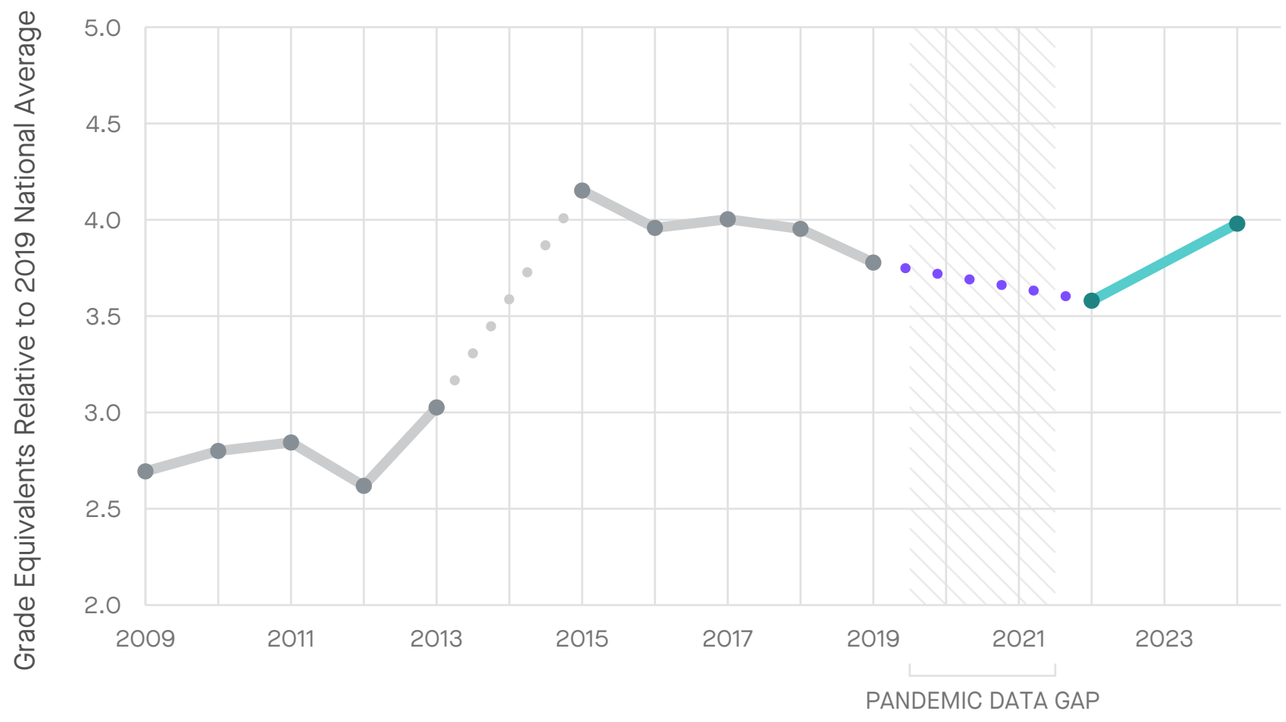
Palo Alto Unified, CA

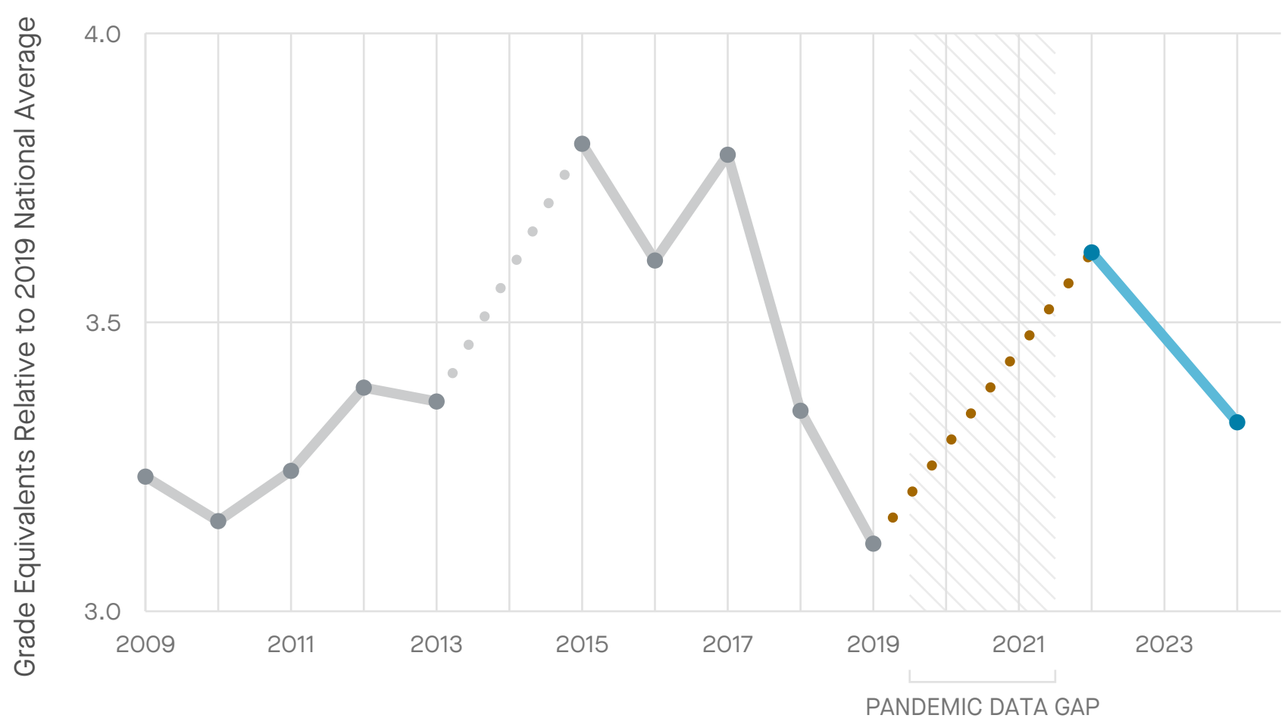
Math Performance, Grades 3-8, 2009-2024



Average Math Scores and Trends in Scores
in Grade Level Equivalents Relative to the 2019 National Average

2019 Average	3.78
2022 Average	3.58
2024 Average	3.98
2019-2022 Change	-0.20
2022-2024 Change	+0.40
Since 2019	+0.20

Reading Performance, Grades 3-8, 2009-2024



Average Reading Scores and Trends in Scores
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2019 Average	3.12
2022 Average	3.62
2024 Average	3.33
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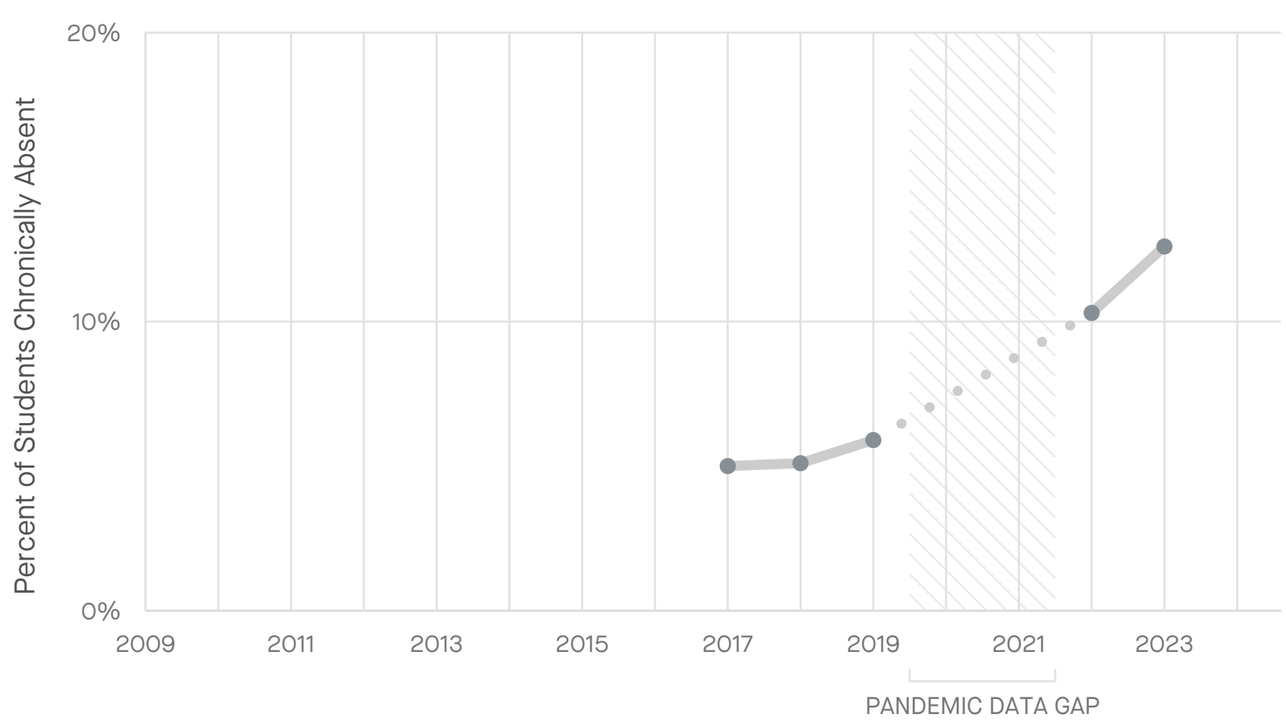
Since 2019	+0.21

