

Task Force for Improving Education



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Educational Improvement

- **Previous and Current Improvement Efforts**
- **Achievement Gains**
- **Goal to Increase Postsecondary Attendance Rate**
- **Still Room for Improvement**
- **Task Force Process and Progress**

Educational Improvements

Past and Current Initiatives

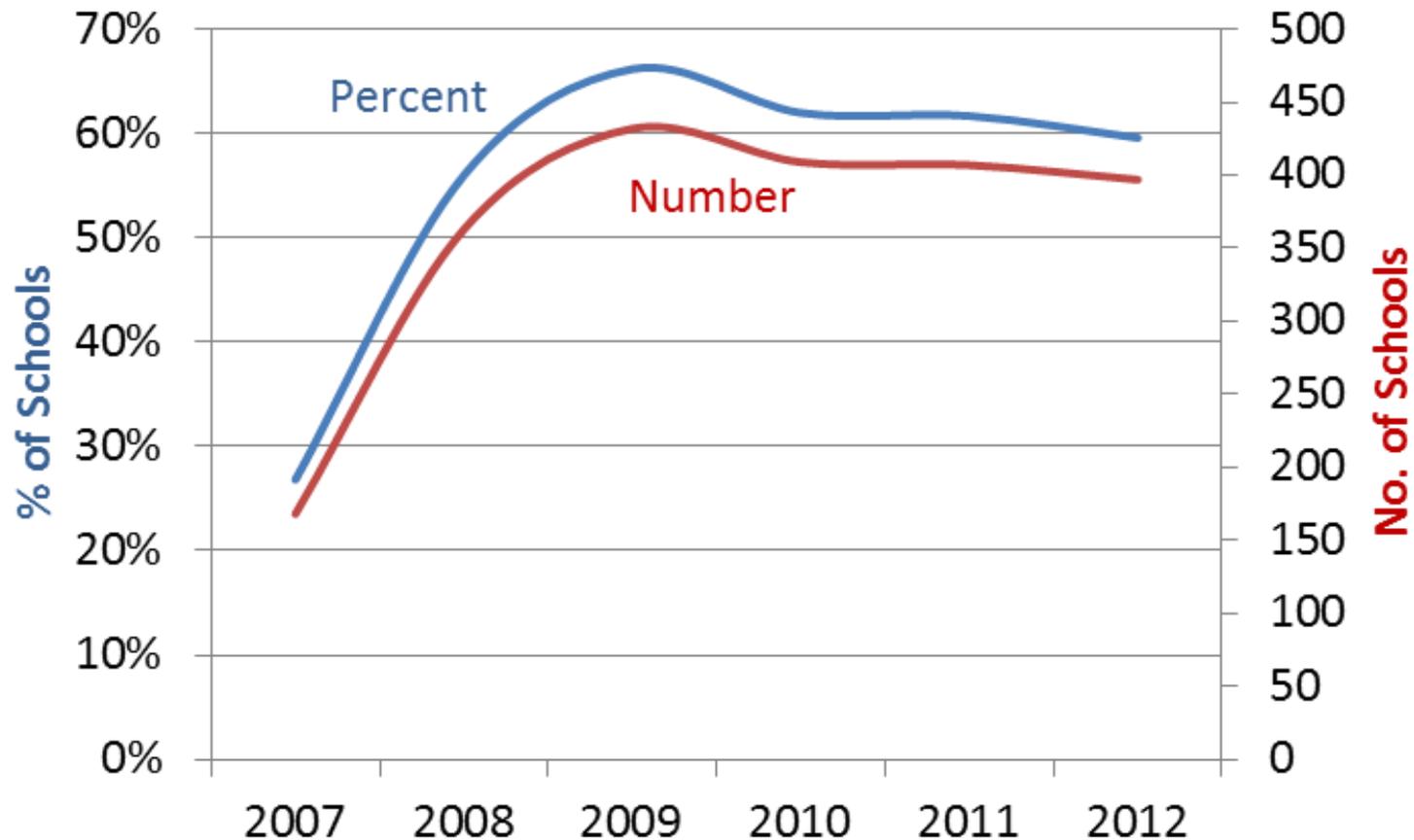
- **Creation of Idaho Standards**
- **Idaho Standards Assessments**
- **Idaho High School Redesign**
 - increased math and science requirements
 - college entrance exams for all HS students
 - senior projects
 - learning plans
- **Charter Schools Enablement**
- **Charter School Commission**
- **Accelerated Learning Task Force**
 - increased dual credit, concurrent credit and advanced opportunities

Educational Improvements

Past and Current Initiatives (cont.)

