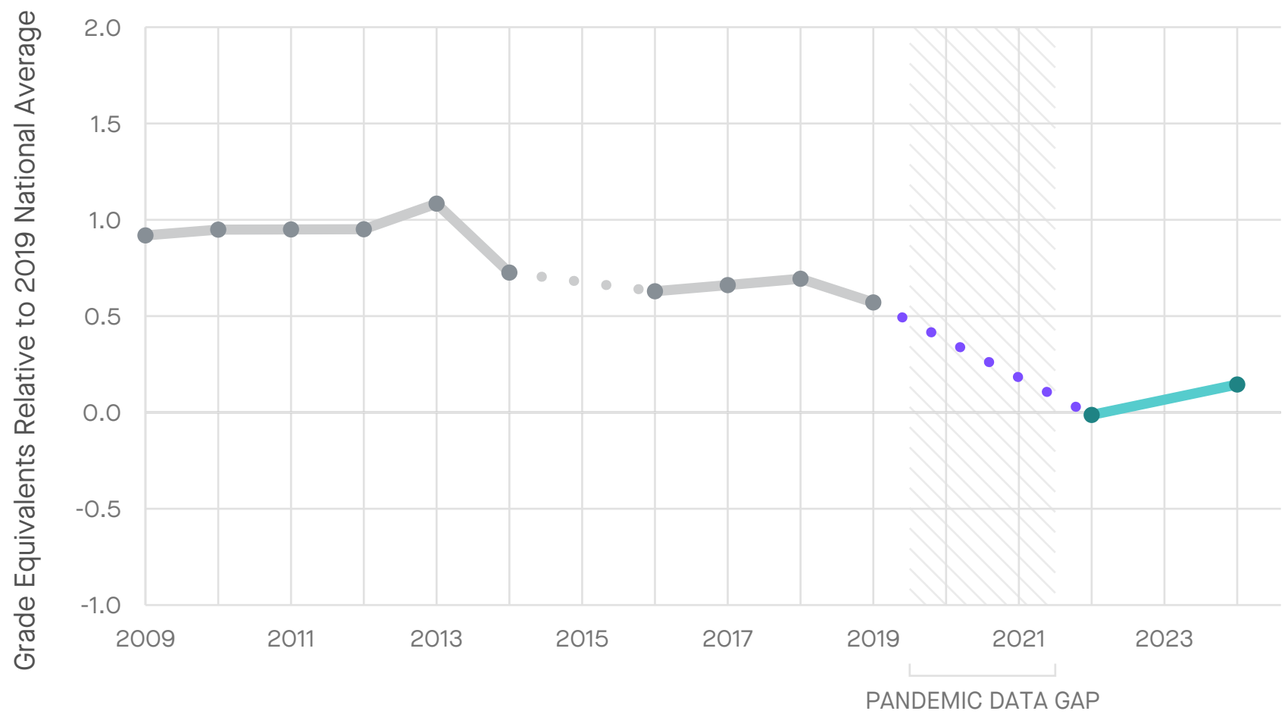
Waltham, MA

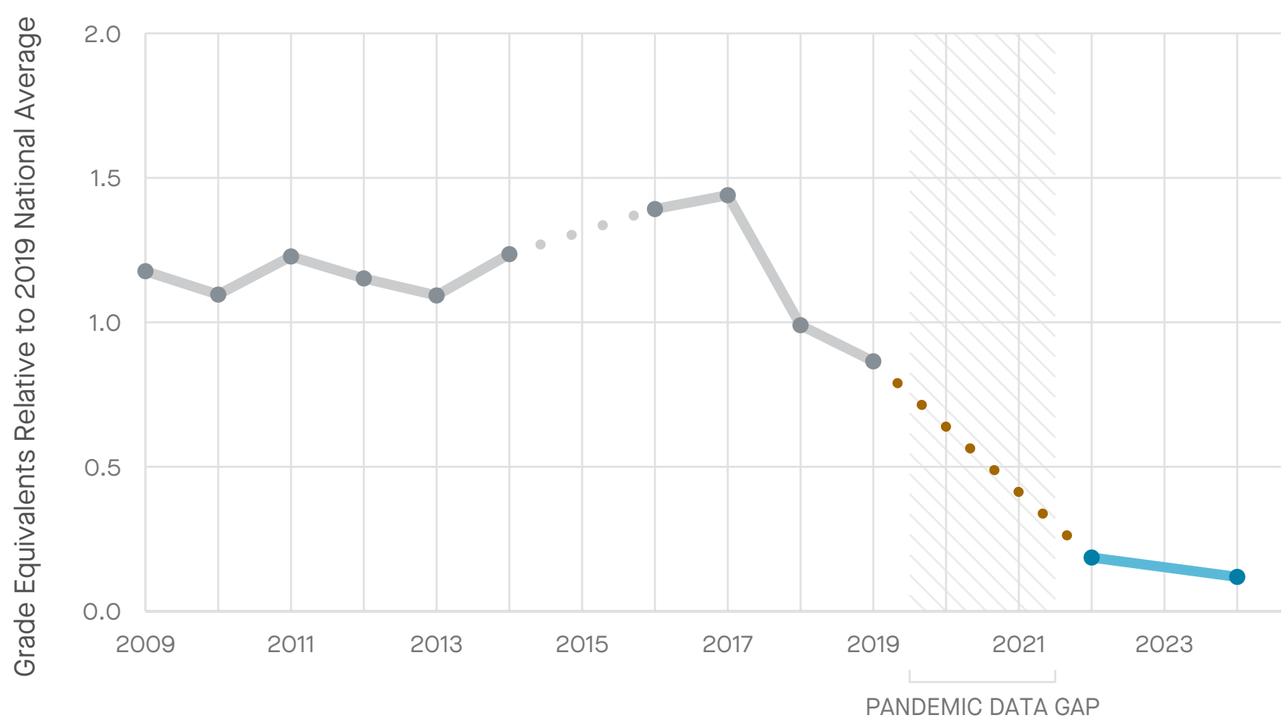
Math Performance, Grades 3-8, 2009-2024



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

2019 Average	0.57
2022 Average	-0.01
2024 Average	0.14
2019-2022 Change	-0.58
2022-2024 Change	+0.16
Since 2019	-0.43

Reading Performance, Grades 3-8, 2009-2024



Average Reading Scores and Trends in Scores
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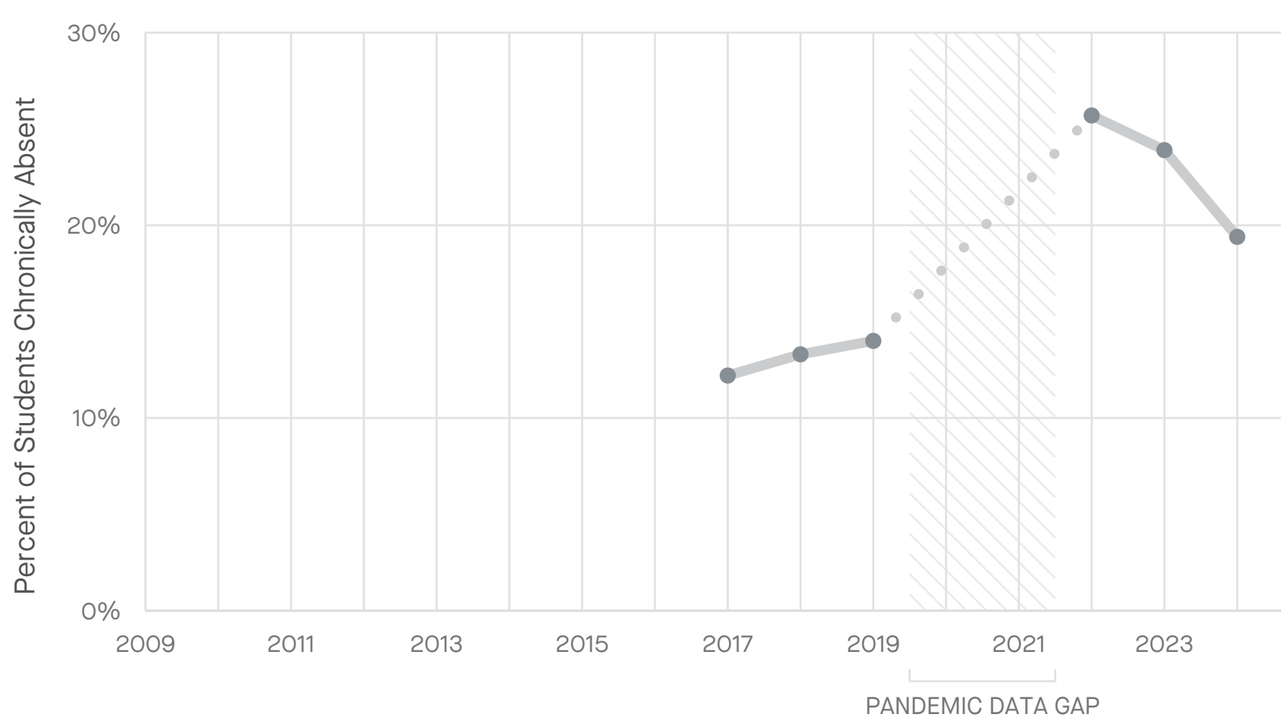
2019 Average	0.86
2022 Average	0.19
2024 Average	0.12
2019-2022 Change	-0.68
2022-2024 Change	-0.07
Since 2019	-0.74