Absenteeism, Grades 3-8, 2009-2024



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2019-2023 Change	+0.07
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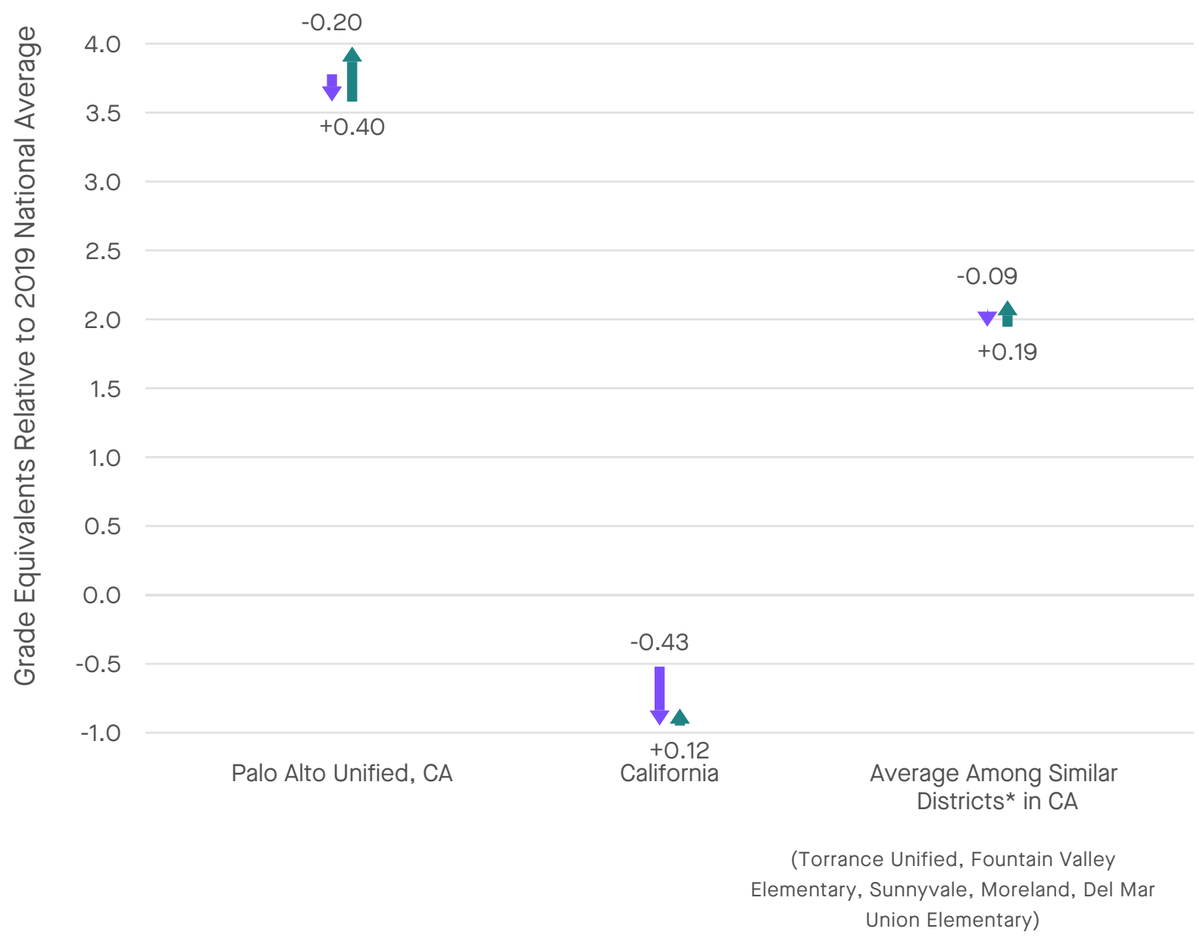
Math Performance in Palo Alto Unified vs. California and Similar Districts, Grades 3-8, 2019-2024



Average Math Scores and Trends in Scores

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	2019 Average	2022 Average	2024 Average	2019-22 Change	2022-24 Change	2019-24 Change
Palo Alto Unified, CA	3.78	3.58	3.98	↓ -0.20	↑ 0.40	↑ 0.20
California	-0.52	-0.95	-0.82	↓ -0.43	↑ 0.12	↓ -0.30
Similar Districts* in California	2.04	1.95	2.14	↓ -0.09	↑ 0.19	↑ 0.10

*Comparison districts are the nearest matches within the same state based on socioeconomic status, demographics, and size.

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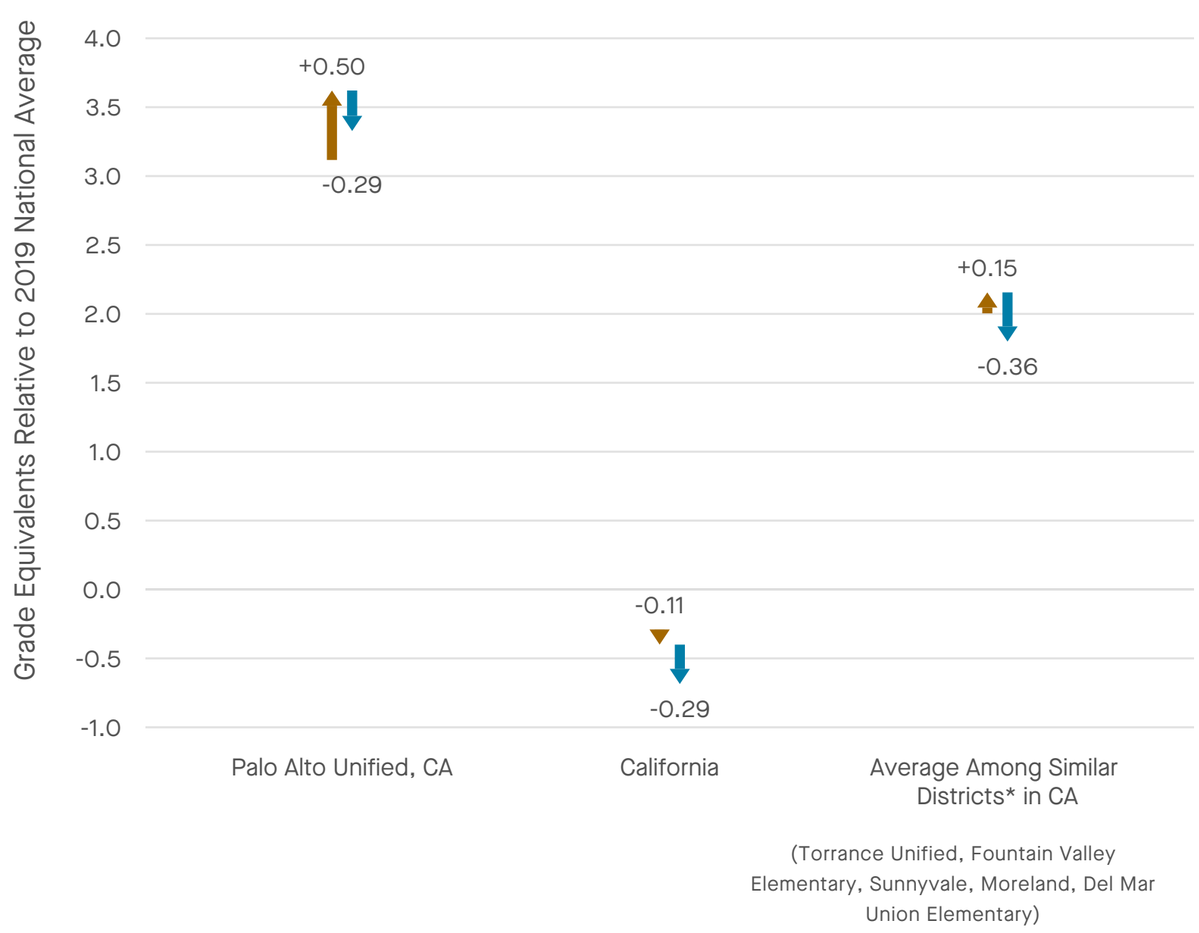

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California	-0.29	-0.40	-0.69	↓ -0.11	↓ -0.29	↓ -0.40
Similar Districts* in California	2.00	2.16	1.80	↑ 0.15	↓ -0.36	↓ -0.20

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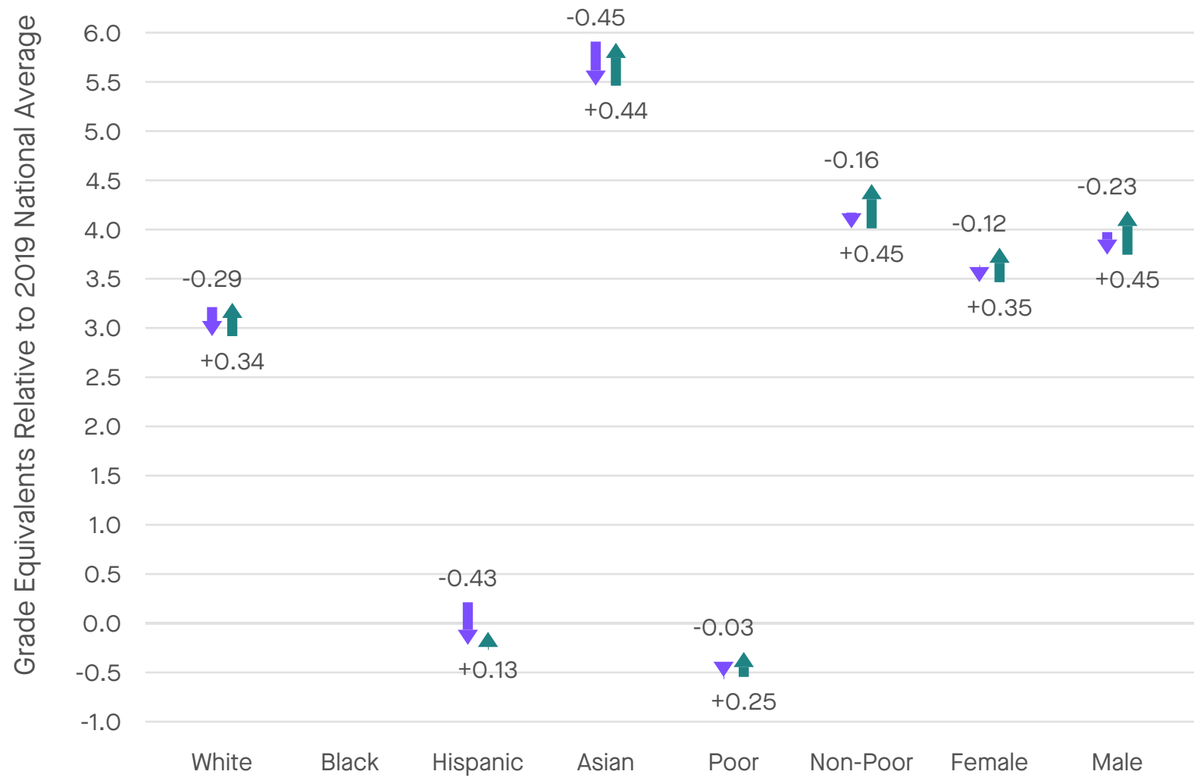
Math Performance by Subgroup, Grades 3-8, 2019-2024

