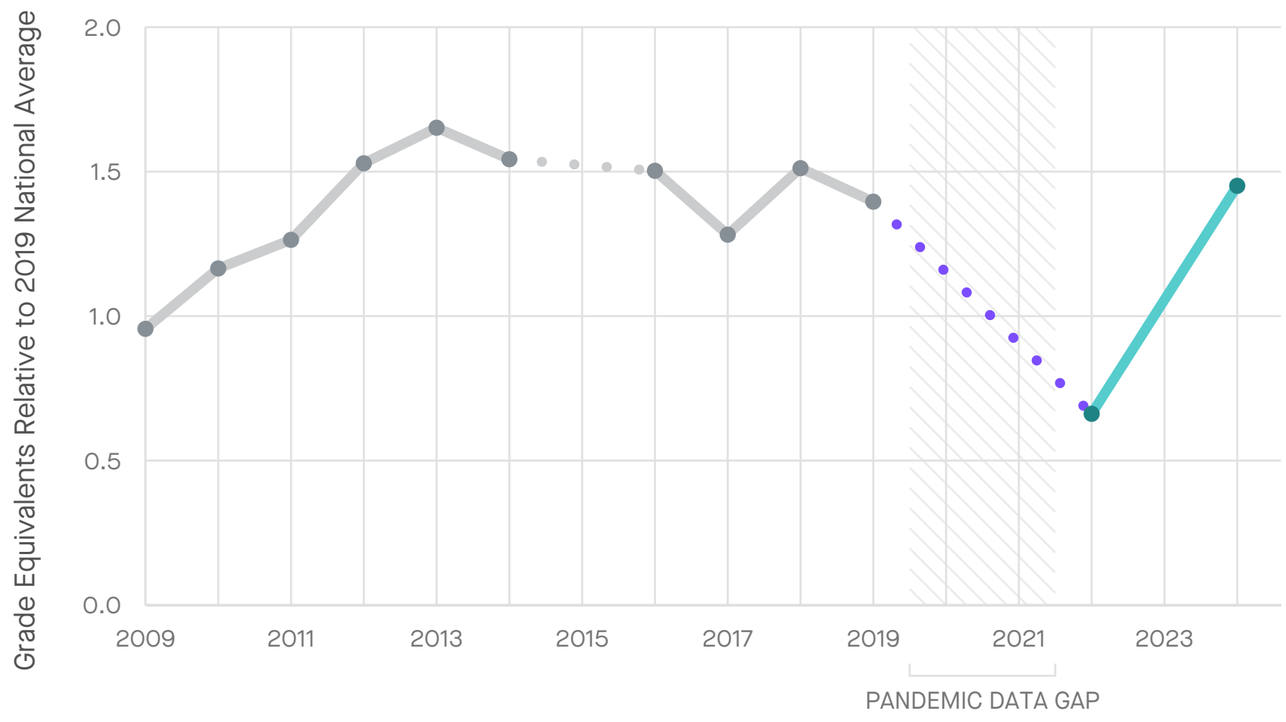
Cambridge, MA

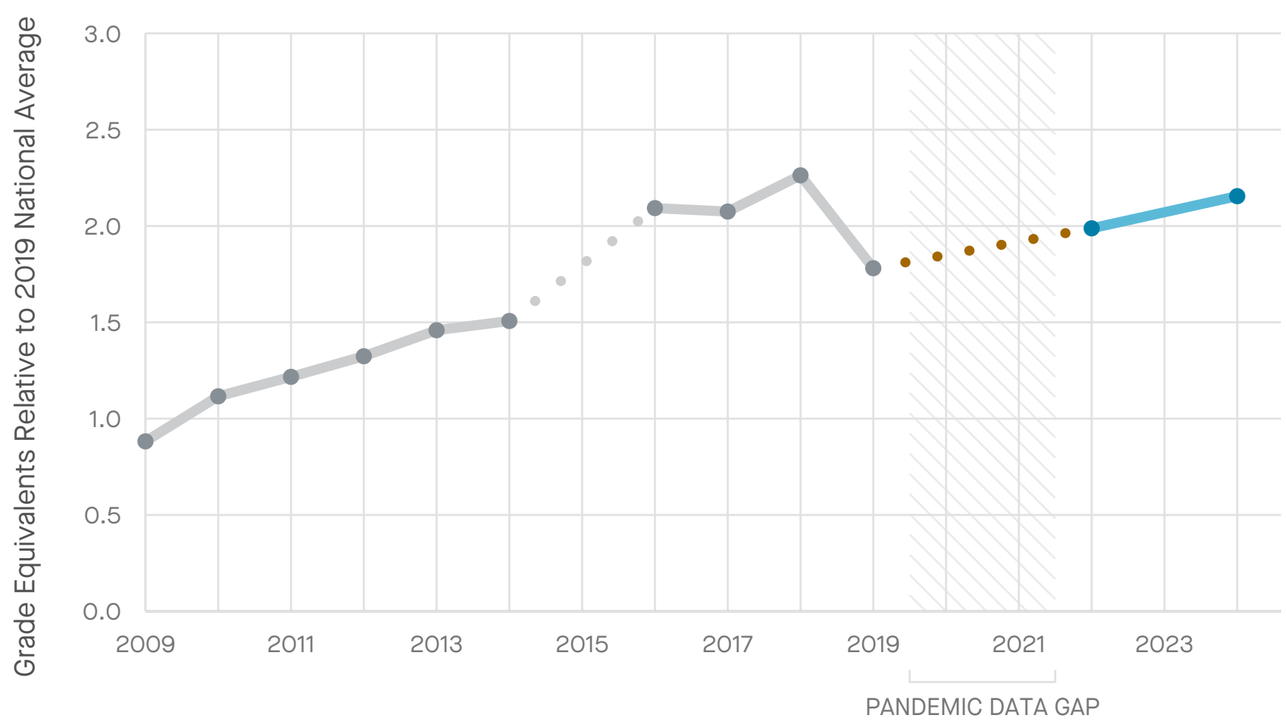
Math Performance, Grades 3-8, 2009-2024



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

2019 Average	1.40
2022 Average	0.66
2024 Average	1.45
2019-2022 Change	-0.73
2022-2024 Change	+0.79
Since 2019	+0.05

Reading Performance, Grades 3-8, 2009-2024



Average Reading Scores and Trends in Scores
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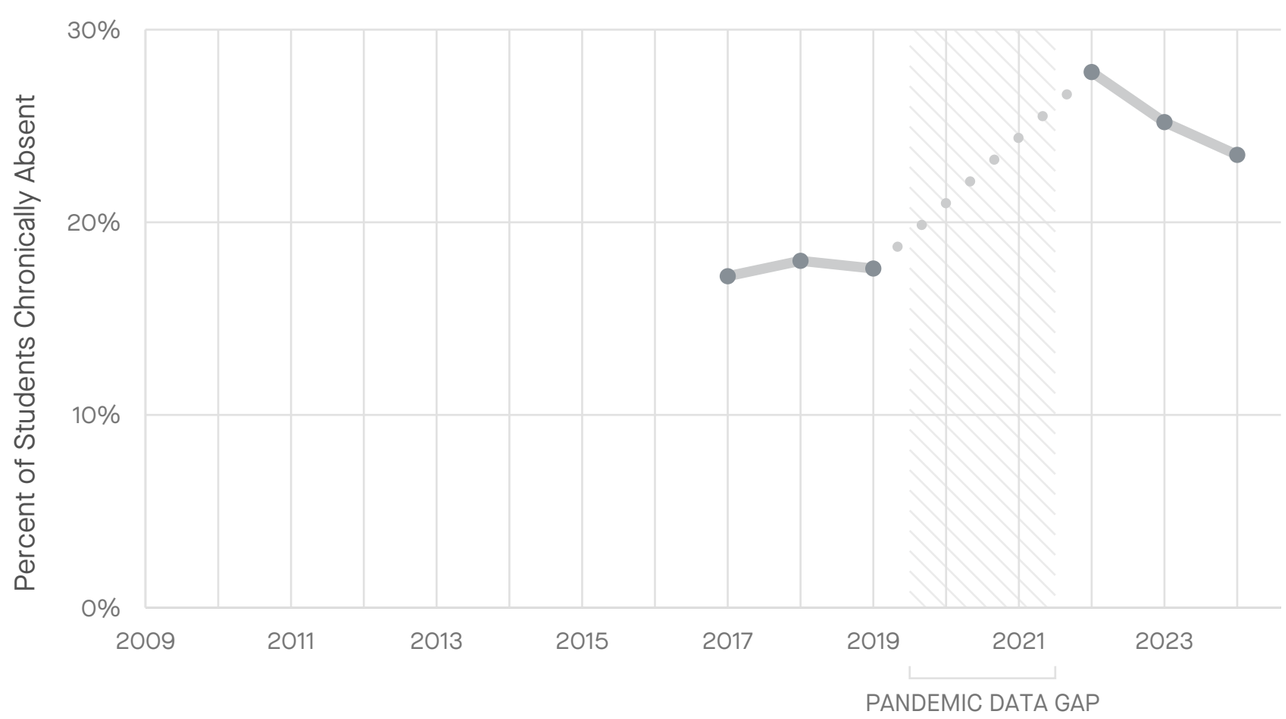
2019 Average	1.78
2022 Average	1.99
2024 Average	2.15
2019-2022 Change	+0.21
2022-2024 Change	+0.17
Since 2019	+0.37