Absenteeism, Grades 3-8, 2009-2024



Absenteeism

2019-2023 Change	+0.10
Since 2009	N/A

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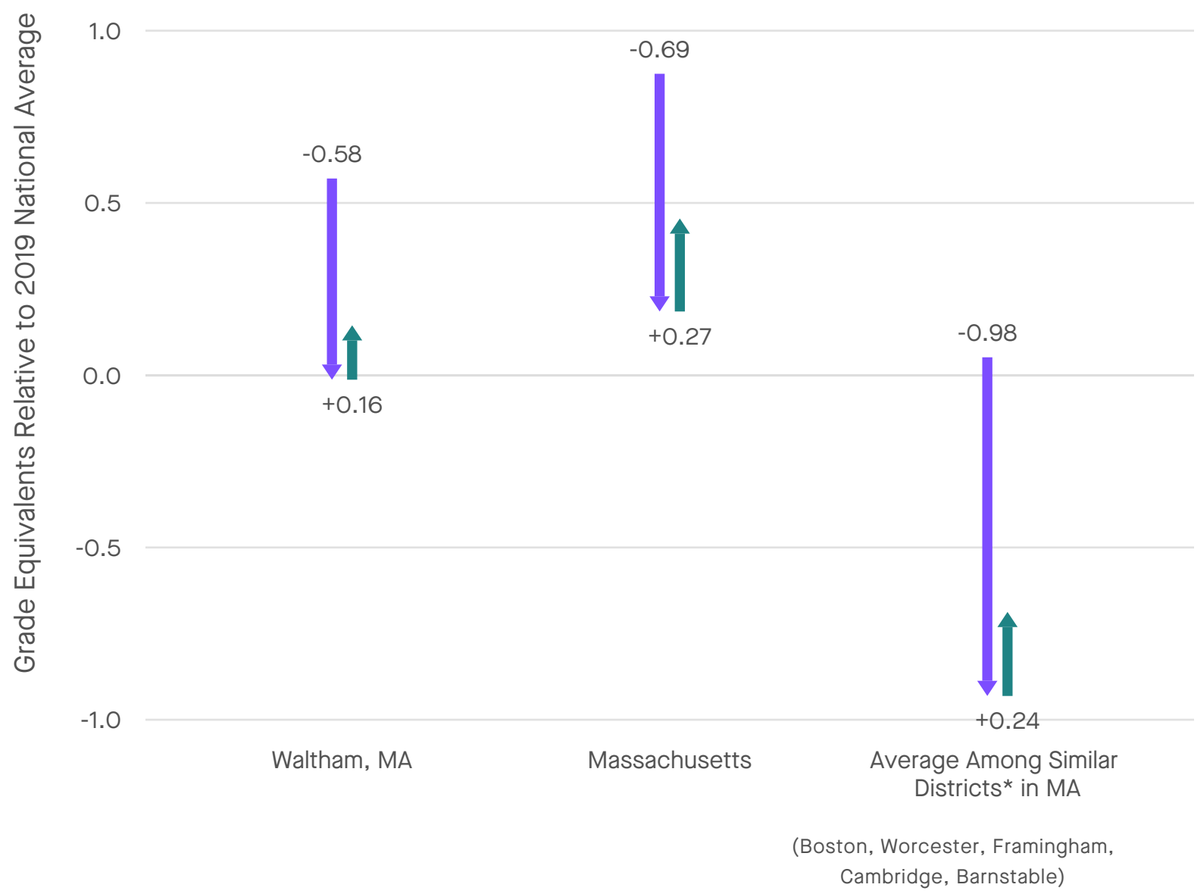
Waltham, MA

Math Performance in Waltham vs. Massachusetts 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
Waltham, MA	0.57	-0.01	0.14	↓ -0.58	↑ 0.16	↓ -0.43
Massachusetts	0.88	0.18	0.46	↓ -0.69	↑ 0.27	↓ -0.42
Similar Districts* in Massachusetts	0.05	-0.93	-0.69	↓ -0.98	↑ 0.24	↓ -0.74

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

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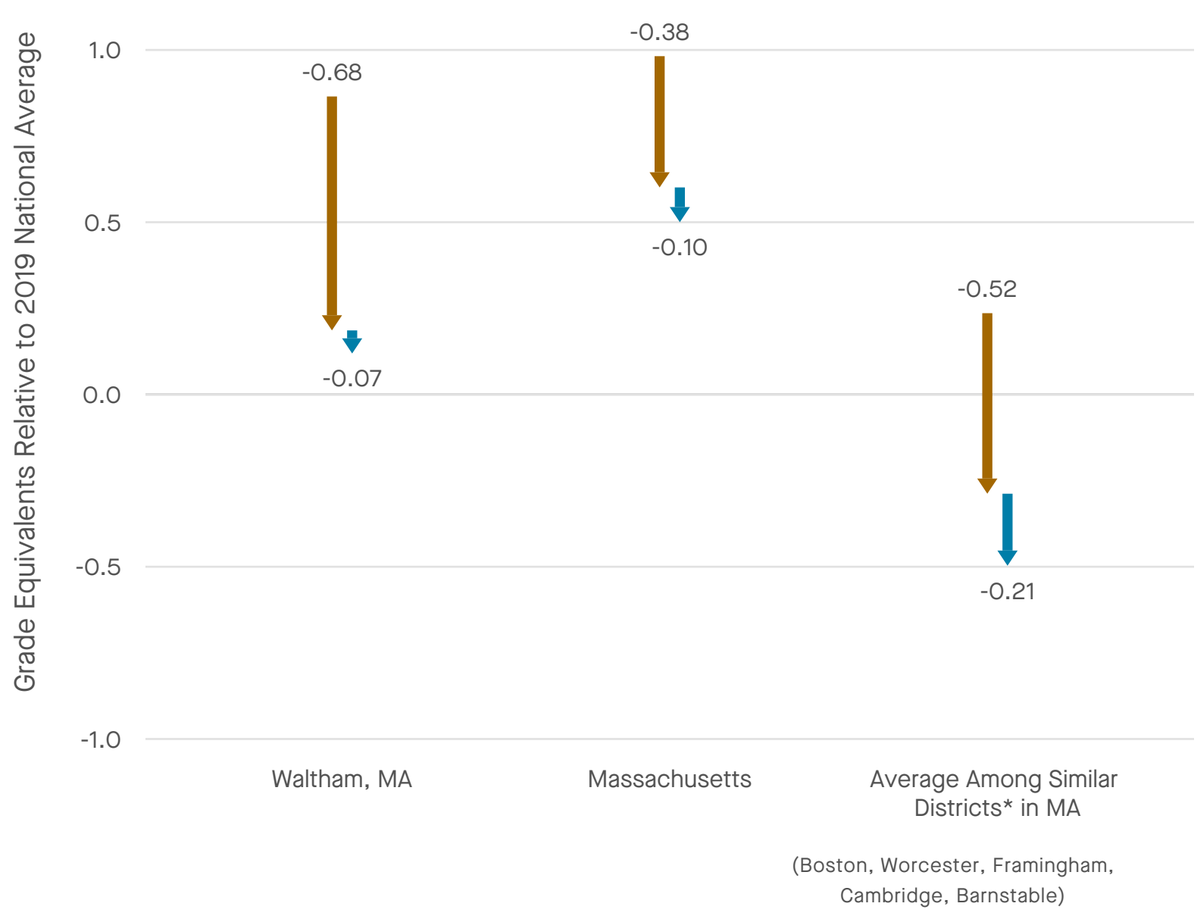

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	2019 Average	2022 Average	2024 Average	2019-22 Change	2022-24 Change	2019-24 Change
Waltham, MA	0.86	0.19	0.12	↓ -0.68	↓ -0.07	↓ -0.74
Massachusetts	0.98	0.60	0.50	↓ -0.38	↓ -0.10	↓ -0.48
Similar Districts* in Massachusetts	0.24	-0.29	-0.50	↓ -0.52	↓ -0.21	↓ -0.73

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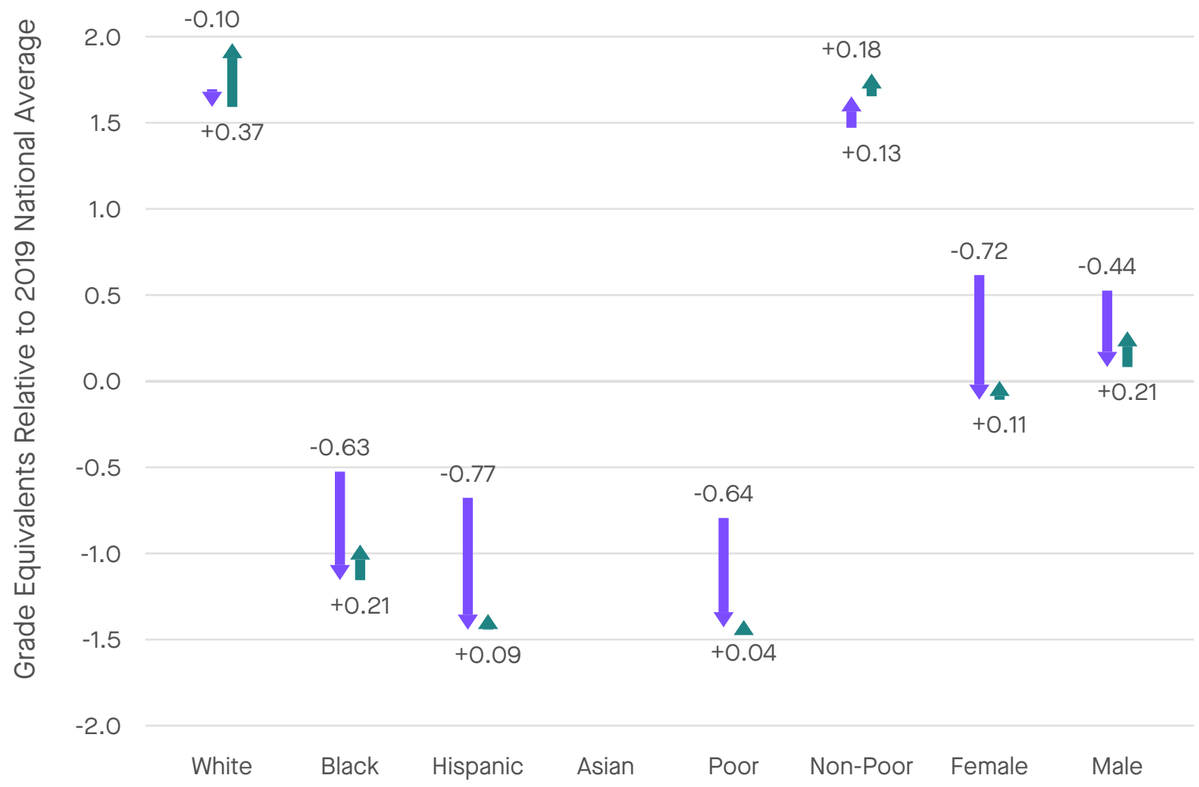
Waltham, MA