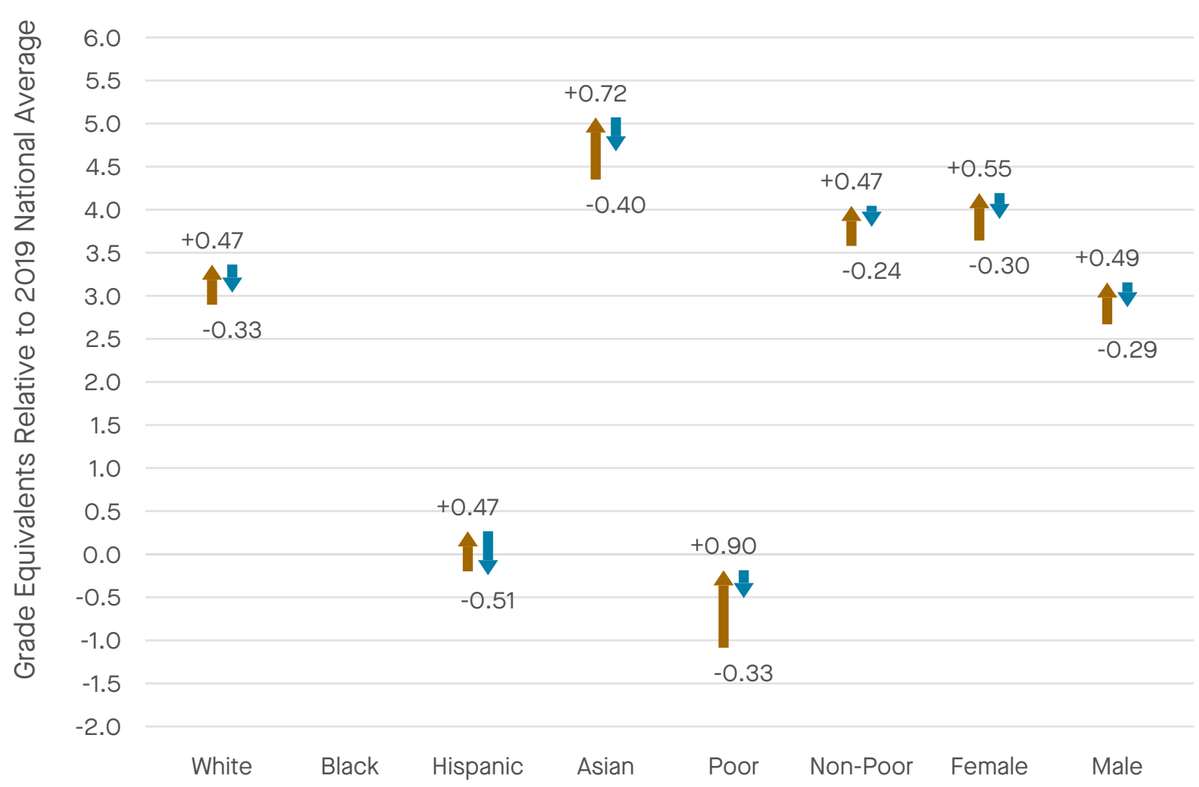


Average Math Scores and Trends in Scores

in Grade Level Equivalents Relative to the 2019 National Average

	2019 Average	2022 Average	2024 Average	2019-22 Change	2022-24 Change	2019-24 Change
White	3.21	2.92	3.26	-0.29	0.34	0.04
Black	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hispanic	0.21	-0.22	-0.09	-0.43	0.13	-0.30
Asian	5.91	5.46	5.90	-0.45	0.44	-0.01
Poor	-0.52	-0.55	-0.29	-0.03	0.25	0.23
Non-Poor	4.17	4.01	4.46	-0.16	0.45	0.29
Female	3.59	3.46	3.82	-0.12	0.35	0.23
Male	3.97	3.74	4.19	-0.23	0.45	0.22

Reading Performance by Subgroup, Grades 3-8, 2019-2024



Average Reading Scores and Trends in Scores

in Grade Level Equivalents Relative to the 2019 National Average

	2019 Average	2022 Average	2024 Average	2019-22 Change	2022-24 Change	2019-24 Change
White	2.90	3.36	3.04	0.47	-0.33	0.14
Black	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hispanic	-0.20	0.27	-0.24	0.47	-0.51	-0.05
Asian	4.35	5.07	4.68	0.72	-0.40	0.33
Poor	-1.09	-0.19	-0.51	0.90	-0.33	0.57
Non-Poor	3.58	4.04	3.80	0.47	-0.24	0.22
Female	3.64	4.19	3.89	0.55	-0.30	0.25
Male	2.67	3.16	2.87	0.49	-0.29	0.20

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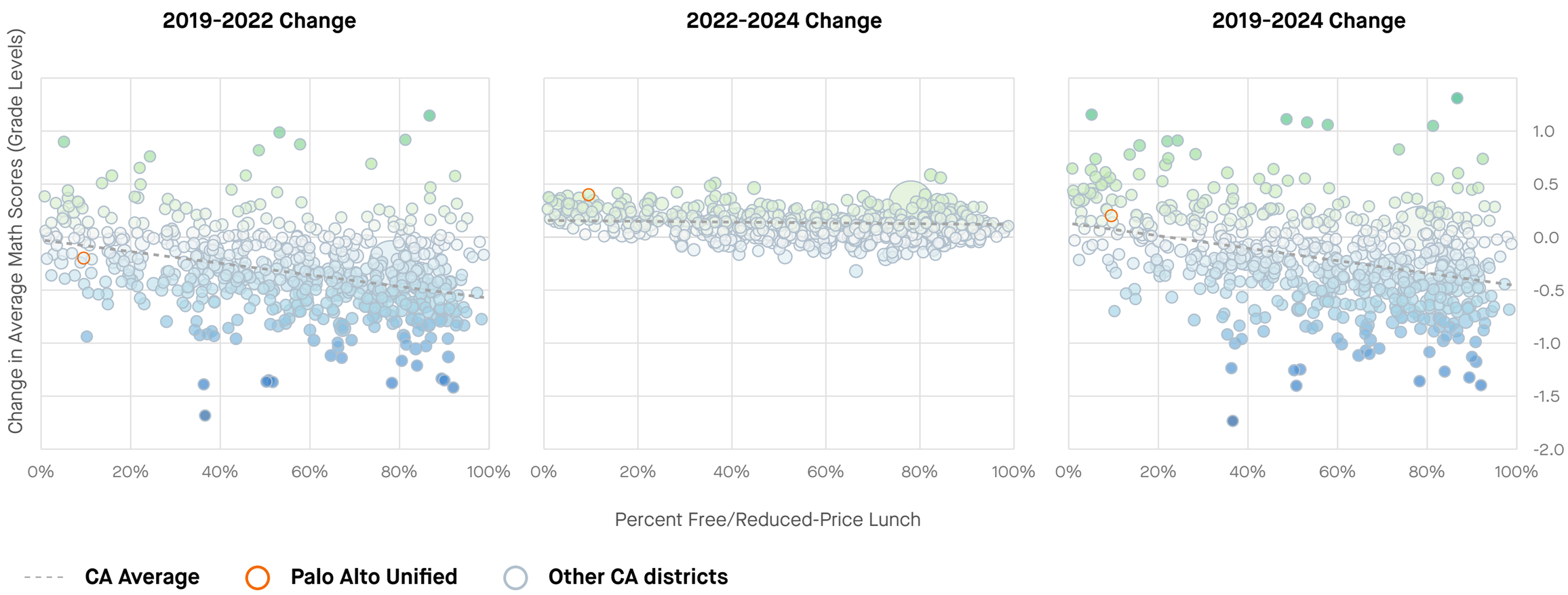
Change in Math Performance in California Districts vs. Percent Free/Reduced-Price Lunch, Grades 3-8, 2019-2024



