



An interactive, online public
budget simulation





Opening comments

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A Collaborative Effort...

- The Colorado Health Foundation
- Colorado State University
 - Bighorn Leadership Development Program
- Media Partners
 - 9NEWS (Denver NBC affiliate)
 - Denver Post



How Backseat Budgeter Came to be:

- Participatory Budgeting
- State Fiscal Challenges
- BB was used primarily for small-scale training; then media and policymakers recognized its value in addressing budget cuts



Heightened interest led to...



Town Hall Meeting

Noon-1 p.m. Today

In Collaboration With:





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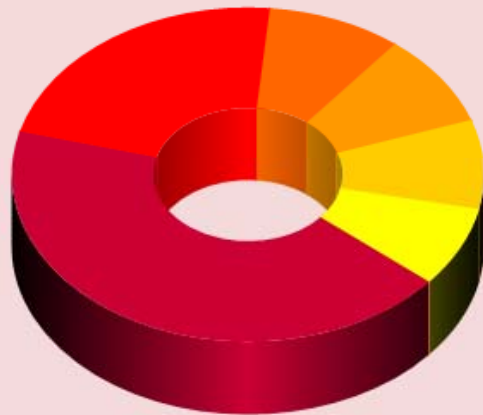
Since September 2010:

- More than 22,000 users
- Average user stays seven minutes and views thirteen pages
- TV, newspapers and radio from across the state (and nation) have covered and linked
- Usage spikes when there is budget news and during election season

Today we'll take a look at:

Spending

Click on any item below the chart to increase or decrease the state spending.



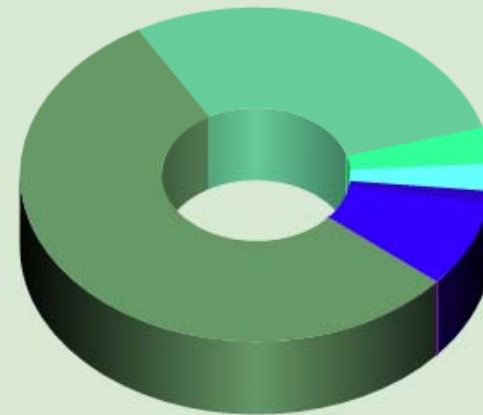
	K-12 Education	\$3,431,000,000	43.06 %
	Health Care	\$1,777,900,000	22.31 %
	Higher Education	\$734,300,000	9.22 %
	Corrections	\$714,700,000	8.97 %
	Human Services	\$690,600,000	8.67 %
	Other	\$619,500,000	7.77 %
	Transportation ⚠️	\$0	0.00 %
	Furlough State Employees ⚠️	\$0	0.00 %

Spending In Billions

Original Amount:	\$7,968,000,000
+/- Your Changes:	\$0
Current Budget:	\$7,968,000,000

Revenue

Click on any item below the chart to increase or decrease the state revenue.
Learn more...



	Income Tax	\$4,325,200,000	55.54 %
	Sales & Use Tax	\$2,238,700,000	28.75 %
	Corporate Income Tax	\$276,300,000	3.55 %
	Premium Tax	\$206,600,000	2.65 %
	Tobacco & Alcoholic Beverages Tax	\$91,300,000	1.17 %
	Other	\$649,000,000	8.33 %
	Cash Funds Transfers	\$0	0.00 %
	Tax Breaks	\$0	0.00 %
	Emergency Reserve ⚠️	\$0	0.00 %

Revenue In Billions

Original Amount:	\$7,518,000,000
+/- Your Changes:	\$0
Current Budget:	\$7,518,000,000



Let's take a look:

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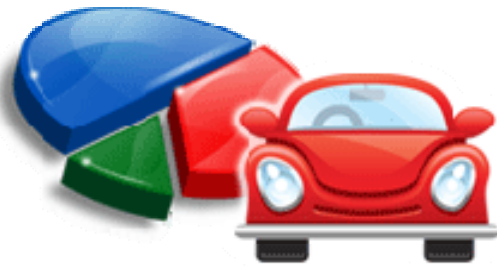
What type of work is involved?

- Technical development
- Budget analysis
- Communications



What's next for Backseat Budgeter?

- Simulate fiscal measures on November ballot
- Develop 2012-13 Colorado version
- Develop other public budgets
 - Likely to announce at least one city and one school district in next two months
 - Several states have queried, but none have gone beyond proposal stage



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