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

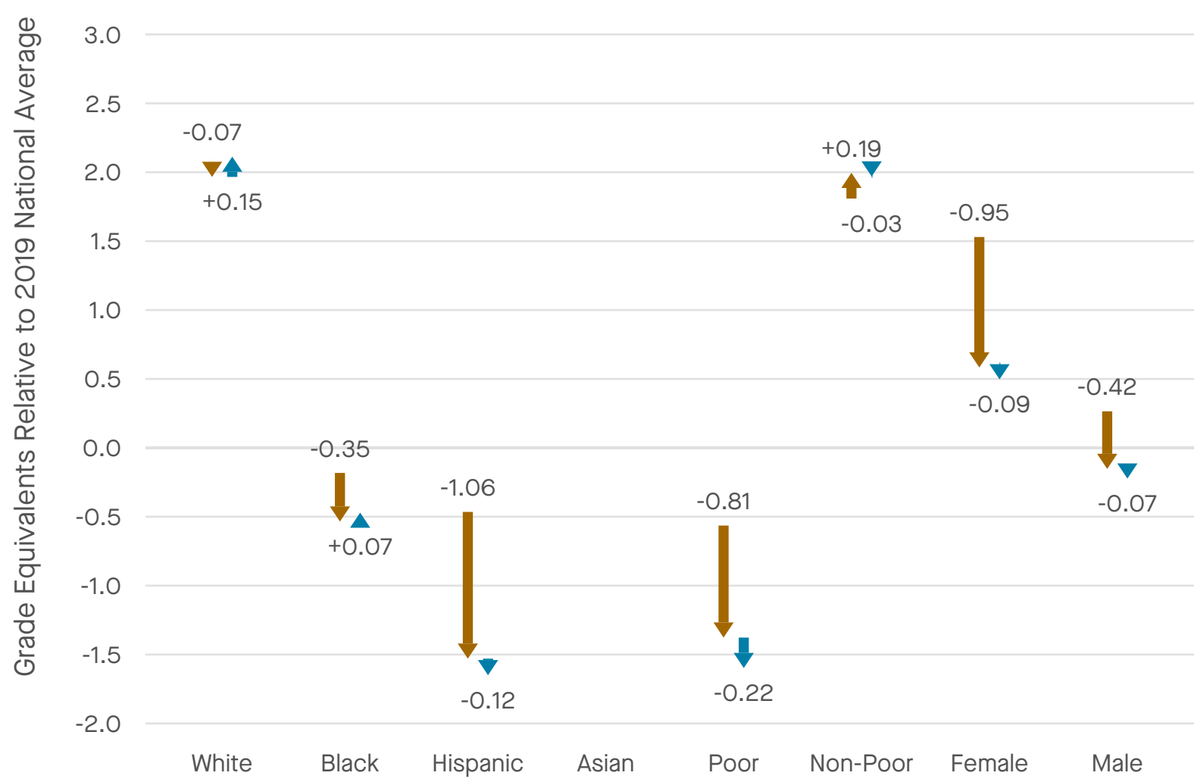


Average Math Scores and Trends in Scores

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	1.70	1.59	1.96	-0.10	0.37	0.27
Black	-0.53	-1.16	-0.95	-0.63	0.21	-0.42
Hispanic	-0.68	-1.44	-1.35	-0.77	0.09	-0.68
Asian	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Poor	-0.79	-1.43	-1.39	-0.64	0.04	-0.59
Non-Poor	1.47	1.65	1.79	0.18	0.13	0.32
Female	0.62	-0.11	0.00	-0.72	0.11	-0.61
Male	0.53	0.08	0.29	-0.44	0.21	-0.24

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



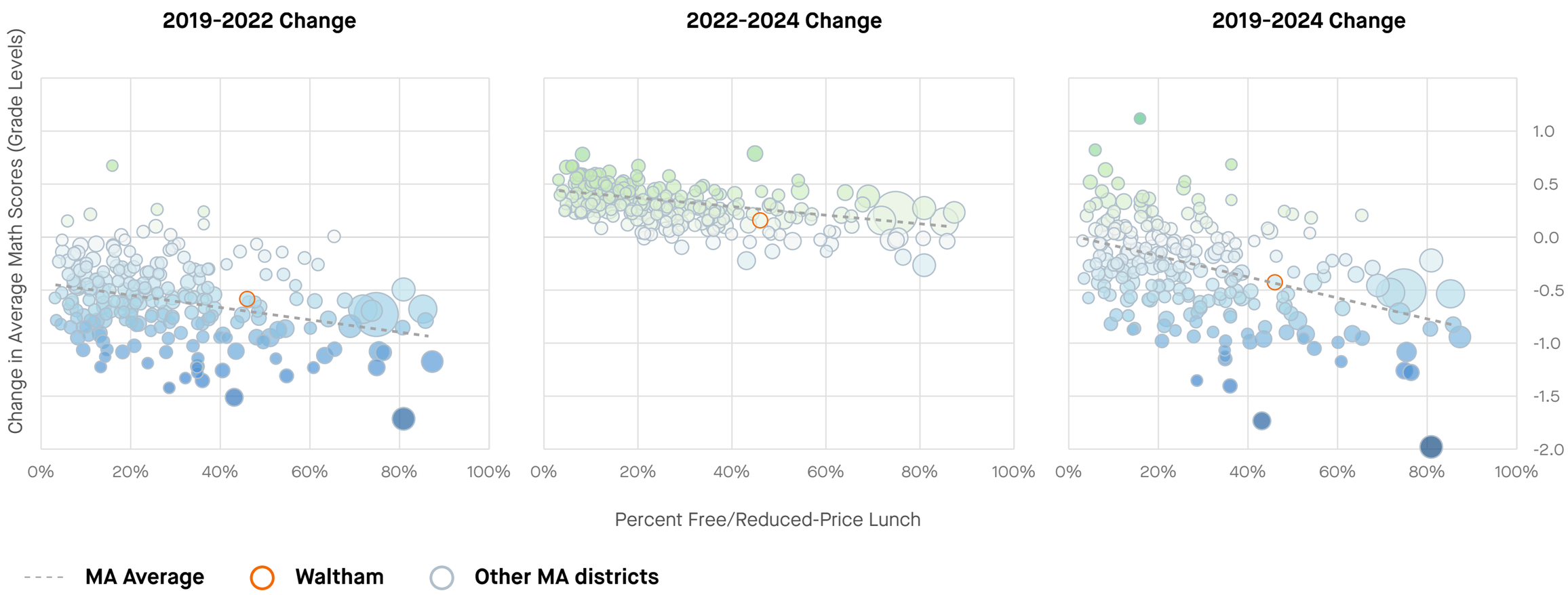
Average Reading Scores and Trends in Scores

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	2.03	1.97	2.11	-0.07	0.15	0.08
Black	-0.18	-0.54	-0.47	-0.35	0.07	-0.29
Hispanic	-0.47	-1.53	-1.65	-1.06	-0.12	-1.19
Asian	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Poor	-0.56	-1.38	-1.60	-0.81	-0.22	-1.03
Non-Poor	1.81	2.00	1.97	0.19	-0.03	0.16
Female	1.53	0.58	0.50	-0.95	-0.09	-1.03
Male	0.27	-0.15	-0.22	-0.42	-0.07	-0.49