Absenteeism, Grades 3-8, 2009-2024



Absenteeism

2019-2023 Change	+0.08
Since 2009	N/A

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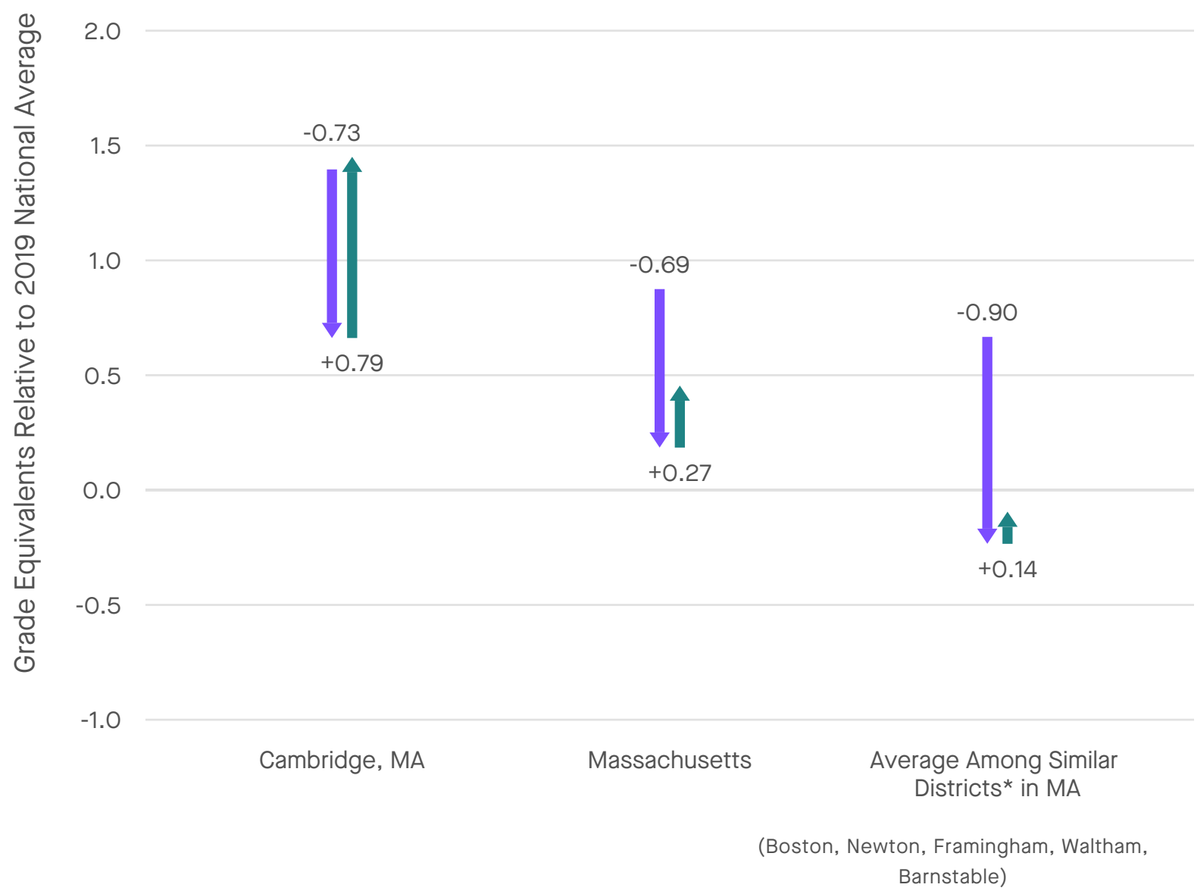
Cambridge, MA

Math Performance in Cambridge vs. Massachusetts and Similar Districts, Grades 3-8, 2019-2024



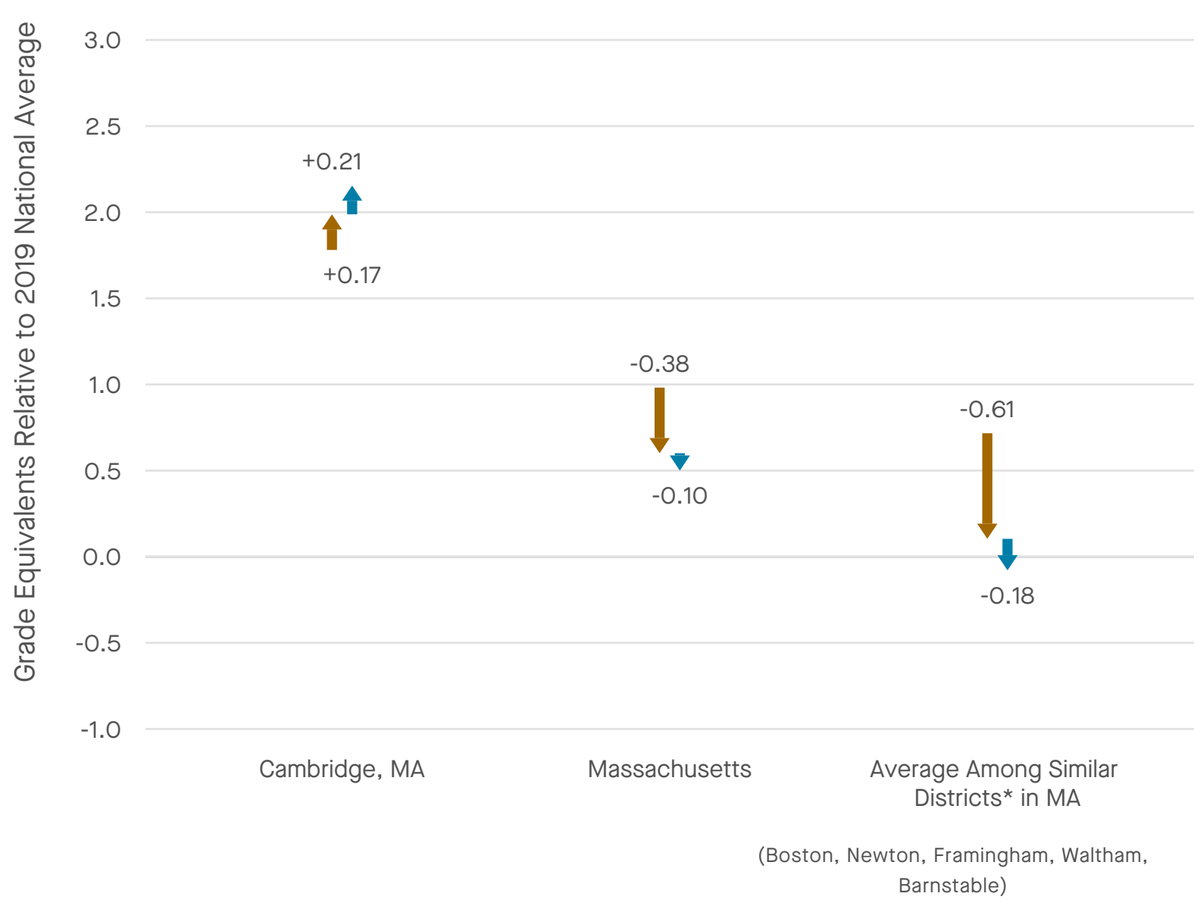
Average Math Scores and Trends in Scores

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
Cambridge, MA	1.40	0.66	1.45	↓ -0.73	↑ 0.79	↑ 0.05
Massachusetts	0.88	0.18	0.46	↓ -0.69	↑ 0.27	↓ -0.42
Similar Districts* in Massachusetts	0.67	-0.23	-0.09	↓ -0.90	↑ 0.14	↓ -0.76

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

Reading Performance in Cambridge vs. Massachusetts and Similar Districts, Grades 3-8, 2019-2024



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	2019 Average	2022 Average	2024 Average	2019-22 Change	2022-24 Change	2019-24 Change
Cambridge, MA	1.78	1.99	2.15	↑ 0.21	↑ 0.17	↑ 0.37
Massachusetts	0.98	0.60	0.50	↓ -0.38	↓ -0.10	↓ -0.48
Similar Districts* in Massachusetts	0.72	0.10	-0.08	↓ -0.61	↓ -0.18	↓ -0.80

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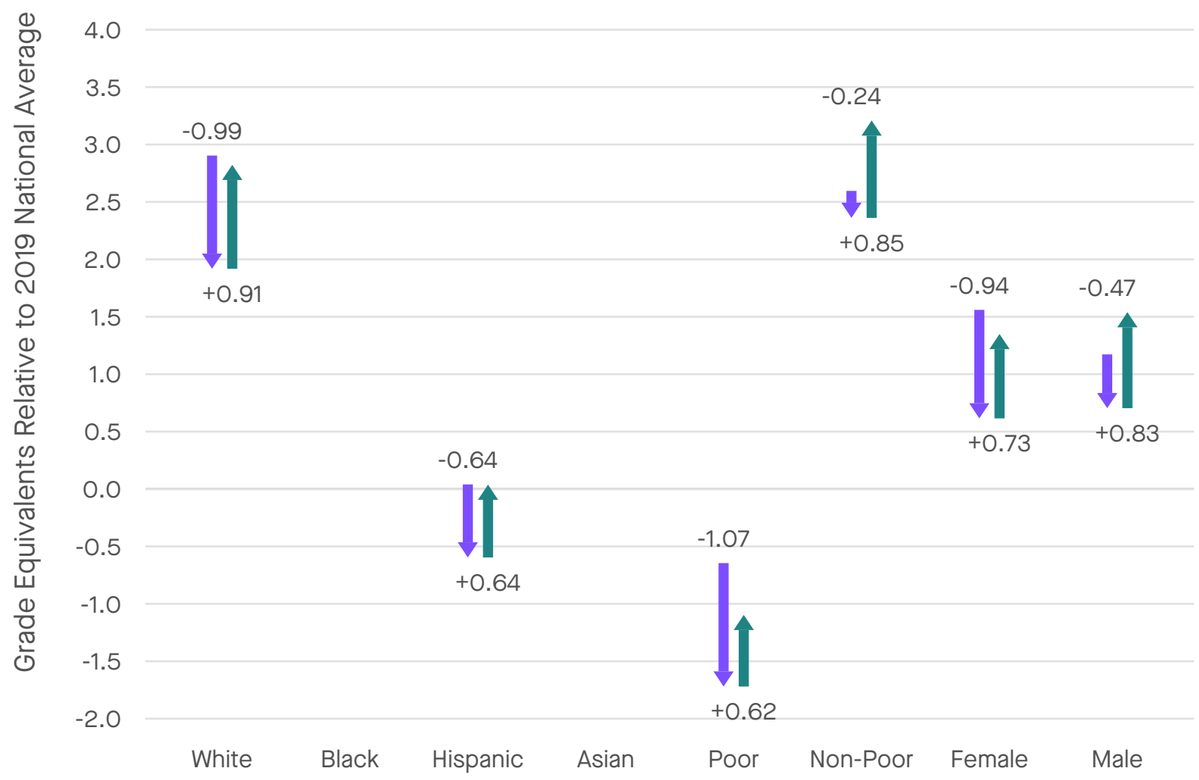
Cambridge, MA