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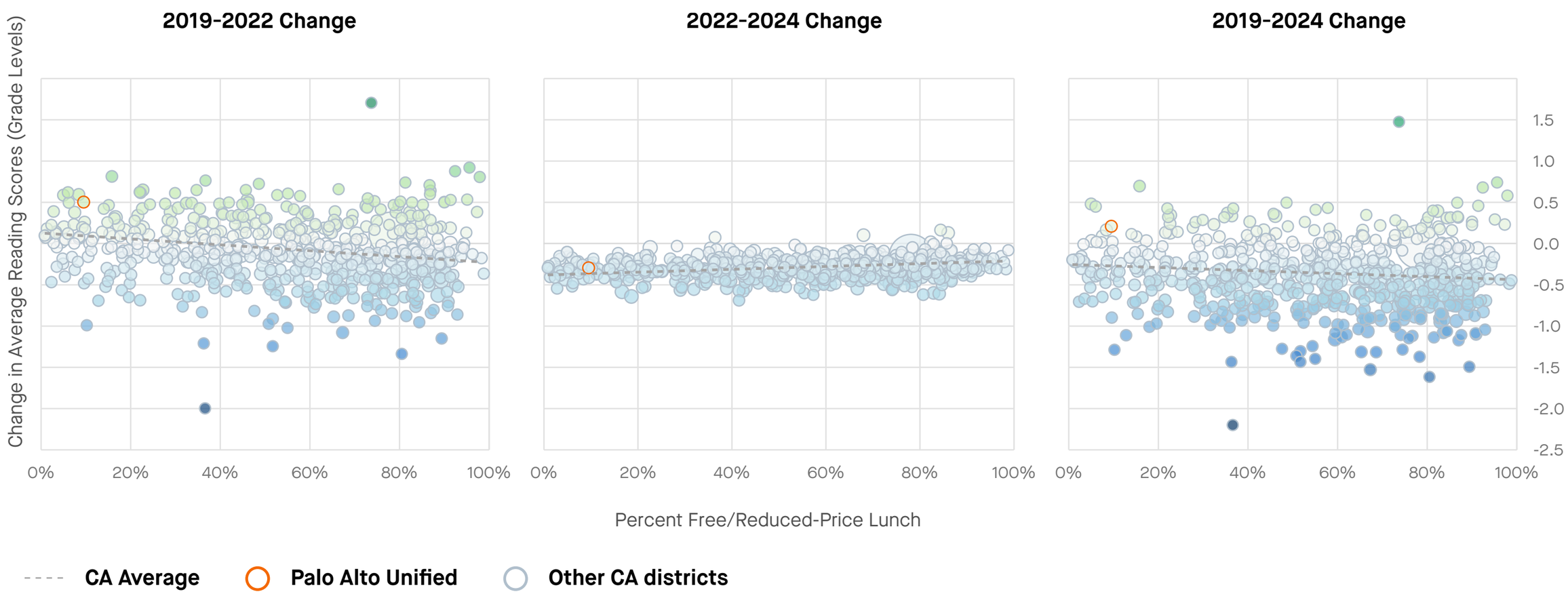

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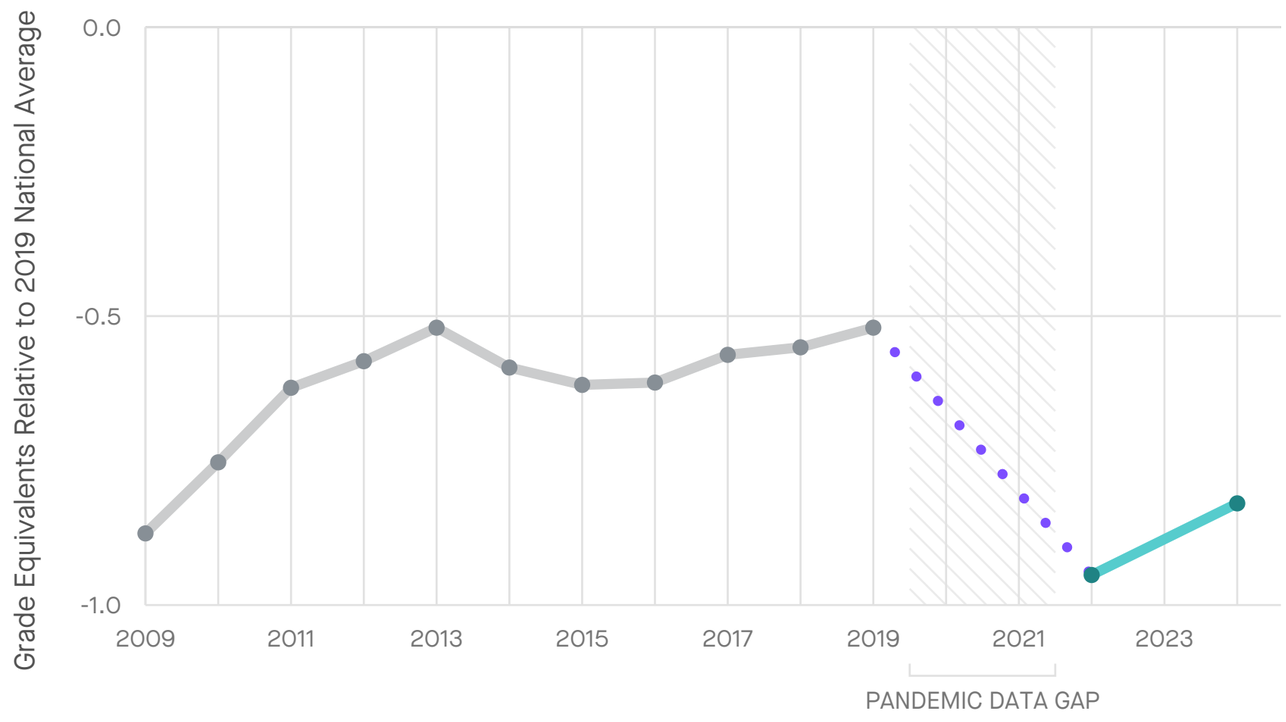

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2019-2022 Change	-0.43
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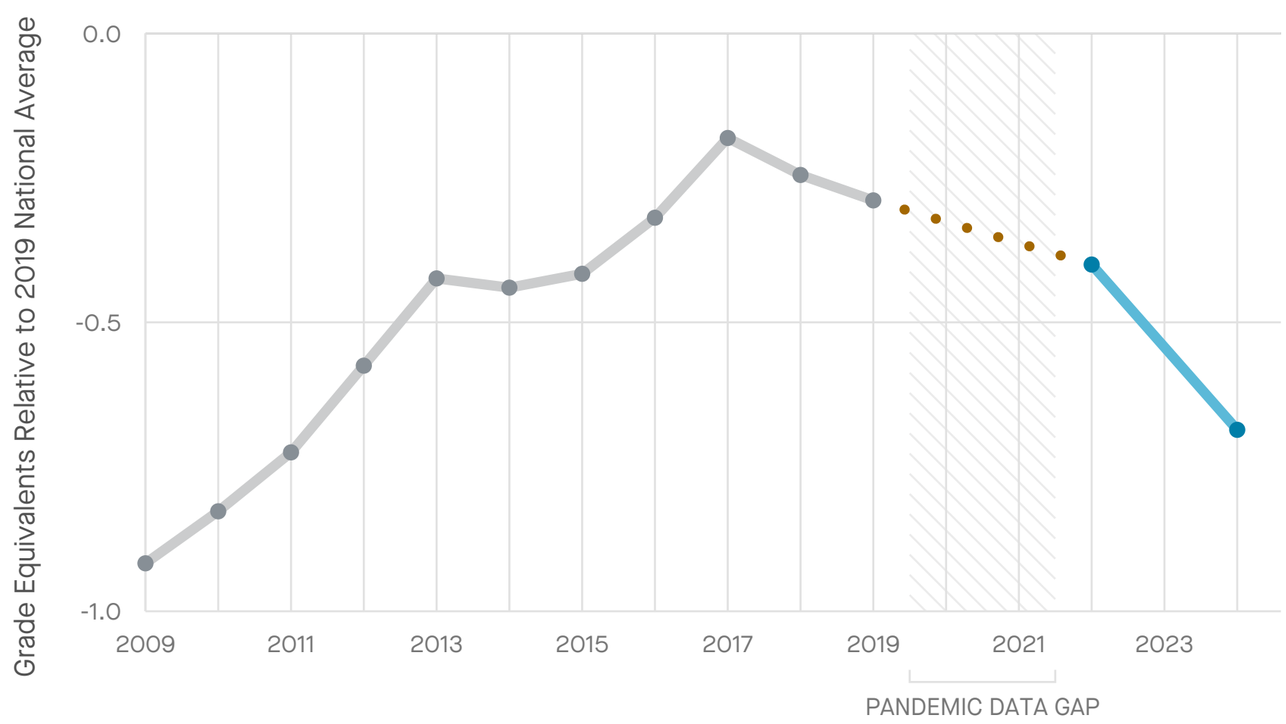