Waltham, MA

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



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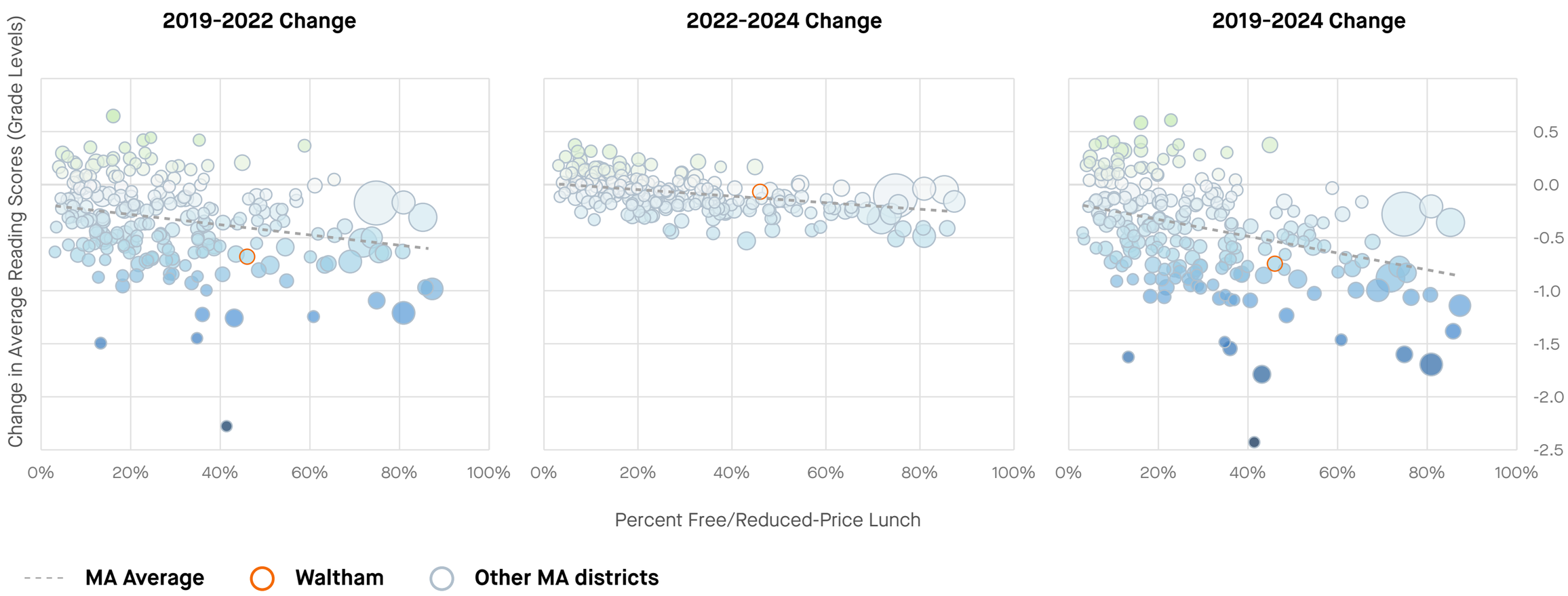

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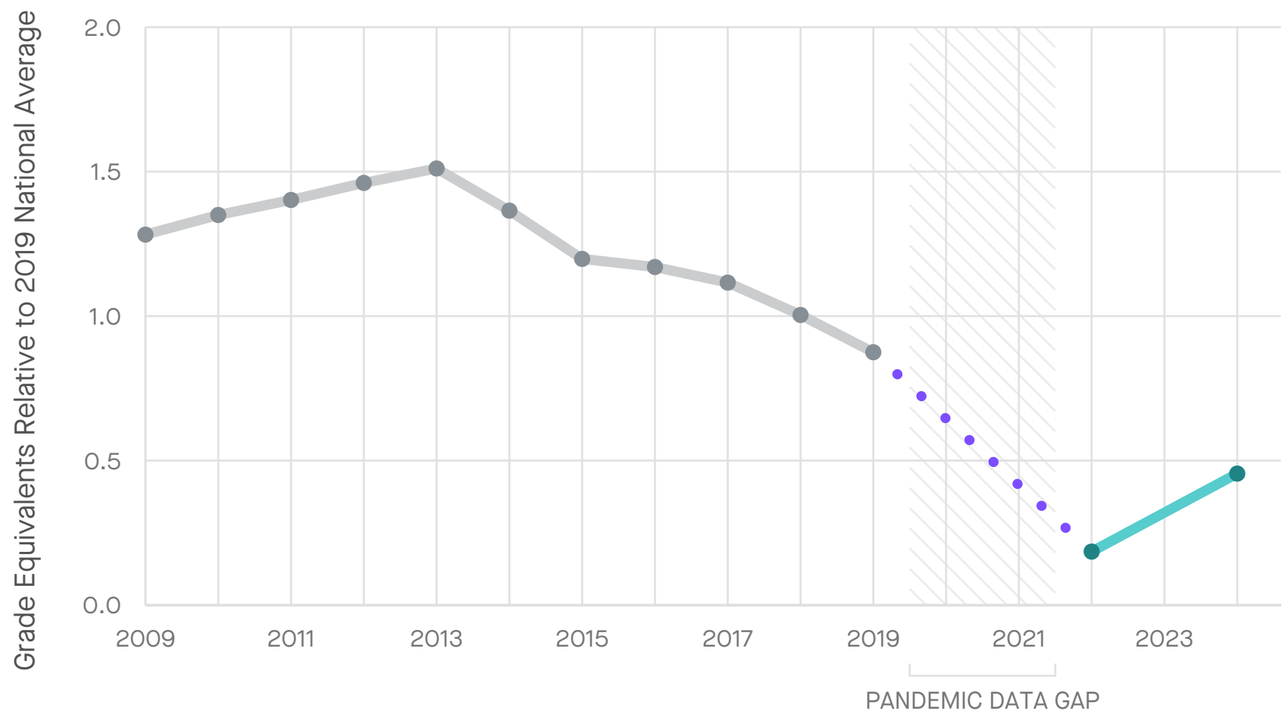
Massachusetts

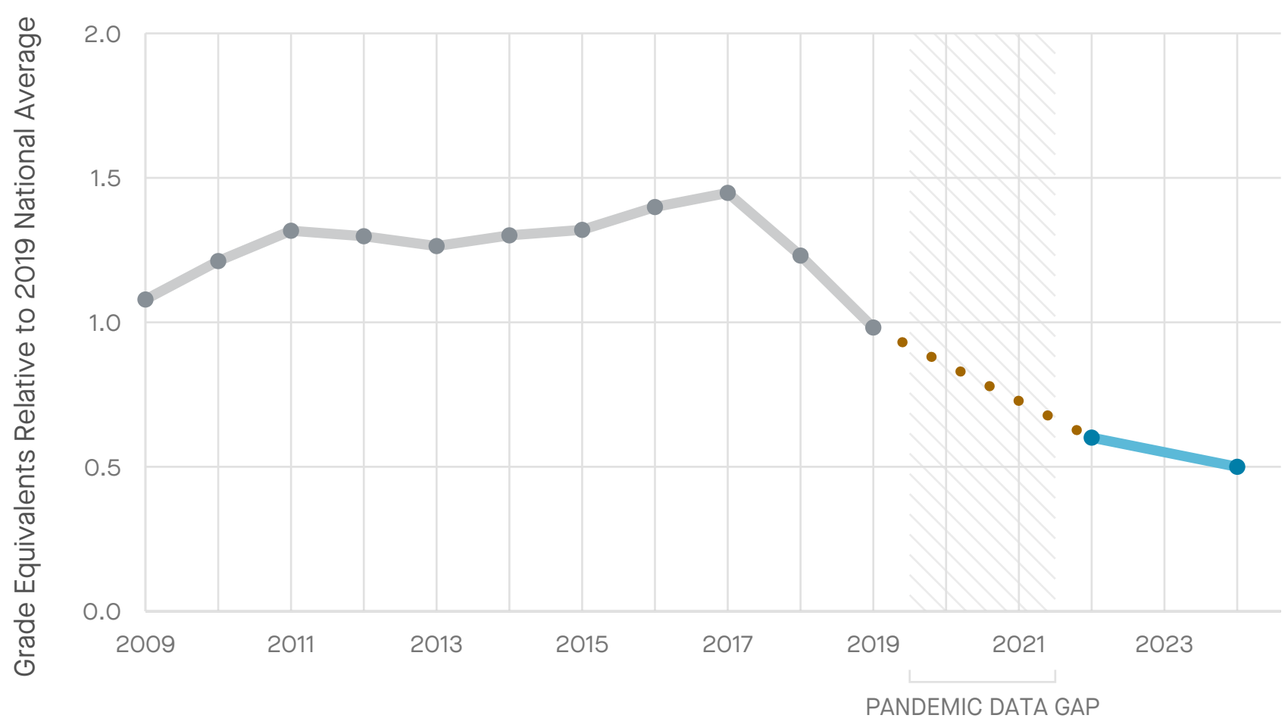
Math Performance, Grades 3-8, 2009-2024



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

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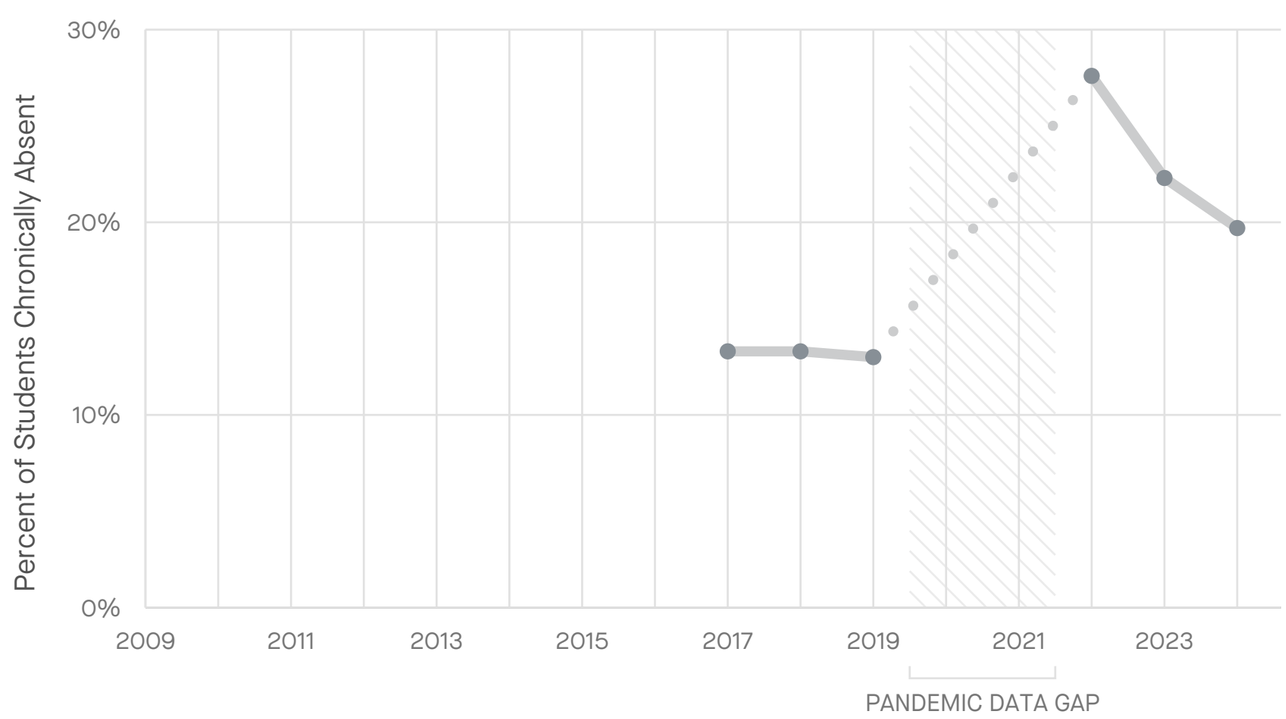
2019 Average	0.98
2022 Average	0.60
2024 Average	0.50
2019-2022 Change	-0.38
2022-2024 Change	-0.10
Since 2019	-0.48