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

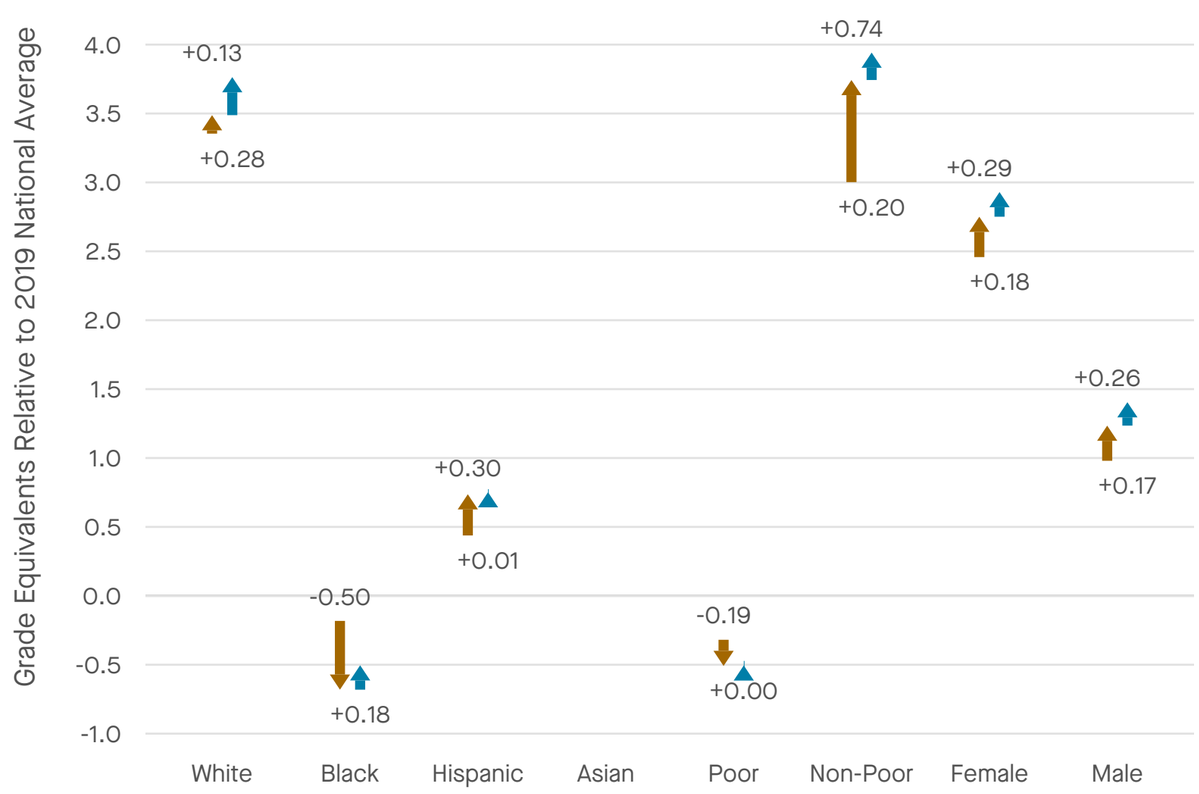


Average Math Scores and Trends in Scores

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	2.90	1.92	2.82	↓ -0.99	↑ 0.91	↓ -0.08
Black	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hispanic	0.04	-0.60	0.04	↓ -0.64	↑ 0.64	↓ -0.00
Asian	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Poor	-0.65	-1.72	-1.10	↓ -1.07	↑ 0.62	↓ -0.45
Non-Poor	2.60	2.36	3.21	↓ -0.24	↑ 0.85	↑ 0.61
Female	1.56	0.61	1.35	↓ -0.94	↑ 0.73	↓ -0.21
Male	1.17	0.70	1.54	↓ -0.47	↑ 0.83	↑ 0.37

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



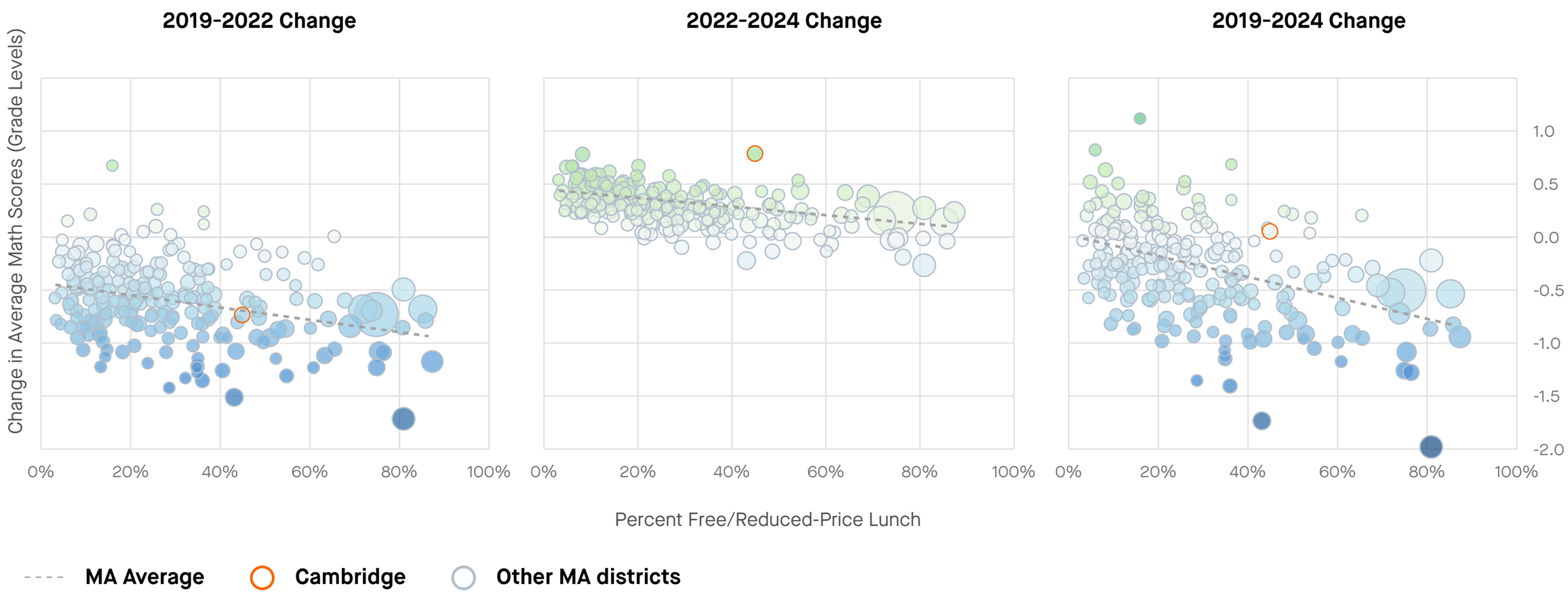
Average Reading Scores and Trends in Scores

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	3.35	3.49	3.76	↑ 0.13	↑ 0.28	↑ 0.41
Black	-0.18	-0.68	-0.50	↓ -0.50	↑ 0.18	↓ -0.32
Hispanic	0.44	0.74	0.75	↑ 0.30	↑ 0.01	↑ 0.31
Asian	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Poor	-0.32	-0.51	-0.51	↓ -0.19	↑ 0.00	↓ -0.18
Non-Poor	3.00	3.74	3.94	↑ 0.74	↑ 0.20	↑ 0.94
Female	2.46	2.75	2.93	↑ 0.29	↑ 0.18	↑ 0.47
Male	0.98	1.24	1.41	↑ 0.26	↑ 0.17	↑ 0.42

Cambridge, MA

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



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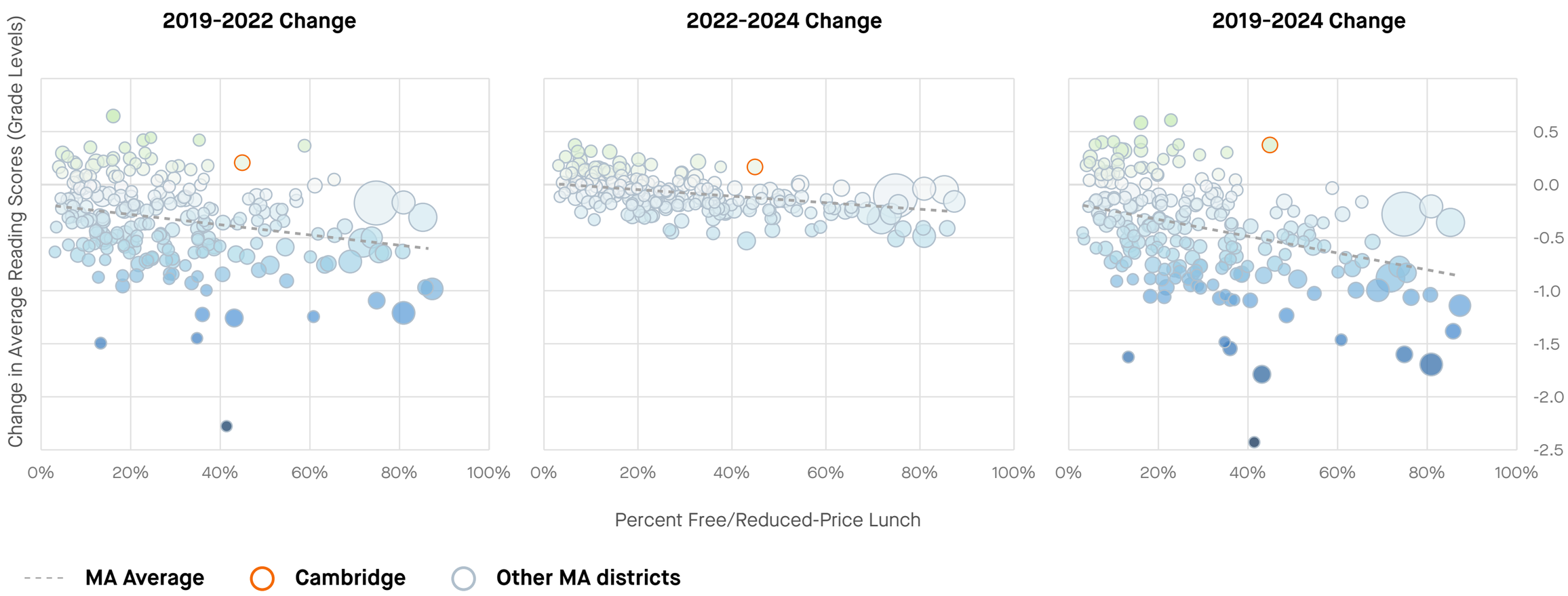

