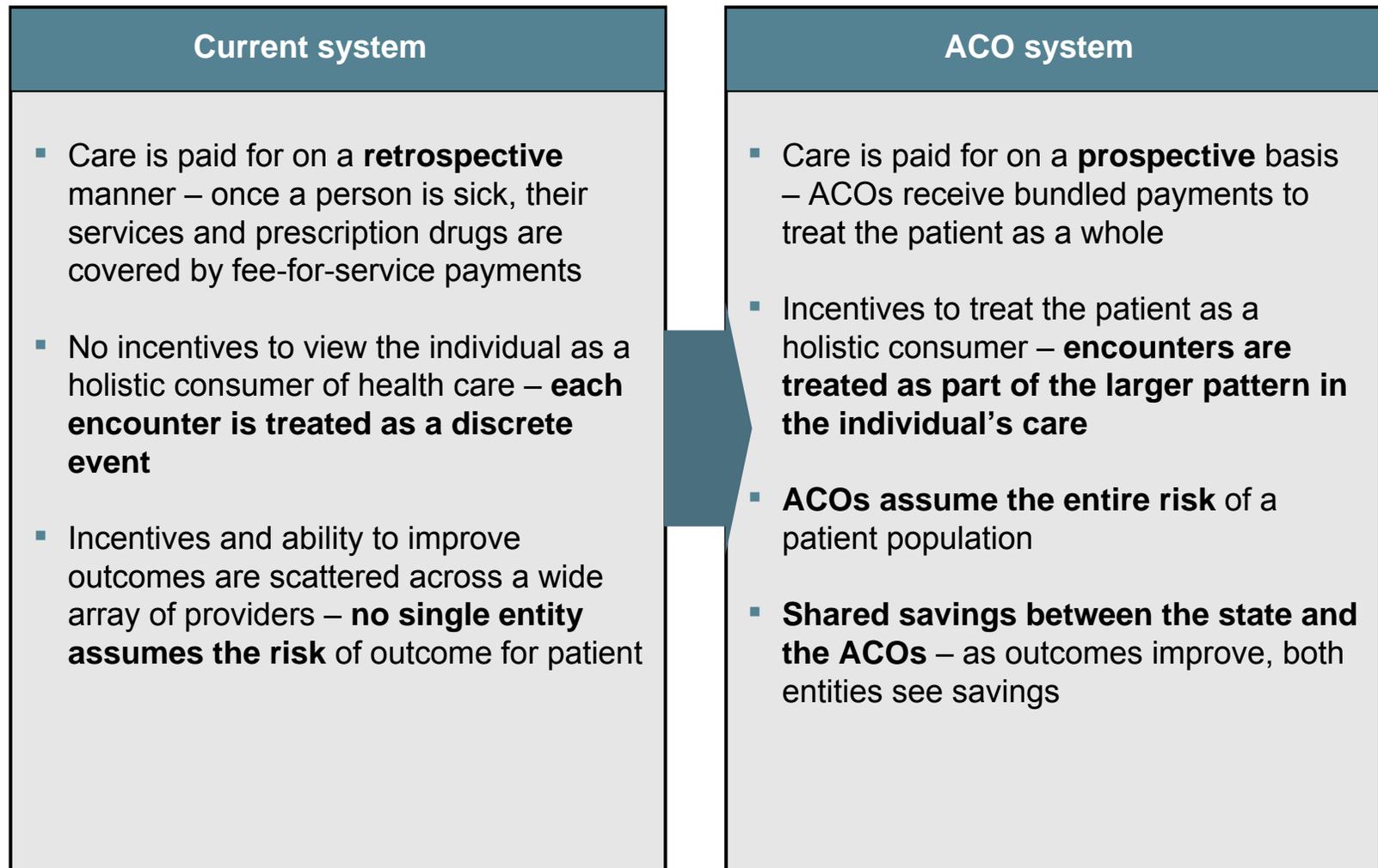
### What are ACOs?

- Accountable care organizations **assume the risk of a patient population** while streamlining end-to-end care for each patient
- In the context of Medicaid, ACOs have **incentives to improve outcomes and reduce costs**, leading to shared savings for both the ACO and the state
- ACOs can **reduce unnecessary hospital readmissions and reduce overall utilization** due to the focus on lifetime care, rather than encounter-specific care

### Medicaid's path to ACOs



7 In addition to lowering Medicaid costs, ACOs also represent an important mindset shift – paying for “health care” instead of “sick care”



## 7 ACOs can also affect consumer change by focusing on personal responsibility and wellness strategies

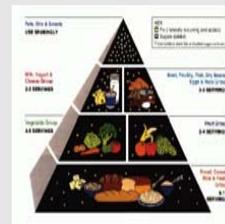
### How ACOs affect consumer change

- Wellness programs that address the biggest drivers of Medicaid spending (diabetes, smoking, obesity) are easily implemented in the context of an ACO
- Given ACOs role as a holistic view of an individual's health care, these organizations have a unique ability to control consumer behavior through continuity of care
- ACOs have incentives to maintain wellness programs as they share in any savings gained from a healthier Medicaid population

### Types of potential wellness programs



**Smoking cessation program**



**Healthy habits nutrition program**



**Exercise and physical fitness program**

## 7 Changing workforce scope of practice regulations can provide savings to the Medicaid program and offer more care in rural areas

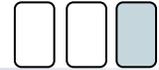
### Ohio scope of practice laws

- Nurse practitioners are **required to have MD collaboration** for most decisions
- 44 states provide **explicit authority for nurse practitioners to diagnose** – Ohio is one of the other six states
- Some advance practice nurses are authorized to prescribe drugs
- Ohio's **scope of practice for pharmacists is also limited** – providing medical therapy management is difficult due to statute

### What you gain by changing them

- **Reduced overall costs** as physicians are no longer required for a host of procedures
- **Better health outcomes** as care is managed at a more local level – medical therapy management with pharmacists and primary care with non-physicians
- **Increased access to services in rural Ohio** – Medicaid beneficiaries no longer need to go to the nearest ER for basic services
- **Encourage nurses and pharmacists to stay in state** – those educated at state universities currently have incentives to leave the state and practice elsewhere, resulting in a “brain drain” of sorts

# There is an additional set of less palatable levers that can also reduce state Medicaid spending



Reduced coverage of optional services

## Description

- Medicaid has a set of “required” services and a set of “optional services”
- Reducing coverage of optional services, include dental and pharmaceuticals, can provide dramatic savings