Absenteeism, Grades 3-8, 2009-2024



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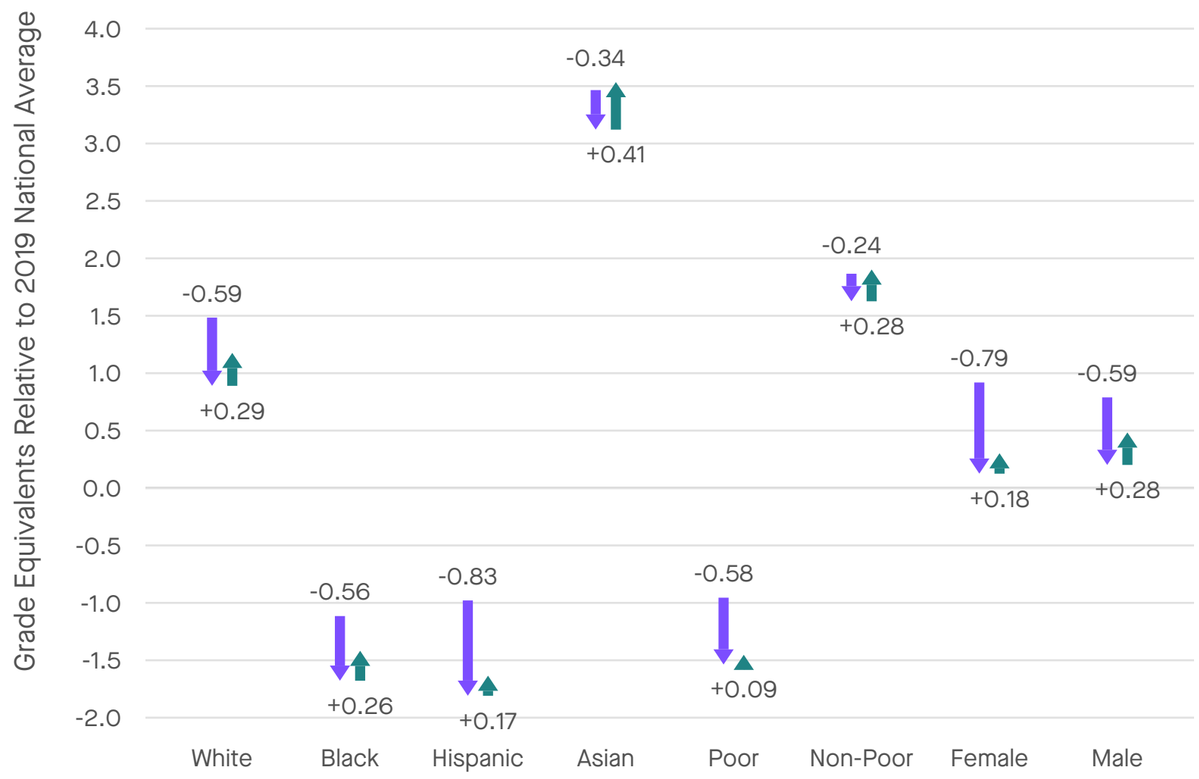

Average Math Scores and Trends in Scores

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

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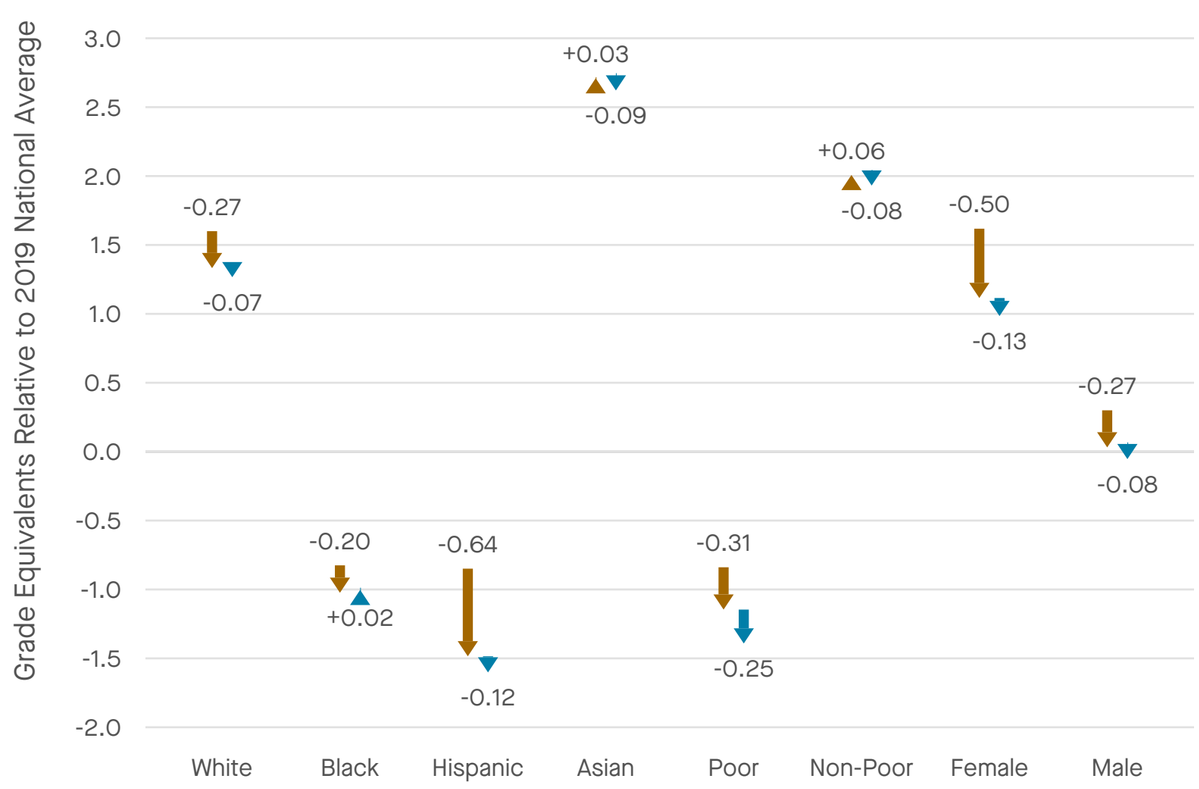

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	2019 Average	2022 Average	2024 Average	2019-22 Change	2022-24 Change	2019-24 Change
White	1.60	1.33	1.27	↓ -0.27	↓ -0.07	↓ -0.34
Black	-0.82	-1.02	-1.00	↓ -0.20	↑ 0.02	↓ -0.18
Hispanic	-0.85	-1.49	-1.60	↓ -0.64	↓ -0.12	↓ -0.75
Asian	2.68	2.71	2.62	↑ 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
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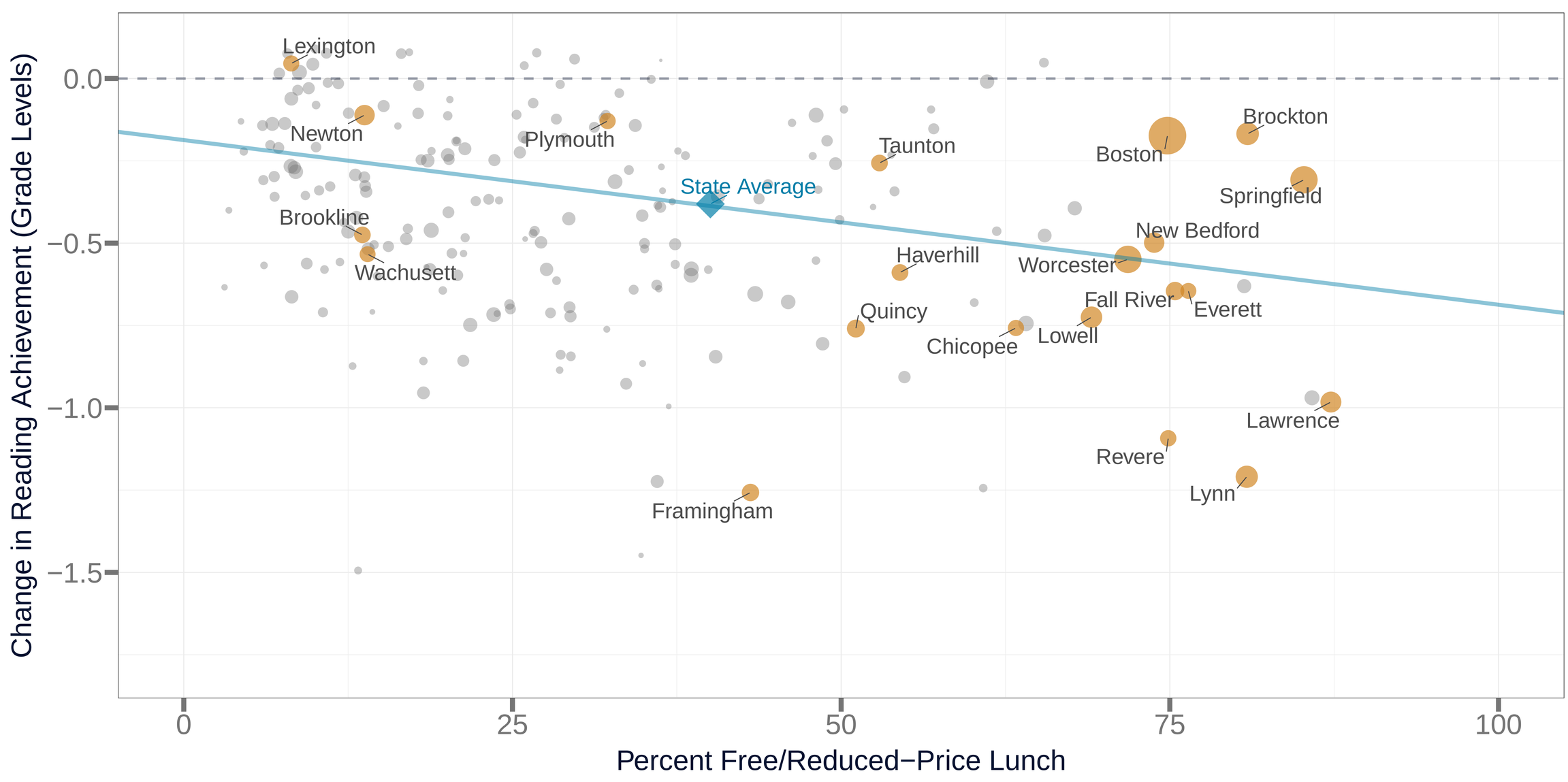