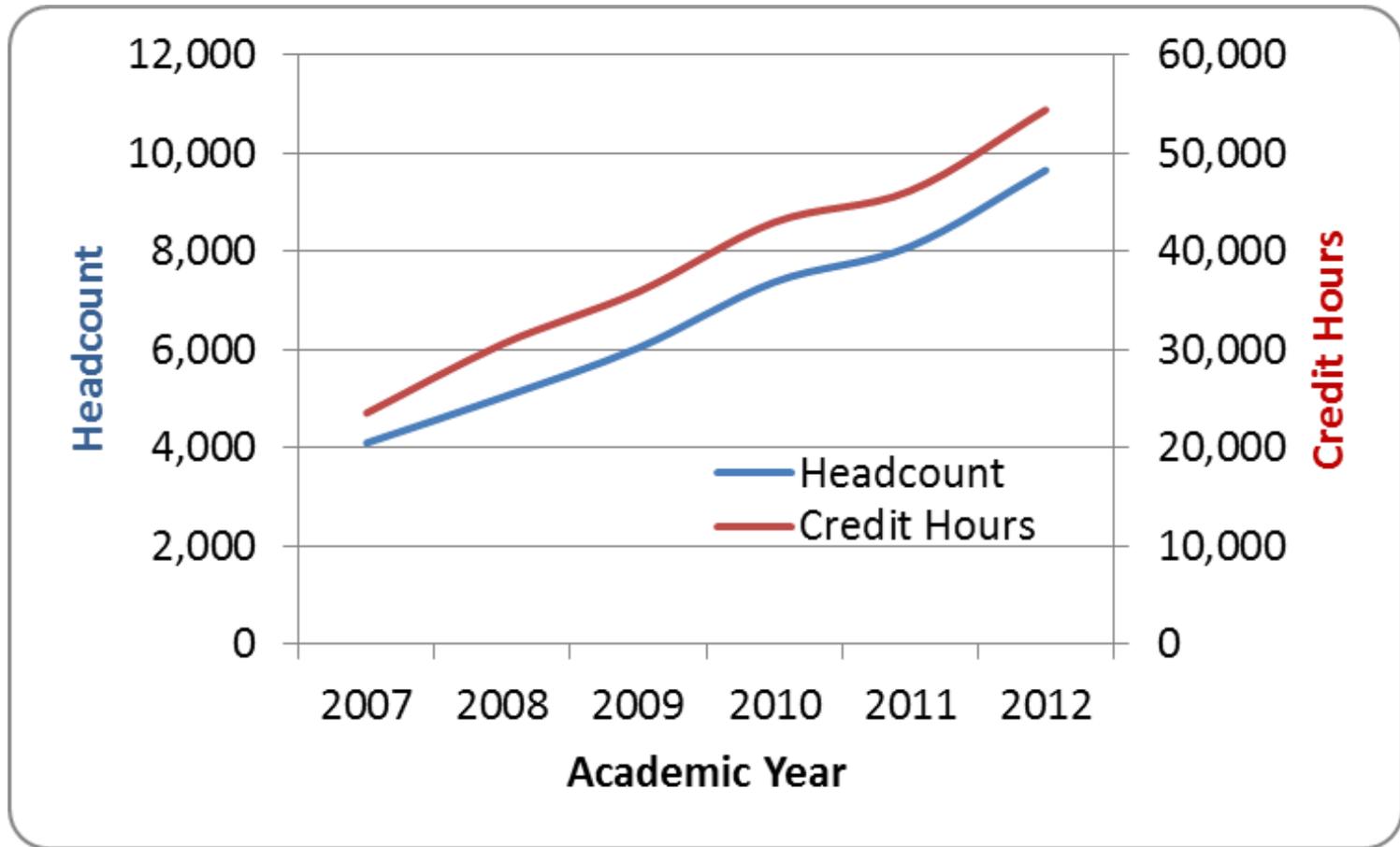
- Idaho Digital Learning Academy
- Middle School Initiative
- Teacher Performance Evaluation Initiative
- Reading Initiative
- Math Initiative
- Implementation of Federal AYP
- 5-Star Rating/Accountability Measures
- Idaho Education Network
- Idaho Core State Standards

