State Spending Trends: A Roundtable Discussion

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Poll Question

What were the top spending related issues in your state this year?
Average State General Fund Expenditures

Source: NCSL survey of legislative fiscal offices.
Poll Question

What is the leading cost driver for K-12 education spending in your state?
K-12 State Spending Drivers

- Costs rising faster than GDP or inflation
- Increasing equity
- Increasing adequacy
- Resources for specialized learners (e.g., ELL, special education, etc.)
- Personnel Costs
Poll Question

What is the leading cost driver for Medicaid spending in your state?
Medicaid State Spending Drivers

- High Cost, High Need Patients
- Fee-for-Service Model
- Uncoordinated Care
- Increased Caseloads
- Program Integrity Issues
Poll Question

What is the leading cost driver for higher education spending in your state?
Higher Education State Spending Drivers

- Administrative Costs
- Instructional Costs
- Facilities Maintenance and Construction
- Prestige Seeking
Poll Question

What is the leading cost driver for adult corrections spending in your state?
Corrections State Spending Drivers

- Inmate Healthcare Costs
- Personnel Costs
- Facilities Maintenance and Construction
- Debt Service