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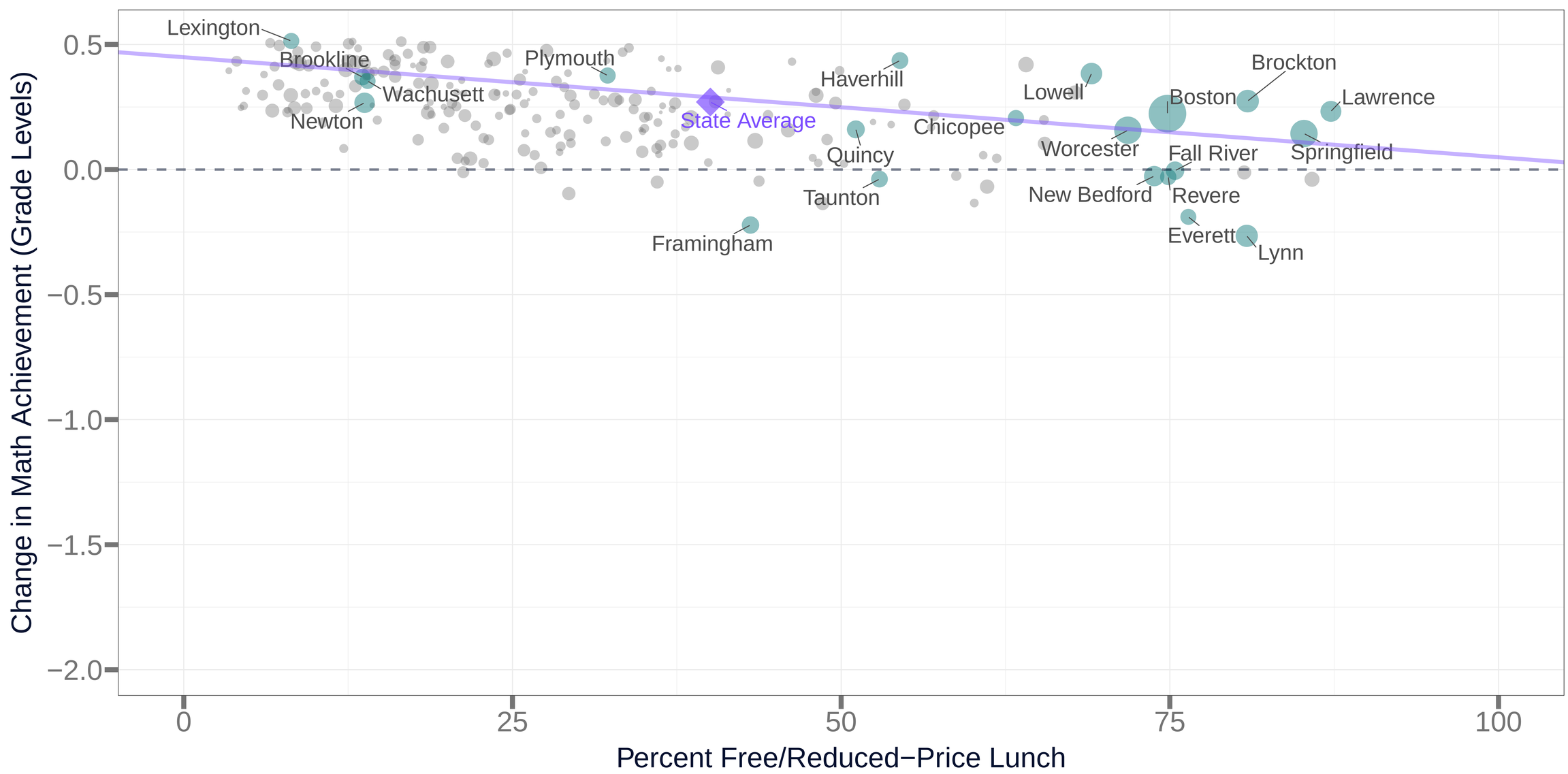

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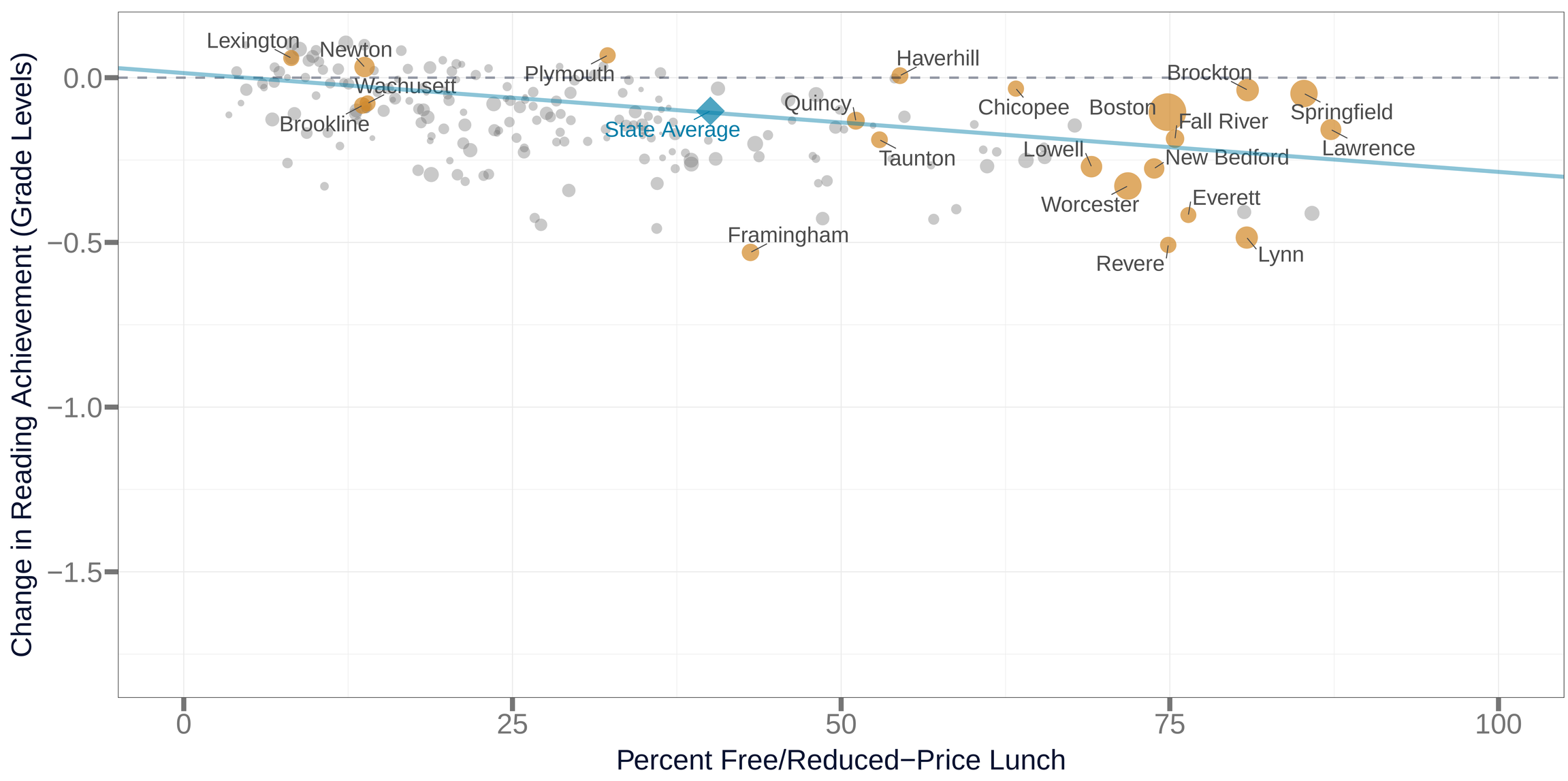