Percent and Number of Idaho Schools Making Adequate Yearly Progress



Idaho State Department of Education, 2012

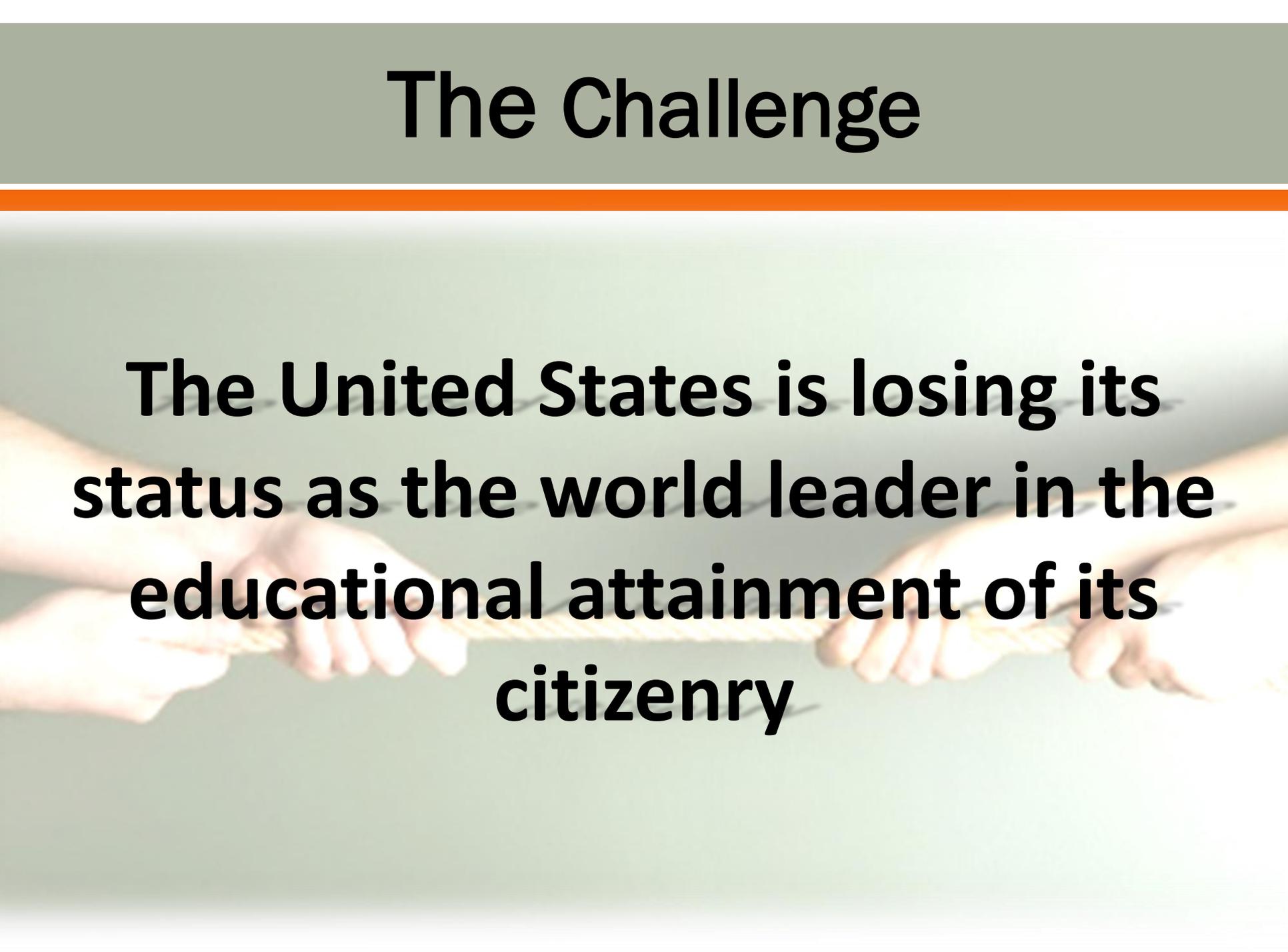
Statewide Dual Credit Annual Headcount & Credit Hours Taken



Data Source: 2007-2011 OSBE Dual Credit Report; 2012 DFM Performance Report.