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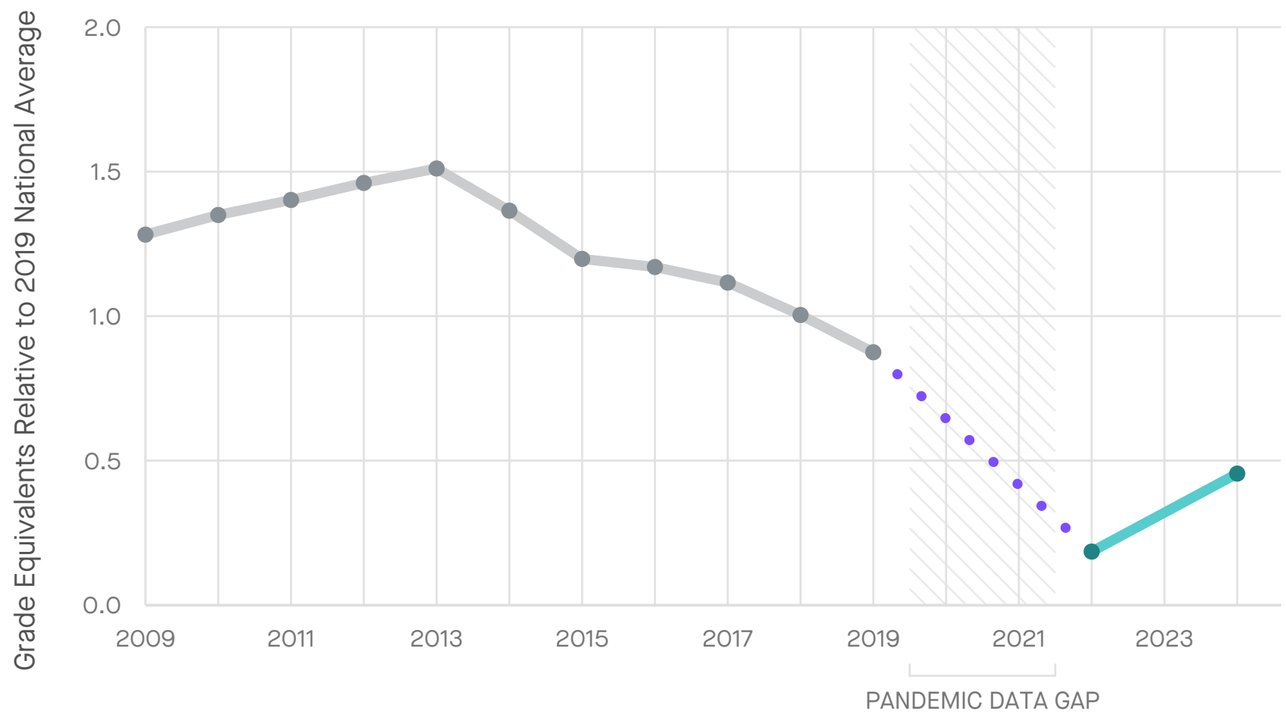

Average Math Scores and Trends in Scores
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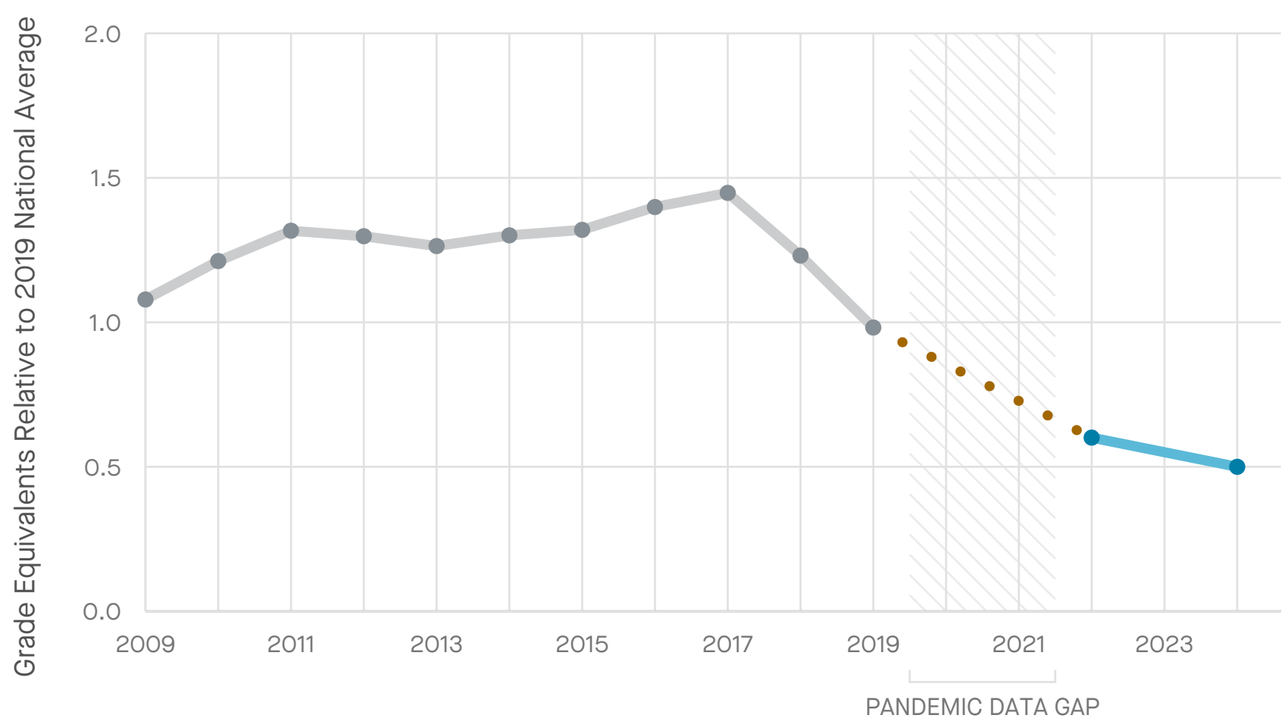
2019 Average	0.88
2022 Average	0.18
2024 Average	0.46
2019-2022 Change	-0.69
2022-2024 Change	+0.27
Since 2019	-0.42

Reading Performance, Grades 3-8, 2009-2024



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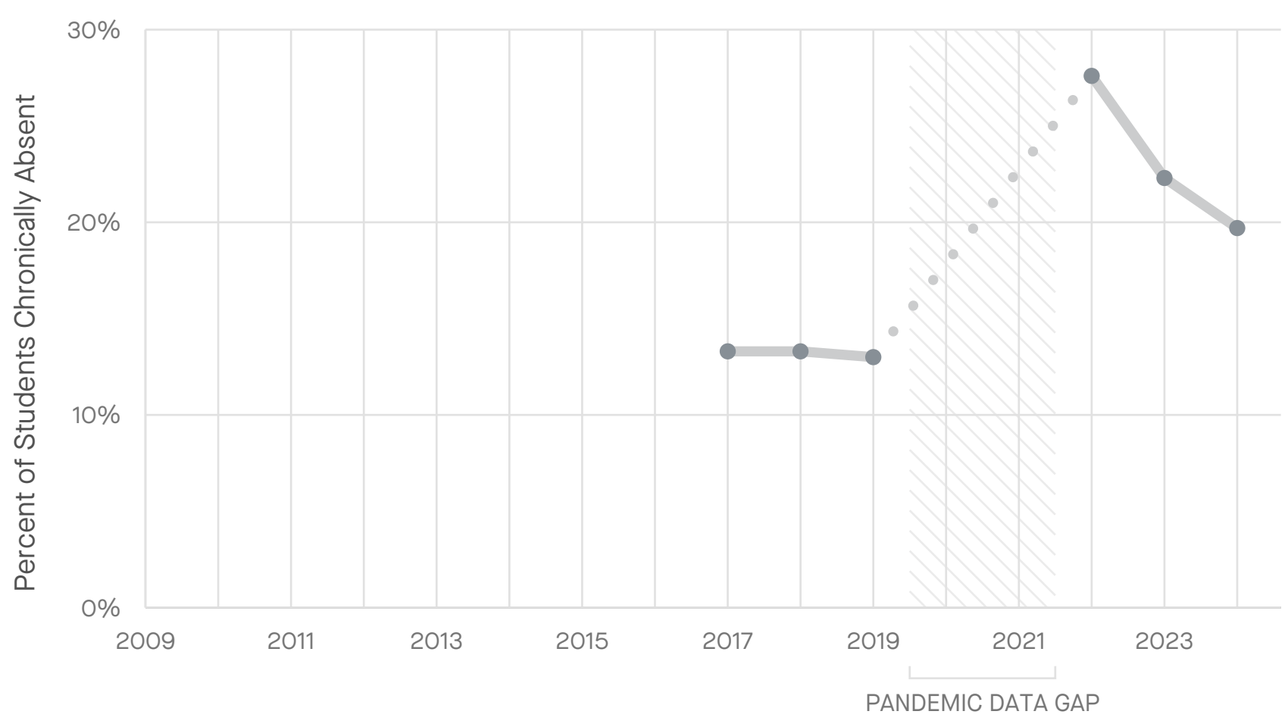
2019 Average	0.98
2022 Average	0.60
2024 Average	0.50
2019-2022 Change	-0.38
2022-2024 Change	-0.10
Since 2019	-0.48

