



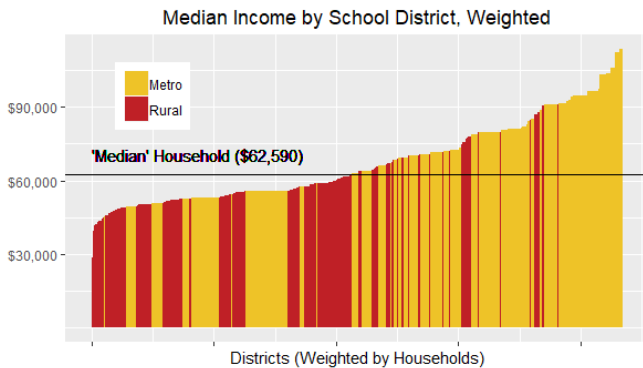
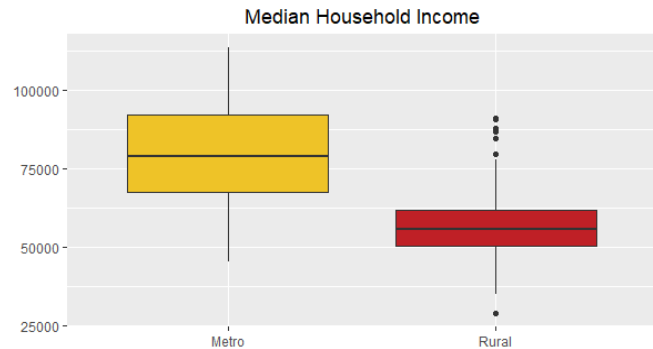
With same property tax effort, schools in Greater Minnesota lag behind those in the metro area

by **\$683 per pupil** and need state aid to meet needs. The gap equates to about 10 percent on the formula. Minnesota public schools receive funding from two sources — state aid and local property taxes.

HOUSEHOLD INCOME GAP

7-County Metro: \$79,058 Rural: \$55,636

The median metro district falls in the **96th** percentile of Minnesota rural districts. Only 4 percent of rural districts are wealthier per household than half of the metro districts. The median rural district lands in the 14th percentile of metro districts in the state.



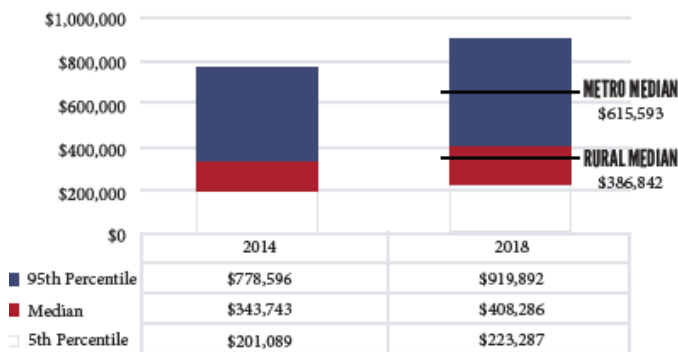
NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS >>

When the number of household incomes in districts is accounted for, the wealth disparity becomes even more significant, as shown by the chart to the left.

Of 2.2 million households in Minnesota:

- 38% are in rural districts
- 62% are in metro districts

GROWTH IN REFERENDUM MARKET VALUE PER PUPIL



The property wealth gap shown on the left leads to the following revenue gap for schools in Greater Minnesota.

Averages Per Region	Tax Rate per RMV	Revenue per pupil
Rural*	.00953%	\$1,638
Metro**	.00945%	\$955

*Greater MN districts less than 7,500 students
 **7-county metro districts and the Duluth, Elk River, Mankato, Rochester and St. Cloud school districts

