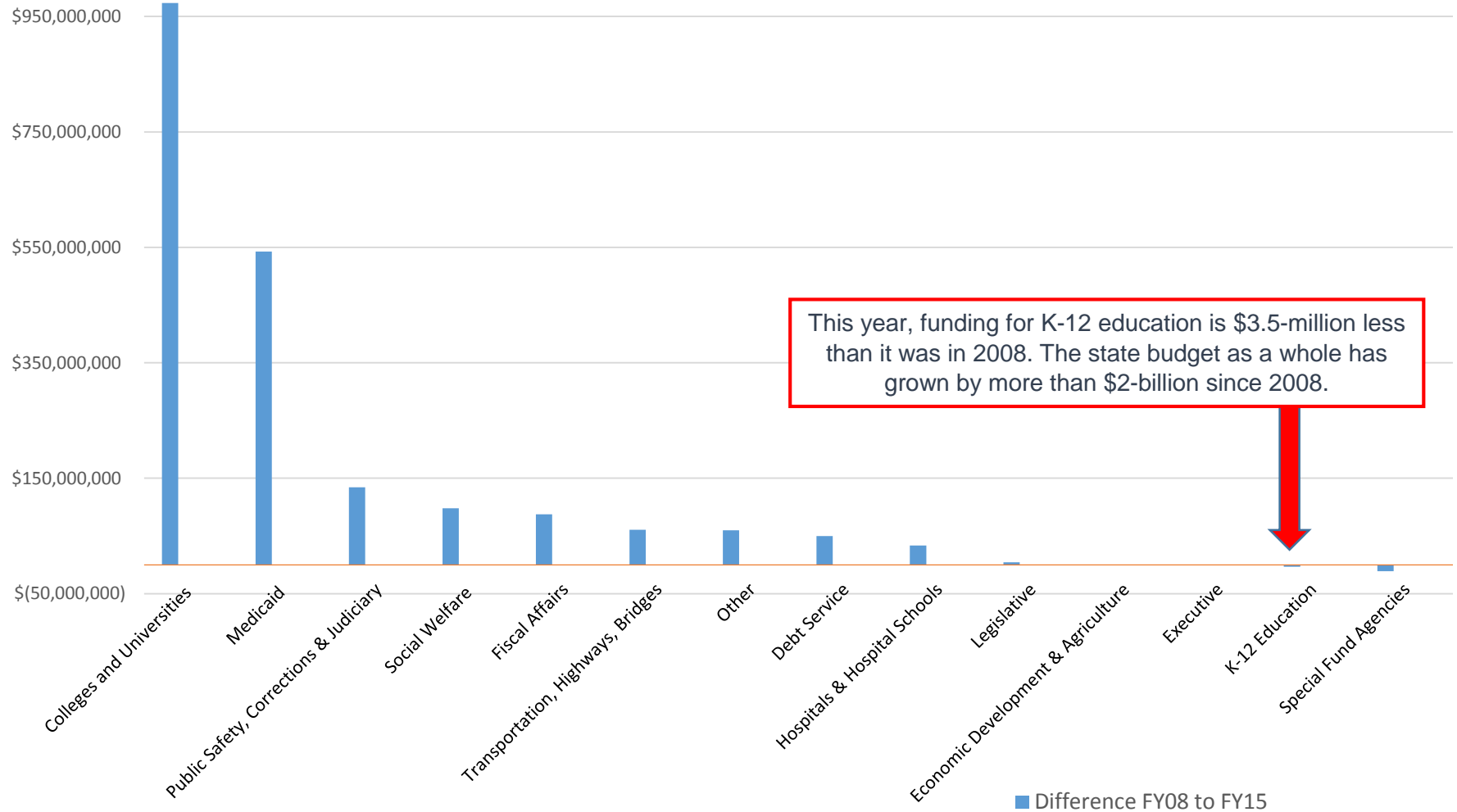


Increase or Decrease in Total State Funding by Budget Category Since 2008



Source: State of Mississippi Budgets FY2008 and FY2015

In the current fiscal year (FY2015), most state agencies have seen their budgets rebound from the recession and surpass their FY2008 funding levels. Not so with K-12 education. Despite a \$2.2-billion increase in Mississippi's state budget, the K-12 appropriation remains \$3.5-million below its 2008 appropriation. The Mississippi Adequate Education Program is \$50-million shy of where it was in 2008, despite the numerous additional mandates and requirements that have been placed on schools by the Legislature. Note: The State Budget produced by the Legislative Budget Office includes in the Colleges and Universities line item state-funded student financial aid, student tuition, institutional self-insurance fees, and University Medical Center patient fees.