Absenteeism, Grades 3-8, 2009-2024



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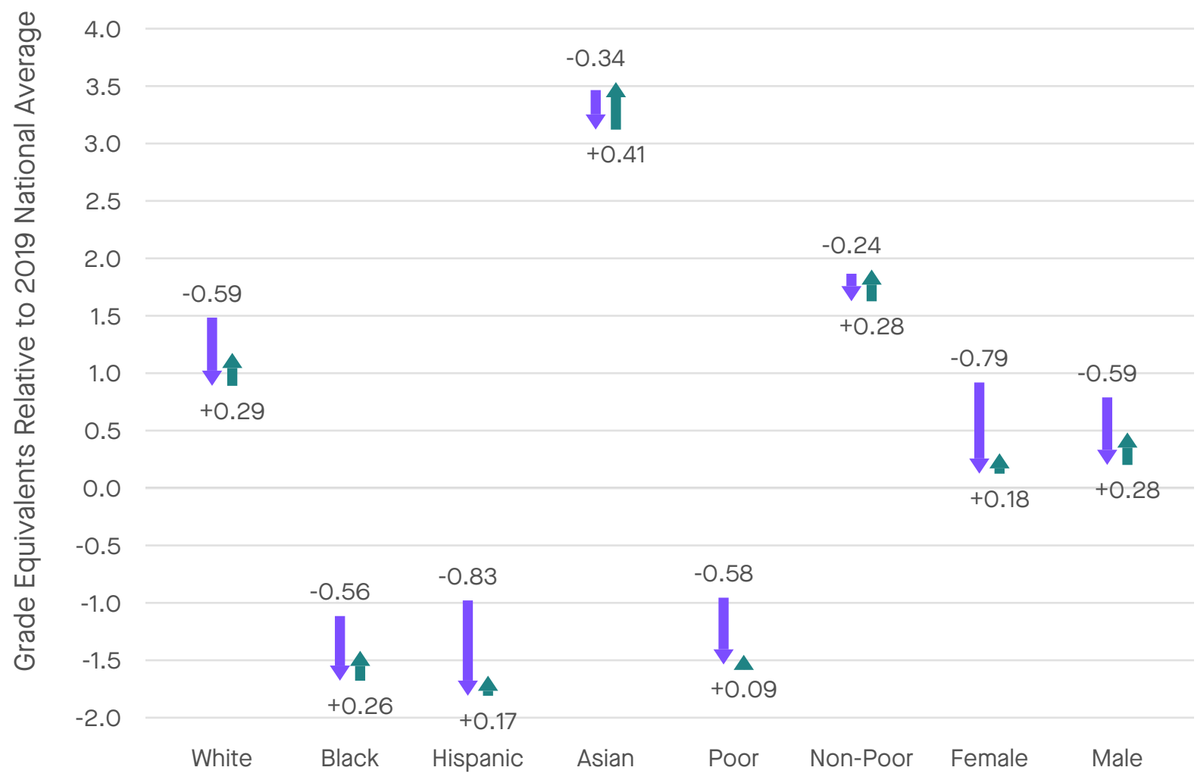
Math Performance by Subgroup, Grades 3-8, 2019-2024

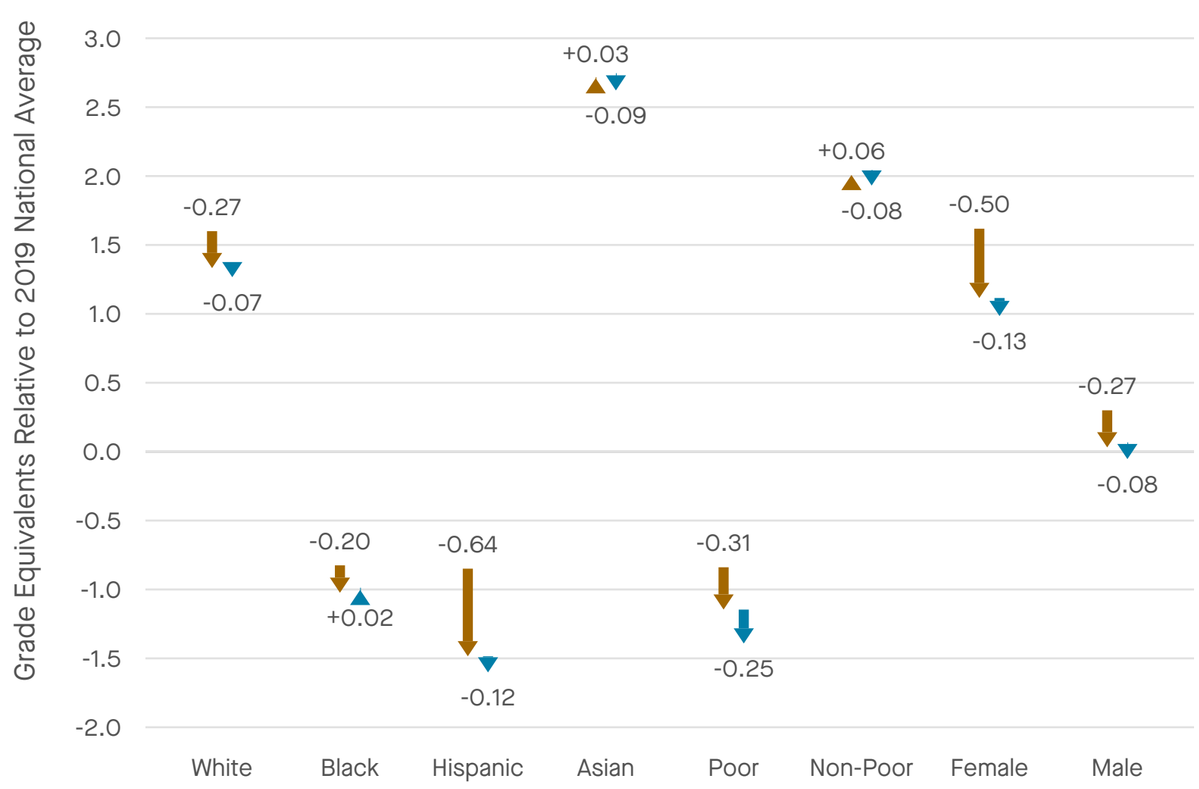


Average Math Scores and Trends in Scores

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	1.48	0.89	1.18	↓ -0.59	↑ 0.29	↓ -0.31
Black	-1.11	-1.68	-1.42	↓ -0.56	↑ 0.26	↓ -0.30
Hispanic	-0.98	-1.81	-1.63	↓ -0.83	↑ 0.17	↓ -0.66
Asian	3.46	3.12	3.54	↓ -0.34	↑ 0.41	↑ 0.07
Poor	-0.95	-1.54	-1.45	↓ -0.58	↑ 0.09	↓ -0.50
Non-Poor	1.87	1.63	1.90	↓ -0.24	↑ 0.28	↑ 0.04
Female	0.92	0.13	0.30	↓ -0.79	↑ 0.18	↓ -0.61
Male	0.79	0.20	0.48	↓ -0.59	↑ 0.28	↓ -0.30

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



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	2019 Average	2022 Average	2024 Average	2019-22 Change	2022-24 Change	2019-24 Change
White	1.60	1.33	1.27	↓ -0.27	↓ -0.07	↓ -0.34
Black	-0.82	-1.02	-1.00	↓ -0.20	↑ 0.02	↓ -0.18
Hispanic	-0.85	-1.49	-1.60	↓ -0.64	↓ -0.12	↓ -0.75
Asian	2.68	2.71	2.62	↑ 0.03	↓ -0.09	↓ -0.06
Poor	-0.84	-1.15	-1.39	↓ -0.31	↓ -0.25	↓ -0.55
Non-Poor	1.95	2.01	1.93	↑ 0.06	↓ -0.08	↓ -0.01
Female	1.62	1.11	0.98	↓ -0.50	↓ -0.13	↓ -0.63
Male	0.30	0.03	-0.05	↓ -0.27	↓ -0.08	↓ -0.35