The Challenge

The United States is losing its status as the world leader in the educational attainment of its citizenry

A background image showing several pairs of hands pulling on a thick, light-colored rope, symbolizing teamwork or a shared challenge. The hands are positioned horizontally across the middle of the frame, with the rope running through them. The background is a soft, out-of-focus light green and white.

Global and National Math Proficiency

- ∞ **The U.S. Ranks 32nd in the world for the percentage of students proficient in mathematics.**
- ∞ **Idaho ranks 26th in the U.S. in the percentage of students proficient in mathematics**

Source: Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), which administers the Program for International Student Assessment (PISA) and the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP), administered by the U.S. Department of Education, 2009 and 2011.

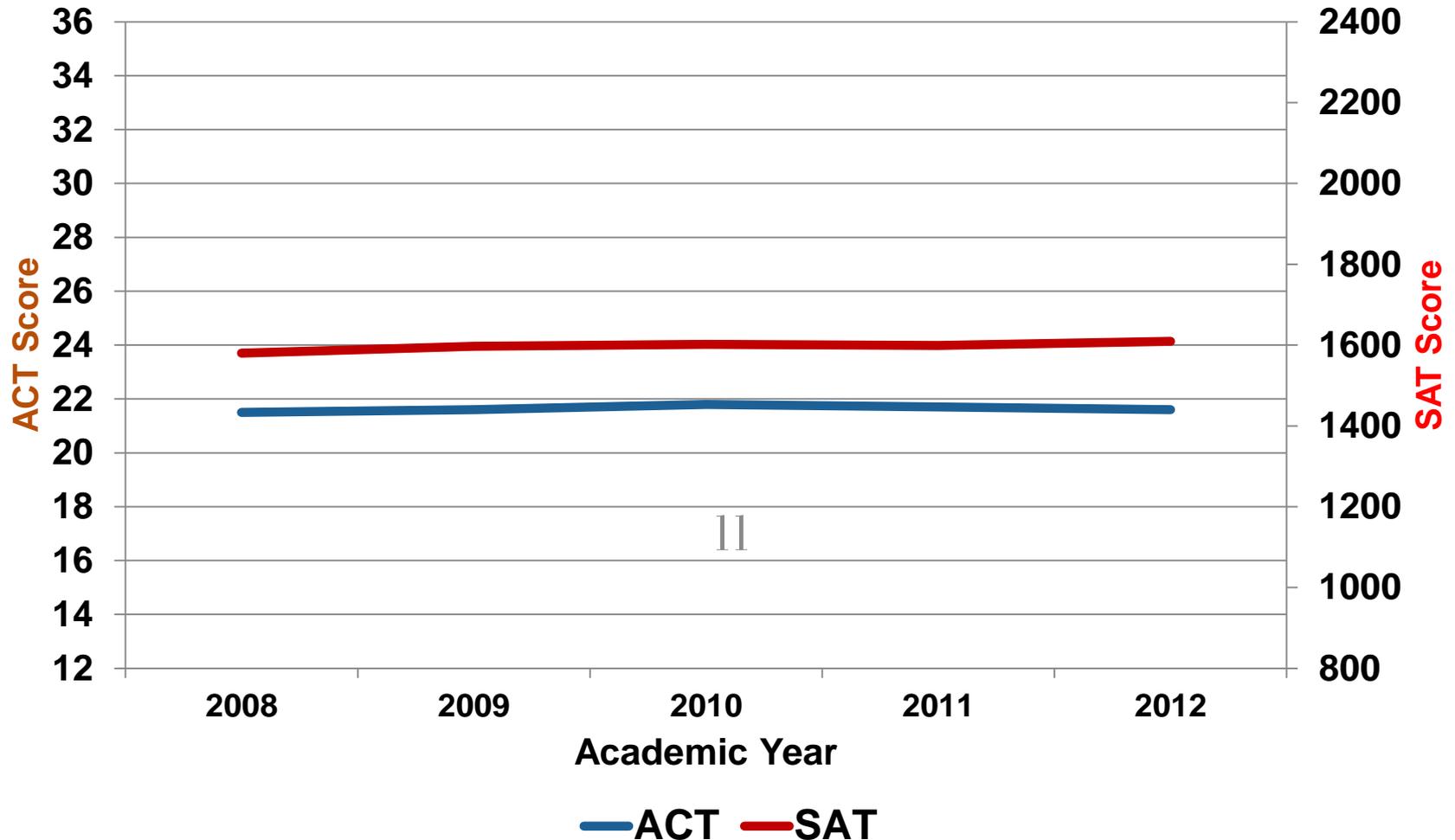
Global and National Reading Proficiency

- ∞ U.S. students rank 17th in the world for the percentage of students proficient in reading.
- ∞ Idaho ranks 24th in the U.S. in the percentage of students proficient in reading.

Source: Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), which administers the Program for International Student Assessment (PISA) and the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP), administered by the U.S. Department of Education, 2009 and 2011.

Average ACT & SAT Composite Scores

Only 1 in 4 Idaho juniors in 2012 met the college- and career-readiness benchmarks set by the College Board.