## Estimated impact

- **\$50M – \$1.5B**  
(varies widely depending on how many services are to be cut)

Reimbursement reductions for providers

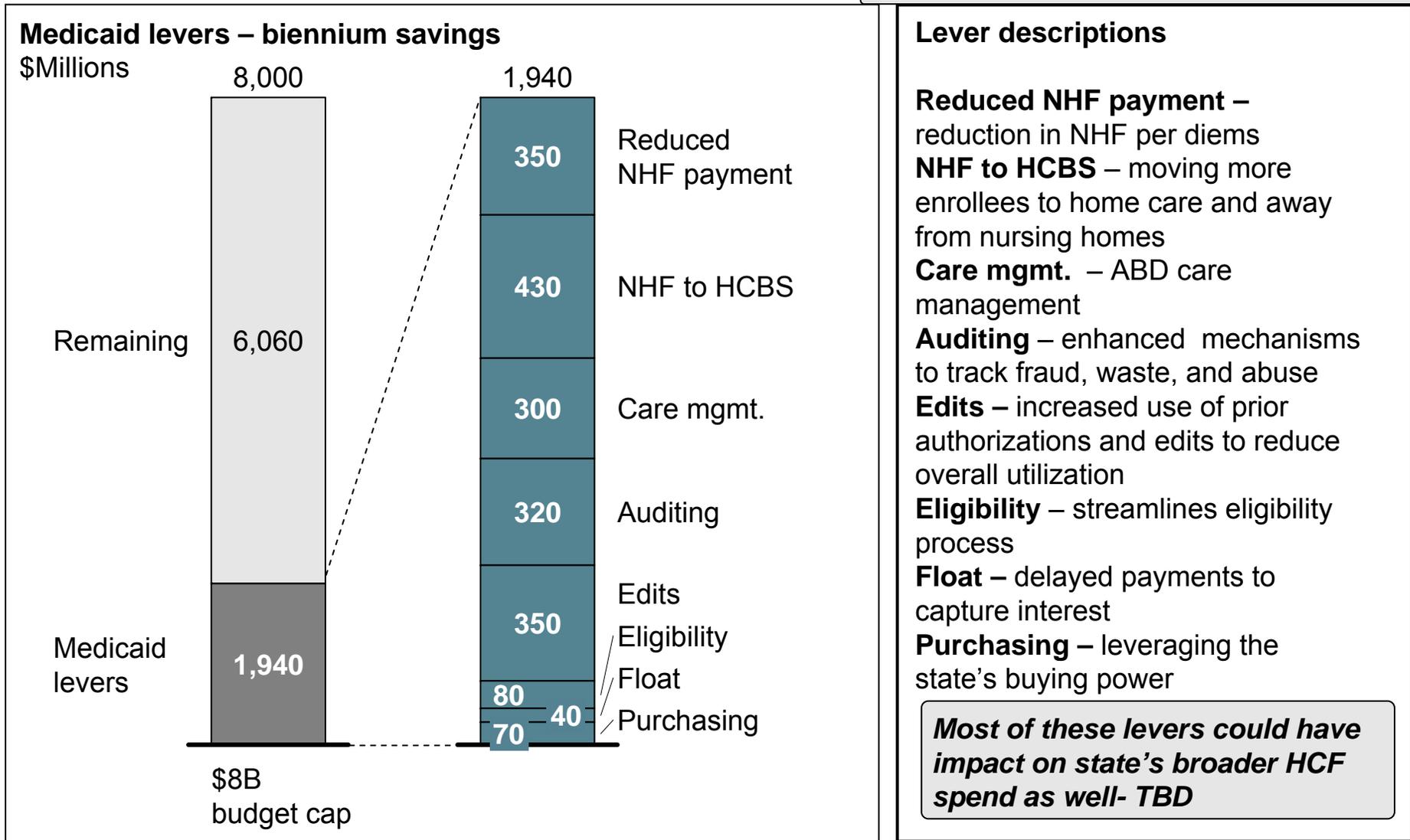
- Medicaid has discretion in setting reimbursement rates for providers
- Setting rates too low, however, can lower overall level of care and have detrimental effects on the large health care industry

- **\$100M- \$?**  
(depends directly on reimbursement cuts)

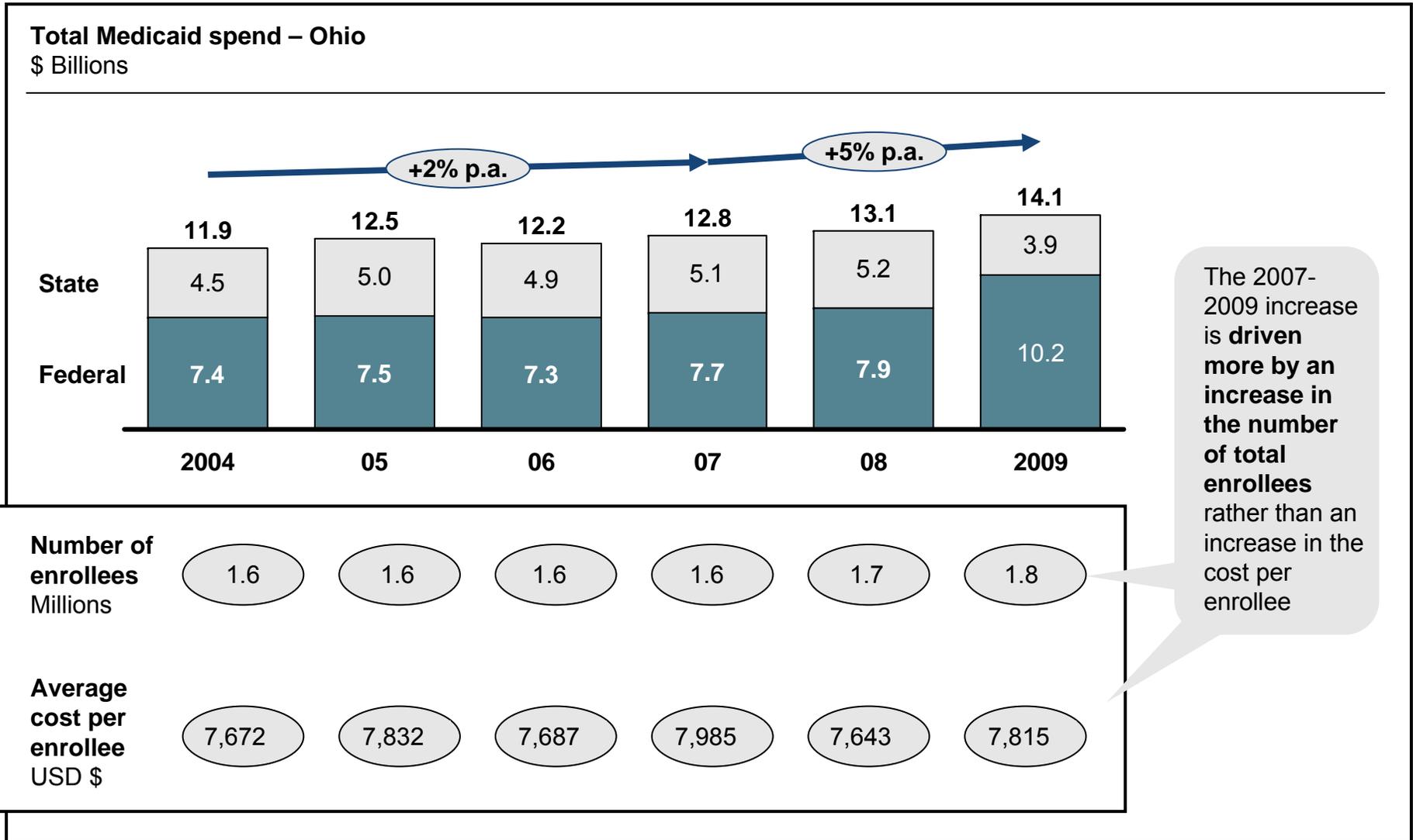
Upper bound of savings would be shutting down program- \$5B saved- clearly not politically viable or in best interest of Ohio