Change in Math Achievement 2019−2022
by Percent FRPL in Massachusetts Districts

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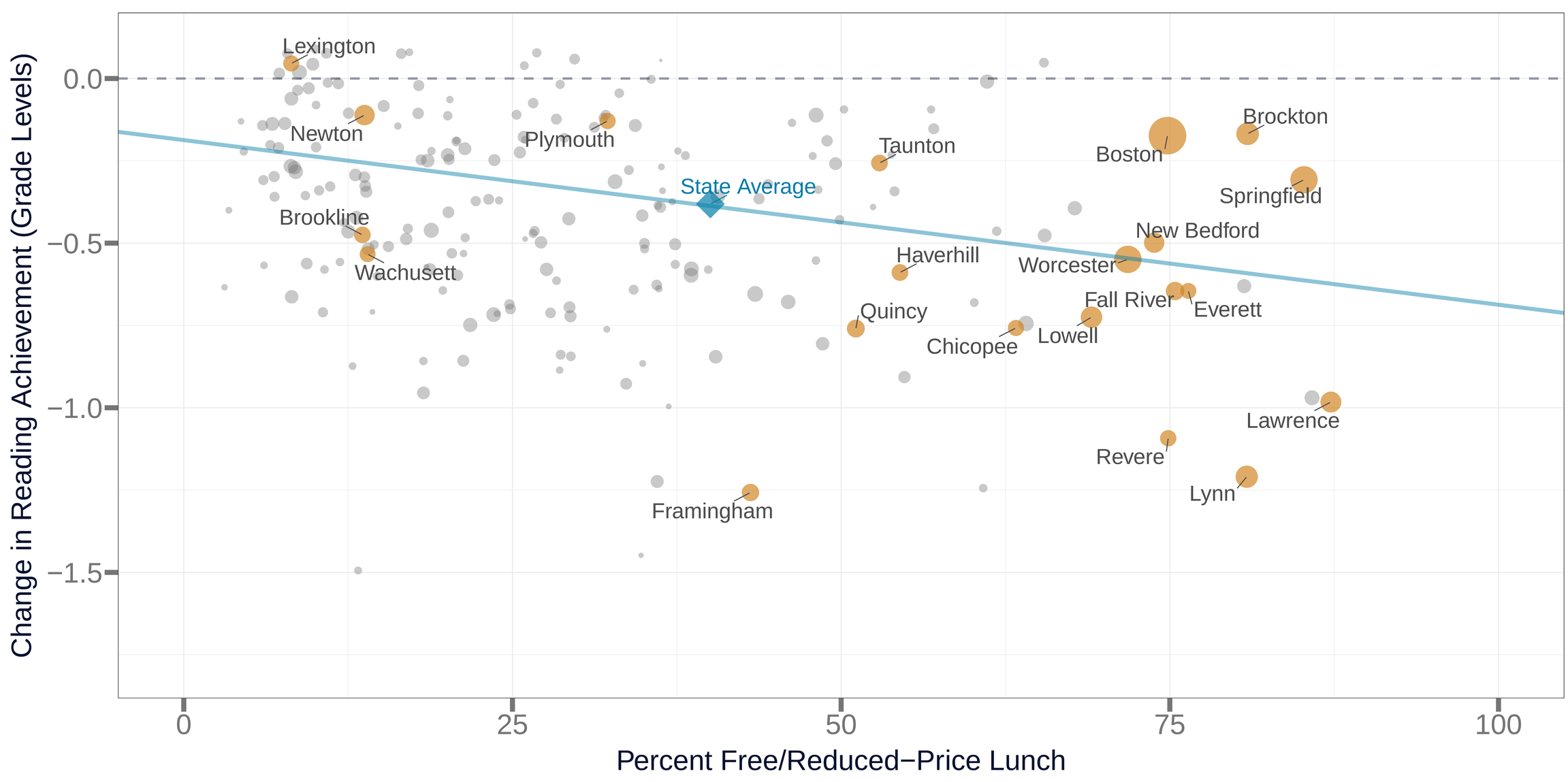

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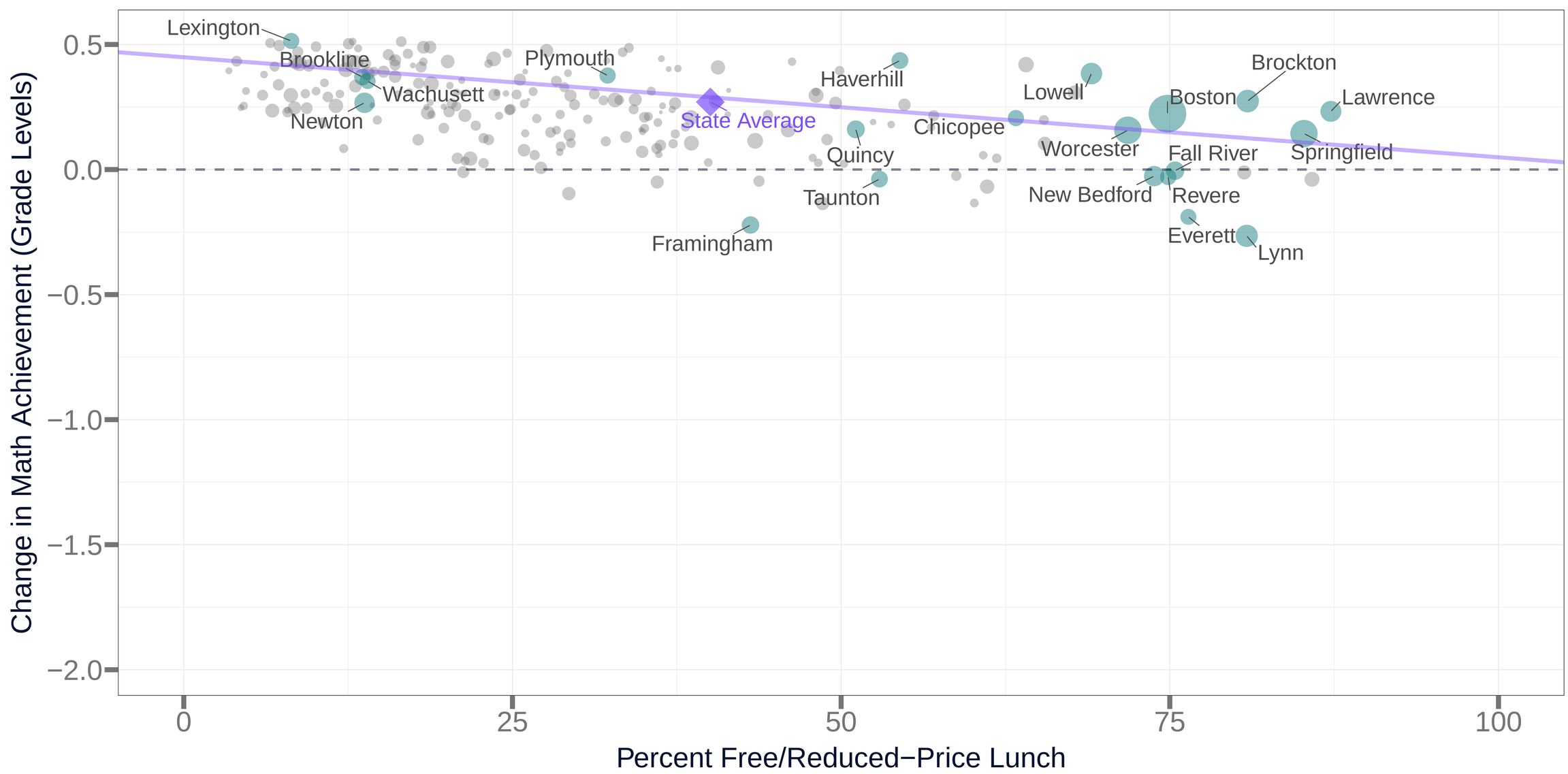

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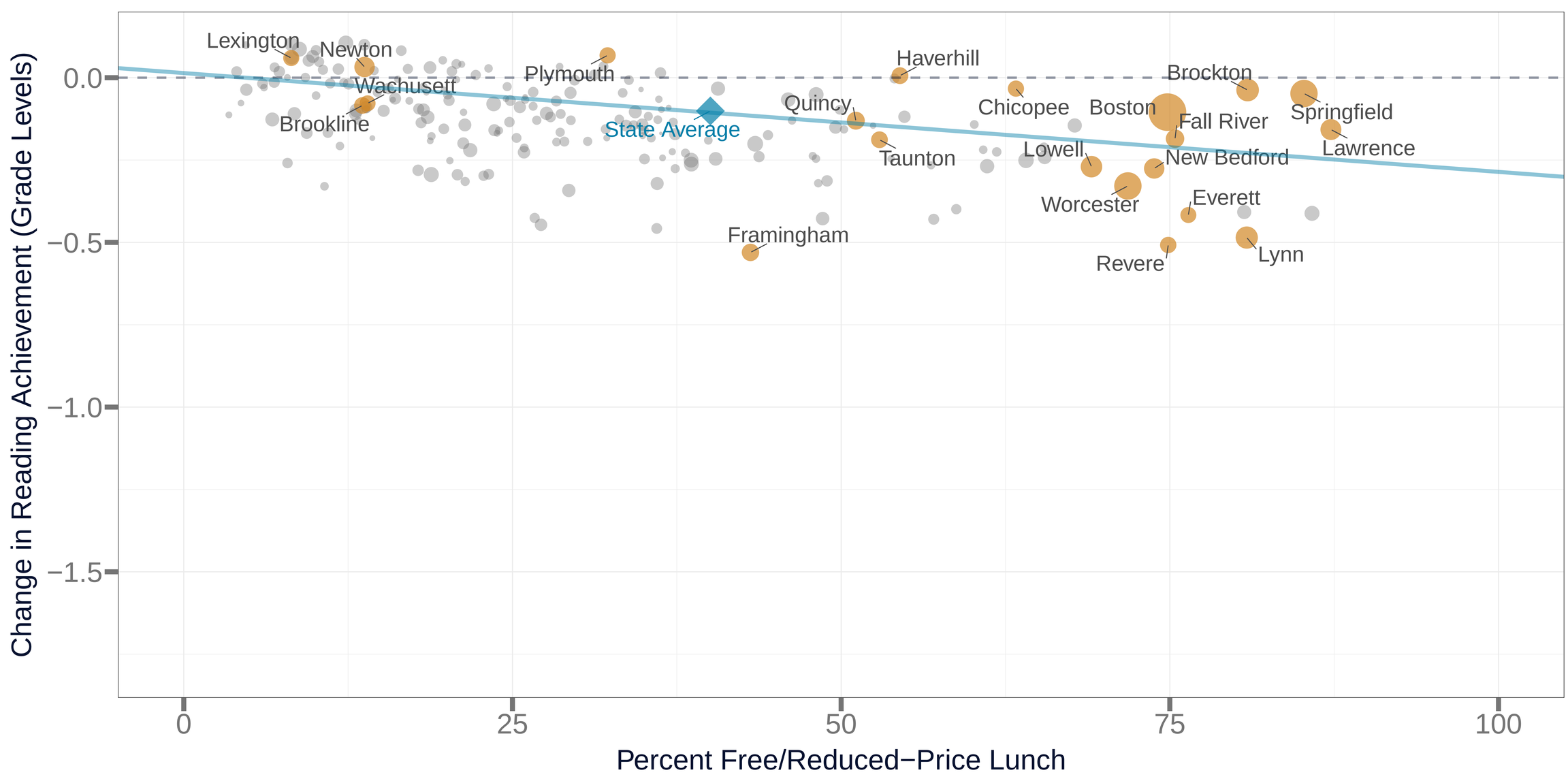

