

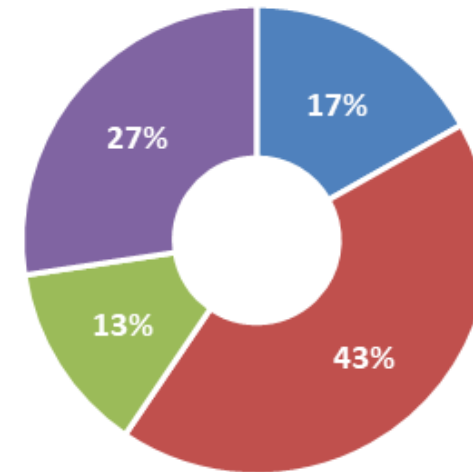


2nd Annual TASBO School Finance Survey

2025 TASBO School Finance Survey

- 195 responses from 190 districts
- Responding districts make up 47% of the state's enrollment

Responses by District Size

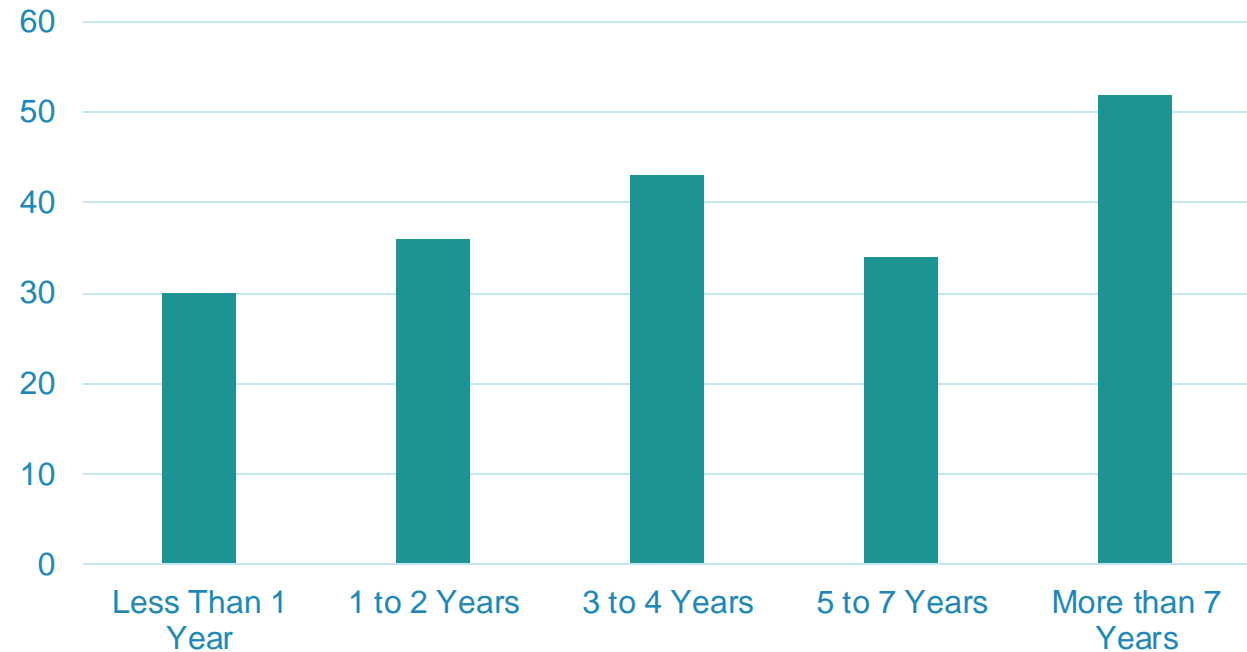


■ <= 1,000 ■ 1,001 to 5,000 ■ 5,001 to 10,000 ■ > 10,000

Respondents

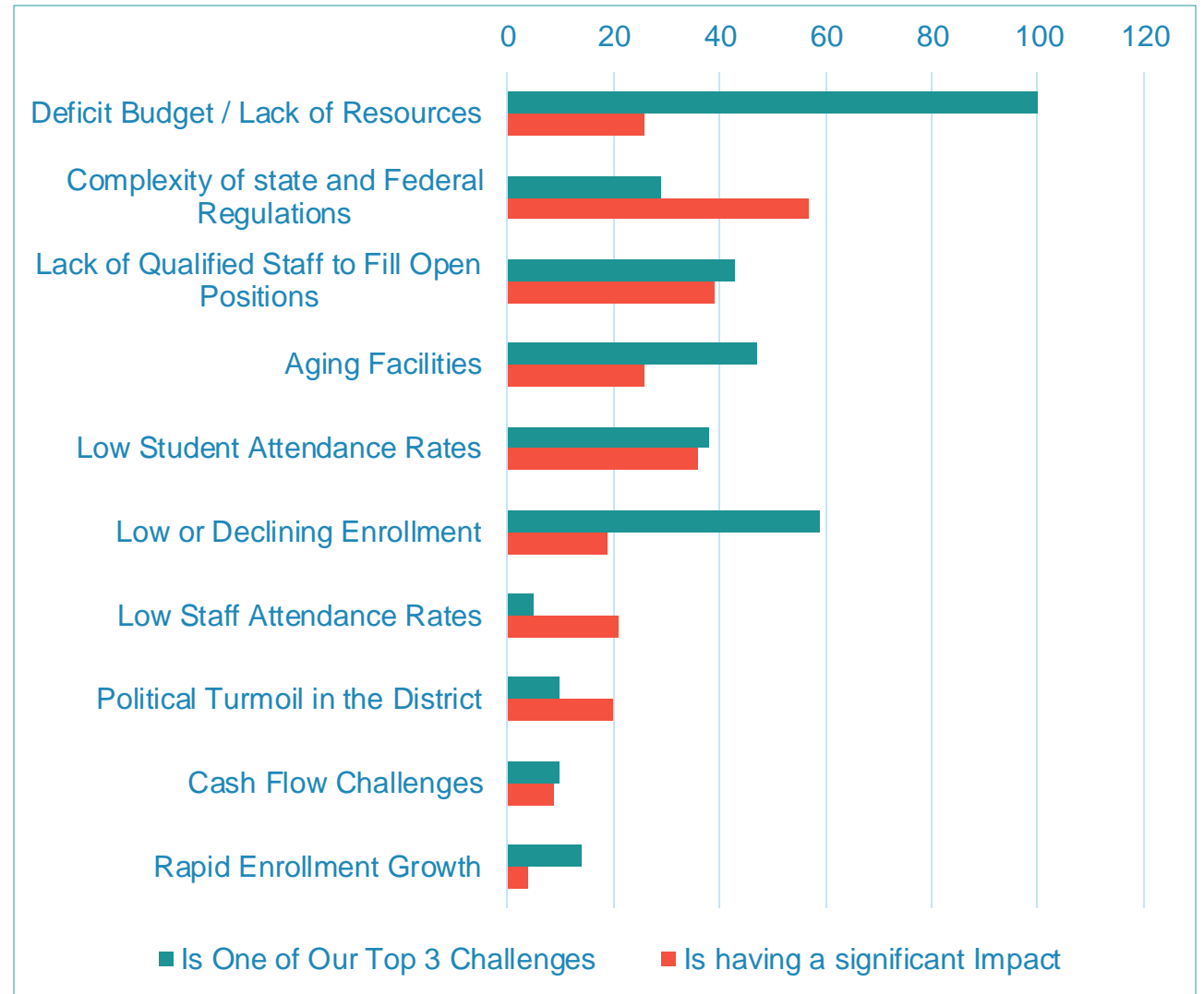
- 34% of respondents have been in their current position for 2 years or less
- This is compared to 27% last year.