# On an annual basis, these levers can save roughly \$2 billion in Medicaid spending over the biennium, nearly 1/4 of the budget gap

Not including reductions in coverage here



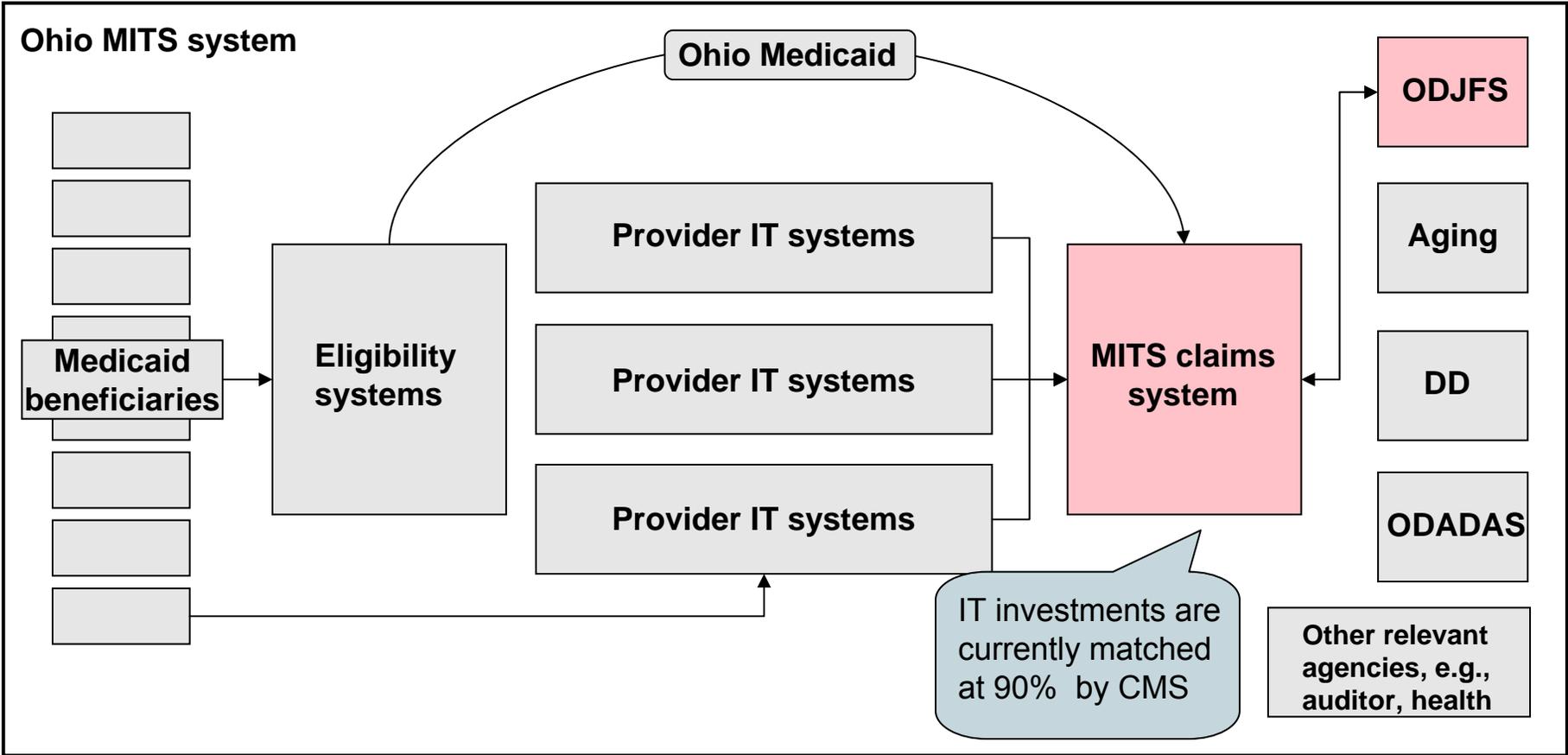
# Medicaid: Ohio's Medicaid spending continues to increase year over year, largely driven by an increasing number of enrollees



# Medicaid: We have identified three groups of opportunities in Medicaid – operational levers, changes to the delivery system, and limiting coverage

Time to impact	Long-term	<p><b>Structural levers</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4. Improve front-end eligibility determination systems and procedures</li> <li>5. Effective care coordination efforts for ABD population – potential ACO model</li> <li>6. Privatization of mental health facilities</li> </ul>	<p><b>Transformational levers</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7. Provide a spectrum of long term care options to the ABD population</li> <li>8. Reduce the Medicaid nursing home per diem payment</li> </ul>	<p><b>Estimated annual savings</b> Millions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>① \$100-160</li> <li>② \$100-175</li> <li>③ \$100-175</li> <li>④ \$20-40</li> <li>⑤ \$70-150</li> <li>⑥ \$20-40</li> <li>⑦ \$130-215</li> <li>⑧ \$105-175</li> <li>⑨ \$50-1,500</li> <li>⑩ \$100-?</li> </ul> <p><i>Not included in overall sizing</i></p>	
	Near-term	<p><b>Operational levers</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. More active audits to reduce fraud, waste, and abuse within the system</li> <li>2. More effective use of prior authorizations and edits to prevent overuse/misuse</li> <li>3. Improving financing mechanisms, (float, match on add'l spend, purchasing, selective contracting, 340b)</li> </ul>	<p><b>Challenged levers</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9. Reduced coverage of optional services</li> <li>10. Reduction in reimbursement rates for providers</li> </ul>		
		Simple	Political feasibility	Difficult	<p>Total annual: \$575-1,010</p> <p>Total biennial: \$1,150-2,020</p>