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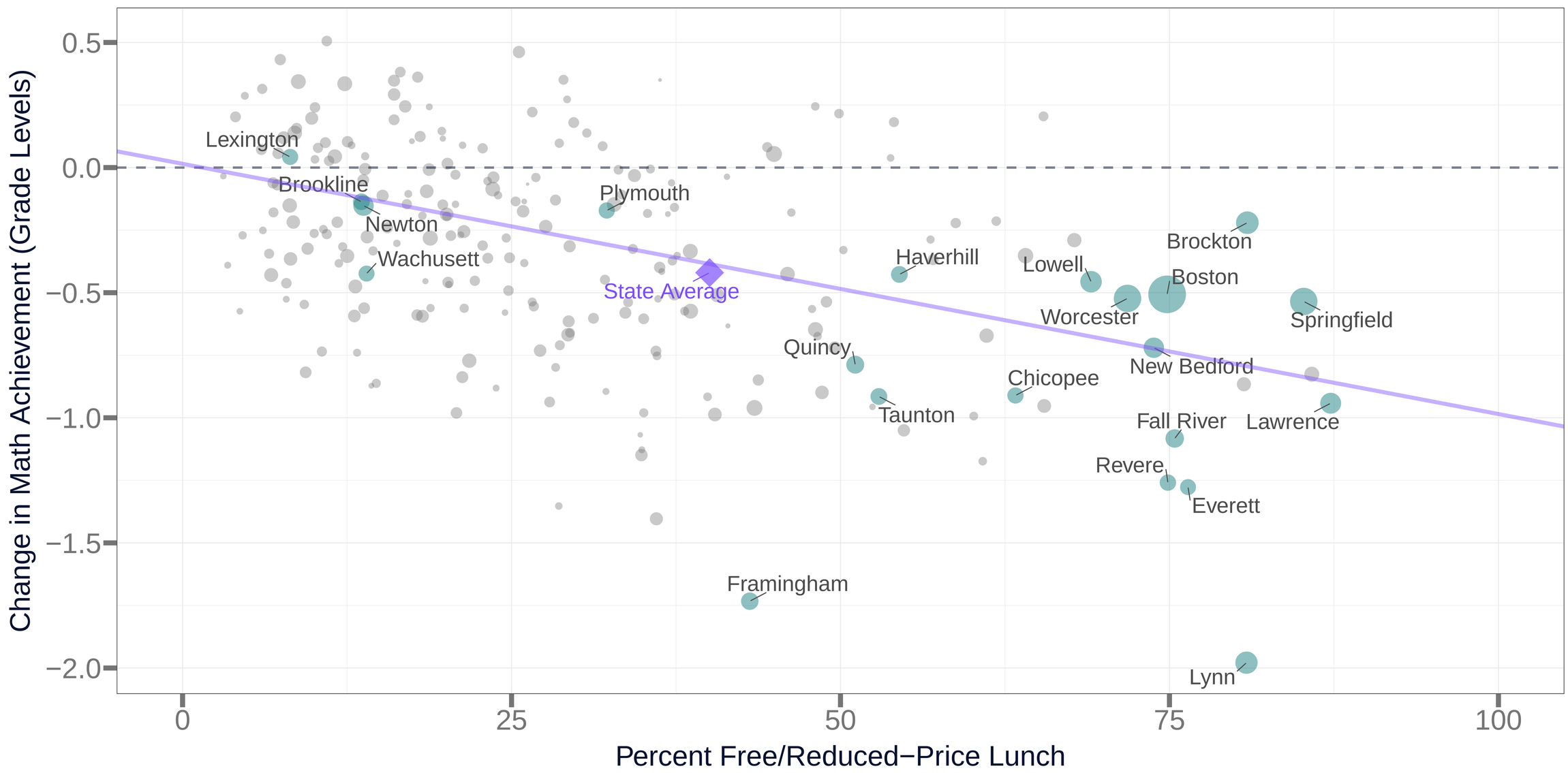

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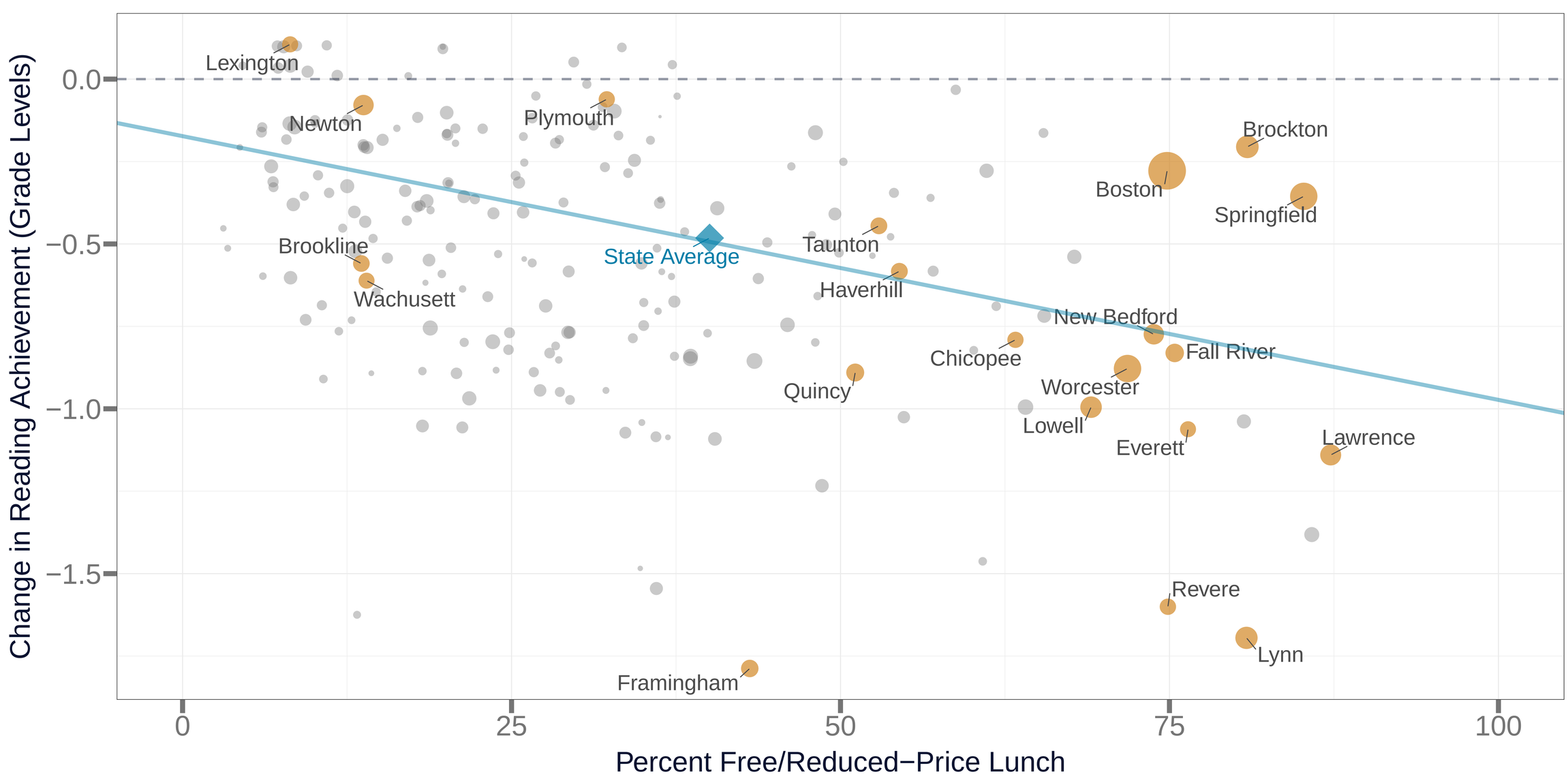