Length of Time in Current Position and Current District

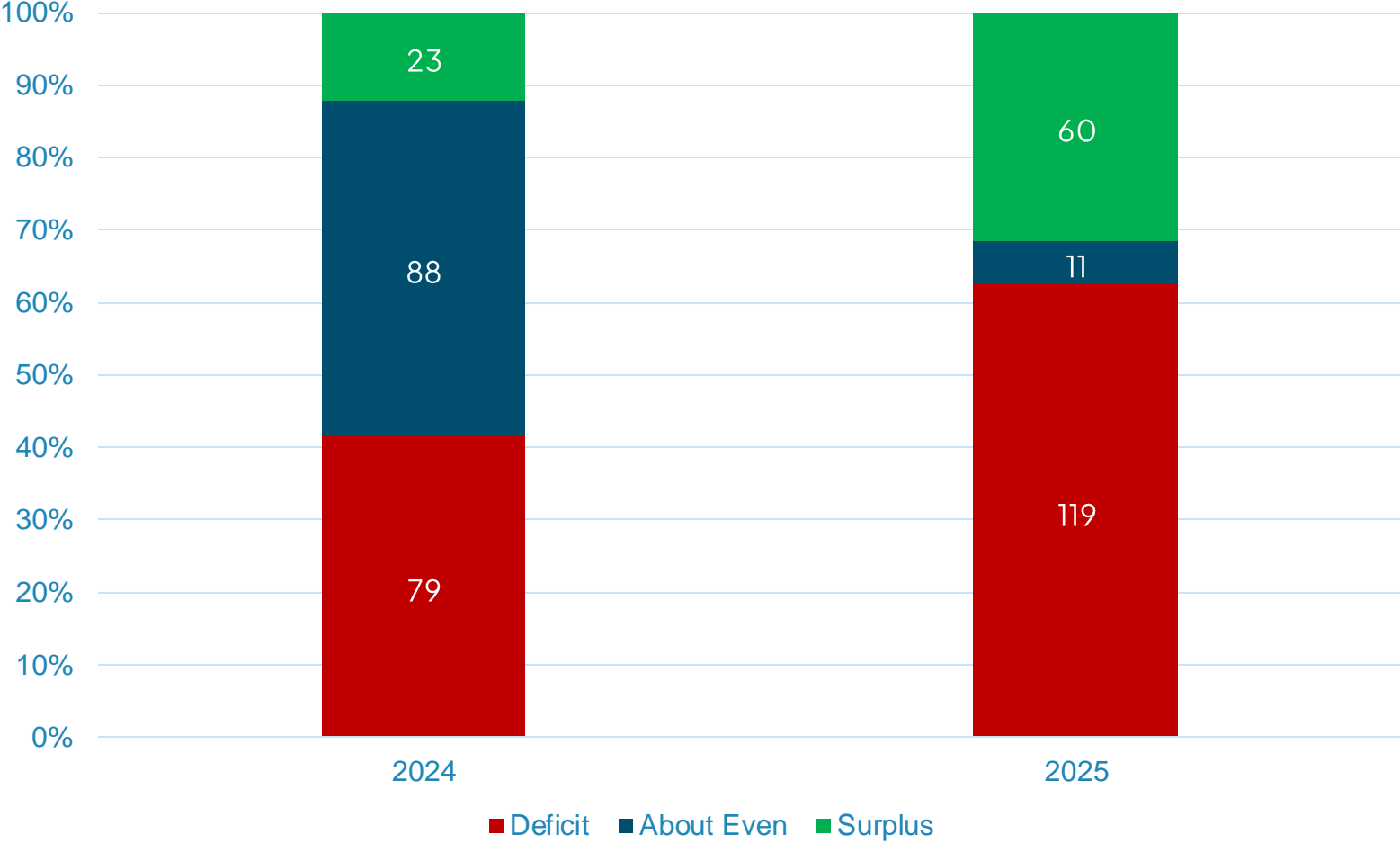


Most Significant Challenges

- Roughly 65% of respondents rated deficit budgets / lack of resources to be a significant challenge.
- Complexity of state and federal regulations has risen to rank second in the list. Roughly 44% of respondents ranked it as a significant challenge



Deficit Budgets Continue



Roughly 42% of districts are reporting ending FY 2024 in a deficit. Nearly 63% think they will end FY 2025 in a deficit.



An Early Look: Planned Reductions for FY2026

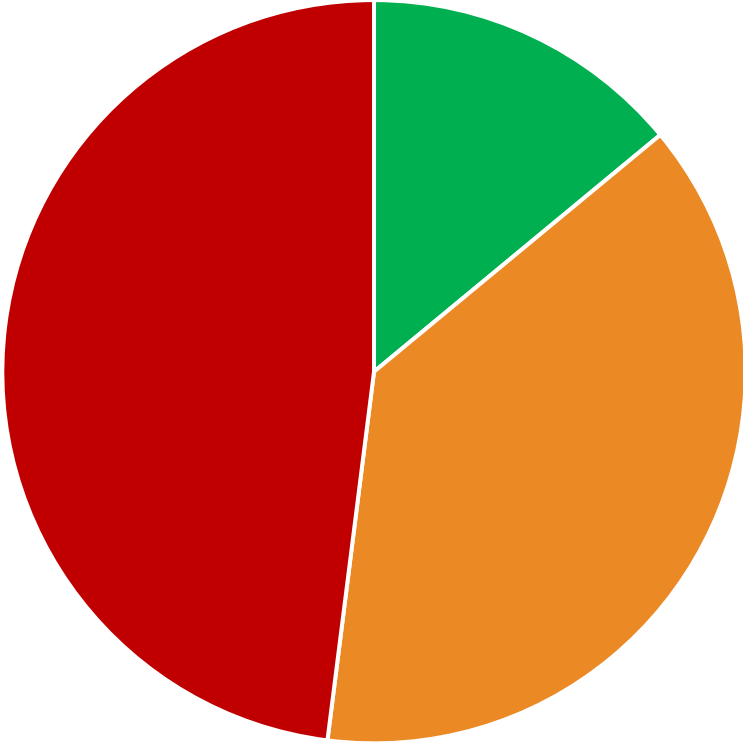
| | Anticipating Using Fund Balance | Do Not Anticipate Using Fund Balance |
|--|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Will Need to Make Budget Cuts | 55.3% (56.5% last year) | 25.3% (16.3% last year) |
| Will Not Need to Make Budget Cuts | 13.7% (17.3% last year) | 5.8% (9.9% last year) |

This year, 80.5% of districts reported planned cuts for FY 2026, compared to 72.8% reporting that this time last year for FY 2025.