# Medicaid: As planned, the state’s new Medicaid IT claims systems (MITS), is not the ideal system to handle the state’s auditing mechanism



<p>Beneficiaries enroll with <b>JFS at the county level</b></p>	<p>Front-end systems are still complicated and <b>disaggregated across counties</b>; other JFS programs have siloed systems</p>	<p>Provider IT systems are all different, making it <b>difficult for inter-provider communication</b> for a single patient</p>	<p>MITS, scheduled to launch in December, is a <b>back-end claims system</b> – it does not address eligibility issues nor does it communicate with all relevant agencies</p>
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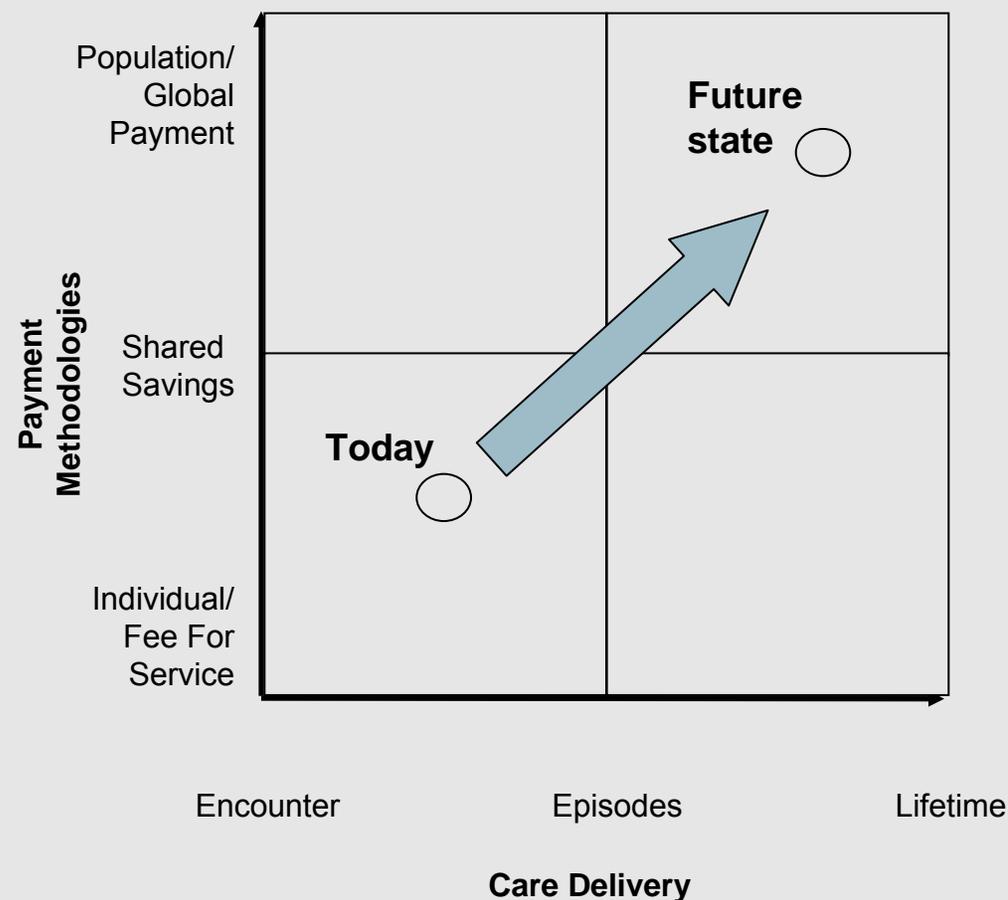
SOURCE: ODJFS, ODA, Expert interviews, Team analysis

## Medicaid: Care management set-ups like accountable care organizations (ACOs) could deliver enhanced care coordination

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### Medicaid's path to great care management



## Topics of discussion for today

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- **General budget and the upcoming gap**
- **Medicaid / Healthcare Financing**
- **K-12 Education**
- **Other opportunities**