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Goal of

60%

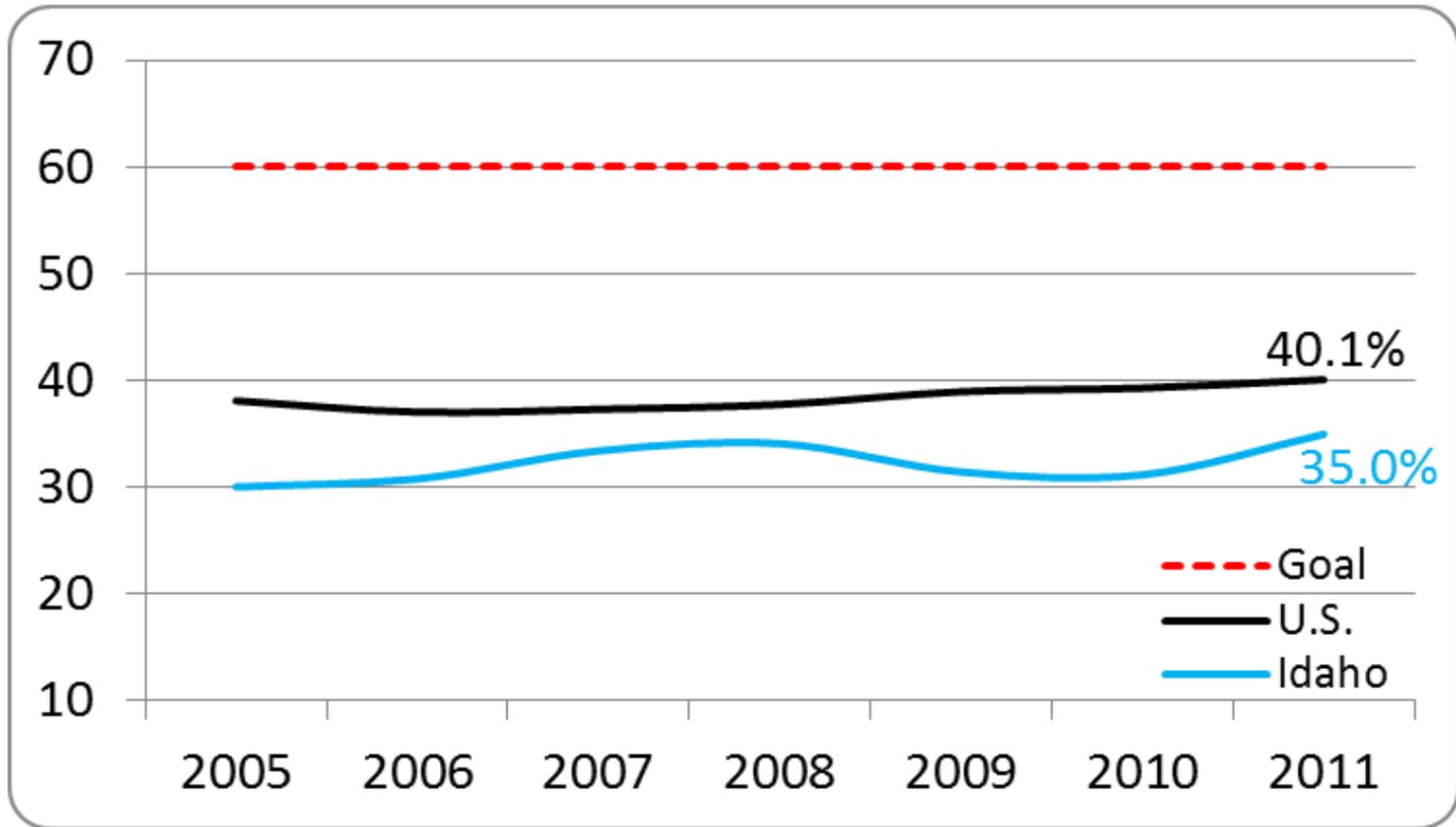
of Idaho's citizens
aged **25-34**

will have at least a 1-year