This year 61.1% report planned use of fund balance for FY 2026 compared to 66.5% reporting this last year for FY 2025.

Cuts Planned to Address Deficit Budgets

Planned Cuts for FY 2026



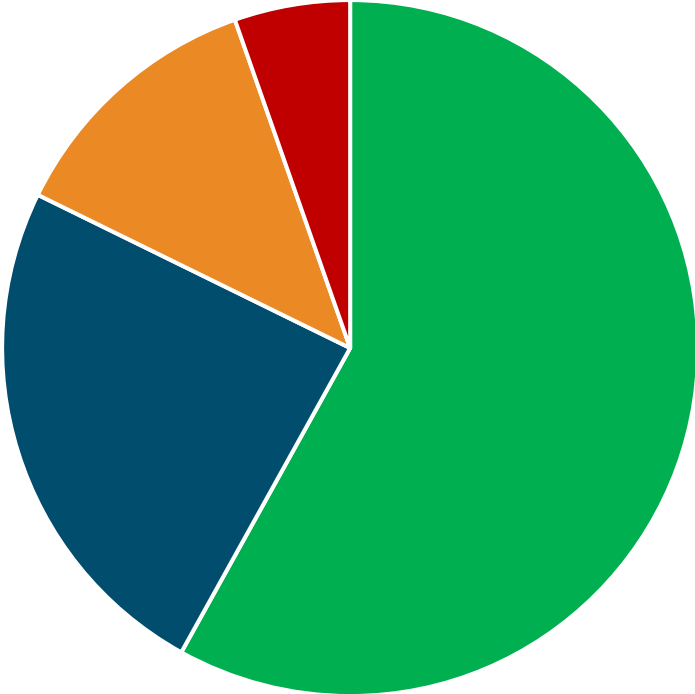
42 percent of districts do not anticipate giving a raise without help from the legislature. Another 48 percent think they would give a raise, but would need to fund it out of other cuts.

■ No ■ We will have to make minor cuts ■ Yes -- we will have to make significant cuts



Cash Flow: An Emerging Challenge?

Number of Districts



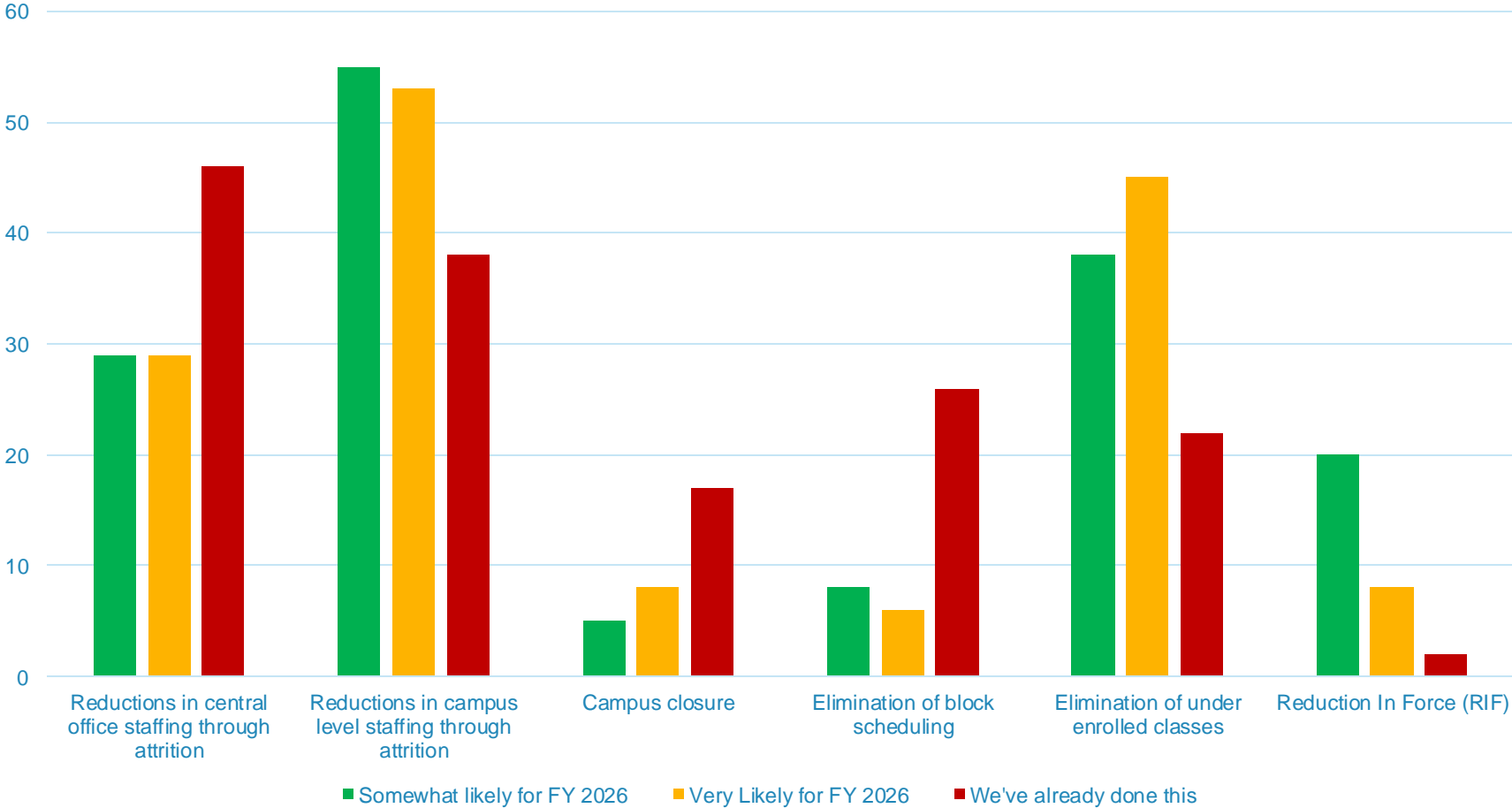
■ Not at all concerned ■ Not very concerned
■ Somewhat concerned ■ Very concerned