# The team conducted an in-depth review of Ohio's K-12 education system to identify gaps and savings opportunities

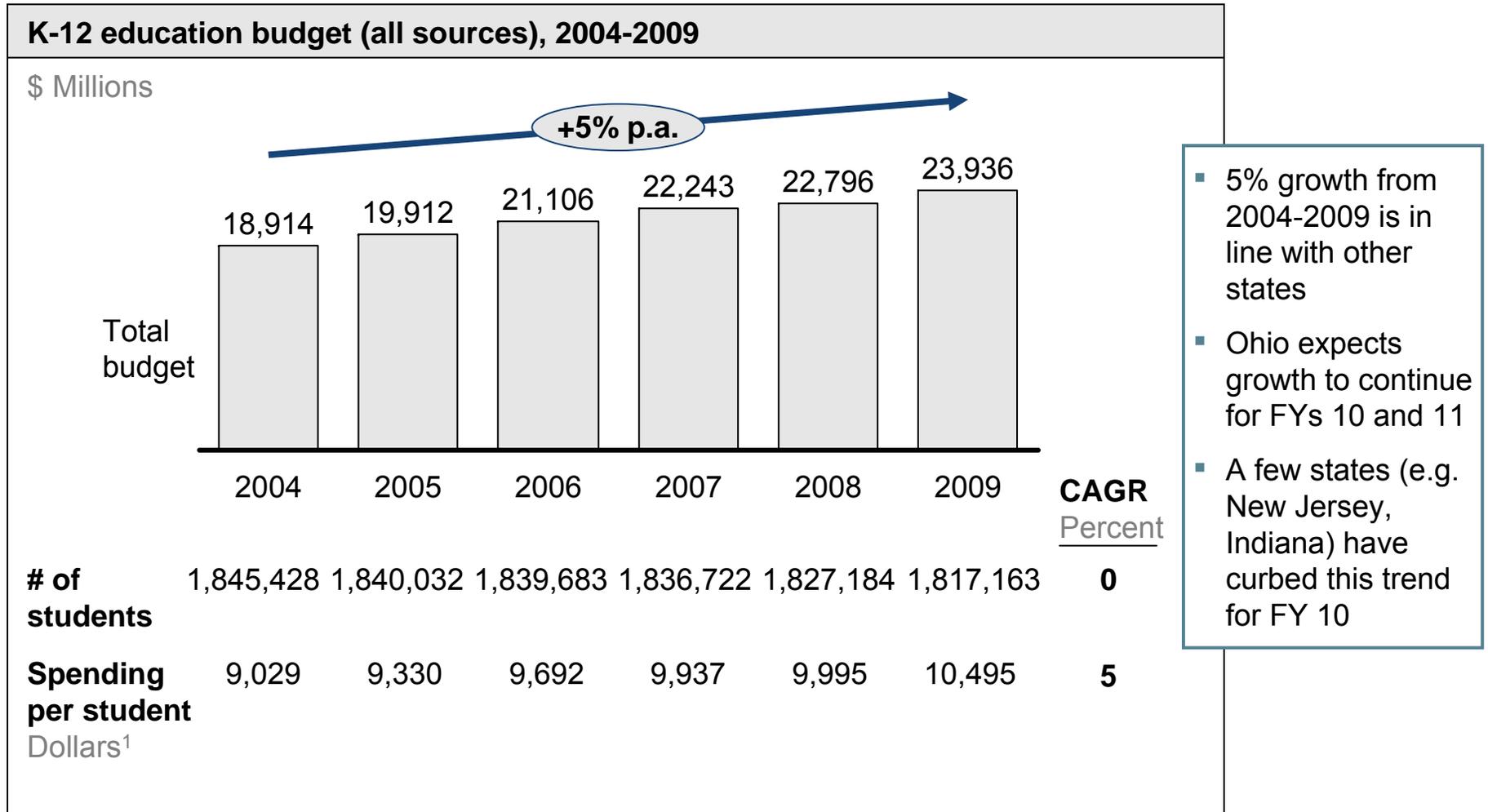
## Facts on Ohio K-12 education

- Ohio's K-12 education system is a \$50 billion/ biennium program, and is the largest user of state and local funds in the budget
- Ohio's K-12 education system is responsible for 612 school districts and 1.9 million students, primarily educated through traditional public schools but with growing charter participation
- Ohio schools receive varied amounts of state and local funding, dependent on their ability to use levies for local dollars; funding levels vary from ~\$6900/ student at low end to ~\$20,000 at high end
- Due to the structure of funding, savings in K-12 education will need to be captured at local level, as districts have majority of control in how dollars are spent and saved

## Critical challenges to address

- **Administrative bloat-** Ohio ranks 47<sup>th</sup> in nation in % of spending in classroom and 49<sup>th</sup> in ratio of teacher comp to total comp
- **Undersized districts-** districts significantly smaller than neighboring states, with disproportionate per pupil expenditures on support and operations
- **Rules around teacher pay and employment**
  - Collective bargaining increases pay at unsustainable rate
  - Last-in first-out lay-offs eliminate performance as a key consideration

## Education: Ohio's K-12 education budget has steadily increased, while the student population has remained flat



<sup>1</sup> Data does not include certain expenditures (i.e. interest on debt, some capital outlays) in "per student" calculations

