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Michigan's Education Landscape

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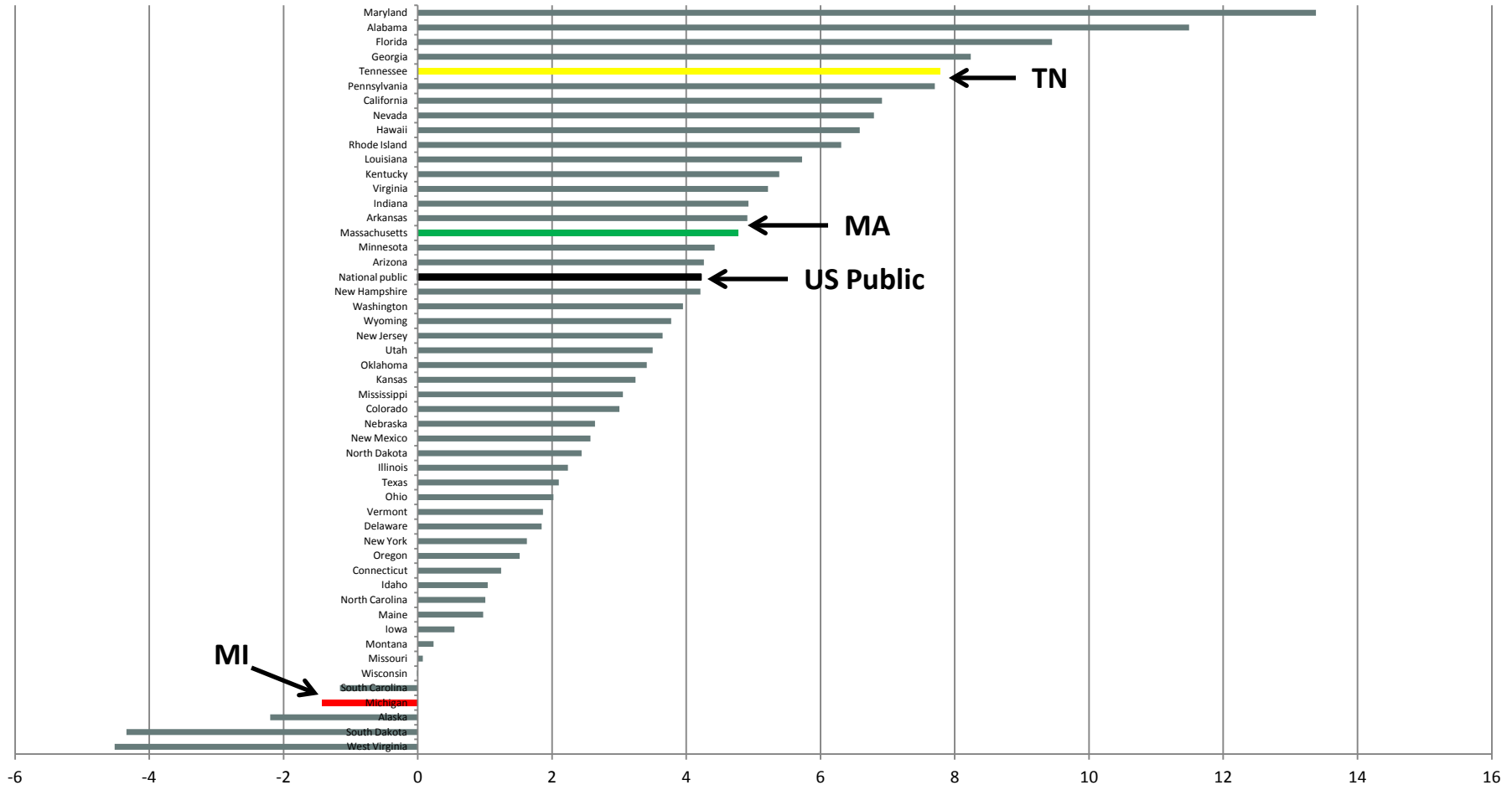
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Ten Year Improvement in Reading Scores by State