Nearly 18% of districts are somewhat or very concerned about cash flow this year.



Ideas for Budget Reductions

Likelihood of Various Cuts

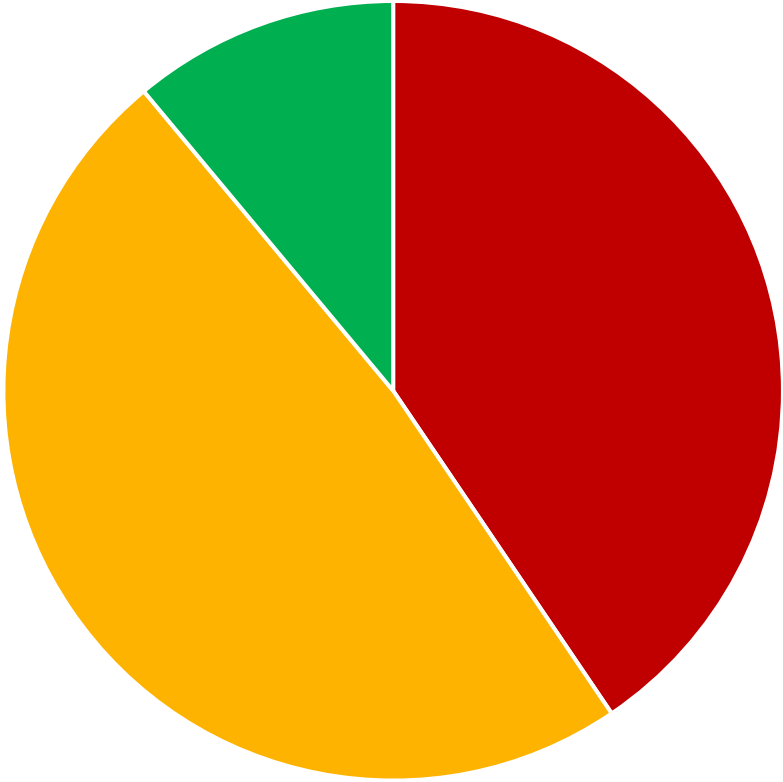


Other Ideas for Budget Reductions

- Reductions to overtime & substitute costs, elimination of resident substitutes
- Reductions to non-classroom support positions, reductions of assistant principals
- Consolidations of programs into one campus
- Movement of instructional coaches back to classroom teaching assignments
- Elimination of under-used subscription services



Plans for Salary Increases



- No -- I do not think we will be able to offer a pay increase
- Yes -- but we will have to fund it out of other cuts
- Yes -- we have sufficient resources to do this



Hardest to Control Costs