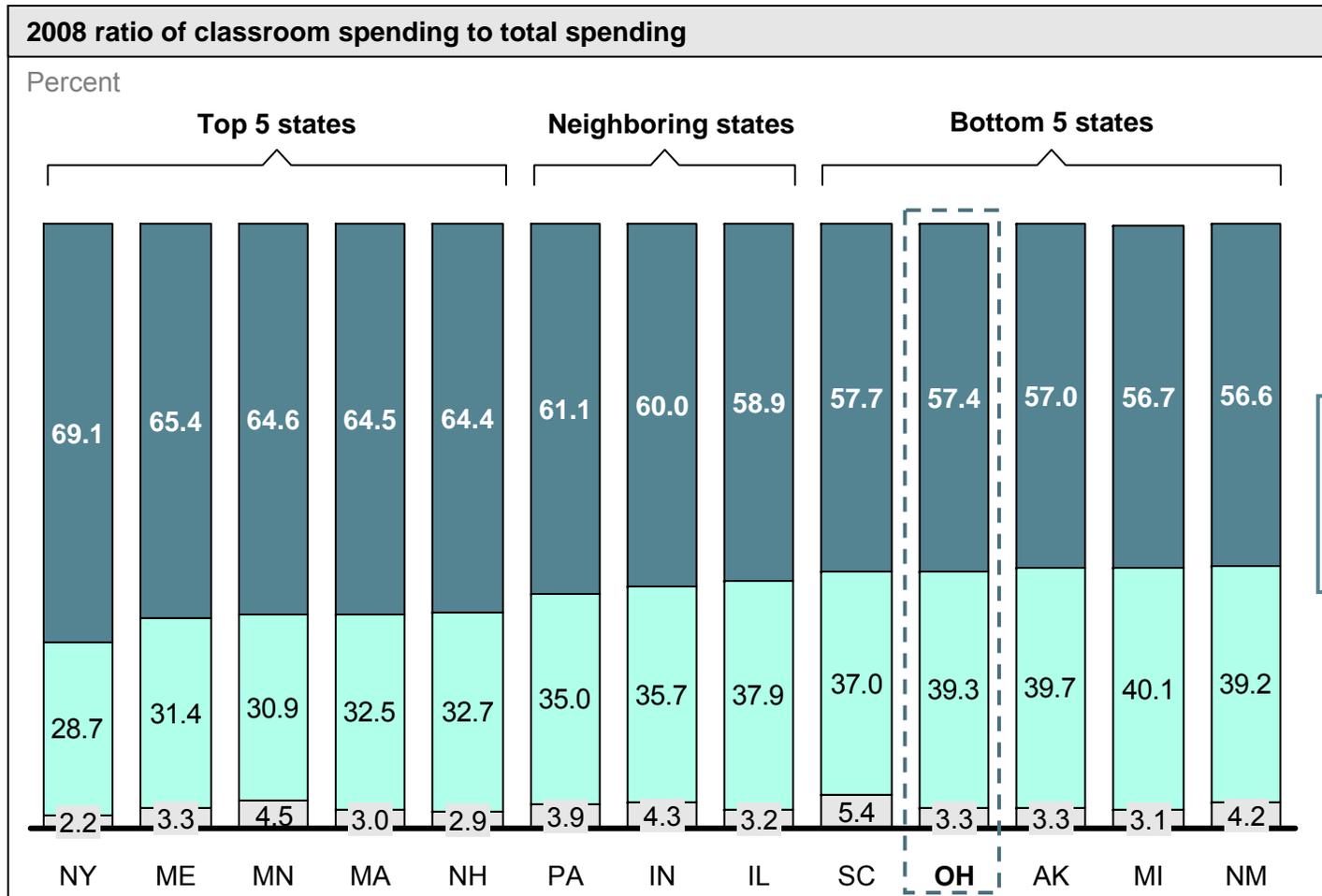
SOURCE: US Census; NCES; team analysis

# Education: We have identified and grouped a set of levers that can help the state and local districts capture savings

			<b>Estimated annual savings</b> Millions	
<b>Time to impact</b>	Long-term	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Structural levers</b></p> <p>14. Consolidate admin/ support personnel in smaller districts</p> <p>15. Combine infrastructure, ops, maintenance in smaller districts</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Transformational levers</b></p> <p>19. Re-allocate teacher salaries based on performance; eliminate tenure guarantees for under-performing teachers</p> <p>20. Shift to more charter schools for cost savings</p>	<p>11 \$20-50</p> <p>12 \$90-170</p> <p>13 \$140-280</p> <p>14 \$90-180</p> <p>15 \$125-250</p> <p>16 \$140-280</p> <p>17 \$50-170</p> <p>18 \$70-100</p> <p>19 \$170-270</p> <p>20 \$230</p>
	Near-term	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Operational levers</b></p> <p>11. Eliminate the mandatory set-asides for textbooks</p> <p>12. Eliminate mandatory set-asides for maintenance</p> <p>13. Consolidate and reduce per pupil purchasing in line with national averages</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Challenged levers</b></p> <p>16. Increase student/teacher ratio</p> <p>17. Eliminate administrator positions in larger districts</p> <p>18. Reduce total compensation for district level administrators</p>	
		Simple	Difficult	<p>Total annual: \$1,100 – 2,000</p> <p>Total biennial: \$2,200 – 4,000</p>
		<b>Political feasibility</b>		

# Education: Ohio ranks 47th nationally in total classroom spending ratio

- Classroom
- Support
- Other



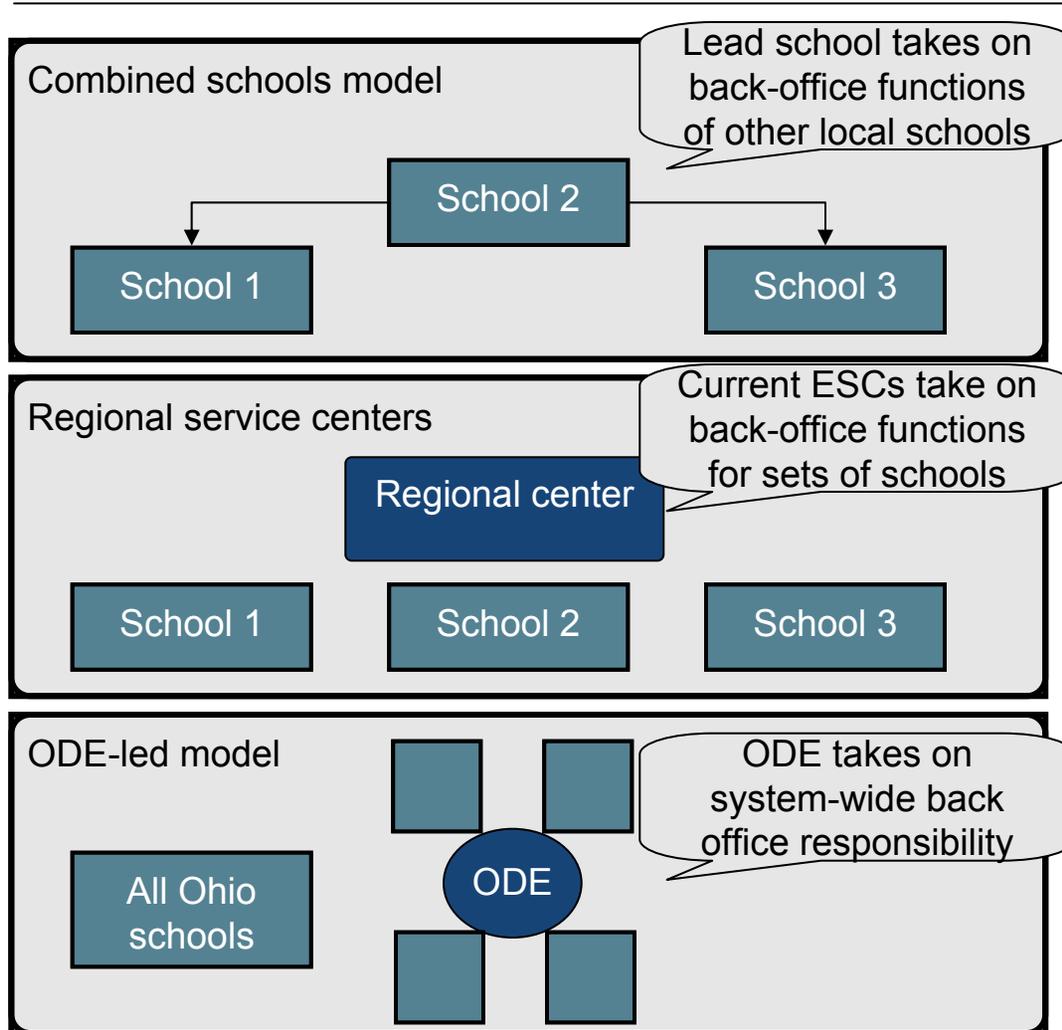
**Ohio's schools are top-heavy with administration and other non-classroom spending demands**

SOURCE: NCES

# Implementation approach for consolidation could vary dependent on depth of consolidation

STARTER OPTIONS

## Consolidation options



- **While combined schools model is easiest to implement**, likely will result in less efficiency and standardization gains
- Regional service centers are attractive as **Educational Service Centers** already exist at regional level, bring deeper integration
- **ODE-led model** would represent greatest cost savings in theory and represent transformational change, but actual ability to implement has been called into question