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2019 Average	-0.29
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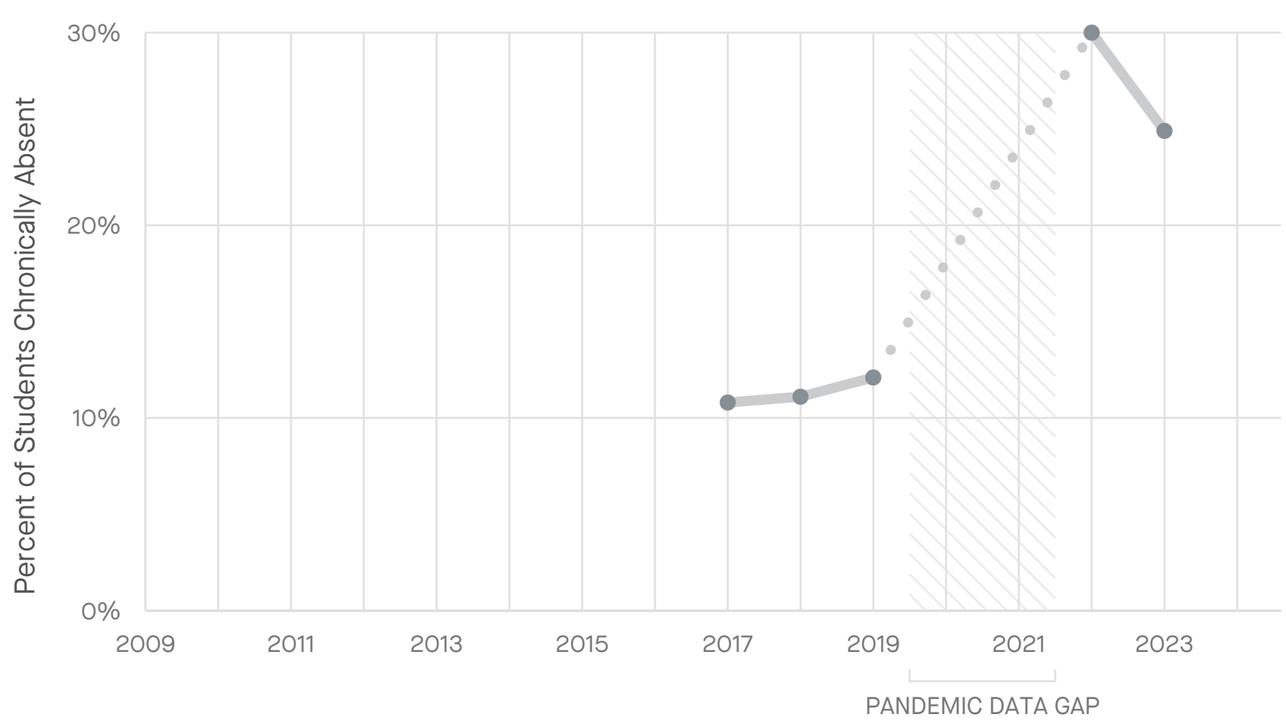
Since 2019	-0.40

Absenteeism, Grades 3-8, 2009-2024



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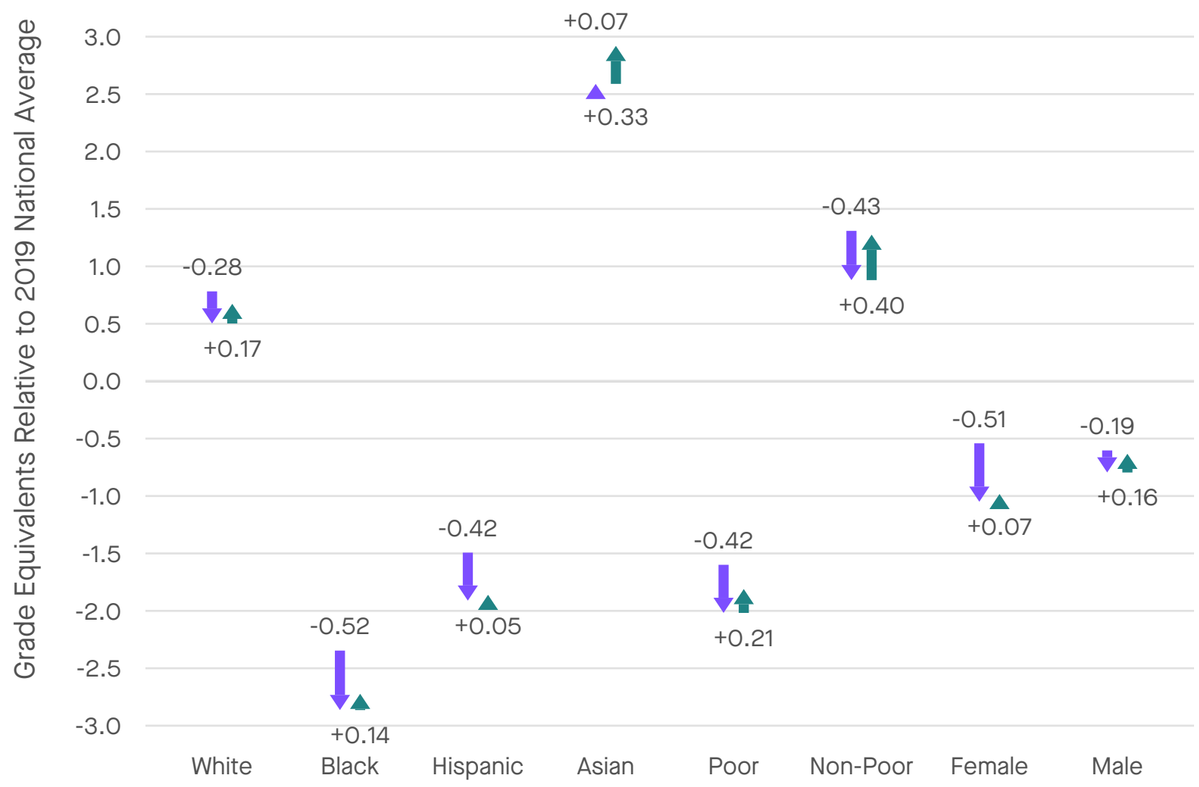
Math Performance by Subgroup, Grades 3-8, 2019-2024



Average Math Scores and Trends in Scores

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	2019 Average	2022 Average	2024 Average	2019-22 Change	2022-24 Change	2019-24 Change
White	0.78	0.50	0.67	↓ -0.28	↑ 0.17	↓ -0.11
Black	-2.35	-2.86	-2.72	↓ -0.52	↑ 0.14	↓ -0.38
Hispanic	-1.49	-1.91	-1.86	↓ -0.42	↑ 0.05	↓ -0.37
Asian	2.52	2.59	2.92	↑ 0.07	↑ 0.33	↑ 0.40
Poor	-1.60	-2.02	-1.81	↓ -0.42	↑ 0.21	↓ -0.21
Non-Poor	1.31	0.88	1.28	↓ -0.43	↑ 0.40	↓ -0.03
Female	-0.54	-1.05	-0.98	↓ -0.51	↑ 0.07	↓ -0.44
Male	-0.60	-0.80	-0.63	↓ -0.19	↑ 0.16	↓ -0.03

Reading Performance by Subgroup, Grades 3-8, 2019-2024

Average Reading Scores and Trends in Scores

in Grade Level Equivalents Relative to the 2019 National Average

	2019 Average	2022 Average	2024 Average	2019-22 Change	2022-24 Change	2019-24 Change
White	1.18	0.97	0.70	↓ -0.21	↓ -0.27	↓ -0.48
Black	-1.92	-2.21	-2.37	↓ -0.29	↓ -0.16	↓ -0.45
Hispanic	-1.27	-1.36	-1.70	↓ -0.09	↓ -0.34	↓ -0.43
Asian	2.41	2.65	2.47	↑ 0.24	↓ -0.18	↑ 0.06
Poor	-1.40	-1.51	-1.68	↓ -0.11	↓ -0.17	↓ -0.28
Non-Poor	1.68	1.41	1.36	↓ -0.27	↓ -0.05	↓ -0.31
Female	0.18	0.04	-0.26	↓ -0.14	↓ -0.30	↓ -0.44
Male	-0.79	-0.80	-1.07	↓ -0.01	↓ -0.27	↓ -0.28

Change in Math Achievement 2019−2022
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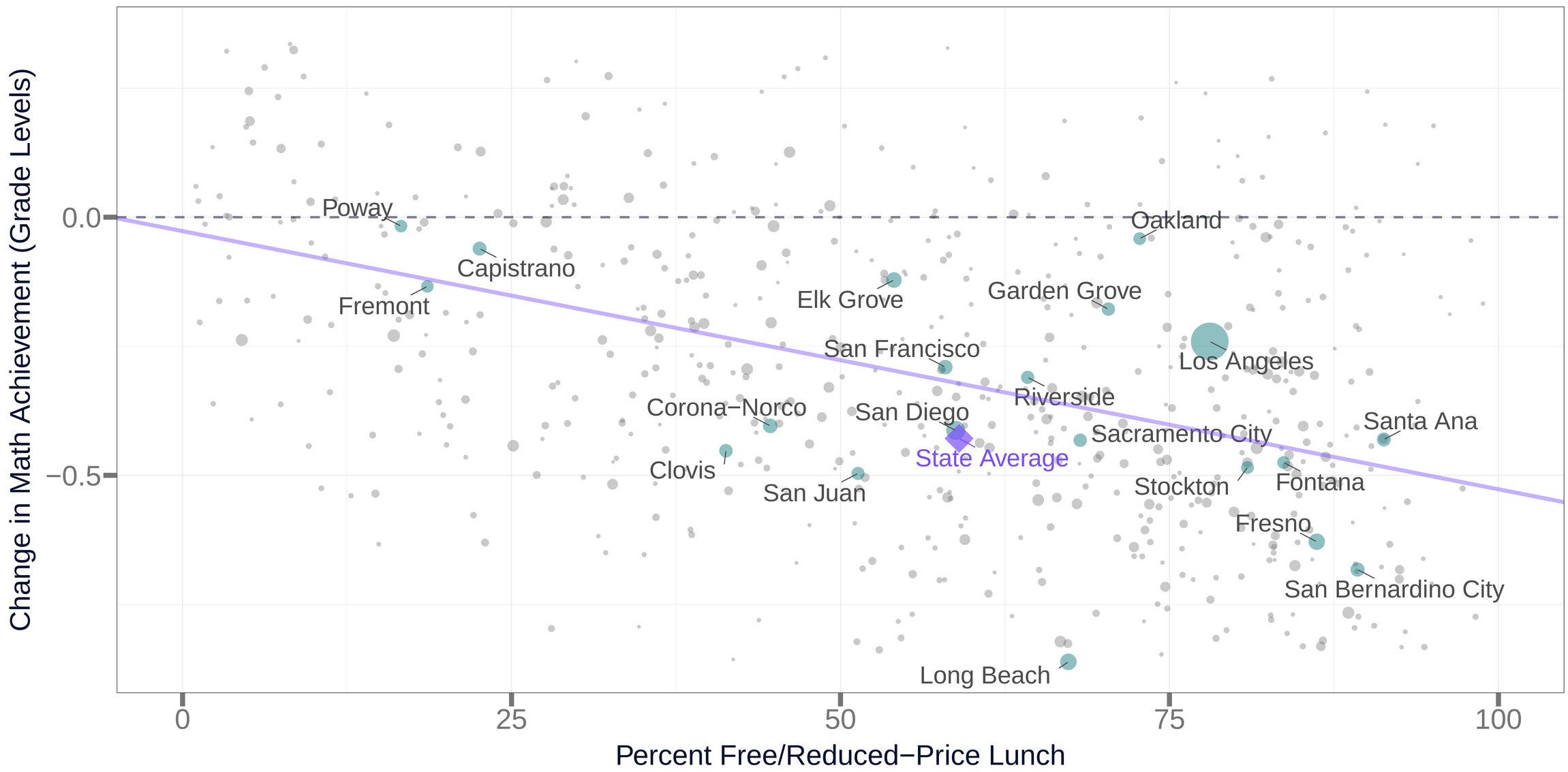