Postsecondary credential

by 2020

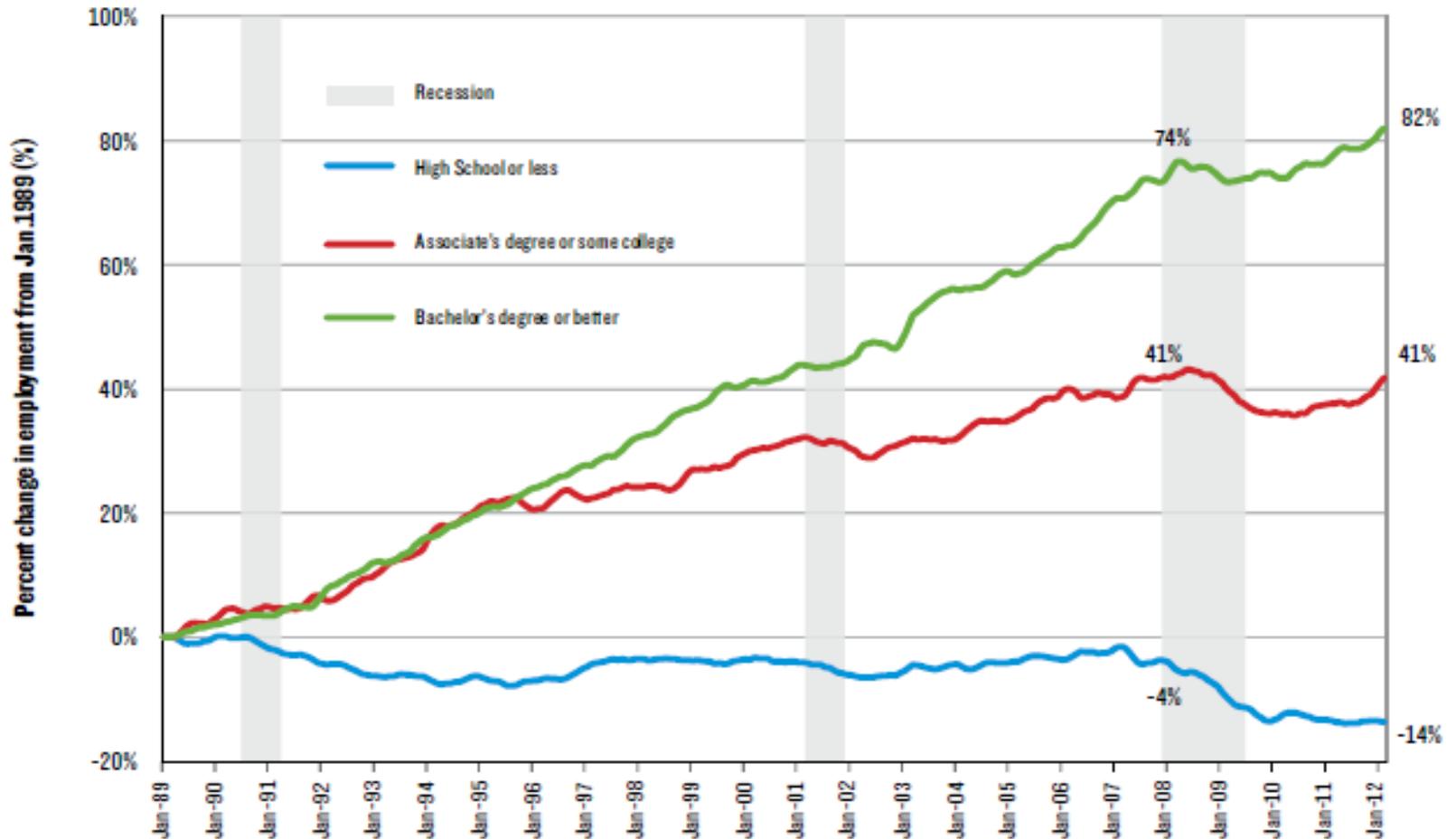


25-34 Year Old Idahoans with an Associate's Degree or Higher