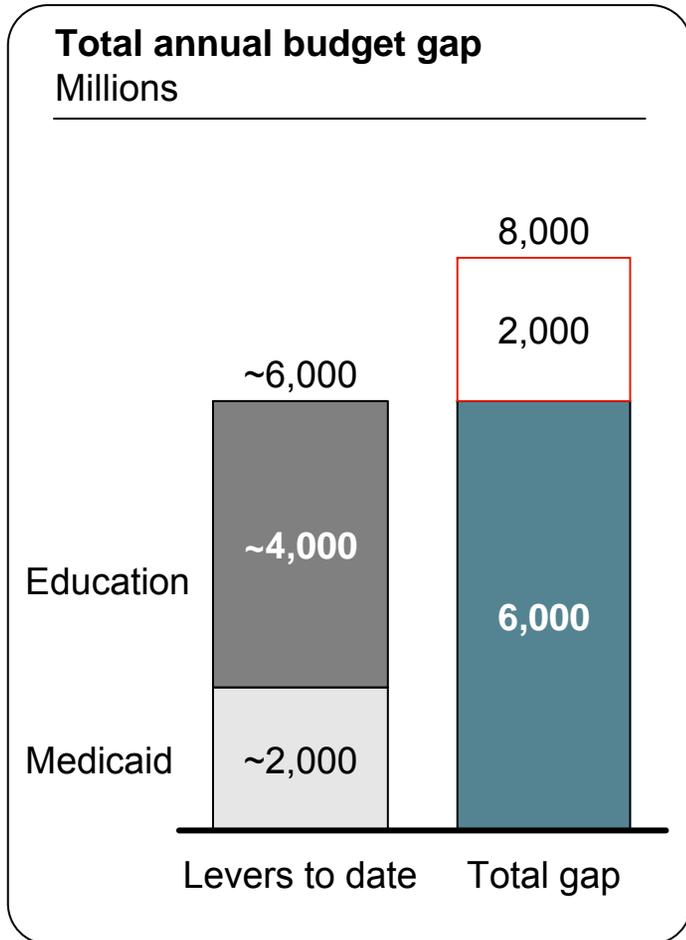
SOURCE: Interviews; Press reports; team analysis

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## Other areas: We also investigated other opportunities for savings



### Savings measures to consider

#### Medicaid levers

- Administrative savings
- Utilization reduction
- Broader care mgmt
- Reductions in eligibility and coverage

*Total savings= \$2,000M*



#### Education levers

- Services and administrative savings
- Operations improvement
- Teacher ratio reduction and performance pay

*Total savings ~4,000M*



#### Other program levers

- Corrections savings
- Higher education
- Other program areas

*Total savings= \$1,000M+*



#### Cross-cutting levers

- Gov't salary and benefits reductions
- Local/ state government overlap

*Total savings= \$1,000M+*



## There are five primary levers within the pension and benefits space

	Description	National benchmark	Potential savings
Reduce pension multiplier that determines annuity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ohio has a defined benefit plan, that multiplies years of service by final salary and a formula multiplier to determine the annuity</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ohio – 2.2-2.5%</li> <li>Nat. Avg - 2%</li> </ul>	\$200-400M
Reduce state contribution to pension system	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Every state provides a certain level of contribution into their retiree’s pension benefit plan</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ohio – 14%</li> <li>Nat. Avg. – 10-12%</li> </ul>	\$400M
Reduce health care coverage premiums	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ohio’s average state employee health care coverage requires a total monthly premium of \$326 for an individual plan</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ohio – \$327 ind.; \$897 family</li> <li>Nat. Avg - \$475 ind; \$1,062 family</li> </ul>	\$40-50M <sup>1</sup>
More active audits of pension funds	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Many states have found millions in fraud, waste, and abuse within their pension funds</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>0.5-1.5% in savings across the \$10B in annual payouts</li> </ul>	\$50-150M
Lower average salaries for state workers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ohio has a total (state and local) personnel cost of over \$28 billion annually across 750,000 employees</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>0.5-1% across-the-board cuts to state and local employee salaries</li> </ul>	\$140-280M

Max opportunity roughly \$1,200M

<sup>1</sup> Accounts of only state portion of savings; potential for additional \$600M at the local level

# Prisons: Savings opportunities exist through reducing cost of operations as well as through reducing overall population

	Detail	Savings
Reductions in total cost of operating prisons	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reducing marginal per prisoner cost                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Privatization of non-core elements of prisons operations- staffing, food service, etc</li> <li>Reduction in medical costs through joint purchasing, leveraging Medicaid for expenses outside of prison system</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	\$22M
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reducing fixed cost of prisons                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Full closure of one medium-sized prison (with concurrent decline in population)</li> <li>Reduction in non-productive measures in collective bargaining contracts up during this biennium</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	\$47M
Reductions in total prison population	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Limit prison admissions                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Divert low-level offenders to cheaper, non-prison facilities</li> <li>Require judiciary to utilize standardized risk assessments</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	\$35-100M
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Shorten length of stay                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Implement sentencing reform through modification of statute</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	\$200-225M
		Max opportunity roughly \$400M (with additional opportunity as more prisons close)