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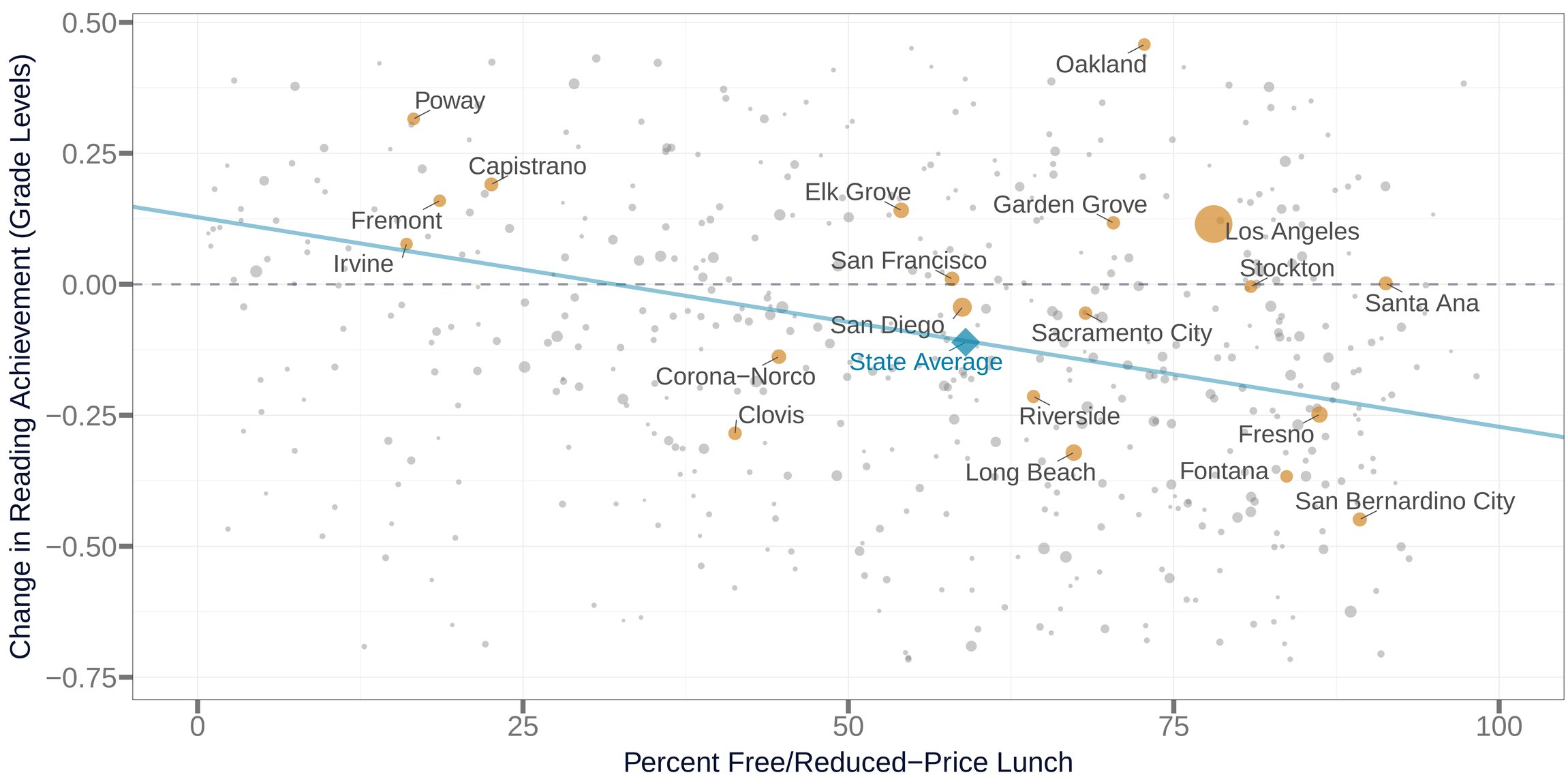

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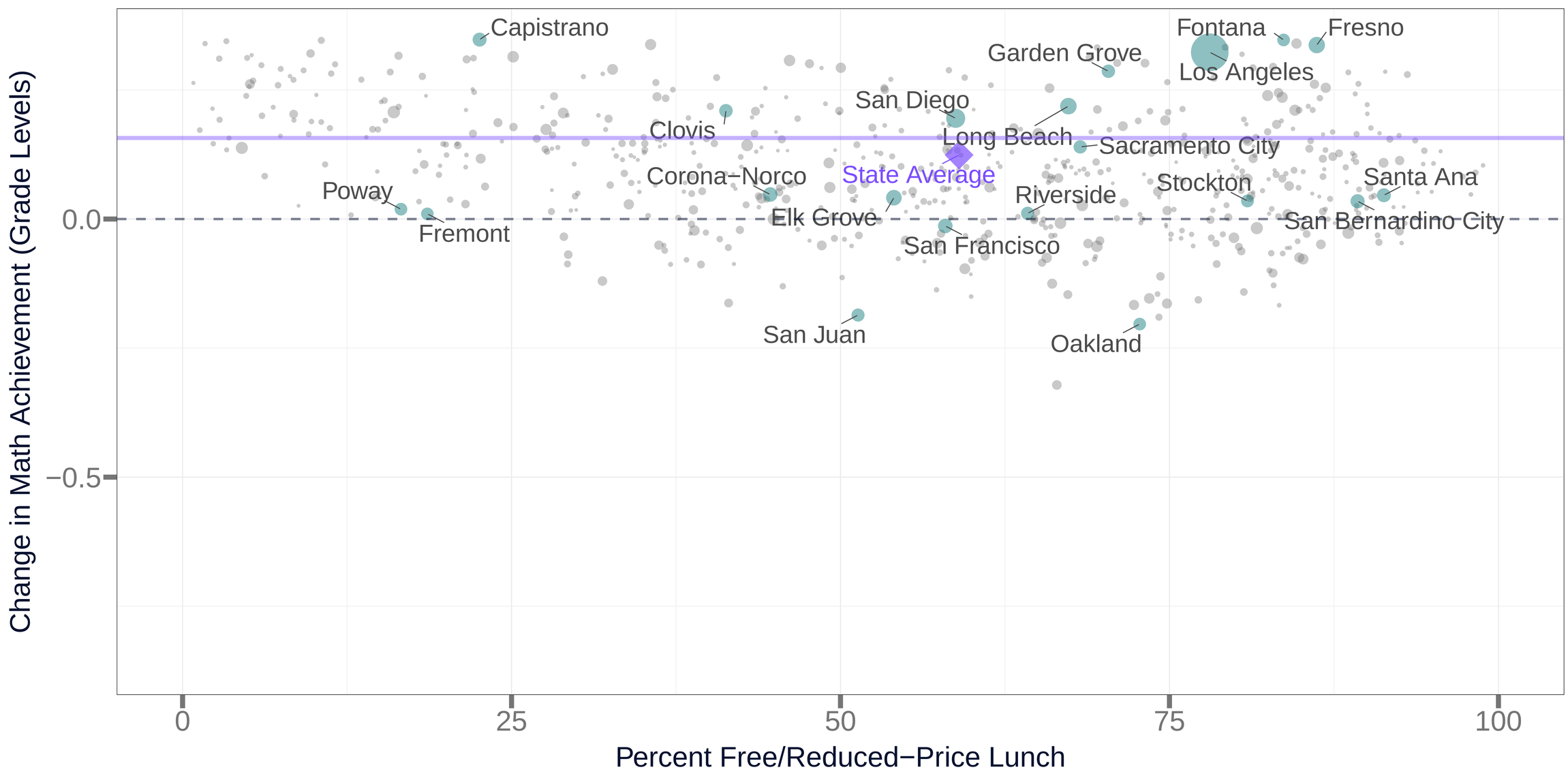