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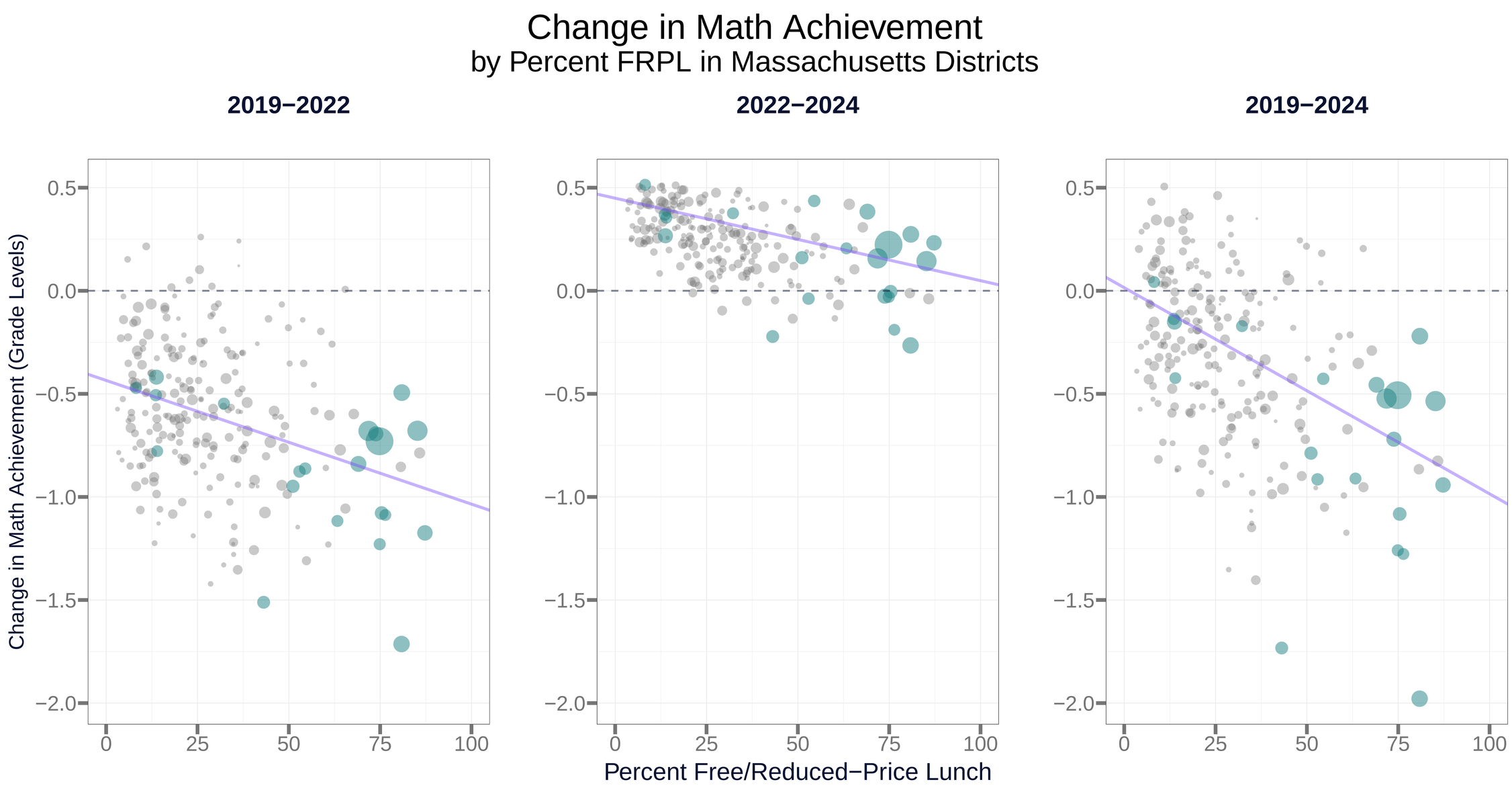

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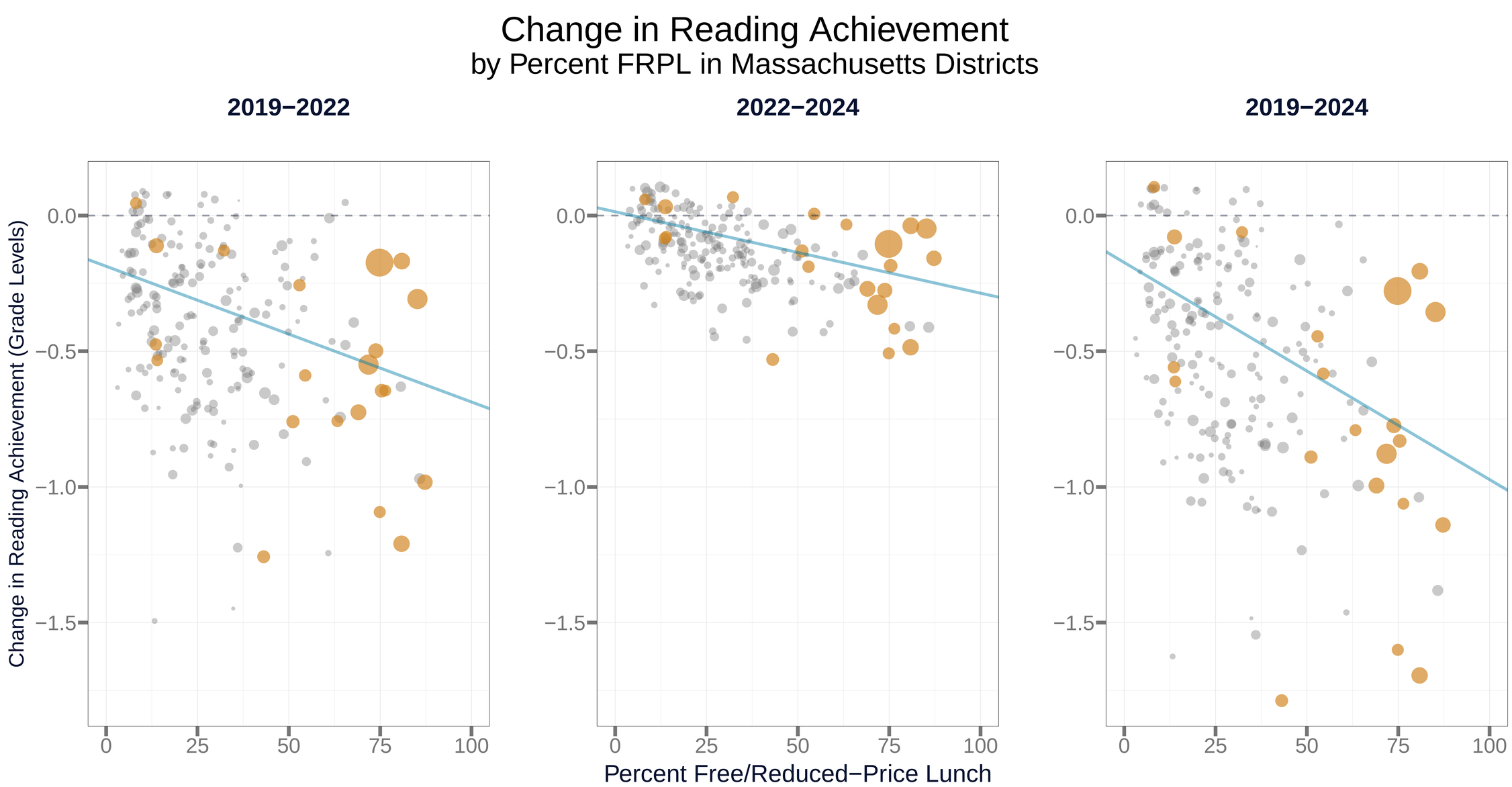

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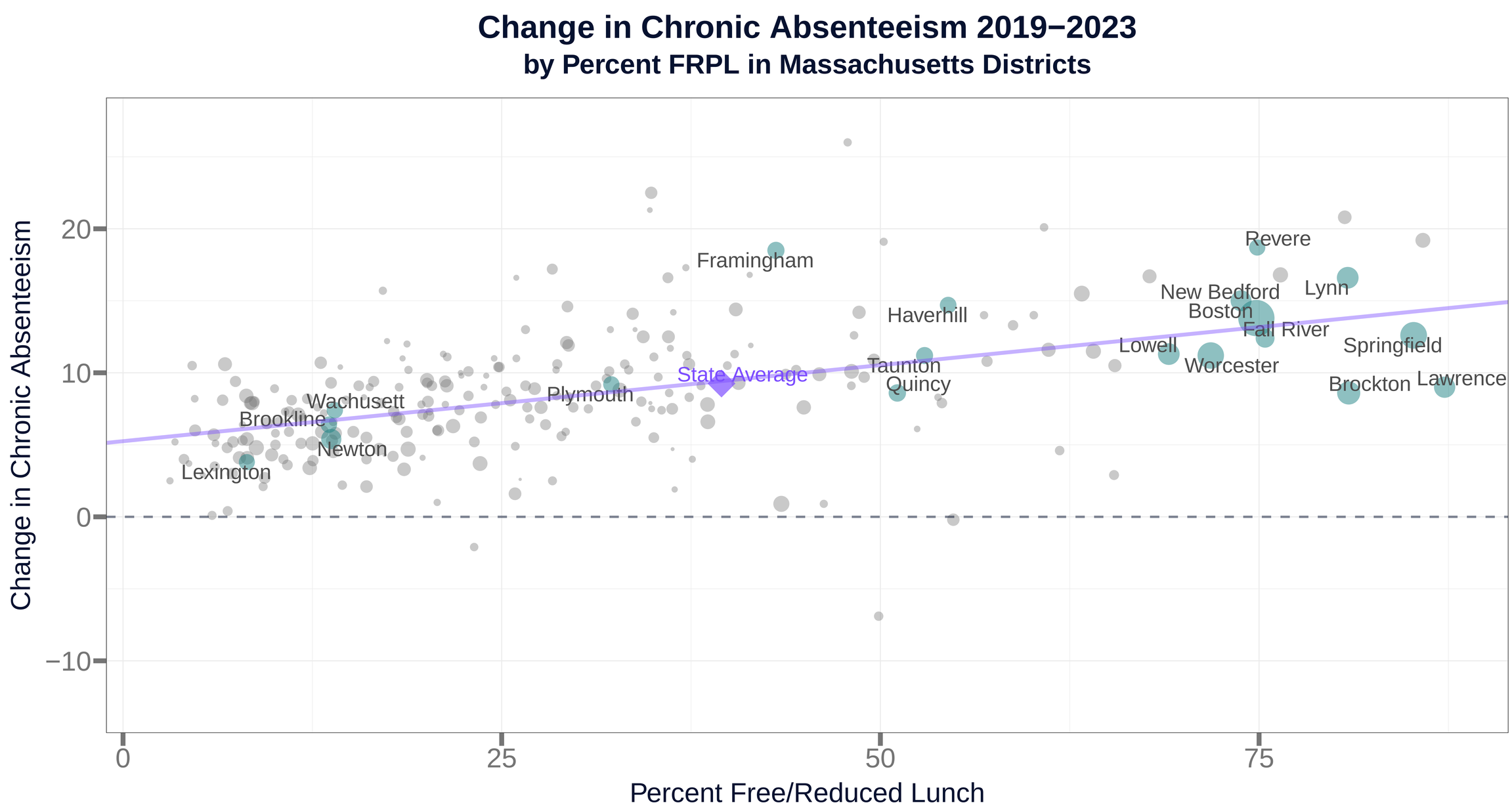

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