SOURCE: Interviews, Higher education literature review; team analysis

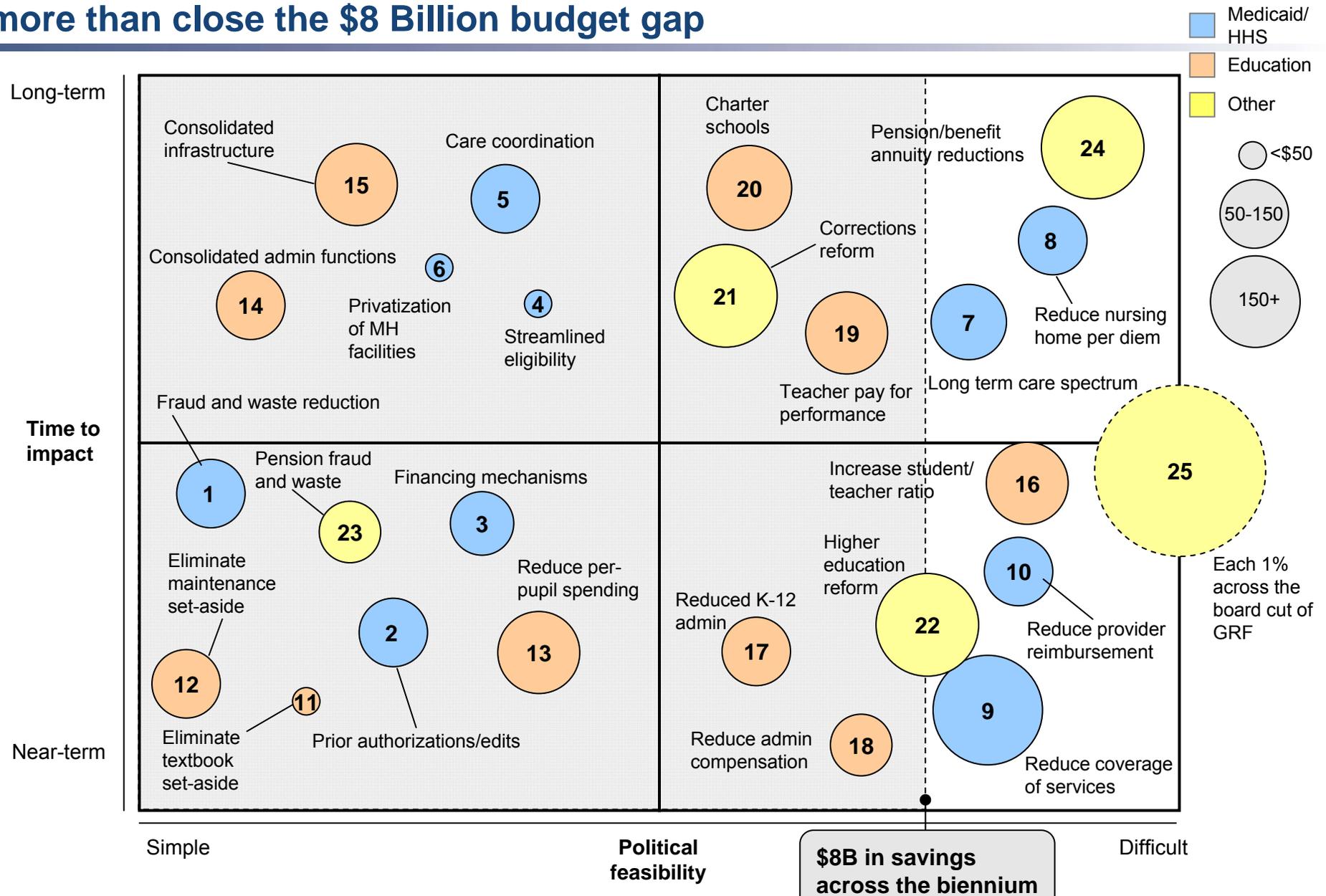
# Higher education: While state savings require cuts, we have identified a set of levers by which the universities could make up shortfalls in funding

		Detail	Savings
Savings opportunities at the university/ college level	Elimination of unfunded mandates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Elimination of construction mandate and other state-imposed mandates that drive up cost of university and college operations</li> </ul>	\$250+
	Consolidation of back-office/ admin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Schools could consolidate functions not core to programs (e.g., payroll, admissions process)</li> </ul>	<\$100M
	Elimination of programs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>State could restrict payouts in select programs (e.g., limit number of law schools, de-prioritize certain masters programs)</li> </ul>	<\$100M
Savings at state-wide program level (non- tuition support savings)	Minimize/ eliminate certain programs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>State could cut or eliminate small grant programs no longer deemed priority- <i>BRT goal of avoiding cuts to access programs</i></li> </ul>	<\$100M
	Efficiencies at admin level	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rigorous efficiency programs throughout the state's additional programs (e.g., Board of Regents, Choose Ohio First) could lead to cost savings</li> </ul>	<\$50M

Max opportunity- \$600M annually, though \$450M shared at university level

SOURCE: Interviews, Higher education literature review; team analysis

# Aggregating levers across categories provides a series of options that can more than close the \$8 Billion budget gap



## Appendix – Other Opportunities and Levers

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## There are a set of opportunities that we have considered but would take further effort to size and verify

	Description	Size of opportunity
<p><b>General savings in other program areas</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>While we did not complete deep dives in all program areas, best practices from other states suggest potential to cut 3-5% of program budgets that can be made up for in operational and administrative savings</li> </ul>	<p>Large- over \$500 million annually</p>
<p><b>Greater improvements to state-wide purchasing</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>While Department of Administrative Services runs some purchasing programs, opportunities still exist- for instance, recent study showed \$200 million in savings possible from pooling all state and local government employee health care</li> </ul>	<p>Large- over \$500 million annually</p>
<p><b>Addressing Ohio's workers compensation program</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ohio continues to operate a state run workers comp program- while team did not analyze, likely similar challenges to state's pensions and benefits programs, with savings opportunities. Statewide task force reviewing the feasibility to allow employers the option to obtain private insurance to insure their obligations is expected to issue its report in December 2010</li> </ul>	<p>Medium- \$100-500 million annually</p>
<p><b>Sale or lease of state assets</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ohio has broad assets has billions worth of state assets in land, buildings, programs that could be sold off, rolled off to third parties for management, etc- significant time required to understand the full measure and trade-offs of opportunity</li> </ul>	<p>Very large, but likely one-time savings</p>

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	Description	Size of opportunity
<p><b>Maximizing federal reimbursement</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Potential to increase federal reimbursement for activities in other program areas. State should catalogue all federal opportunities and manage state expenditures to maximize federal reimbursement. The state must closely monitor where changes in policy and/or budget decisions impact the ability to draw down additional dollars.</li> <li>▪ Ex: Examine current wastage of federal TANF dollars, which flow through the Ohio Department of Job &amp; Family Services, and the \$150 million loss of available TANF dollars.</li> <li>▪ Ex: Audit the child care expenditures for fraud and evaluate appropriate payment levels and policies</li> <li>▪ Ex: Examine Ohio Department of Health compliance issues related to Center for Disease Control funding</li> </ul>	<p>Large- over \$500 million annually</p>
<p><b>Examine further efficiencies in Public Safety</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Potential to save on annual highway patrol spend through elimination of duplicate programs overlaps</li> <li>▪ Ohio State Highway Patrol Mission Review Task Force minority report suggests further review of some functions and programs that appeared to duplicate or overlap with services provided elsewhere in Ohio’s law enforcement structure. They also encouraged further research on possibilities for more collaboration, coordination, and consolidation</li> </ul>	<p>Medium- \$100-500 million annually</p>
<p><b>Elimination of local government overlaps</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Redundancy in local governments is a huge problem to address in Ohio- townships, counties, cities all have admin and operational spend that could be eliminated. We have addressed some redundancies (e.g., county mental health boards) but more opportunities exist</li> </ul>	<p>Large-though most savings at local levels</p>