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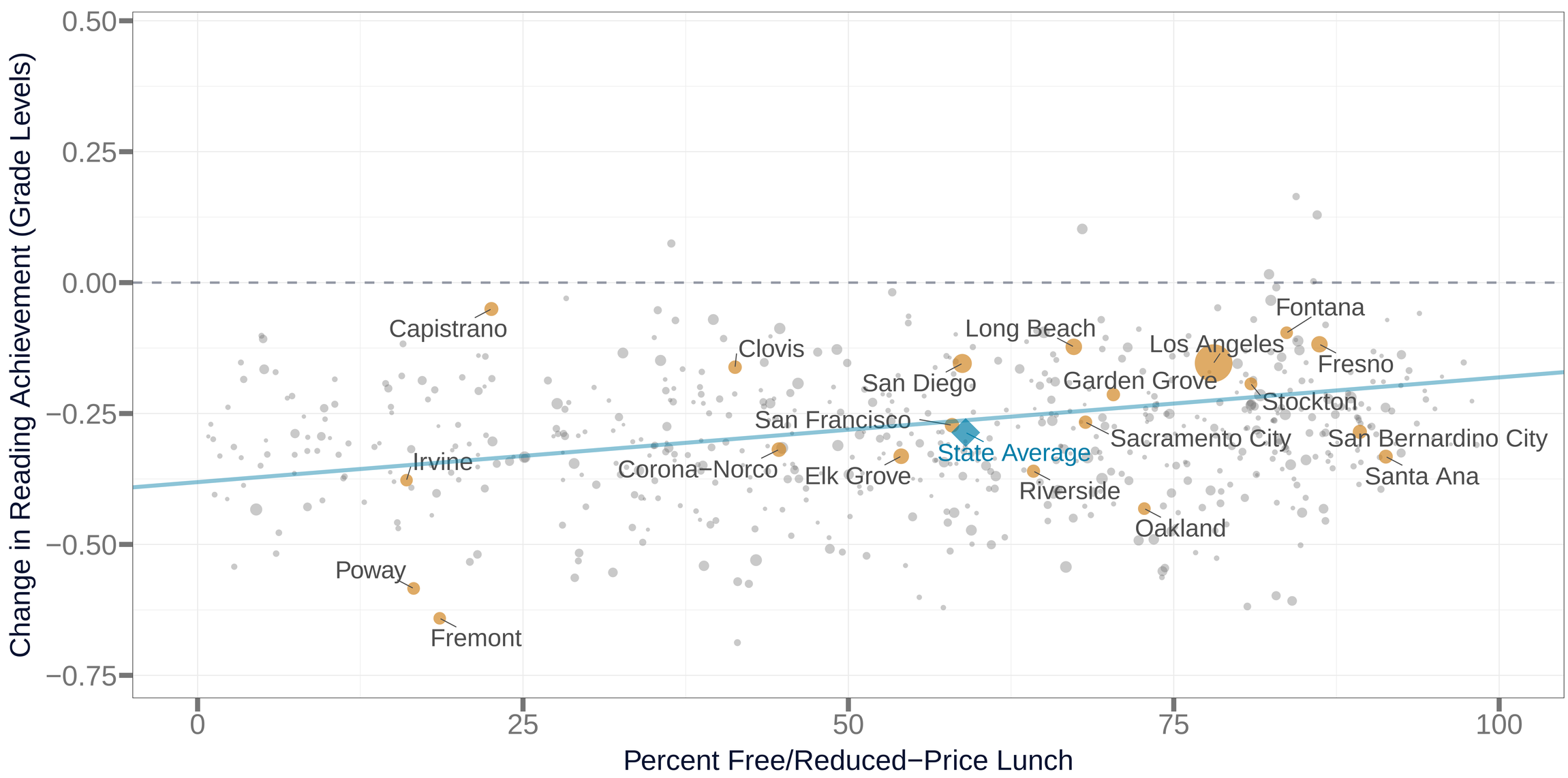

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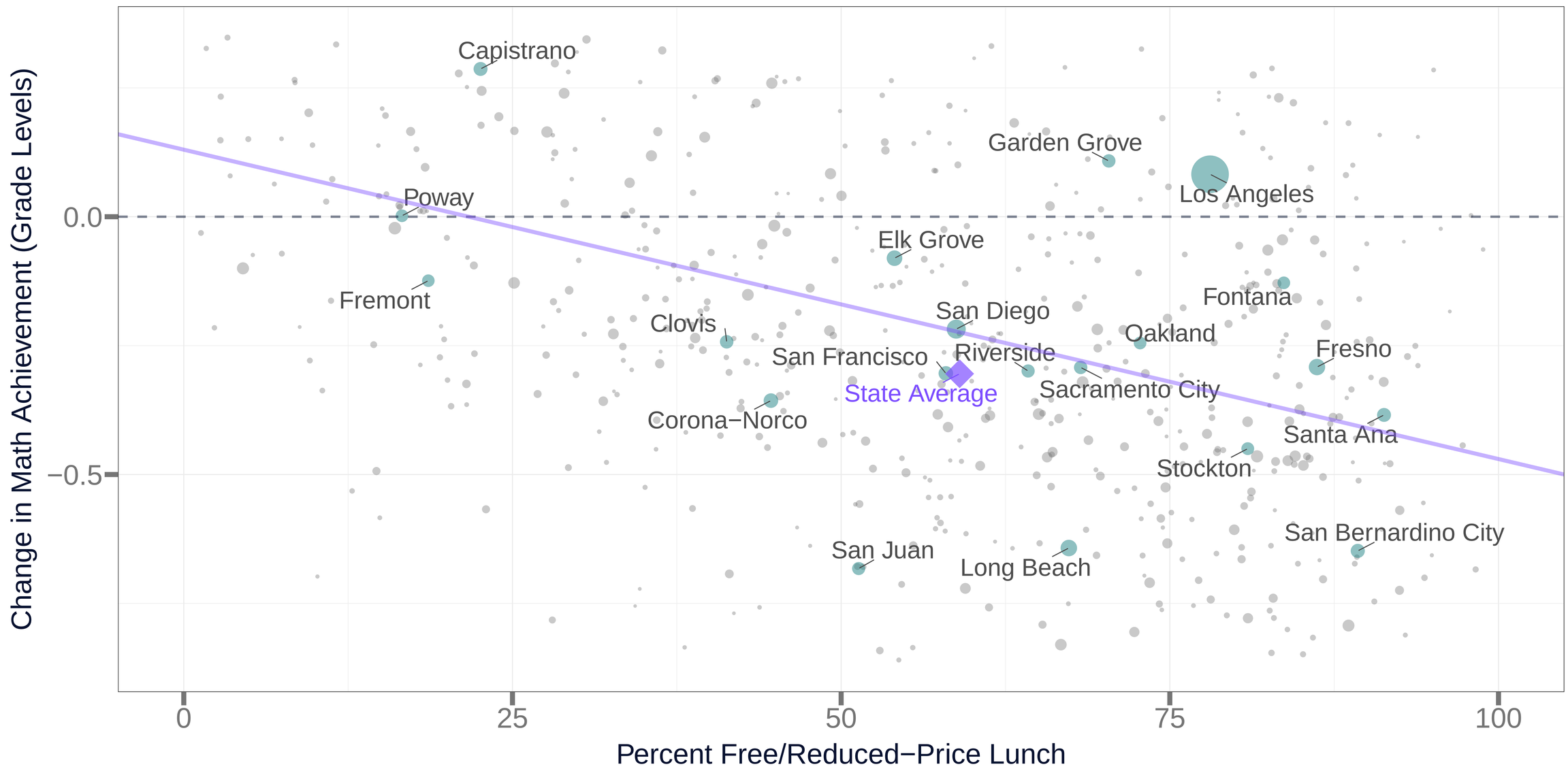

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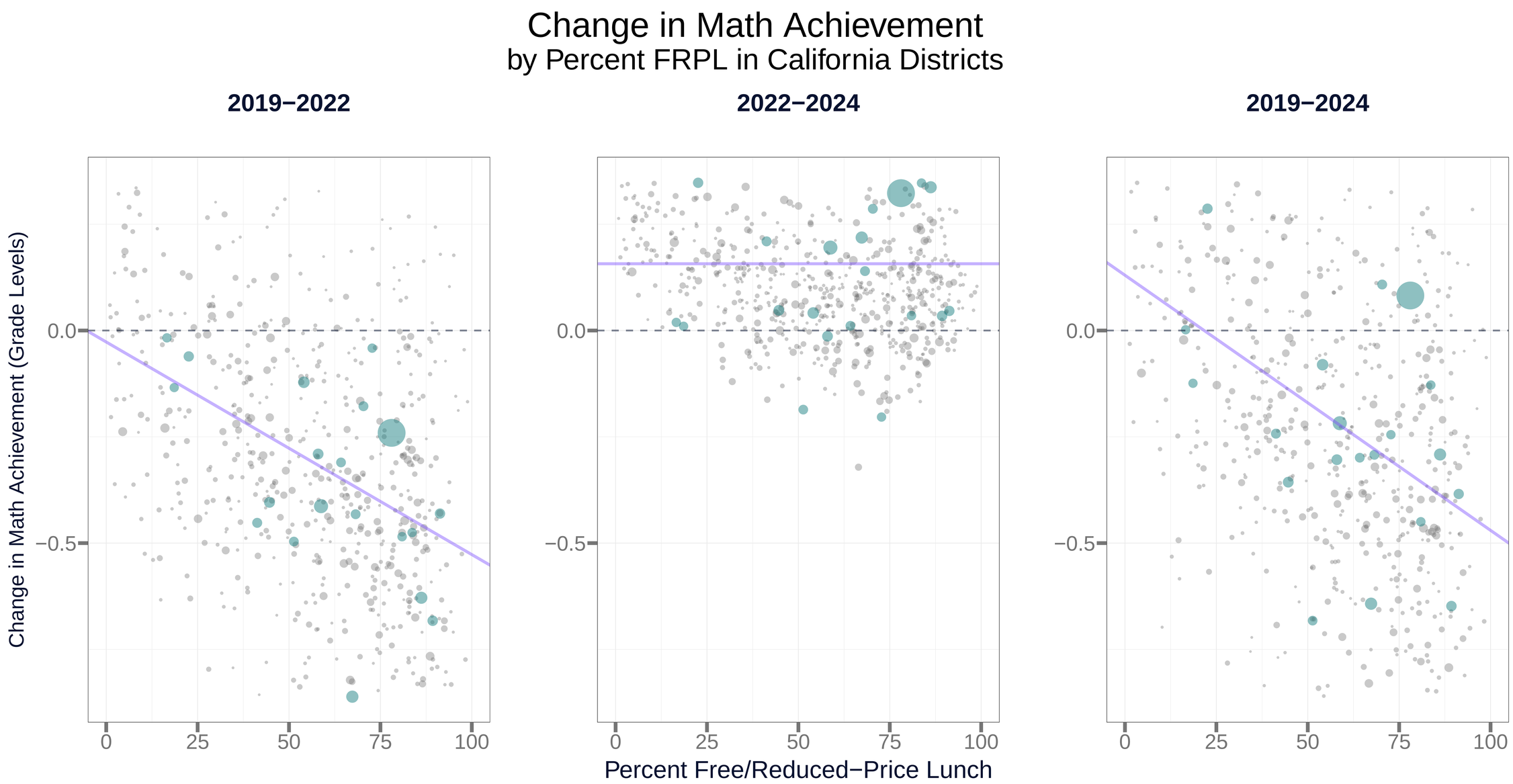