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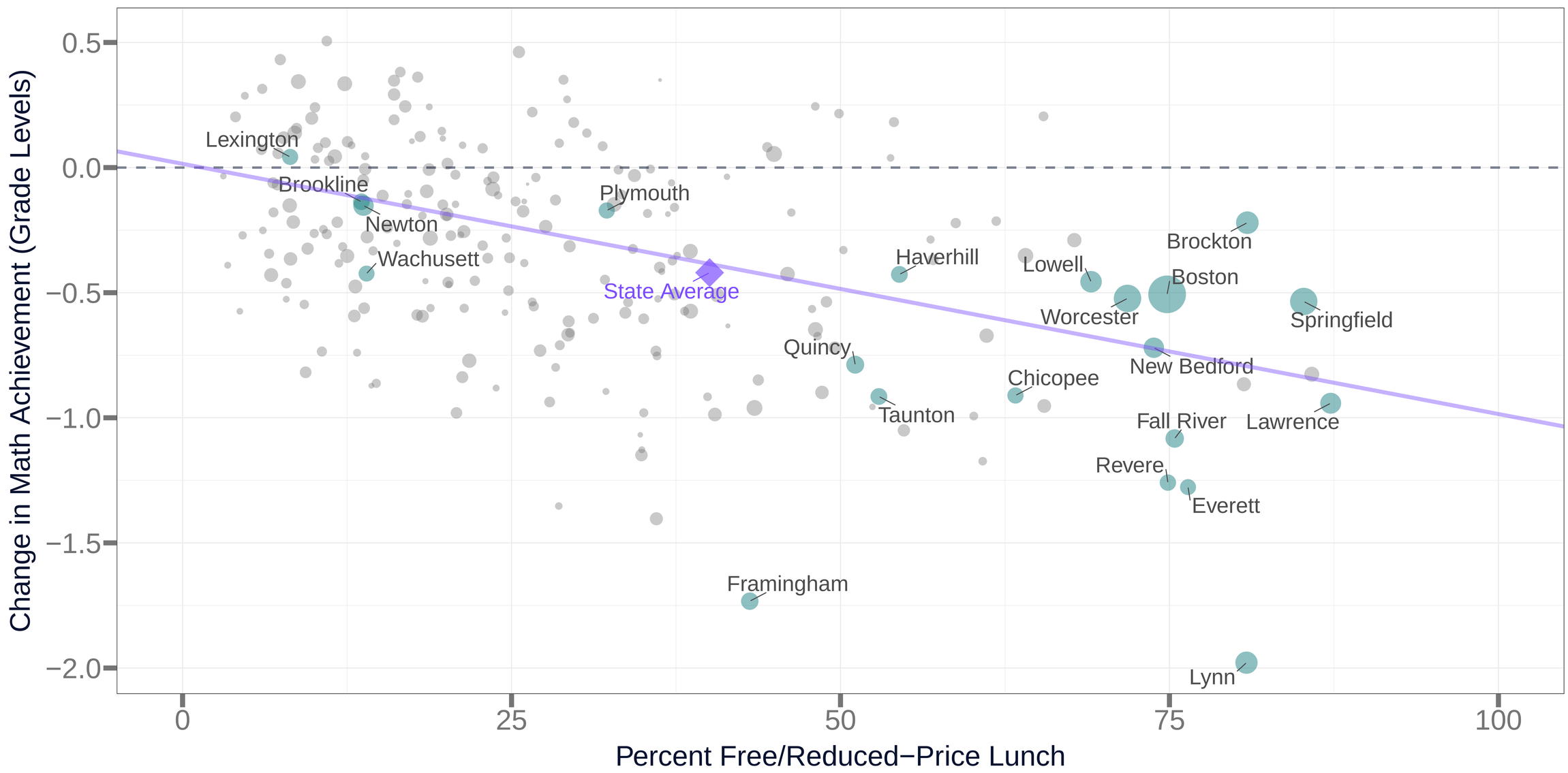

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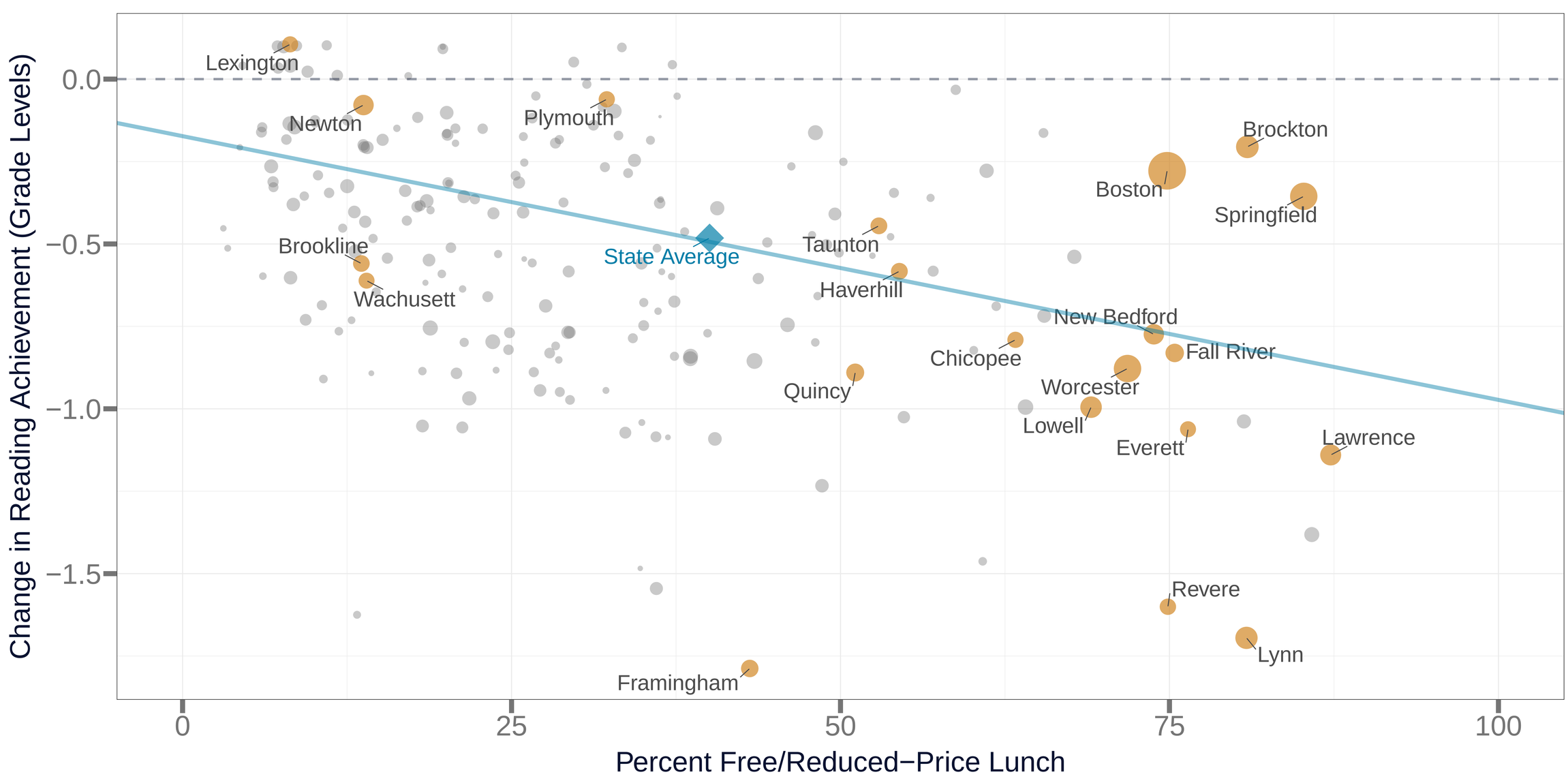

