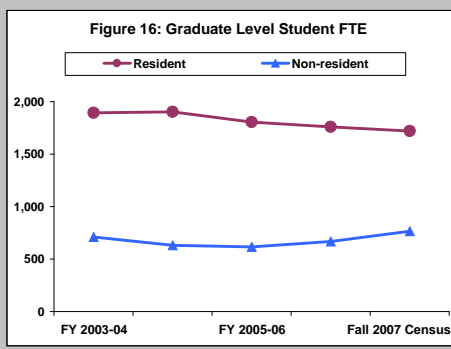
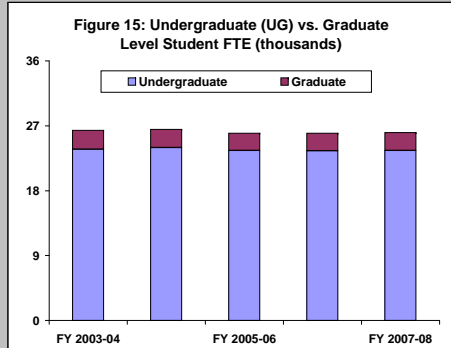
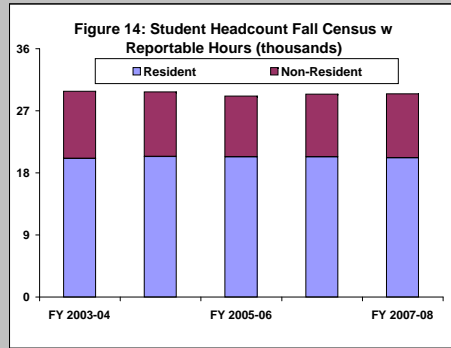
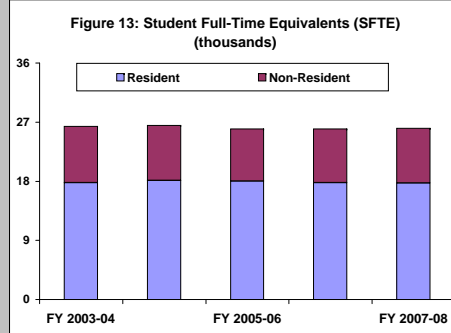
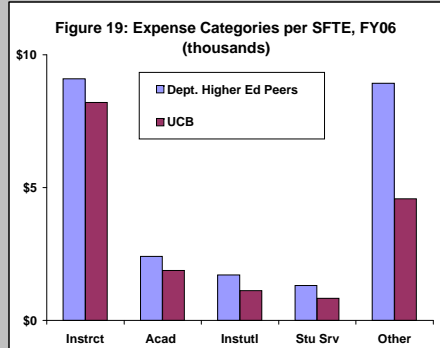
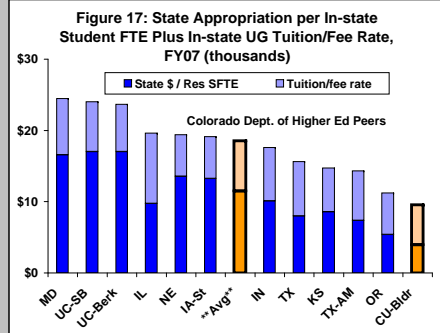


Enrollment



Revenues & Expenditures Compared to Peers, and Research Diversity



Expenditures compared to peers (Figures 17-20):

Growth in expenditures is limited to available resources, such as state funding and tuition. Compared to its Colorado Department of Higher Education (DHE) peers, CU-Boulder is \$8,953 or 48% below average for the combination of annual state funding per student full-time equivalent and the in-state academic year undergraduate tuition and fee rate. The high point of state funding occurred in FY2003 when CU-Boulder was appropriated \$84.7 million. Subsequently, state funds were reduced due to state tax revenue shortfalls. State funding has started to be restored in recent years and is currently at \$79.5 million. Restoring state funds to the FY2003 appropriation level, adjusted for inflation and enrollment growth, would require \$97 million, \$17.5 million higher than our actual level for FY2008.

Expenses by category show "instruction," which has been a priority for CU-Boulder, as comparable to the DHE peers at 90% of peer average. Support and services expenditures are much further behind, at between two-thirds and three-quarters of the peer average.

Enrollment (Figures 13-16):

Over 90% of CU-Boulder undergraduates and almost 80% of graduate-level students are classified as full time, so headcount and FTE are closely correlated. Overall enrollment has been steady for the past three years -- with small declines in non-resident, graduate, and international enrollments compared to prior years. However, each of these categories has experienced some recovery in the past year.

Financial and Other Measures (Figures 17-24):

The campus research portfolio is diverse, which can be beneficial when either federal or non-federal funding streams change. The campus has maintained approximately \$260M of annual research expenditures for the past two years.

Faculty salaries have been below Association of American Universities (AAU) public university averages for more than a decade, but a dedicated effort to make faculty retention a priority has moved CU-Boulder to within 2% of the average for FY2007. Compensation (salary plus benefits) is 4% under the AAU public average.

Annual gifts and endowment proceeds have increased over the past three years, nearing prior high levels reached in FY2003.

Tenure-track faculty numbers have remained steady for 10 years, while enrollments have increased, resulting in a higher student to faculty ratio than in prior years. Recent investments in new tenure lines are an attempt to move the ratio closer to historical levels over the next 5-10 years.

Financial and Other