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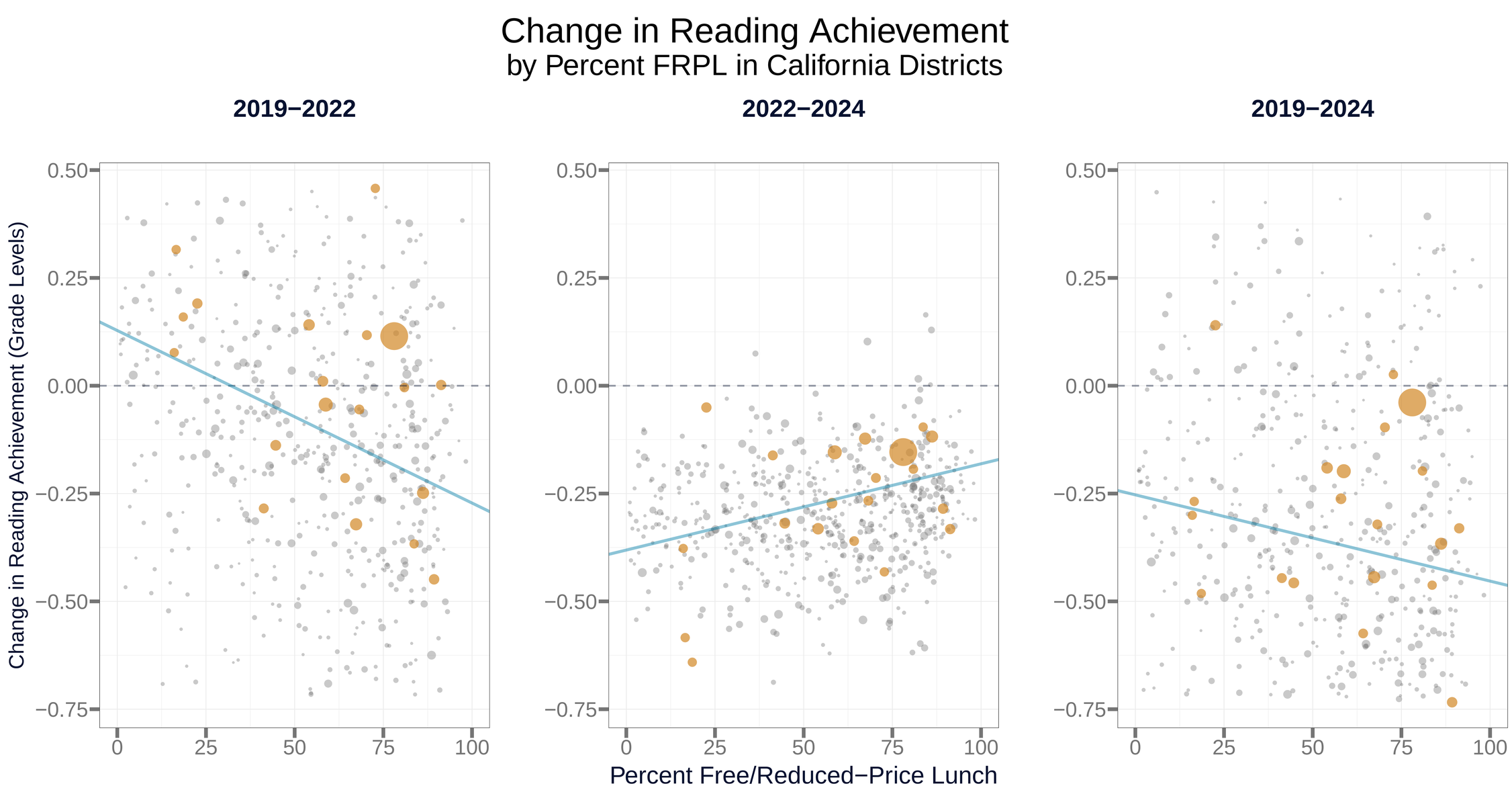

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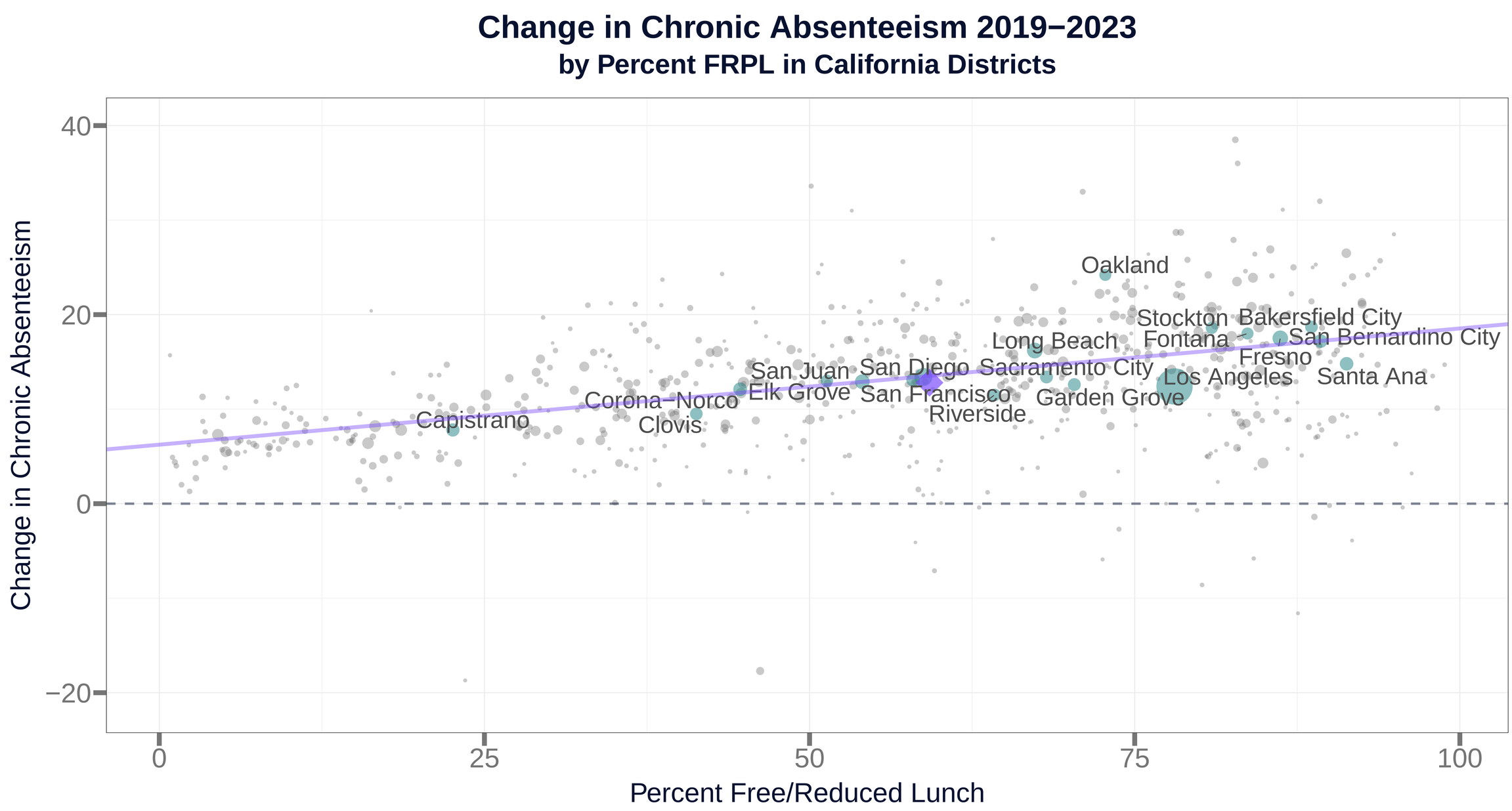

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