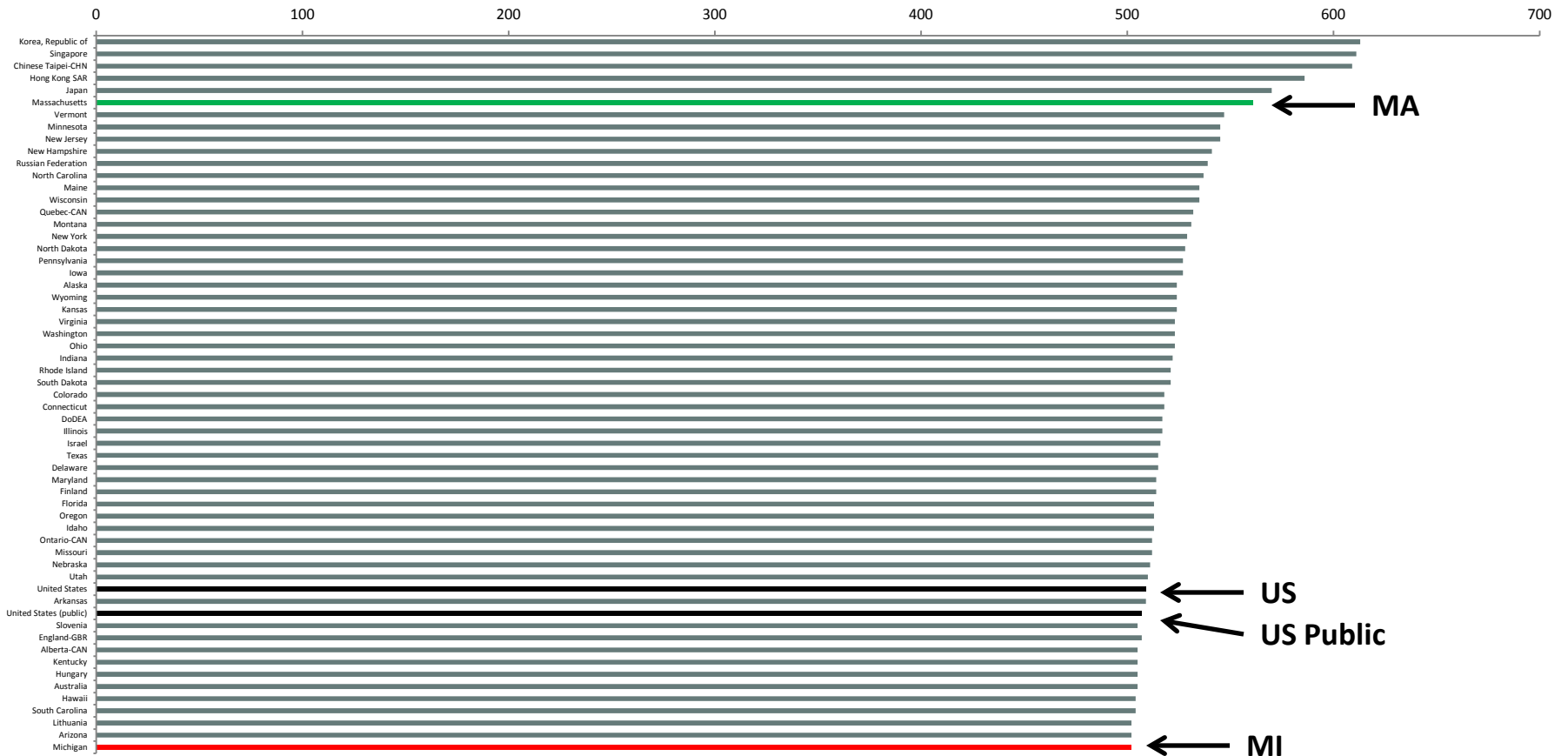
Average Scale Score Change, NAEP Grade 4 - Reading - All Students (2003-13)



Note: Basic Scale Score = 208; Proficient Scale Score = 238
 Source: NAEP Data Explorer, NCES

Massachusetts Near the Top in Math Worldwide

NAEP-TIMSS 2011, 8th grade Math



Source: U.S. States in a Global Context: NAEP-TIMSS Linking Study

How Can Schools Minimize Toxic Stress?

- Schools and teachers have an important role in engaging parents and communities and encouraging involvement in education.
- When the role of parents in schools is strong, they have improved student behavior, motivation, attendance, teacher/parent satisfaction, and learning.
- Extended and year-round learning programs can provide continuity and maximize learning potential during non-school hours.
- We can minimize the negative effects of high mobility by ensuring consistency in standards throughout system, such as through the Common Core.

Zero Tolerance Discipline Policies Negatively Impact Kids, esp. African-American

- Michigan ranks 5th in the country for highest rates of student suspensions.
 - African-American students are suspended at much higher rates than white students in Michigan.
 - **Pontiac Public Schools** ranked first in the country for the percentage of black students suspended. The district suspended 68% of black students at least once in 2009-2010.
- All Kids in School, Solutions Not Suspensions Campaign
 - Students with out-of-school suspensions and expulsions are more likely to commit crimes, drop out, and have lower achievement.
 - Research has shown that the most effective approaches to decreasing school violence are social skills training, academic restructuring, and behavioral interventions.

Source: Solutions Not Suspensions Campaign. Civil Rights Project.