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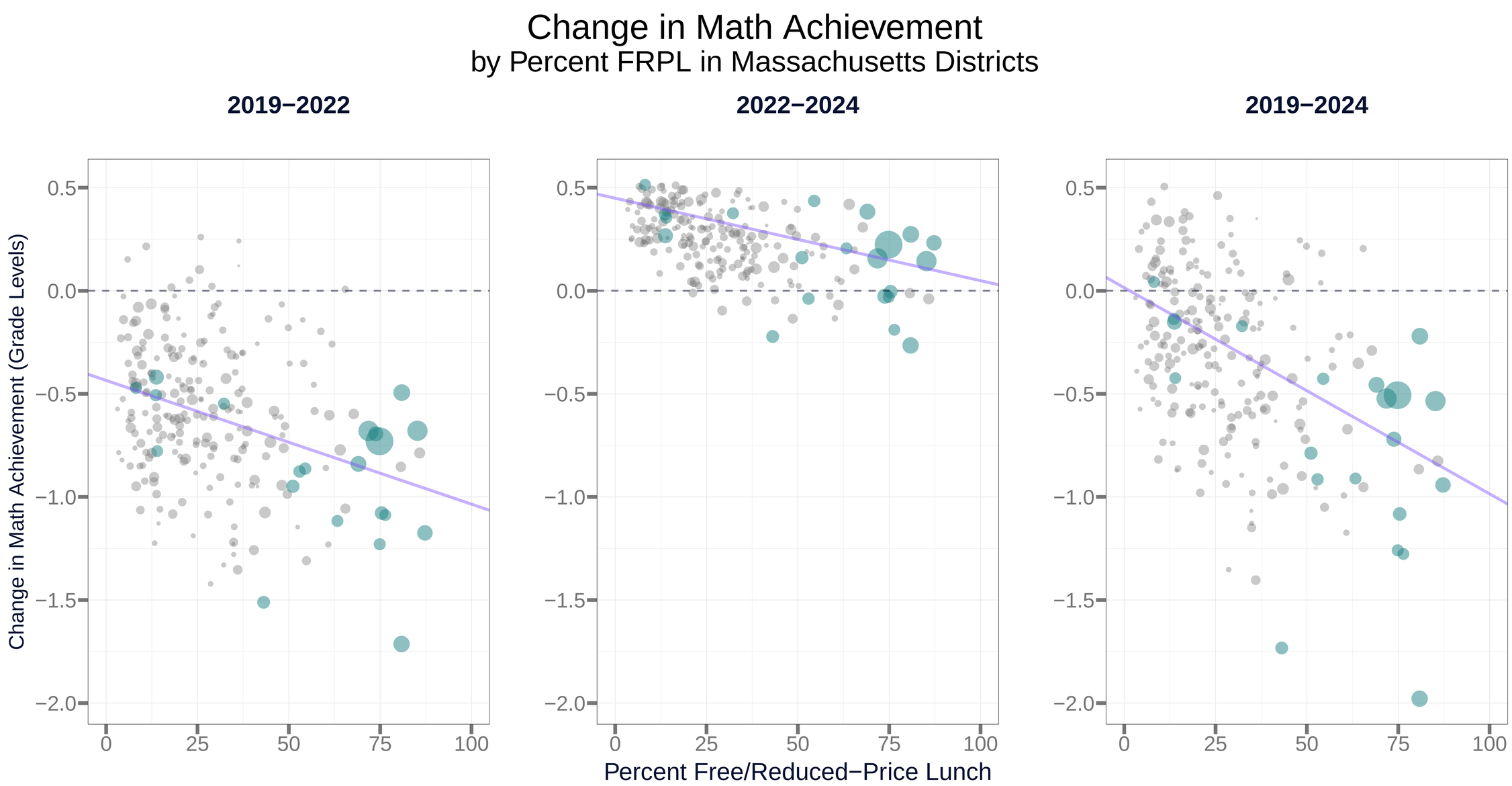

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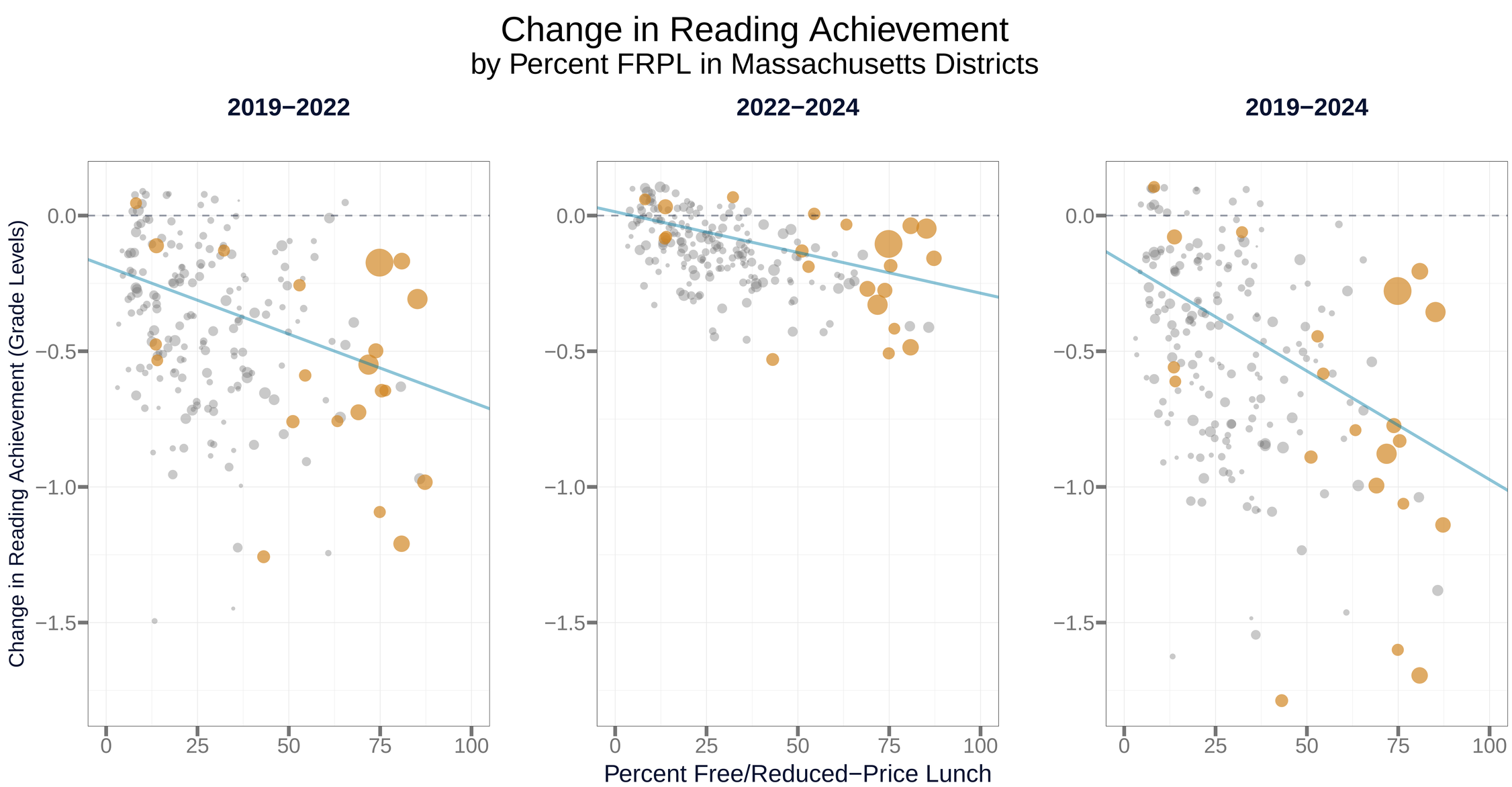

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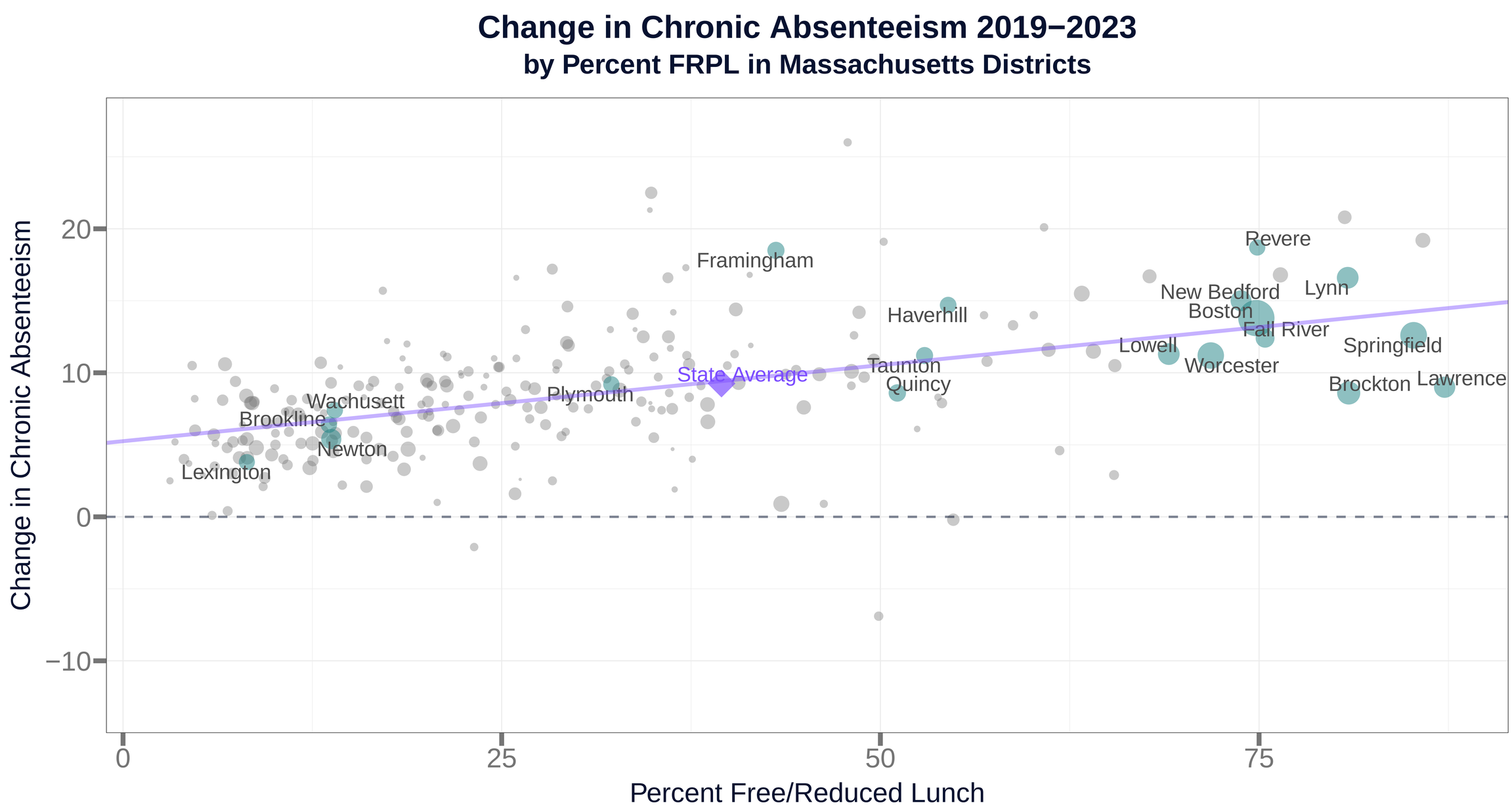

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