Data Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey.

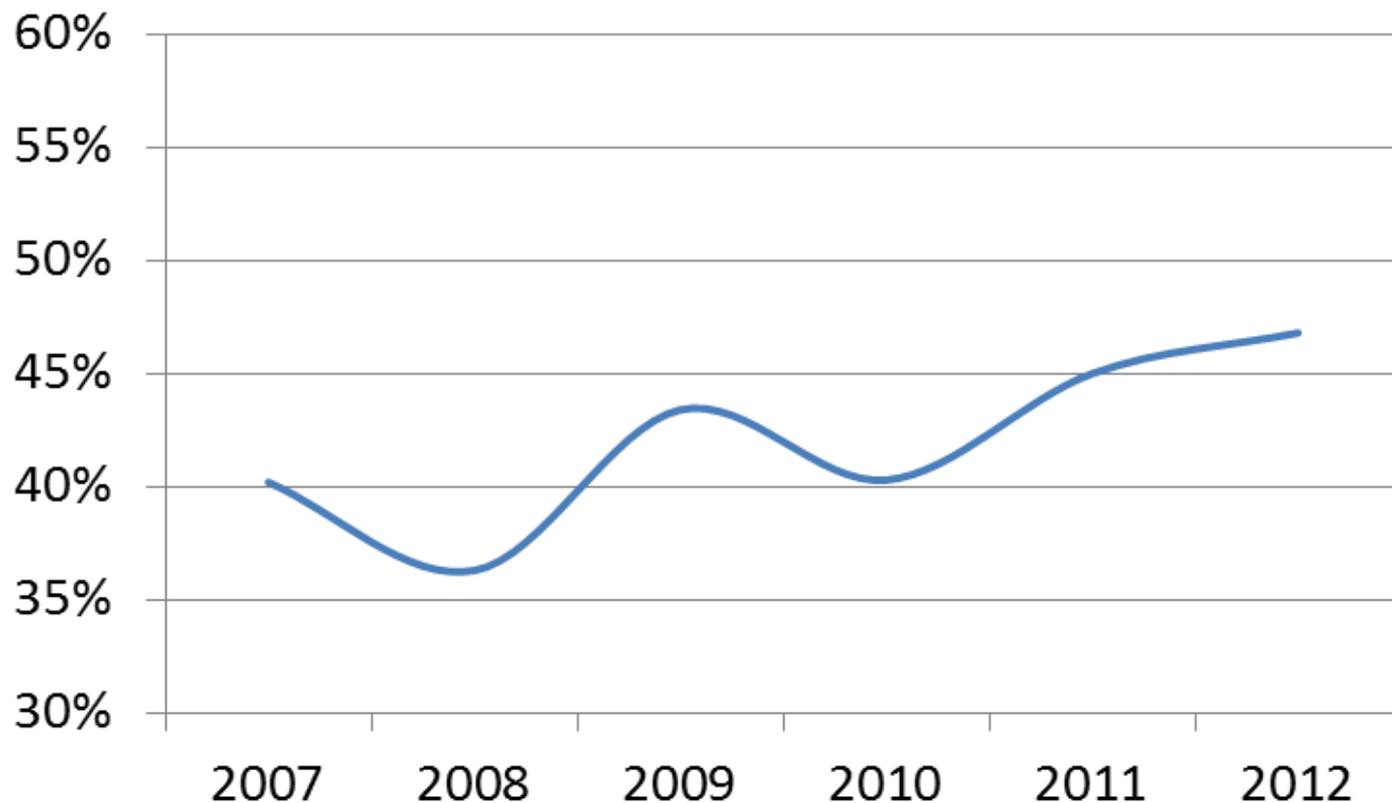
Post Recession 2007: The growth has been in college level jobs



Source: Total employment of workers aged 18 and older is a CEW estimate from the Current Population Survey. The monthly employment numbers are seasonally adjusted using the U.S. Census Bureau X-12 procedure and are smoothed using four-month moving averages. The areas shaded in grey indicate periods of recessions as reported by the National Bureau of Economic Research.

¹⁰ Authors' estimate using Current Population Survey (CPS) data.

% of Idaho High School Students in need of Remediation at Idaho Postsecondary Institutions (1st-Time, 1st-Year, Graduated H.S. w/in 12 months)



Status Quo is Not Enough...



Still Room for Improvement

Initial Strategies and Recommendations

4 meetings since January

- Review of data and research
- Identification of areas of focus
- Discussion of current conditions
- Development of initial strategies and recommendations

Focus Areas

- ∞ Fiscal Stability
- ∞ Structural Change
- ∞ Teacher/Administrator Effectiveness
- ∞ Professional Development
- ∞ Technology

- Fiscal Stability
- Structural Change (including Technology)
- Effective Teachers & Leaders (including Professional Development)

Effective Teachers and Leaders

- ☞ Use framework of Professional Learning Communities (emphasis on collaboration)
- ☞ Improve Administrator Effectiveness
- ☞ Improve School Board Effectiveness
- ☞ Improve Teacher Effectiveness
- ☞ Recruit and Retain Quality Teachers and Administrators
- ☞ **Align and Implement Idaho Core State Standards**

Fiscal Stability

- ✎ Create a more equitable and adequate funding system
- ✎ Improve efficiencies across the state with less reliance on supplemental levies
- ✎ Develop a statewide salary and benefits schedule
- ✎ Establish regional service districts to improve efficiencies of services

Structural Change

- ☞ Define, implement and use a consistent, reliable data system
- ☞ Define key measures for growth and success
- ☞ Evaluate current accountability system and make needed changes
- ☞ Identify and evaluate decentralized models and appropriate decision making levels
- ☞ Implement technology to support instruction

Questions

- ⌘ What is the basic amount of funding needed to adequately educate a student in Idaho?
- ⌘ Given the finite amount of funding, how would you like it spent in your school?
- ⌘ Is funding based on attendance an appropriate model?

Questions (cont.)

- ⌘ How should/could we balance a decentralized model with the Constitutional requirement for a uniform, thorough, common system of education?
- ⌘ What should be the measure(s) to hold schools and districts accountable?
- ⌘ What should be done about schools/districts that continually underperform?
- ⌘ What professional technical education skills would you like to see taught in high school?

Community Forums

- **Wednesday, April 10, 6:30 p.m.**
Little Theatre, Nampa High School, 203 Lake Lowell, Nampa, ID 83686
- **Thursday, April 11, 6:30 p.m.**
O'Leary Middle School Auditorium, 2350 Elizabeth Blvd., Twin Falls, ID 83301
- **Monday, April 15, 6:30 p.m.**
Meriwether Lewis Hall (MLH) Room 100, Lewis-Clark State College, Lewiston, ID 83501
- **Tuesday, April 16, 6:30 p.m.**
Lake Coeur d'Alene Room, North Idaho College Student Union Building,
- **Monday, April 22, 6:30 p.m.**
Tingey Auditorium, University Place, 1776 Science Center Drive, Idaho Falls, ID 83402
- **Tuesday, April 23, 6:30 p.m.**
Century High School, 7801 W. Diamondback Dr., Pocatello, ID 83204
- **Thursday, April 25, 6:30 p.m.**
Lincoln Auditorium, Idaho Capitol Building, 700 W. Jefferson, Boise, ID 83720

The Coeur d'Alene, Idaho Falls and Boise Forums will be video streamed by Idaho Public Television at <http://idahoptv.org>.

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